

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 92 through 98 (numerical)

<i>Act No.</i>	<i>Enactment Date</i>	<i>Bill No.</i>	<i>Printer's No.</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
1998-92	Oct. 6	HB2328	PN3614	Immediately	Pennsylvania Keystone Opportunity Zone Act—enactment
1998-93	Oct. 15	SB254	PN2218	90 days	Public Officers (65 Pa.C.S.)—enactment
1998-94	Oct. 16	SB283	PN2060	60 days	Agriculture Code (3 Pa.C.S.)—aquacultural development and powers and duties of Department of Agriculture
1998-95	Oct. 16	SB996	PN2024	90 days	Health Care Facilities Act—hospice services
1998-96	Oct. 16	SB1163	PN2168	Immediately*	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—advisory councils for veterans' homes, pay of members on special duty and charitable status of veterans' organizations
1998-97	Oct. 16	HB591	PN2587	60 days	Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code—joint municipal curative amendments
1998-98	Oct. 16	HB656	PN2505	120 days	Insurance Company Law of 1921—reimbursement for diabetic supplies and hearing aid coverage

1998 Appropriations—Act 44A (numerical)

<i>Act No.</i>	<i>Enactment Date</i>	<i>Bill No.</i>	<i>Printer's No.</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
1998-44A	Oct. 16	HB2361	PN3980	Immediately	Lincoln University—operation, instruction, accounting methods and fiscal information disclosure, etc.

* 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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