

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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2004 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 041 through 045					
041	Jun 23	SB1047	PN1455	immediately	Project 70 lands—Wharton Township, Fayette County, release and imposition of restrictions
042	Jun 23	HB1972	PN2571	60 days	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—offense of resisting or interfering with an officer
043	Jun 23	HB0565	PN3985	July 1, 2004	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—safety zones for hunters using bows and arrows or crossbows
044	Jun 23	HB0304	PN4020	60 days	Medical Practice Act of 1985—home health care services ordered by physicians from another state
045	Jun 23	SB0989	PN1428	immediately	Commonwealth property—conveyances in North Versailles Township, Allegheny County, and City of Lock Haven, Clinton County

* denotes an effective date with exceptions

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046	Jun 28	SB0815	PN1688	immediately	Insurance Department Act of 1921—policyholder collateral, deductible reimbursements and other policyholder obligations
047	Jun 28	SB1059	PN1473	60 days	Port of Philadelphia—rates of pilotage

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048	Jun 28	HB0659	PN4057	immediately	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—lawful cooperation or assistance by unlicensed persons
049	Jun 28	HB1809	PN4083	immediately	Commercial Manure Hauler and Broker Certification Act—enactment
050	Jun 28	HB2273	PN3496	60 days	Civil Service Act—examinations requisite for appointment and promotion
051	Jun 28	SB0427	PN1081	60 days	Real and Personal Property (68 Pa.C.S.)—required contractual provision regarding home inspections, reliance by buyer and engineers and architects

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