

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 the 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 228 through 237					
228	Dec 23	HB1974	PN4685	immediately	Project 70 lands—Northumberland County release and imposition of restrictions
229	Dec 23	HB2410	PN4453	immed/etc	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
230	Dec 30	SB1100	PN2436	immed/etc	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
231	Dec 30	HB1331	PN4731	immed/etc.	Administrative Code of 1929—gubernatorial appointments, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission membership and lists of employees to State officers
232	Dec 30	SB0958	PN2437	immediately	Tax Reform Code of 1971—corporation interests in unincorporated entities for corporate net income tax, capital stock and franchise tax
233	Dec 30	SB1528	PN2244	60 days	Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Fund—deposit
234	Dec 30	SB0315	PN2451	immed/etc	Education (24 Pa.C.S.) and State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—termination of annuities, retention and reinstatement of service credits for supplemental annuities and benefits completion plan
235	Dec 30	HB1945	PN4709	60 days	Improvement of Deteriorating Real Property or Areas Tax Exemption Act—exemption schedules for deteriorating dwelling and area improvement
236	Dec 30	HB2863	PN4720	immediately	Speaker K. Leroy Irvis and North Office Building—designation and use
237	Dec 30	HB2892	PN4742	immediately	First Class City Business Tax Reform Act—tax measurement year, tax payment, period used in computation of tax and continuation of tax

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).

Advance Copies of Statutes

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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