

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2010 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2010 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>
2010 GENERAL ACTS OF REGULAR SESSION ENACTED—ACT 001 through 008					
001	Jan 7	SB0711	PN1586	Immediately*	Amusements (4 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
002	Feb 1	HB0458	PN1377	60 days	Queen Aliquippa Bridge—designation
003	Feb 1	HB1801	PN2404	60 days	Milton L. Lebowitz Memorial Bridge—designation
004	Feb 1	HB1847	PN2794	Immediately*	Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act—establishment of Coal Bed Methane Review Board and declaration of policy.
005	Feb 1	SB0380	PN0378	Immediately	Christopher E. Loudon Memorial Bridge—designation
006	Feb 17	HB0692	PN2674	60 days	POW/MIA Memorial Bridge, Lt. Colonel Richard J. Berrettini Memorial Bridge, Potter County World War II Veterans Memorial Bridge and Veterans Memorial Gay Street Bridge—designations
007	Feb 17	HB1551	PN1926	Immediately	Crane Operator Licensure Act—licensing without certification
008	Feb 17	SB0125	PN1333	60 days	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act—offenses of methamphetamine production, operating a methamphetamine laboratory, illegal dumping of methamphetamine waste and environmental costs and prohibited acts and penalties

* 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).

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