

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2006 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2006 Regular Session.

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2006 GENERAL ACTS OF REGULAR SESSION ENACTED—ACT 151 through 189					
151	Nov 20	SB0854	PN2207	Immediately	Tax Reform Code of 1971—personal income tax and strategic development areas
152	Nov 22	SB1166	PN2257	Immediately	Capital Budget and Project Itemization Act of 2006-2007—enactment
153	Nov 29	HB0105	PN4946	60 days	Procurement (62 Pa.C.S.—cooperative purchase of fire, rescue and ambulance company supplies
154	Nov 29	HB0183	PN4383	60 days	Local taxing options and land trusts
155	Nov 29	HB0446	PN4948	Immediately	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments
156	Nov 29	HB0854	PN4867	180 days	Public Utility Confidential Security Information Disclosure Protection Act—enactment
157	Nov 29	HB0881	PN4940	Jan 1, 2007	Pennsylvania Construction Code Act—administration and enforcement, applications and inspections, changes in Uniform Construction Code, appeals, education and training programs and exemptions
158	Nov 29	HB2003	PN2754	60 days	County Code—assistant county solicitors
159	Nov 29	HB2133	PN4822	Immediately*	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
160	Nov 29	HB2134	PN4868	Immediately*	Social Security Number Privacy Act—enactment
161	Nov 29	HB2296	PN4944	Immediately*	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—retention of licenses of persons entering military service, disabled veterans' real estate tax exemption and duty of commission
162	Nov 29	HB2563	PN3806	60 days	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—possession of firearm for protection of self or others
163	Nov 29	SB0180	PN2238	Jan 1, 2007	Credit Reporting Agency Law—enactment
164	Nov 29	SB0198	PN0787	Immediately	Floral Transaction and Consumer Protection Act—enactment
165	Nov 29	SB0439	PN2203	60 days	Sexual Assault Testing and Evidence Collection Act—enactment
166	Nov 29	SB0513	PN1717	60 days	Second Class Township Code—removing references to elected assessors
167	Nov 29	SB0514	PN2124	60 days	Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law—omnibus amendments
168	Nov 29	SB0583	PN2214	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—racketeering activity, arson and related offenses and unsworn falsification to authorities
169	Nov 29	SB0628	PN2117	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code (20 Pa.C.S.)—neglect of care-dependent person, living wills and health care powers of attorney, implementation of out-of-hospital nonresuscitation

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170	Nov 29	SB0655	PN2171	60 days	Engineer, Land Surveyor and Geologist Registration Law—general powers of State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists and continuing education requirements
171	Nov 29	SB0665	PN1260	60 days	Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code (20 Pa.C.S.)—grant of letters of administration and administration of estates
172	Nov 29	SB0669	PN2250	60 days	Administrative Law and Procedure (2 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—court and administrative proceedings interpreters
173	Nov 29	SB0770	PN2215	120 days	Electronic Transactions Act—definition of “United States Postal Service Electronic Postmark” and acceptance and distribution of electronic records
174	Nov 29	SB0811	PN1814	60 days	County Pension Law—transfers between certain classes and additional class options
175	Nov 29	SB0845	PN2100	60 days	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)—court-appointed child custody health care or behavioral health practitioners
176	Nov 29	SB0860	PN2091	180 days	Plain Language Consumer Contract Act—contractual
177	Nov 29	SB0922	PN2046	60 days	Children’s Trust Fund Act—Children’s Trust Fund Board powers and duties and Department of Public Welfare powers and duties
178	Nov 29	SB0944	PN2099	Jan 1, 2007	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
179	Nov 29	SB1054	PN2247	Immediately*	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.), Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
180	Nov 29	SB1095	PN2113	60 days	Rail Freight Preservation and Improvement Act—program authority and definitions
181	Nov 29	SB1104	PN2127	Immediately*	Underground Utility Line Protection Law—omnibus amendments
182	Nov 29	SB1139	PN2249	Immediately	Tax Reform Code of 1971—classes of income in personal income tax
183	Nov 29	SB1206	PN2253	Immediately*	Canon-McMillan Alumni Bridge, Francis H. “Bud” Scherer, Roy W. Cornell, William F. Renwick & Dominic P. Serapiglia Memorial Highways, Dr. Ray F. Birchard Memorial Bridge, Mayor John D. McClelland Honorary Highway, “Gateways to East/West/PA”—designations
184	Nov 29	SB1209	PN2047	July 1, 2007	Healthy Farms and Healthy Schools Act—enactment
185	Nov 29	SB1218	PN1945	60 days	Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law—defining “internet service provider”
186	Nov 29	SB1235	PN2106	60 days	Acupuncture Registration Act—regulation of the practice of acupuncture and providing for medical diagnosis
187	Nov 29	SB1263	PN1932	60 days	Fiscal Code—property subject to custody and control of Commonwealth in abandoned and unclaimed property

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188	Nov 29	SB1285	PN2251	Immediately*	State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—credited State service and classes of service
189	Nov 29	SB1331	PN2166	Immediately	Tax Reform Code of 1971—exclusions from sales and use tax
2006 VETOES OF REGULAR SESSION OF BILLS—VETO 013					
013	Nov 29	HB0471	PN4947	Immediately*	Administrative Code of 1929—omnibus amendments

*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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