

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 2002 Regular Session of the General Assembly

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

<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>
2002 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 030 through 039					
030	Apr 17	SB0016	PN1842	immediately	Municipal Police Pension Law—members benefits and payment into police pension funds
031	Apr 17	HB1536	PN3477	60 days	Borough Code, The—shade tree commission composition
032	Apr 17	HB1923	PN3463	60 days	Recorder of Deeds Fee Law—document recording fee in home rule charter counties
033	Apr 17	HB2129	PN2841	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—unlawful possession of retail or library theft instruments
034	Apr 18	HB2545	PN3726	immediately*	Congressional Redistricting Act of 2002—enactment
035	Apr 18	SB0705	PN1860	60 days	Public School Code of 1949—integrated pest management programs in schools
036	Apr 18	HB1289	PN3678	immediately*	Public School Code of 1949—unfunded debt in distressed school districts approval, educational assessment centers and notification of school pesticide treatments
037	Apr 23	HB2048	PN2698	60 days	Conveyance—reversion of Commonwealth property in Northampton County
038	Apr 23	HB0027	PN3727	immediately*	Education (24 Pa.C.S.) and State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
039	Apr 23	HB1935	PN3725	immediately	Main Street Act—enactment

* 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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