

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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2002 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 113 through 122					
113	Oct 2	HB1952	PN4048	60 days	Urban Redevelopment Law—redevelopment contract provisions, blighted property removal and statute of limitations
114	Oct 2	HB2164	PN4204	immediately*	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
115	Oct 2	HB2398	PN3983	immediately	Job Enhancement Act—small business definitions and loan eligibility and terms
116	Oct 2	HB0582	PN4169	immediately*	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—criminal mischief, institutional vandalism, criminal trespass and retail theft
117	Oct 2	HB0767	PN4160	60 days	Automobile Lemon Law—returned motor vehicle resale
118	Oct 2	SB0483	PN2179	immediately	Board of Claims Act—compensation for Board of Claims members and hearing panels and authority to resolve protests of solicitations or awards
119	Oct 2	SB1035	PN2178	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Franklin, Chester, Wayne and Lackawanna counties
120	Oct 2	SB1045	PN2170	immediately	Job Enhancement Act—eligibility and definitions
121	Oct 2	HB0219	PN1510	60 days	Crime Victims Act—victim advocate powers and duties, parole notification to victim and petitions to deny parole upon expiration of minimum sentence
122	Oct 2	HB2322	PN4289	Nov. 1, 2002	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account, Access to Justice Account and imposition of fees

* with exceptions

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123	Oct. 4	SB0238	PN2176	immediately*	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
124	Oct. 4	HB0927	PN4199	immediately	General County Assessment Law, The—taxation subjects enumerated, taxation limitation and imposition of certain taxes prohibited
125	Oct. 4	HB0928	PN4200	immediately	Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law, The—taxation subjects enumerated, taxation limitation and imposition of certain taxes prohibited

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