THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2008 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during 2008 Regular Session.

Doc. No.	Date of Action	Bill Number	Printer's Number	Effective Date	Subject Matter
2008 GENERAL ACTS OF REGULAR SESSION ENACTED—ACT 014 through 016					
014	May 13	SB0638	PN1615	60 days	Cancer Drug Repository Program Act—enactment
015	May 13	SB1017	PN1269	Immediately*	Phosphate Detergent Act—exclusions and exceptions
016	May 13	SB1278	PN1844	Immediately*	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)—child medical support, annual fees, orders of support, effect of incarceration, pass-through of support and assignment of support

^{*} denotes an effective date with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified previously 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).

Advance Copies of Statutes

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 (Department) 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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