

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 1998 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1998 Regular Session.

1998 ACTS—ACTS 63 through 91 (numerical)

<i>Act No.</i>	<i>Enact. Date</i>	<i>Bill No.</i>	<i>Prntr's No.</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
1998-63	June 5	SB97	PN1417	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—government agency appeals and editorial changes
1998-64	June 5	SB1168	PN1990	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Fayette and York counties
1998-65	June 11	HB80	PN3187	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—unauthorized school bus entry
1998-66	June 11	HB1756	PN3524	60 days	Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole Law—power to parole
1998-67	June 11	SB770	PN2001	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—arraignment by audio-video communication
1998-68	June 17	SB91	PN2082	Immediately*	Insurance Company Law of 1921, The—omnibus amendments
1998-69	June 18	SB540	PN569	60 days	Real Estate Tax Sale Law—limitations on owners and purchases from repository for unsold property
1998-70	June 18	SB543	PN2054	Immediately*	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-71	June 18	HB135	PN3736	Immediately*	Administrative Code of 1929, The—osteoporosis prevention and education program
1998-72	June 18	HB1108	PN3647	Immediately*	County Code, The—assistant district attorneys and contract procedures
1998-73	June 18	HB1480	PN3643	60 days	Names (54 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-74	June 18	HB1502	PN3699	Immediately*	Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code (20 Pa.C.S.)—anatomical gifts and Organ Donation Awareness Trust Fund contributions
1998-75	June 18	HB1597	PN3672	Immediately*	Public Bathing Law—lifeguard requirements and swimming pool pesticides
1998-76	June 18	HB1778	PN3738	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—terroristic threats and obscene and other sexual materials
1998-77	June 18	HB1979	PN3645	Immediately	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—twenty year limitation expiration date extended
1998-78	June 18	SB185	PN2083	Immediately	Highway Capital Budget Project Itemization Act of 1996—1997—enactment
1998-79	June 18	SB220	PN2075	Immediately*	County Code, The—omnibus amendments
1998-80	June 18	SB252	PN2023	60 days	Death penalty—execution procedure and method
1998-81	June 18	SB253	PN254	60 days	Sunshine Act—political subdivision defined
1998-82	June 18	SB284	PN2028	Immediately	Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act—omnibus amendments
1998-83	June 18	SB420	PN2021	60 days	Names (54 Pa.C.S.)—name change orders procedure

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1998-84	June 18	SB640	PN2065	Immediately*	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-85	June 18	SB888	PN2036	Immediately*	Boiler and Unfired Pressure Vessel Law—enactment
1998-86	June 18	SB1164	PN2077	Immediately*	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments
1998-87	June 18	SB1203	PN1794	60 days	Public Television Network System Law—commission composition and members' terms
1998-88	June 18	SB1269	PN1972	Immediately	Education (24 Pa.C.S) and State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-89	June 18	SB1296	PN2073	60 days	Second Class County Code—county employee retirement allowances and appointment of joint tax collector
1998-90	June 18	SB1423	PN1922	Immediately	Agriculture-Linked Investment Program Act—omnibus amendments
1998-91	June 18	HB10	PN3739	Jan. 1, 1999	Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa.C.S.)—dam marking

1998 APPROPRIATIONS—ACTS 41A through 43A (numerical)

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1998-41A	June 18	HB2355	PN3387	July 1, 1998	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission—operation
1998-42A	June 18	HB2356	PN3618	July 1, 1998	Office of Consumer Advocate—operation
1998-43A	June 18	HB2541	PN3454	Immediately	Department of Labor and Industry—operation

1998 JOINT RESOLUTIONS—JR 2 and 3 (numerical)

<i>Jr. No.</i>	<i>Filing Date</i>	<i>Bill No.</i>	<i>Prntr's No.</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
1998-JR2	June 9	SB555	PN1988	Trial by jury—rights of Commonwealth
1998-JR3	June 10	HB114	PN3694	Legislative reapportionment and judicial retirement—Legislative Reapportionment Commission organization and functions and judges and district justices retirement

* with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified above for laws and appropriation acts were contained in the applicable law or appropriation act. Where no date is specified of where the effective date specified is prior to the date of enactment, the effective date is 60 days after final enactment except for statutes making appropriations or affecting budgets of political subdivisions. See 1 Pa.C.S. §§ 1701—1704 (relating to effective dates of statutes).

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