

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During 2002 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2002 Regular Session.

2002 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 003 through 012

<i>Doc. No.</i>	<i>Date of Action</i>	<i>Bill Number</i>	<i>Printer's Number</i>	<i>Effective Date</i>	<i>Subject Matter</i>
003	Jan 31	SB0607	PN1680	immediately*	Elections (25 Pa.C.S.)—enactment
004	Feb 13	HB1813	PN2681	immediately	Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act—practice of professional counseling and exemption from licensure
005	Feb 21	HB1333	PN3184	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—Internet child pornography
006	Feb 21	SB0400	PN1466	60 days	Physical Therapy Practice Act—omnibus amendments
007	Feb 21	SB0765	PN0855	60 days	Borough Code, The—State Association of Boroughs and regional borough associations
008	Feb 21	SB1169	PN1714	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Indiana and Allegheny counties
009	Feb 21	SB0767	PN0857	60 days	Second Class Township Code, The—State Association of Township Supervisors and county associations
010	Feb 21	HB1519	PN3264	immediately*	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments
011	Feb 21	HB1830	PN3242	immediately	Sewage Treatment Plant and Waterworks Operators' Certification Act—omnibus amendments
012	Feb 21	HB1948	PN2537	60 days	Second Class Township Code, The—real property

2002 JOINT RESOLUTIONS PASSED—JR 001

001	Jan 29	SB0211	PN0093		Constitution of Pennsylvania—rights of accused in criminal prosecutions and judicial administration
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* 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 or 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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Section 1106 of Title 1 of the *Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes* provides that the prothonotaries of each county shall file advance copies of statutes in their offices for public inspection until the Laws of Pennsylvania are generally available. Section 2406(h) of The Administrative Code of 1929 provides that the Department of General Services shall distribute advance sheets of the Laws of Pennsylvania to each law judge of the courts, to every county and public library of this Commonwealth and to each member of the General Assembly. These copies shall be furnished without charge. The Department shall also mail one copy of each law enacted during any legislative session to any person who pays to it the sum of \$20.

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