

# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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<b>2005 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 080 through 081</b>					
080	Dec 16	HB0163	PN3311	Immediately	Unemployment Compensation Law—compensation rates
081	Dec 16	HB1539	PN3176	Immediately	The Fiscal Code—reports to Secretary of Revenue and establishment of an appropriation to Emergency Energy Assistance Fund

\* denotes an effective date with exceptions

### Effective Dates of Statutes

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<b>2005 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 082 through 096</b>					
082	Dec 22	SB0358	PN1141	60 days	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—limitations in educational assistance program
083	Dec 22	SB0869	PN1406	60 days	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—health insurance benefits extended for certain military personnel deployed while full-time students
084	Dec 22	HB1049	PN3153	60 days	Barbers' License Law—barber-teacher license application, examination and barber shop operation requirements
085	Dec 22	HB1686	PN3174	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—paintball guns and paintball markers offenses, criminal mischief and sale and use of air rifles

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086	Dec 22	HB1690	PN3218	60 days	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—unlawful devices and methods and license requirements
087	Dec 22	HB1802	PN2566	Immediately	Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act—omnibus amendments
088	Dec 22	HB2041	PN3327	Immediately	Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (MCARE) Act—omnibus amendments
089	Dec 22	SB0394	PN1400	Immediately	Municipal Police Pension Law—payments under existing pension plans for service increments to pensions of police officers
090	Dec 22	SB0539	PN0872	60 days	Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—private property trespass while hunting offense and penalties
091	Dec 22	SB0573	PN1382	Immediately	Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law—valuation of persons and property
092	Dec 22	SB0596	PN0616	60 days	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Borough of Ambridge, Beaver County
093	Dec 22	SB0618	PN1359	60 days	Equine Activity Immunity Act—enactment
094	Dec 22	SB0712	PN1410	180 days	Breach of Personal Information Notification Act—enactment
095	Dec 22	SB0736	PN1411	Immediately	Pennsylvania Construction Code—regulations and applicability on certain uncertified buildings
096	Dec 22	SB0895	PN1417	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—police animals
<b>2005 APPROPRIATION ACTS ENACTED—ACT 040A</b>					
040	Dec 22	SB1034	PN1398	Immediately	General Appropriation Act of 2005—increasing State appropriation for payment of law enforcement officers' and emergency response personnel death benefits

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# COMMISSION ON SENTENCING

## Meetings Scheduled

The Commission on Sentencing announces the following public meetings to be held at The Harrisburg Hilton and Towers Hotel, One North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101:

Tuesday, February 7, 2006	Dinner/Work Session	6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 8, 2006	Quarterly Commission Meeting	9 a.m.

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