

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 the 2002 Regular Session.

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2002 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 134 through 227					
134	Nov 20	SB0834	PN2319	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—sexual abuse of children and unlawful contact or communication with minor
135	Nov 25	HB0286	PN4567	30 days	Dental Law—Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs functions and anesthesia
136	Nov 25	HB2207	PN4559	60 days	Engineer, Land Surveyor and Geologist Registration Law—licensed geologists board appointments and professional land surveyor licensing
137	Nov 25	SB1461	PN2277	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Delaware County
138	Nov 25	SB1243	PN1600	July 1, 2002	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—Game Fund revenue allocation
139	Nov 25	SB1459	PN2254	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Lackawanna, Washington and Westmoreland Counties
140	Nov 27	HB0590	PN4686	immediately	Civil Service Act—omnibus amendments
141	Dec 3	HB0850	PN4678	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—liquor, malt or brewed beverages purchase, consumption, possession or transportation and inducement of minors to buy
142	Dec 3	HB2674	PN4710	immed/etc	Procurement (62 Pa.C.S.) and Public Welfare (67 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
143	Dec 3	HB1493	PN4156	immediately	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—ethnic intimidation
144	Dec 3	SB0807	PN2442	immediately	Crime Victims Act—awards and transfer to crime victim's compensation fund
145	Dec 6	HB2858	PN4327	immediately	Italo S. Cappabianca Memorial Highway—designation
146	Dec 6	HB2772	PN4630	immediately	Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law—Targeted Community Revitalization and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee establishment and powers and duties
147	Dec 6	SB1416	PN2353	immed/etc	Insurance Department Act of 1921—insurance producers, managers and general agents licensing and regulation, powers and duties, referral fees and penalties
148	Dec 6	SB1554	PN2394	60 days	Regulatory Review Act—omnibus amendments
149	Dec 6	HB2860	PN4712	immediately	Tobacco Settlement Act—universal research enhancement, Tobacco Settlement Investment Board and eligibility for PACE and PACENET
150	Dec 9	SB0824	PN2435	immed/etc	Pennsylvania Election Code—omnibus amendments
151	Dec 9	HB0851	PN4679	July 1, 2003	Notary Public Law—omnibus amendments
152	Dec 9	HB0152	PN4693	immed/etc	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
153	Dec 9	HB0204	PN4696	immediately	Public School Code of 1949—employment criminal background checks, state report card, collection of data and health recommendations
154	Dec 9	HB0235	PN4677	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—name or likeness unauthorized publication and right of action
155	Dec 9	HB0401	PN4746	180 days	Clay and Coal Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund—purpose, disbursements, inflation protection, audits and subrogation, department report and subsidence insurance
156	Dec 9	HB0591	PN4715	immediately	Unemployment Compensation Law—omnibus amendments
157	Dec 9	HB0592	PN4353	60 days	Public School Code of 1949—United States flag display and ceremonies

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158	Dec 9	HB0731	PN4716	60 days	Unemployment Compensation Law—omnibus amendments
159	Dec 9	HB0878	PN4708	30 days	Procurement (62 Pa.C.S.)—supplies manufactured and services performed by persons with disabilities
160	Dec 9	HB0967	PN1108	60 days	Medical Practice Act of 1985—physician assistant licenses
161	Dec 9	HB0974	PN2937	60 days	Child Labor Law—regulated employment and youth peddling
162	Dec 9	HB0976	PN4725	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
163	Dec 9	HB1255	PN1458	60 days	Unclaimed garment disposal—unclaimed footwear and other items left with shoe repairers
164	Dec 9	HB1686	PN4603	immediately	Library Code—incentive for excellence funds for local library use
165	Dec 9	HB1696	PN4583	60 days	Conservation and Natural Resources Act—transfer of funds for State forests
166	Dec 9	HB1700	PN4023	60 days	Local Tax Enabling Act—delegation of taxing powers and restrictions
167	Dec 9	HB1742	PN4632	60 days	Veterinary Medicine Practice Act—omnibus amendments
168	Dec 9	HB1804	PN4006	90 days	Pooled Trust Act—enactment
169	Dec 9	HB1900	PN3864	60 days	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—unemployment compensation benefits
170	Dec 9	HB1947	PN4750	immediately	Second Class County Code—tax levies, authority to sell or lease real property, separate specifications for contract and eminent domain proceedings
171	Dec 9	HB2055	PN4694	60 days	Elder Care Payment Restitution Act—enactment
172	Dec 9	HB2070	PN4743	immed/etc	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—restoration of firearm rights, unlawful contact with minor and contingent compensation
173	Dec 9	HB2131	PN2843	immediately	History Code (37 Pa.C.S.)—Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission powers and duties, publications and reproductions
174	Dec 9	HB2183	PN4638	immediately	First-Level Supervisor Collective Bargaining Act—enactment
175	Dec 9	HB2190	PN4681	immediately	Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act—recycling fee sunset provisions, recycling fund, awarding of grants and recycling program development
176	Dec 9	HB2196	PN4662	90 days	Shaken Baby Syndrome Education Act—enactment
177	Dec 9	HB2256	PN4587	immediately	Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act—licensure requirements exemption
178	Dec 9	HB2296	PN3724	immediately	Allegheny, Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Washington and Westmoreland Counties highways and interchanges—designations
179	Dec 9	HB2350	PN3262	60 days	Public Eating and Drinking Place Law—Department of Agriculture powers, school cafeteria health and safety inspections and training
180	Dec 9	HB2411	PN4509	60 days	Athletics and Sports (5 Pa.C.S.)—athlete agents
181	Dec 9	HB2424	PN3440	60 days	Dual Party Relay Service and Telecommunication Device Distribution Program Act—people or persons with disability definition expansion
182	Dec 9	HB2444	PN3545	60 days	Workers' Compensation Act—local coordinators of emergency management included as employees of municipalities
183	Dec 9	HB2445	PN4722	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—cruelty to animals and drug trafficking sentencing and penalties
184	Dec 9	HB2456	PN3493	60 days	Deputy Sheriffs' Education and Training Act—reimbursement to counties

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185	Dec 9	HB2595	PN4633	60 days	Second Class County Code—retirement allowance eligibility
186	Dec 9	HB2599	PN4589	90 days	Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act—licensing, sanctions, administration, records, contracts, assignments for insurance, finance costs, refinancing, repossession and redemption, etc.
187	Dec 9	HB2644	PN4690	immed/etc	Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments
188	Dec 9	HB2725	PN4728	60 days	Allegheny, Bucks, Dauphin, Huntingdon, Indiana, Lancaster, Mifflin, Northumberland, Schuylkill, Snyder, Susquehanna and Westmoreland Counties highways, bridges and interchanges—designations
189	Dec 9	HB2729	PN4723	60 days	Travel and Tourism Act—enactment
190	Dec 9	HB2842	PN4719	immed/etc	Agriculture Code (3 Pa.C.S.)—Cervidae livestock operations, indemnification, depopulation incentive, Food Employee Certification Advisory Board membership and duties and employee certification
191	Dec 9	HB2898	PN4419	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Wayne County
192	Dec 9	HB2910	PN4739	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Allegheny, Butler, Dauphin, Fayette and Indiana Counties
193	Dec 9	HB2923	PN4588	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Chester County
194	Dec 9	HB2924	PN4486	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Allegheny, Centre, Chester, Crawford and Tioga Counties
195	Dec 9	HB2963	PN4635	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Berks, Carbon, Delaware, Indiana, Somerset and Westmoreland Counties
196	Dec 9	HB2971	PN4629	immediately	Mayor and town council members—salary limitations
197	Dec 9	SB0014	PN2379	60 days	Mortgage Satisfaction Act—enactment
198	Dec 9	SB0413	PN2385	60 day	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—Substance Abuse Education, Demand Reduction Fund and imposing assessments
199	Dec 9	SB0463	PN2445	60 days	Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa.C.S.)—mandatory boater education program establishment, passenger-carrying boat and fees
200	Dec 9	SB0460	PN2321	60 days	Check Cashier Licensing Act—license terms and fees, fees and charges
201	Dec 9	SB0654	PN2386	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)—newborn protection
202	Dec 9	SB0813	PN2358	immediately	Workers' Compensation Act—discount rate on workers' compensation insurance policies
203	Dec 9	SB0879	PN2426	60 days	Public Utility Code (66 Pa.C.S.)—surcharge recoverability and offset and electricity supplied to organizations
204	Dec 9	SB1179	PN2441	immed/etc	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Beaver, Bedford, Delaware, Greene, Montgomery and Northumberland Counties
205	Dec 9	SB1204	PN1547	immediately	Political subdivisions public records—record copying methods in cities and counties other than first class
206	Dec 9	SB1208	PN2388	60 days	Professional Nursing Law—State Board of Nursing duties, certified nurse practitioners' scope of practice and prescriptive authority and Drug Review Committee establishment
207	Dec 9	SB1222	PN2158	60 days	Credit Union Code (17 Pa.C.S.)—parity with Federal credit unions and involuntary dissolution
208	Dec 9	SB1242	PN2420	immediately	Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission Capital Budget Act for 2002-2003—enactment
209	Dec 9	SB1258	PN2421	immediately	Department of Banking Code—omnibus amendment

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210	Dec 9	SB1290	PN1699	immediately	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—Pennsylvania National Guard Authorization to operate State-owned vehicles for security purposes
211	Dec 9	SB1325	PN1990	immed/etc	Agriculture Code (3 Pa.C.S.)—animal exhibition sanitation and penalties
212	Dec 9	SB1365	PN2412	immed/etc	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments
213	Dec 9	SB1370	PN2428	immediately	Job Enhancement Act—omnibus amendments
214	Dec 9	SB1421	PN2382	immediately	Religious Freedom Protection Act—enactment
215	Dec 9	SB1452	PN2439	immed/etc	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
216	Dec 9	SB1453	PN2450	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Chester and Dauphin Counties
217	Dec 9	SB1478	PN2438	immediately	Keystone Opportunity Zone and Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone Act—omnibus amendments
218	Dec 9	SB1515	PN2399	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—harassment and stalking
219	Dec 9	SB1576	PN2365	immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Centre County
220	Dec 16	HB2302	PN4697	immed/etc	Environmental Resources (27 Pa.C.S.)—Agricultural Advisory Board establishment, powers and review and water resources planning, administration and enforcement
221	Dec 16	HB2574	PN4740	immediately	Liquor Code—retail dispensers' restrictions, unlawful acts, identification cards, limited wineries, distilleries and business hours
222	Dec 16	HB2614	PN4364	90 days	Unsolicited Telecommunication Advertisement Act—enactment
223	Dec 16	HB2741	PN4624	immediately	Highway-Railroad and Highway Bridge Capital Budget Supplemental Act for 2002-2003 (line item veto)
224	Dec 16	HB2778	PN4741	immed/etc	Workforce Development Act—staff and operations, job training grants and workforce development courses
225	Dec 16	SB0831	PN2289	immediately	Optometric Practice and Licensure Act—pharmaceutical agent requirements for glaucoma treatment and drug approval
226	Dec 16	SB1402	PN2429	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—rape, involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, aggravated indecent assault, forgery, computer offenses and penalties
227	Dec 16	SB1569	PN2393	30 days	Counterterrorism Planning, Preparedness and Response Act—enactment
2002 VETOES OF BILLS—VETO 002					
002	Dec 16	HB1553	PN4748	immed/etc	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified previously 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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