

# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## Recent Actions during the 2004 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2004 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>
<b>2004 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 015 through 021</b>					
015	Mar 24	HB0100	PN3430	immediately	Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Stabilization Act—enactment
016	Mar 24	HB0349	PN1573	60 days	Urban Redevelopment Law—further defining “city”
017	Mar 24	HB2004	PN3308	immediately*	Compact relating to Pymatuning Lake—operation of motor boats
018	Mar 24	HB1236	PN1520	60 days	Second Class Township Code, The—shade tree commission members
019	Mar 24	HB1235	PN1519	60 days	First Class Township Code, The—shade tree commission members
020	Mar 24	HB0514	PN1792	immediately	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—offensive littering
021	Mar 24	HB1423	PN3386	60 days	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)—volunteer relinquishment to adults intending to adopt, for alternative procedure, for reports of intention and for consent

\* 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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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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