

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2003 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>
2003 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 029 through 030					
029	Oct 23	HB0077	PN2634	60 days	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—initiative of electors seeking consolidation or merger without home rule or with new home rule charter, conduct of referenda and consolidation or merger agreements
030	Oct 23	SB0846	PN1033	immediately	Project 70 lands—Willistown Township, Chester County, release and imposition of restrictions

* denotes an effective date 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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