## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## Recent Actions during the 2011 Regular Session of the General Assembly

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2011 GENERAL ACTS OF REGULAR SESSION ENACTED—ACT 006 through 075							
	006	Jun 17	SB1030	PN1365	Immediately*	Unemployment Compensation Law—omnibus amendments	
	007	Jun 23	SB1006	PN1304	60 days	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act—Schedule I controlled substances	
	008	Jun 24	HB0442	PN2083	Immediately	Real and Personal Property (68 Pa.C.S.)—private transfer fee obligations	
	009	Jun 24	SB0274	PN0250	Immediately	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—unlawful acts concerning licenses, authority to issue permits, permit fees and falconry permits	
	010	Jun 28	HB0040	PN1038	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—use of force in self-protection and protection of other persons, grading of theft offenses, licenses to carry firearms and civil immunity for use of force	
	011	Jun 28	HB0148	PN2144	Immediately*	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments	
	012	Jun 28	HB0373	PN0338	Immediately	Borough Code—general powers	
	013	Jun 28	HB0374	PN0713	Immediately	Incorporated towns—power to convey real property	
	014	Jun 28	SB0358	PN0348	Immediately	First Class Township Code—sales of township personal property	
	015	Jun 28	SB0360	PN0350	Immediately	Third Class City Code—sales of city personal property	
	016	Jun 28	SB0450	PN0433	Immediately	Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa.C.S.)—terms of members of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission	
	017	Jun 28	SB1131	PN1389	Immediately	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—comparative negligence	
	018	Jun 30	HB0015	PN2223	Immediately	Pennsylvania Web Accountability and Transparency (PennWATCH) Act—enact- ment	
	019	Jun 30	HB0385	PN0349	Immediately	Honor and Remember Flag Act—enactment	
	020	Jun 30	HB0440	PN2084	Immediately*	Workers' Compensation Act—insurance for different forms of business, assess- ments and transfers from the Administra- tion Fund	
	021	Jun 30	HB0463	PN2226	Immediately	State Lottery Law—determination of eligibility for pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly	
	022	Jun 30	HB0960	PN2258	July 1, 2011	Public Welfare Code—omnibus amendments	
	023	Jun 30	HB0986	PN1849	July 1, 2011	State Lottery Law—powers and duties of secretary and reports	
	024	Jun 30	HB1352	PN2227	Immediately*	Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments	
	025	Jun 30	SB0330	PN1459	Immediately*	Taxpayer Relief Act—public referendum requirements and installment payment of school real property taxes	
	026	Jun 30	SB0907	PN1452	Immediately*	Fiscal Code—omnibus amendments	

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027	Jun 30	SB1007	PN1121	Immediately	Public Authorities and Quasi—Public Corporations (64 Pa.C.S.)—First Industries Program
028	Jun 30	SB1096	PN1291	Immediately	Insurance Company Law of 1921—omnibus amendments
029	Jun 30	SB1097	PN1279	Immediately	Insurance companies not registered in this Commonwealth, tax on contracts with unauthorized companies and deductions
030	Jul 7	HB0038	PN2224	Immediately	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—surcharges and Commonwealth portion of fines
031	Jul 7	HB0066	PN0030	60 days	Police Chief Thomas J. Malone Memorial Bridge—designation
032	Jul 7	HB0067	PN0066	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—greyhound racing and simulcasting
033	Jul 7	HB0078	PN2241	60 days	Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa.C.S.)—operating watercraft under influence of alcohol or controlled substance and homicide by watercraft while operating under influence
034	Jul 7	HB0143	PN0317	Immediately	Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974—small noncoal surface mining
035	Jul 7	HB0144	PN0711	Immediately	Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974—utilization of land or conveyance of rights for explora- tion or extraction of gas, oil or coal bed methane
036	Jul 7	HB0145	PN0085	60 days	Vietnam Veterans of America Memorial Highway—designation
037	Jul 7	HB0312	PN0267	60 days	Mercer County Veterans Highway—designation
038	Jul 7	HB0345	PN0300	60 days	Military and Veterans Code (51 Pa.C.S.)—burial details for veterans
039	Jul 7	HB0390	PN0354	60 days	George A. Penglase Memorial Parkway—designation
040	Jul 7	HB0396	PN1525	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—drug delivery resulting in death and sentences for second and subsequent offenses
041	Jul 7	HB0399	PN0365	60 days	Staff Sergeant David M. Veverka Veterans Memorial Bridge—designation
042	Jul 7	HB0438	PN0615	60 days	Battle of the Bulge Veterans Memorial Highway—designation amended to include US Route 22 in Whitehall Township, Lehigh County
043	Jul 7	HB0488	PN2225	Immediately	Project 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act—multiple conveyances
044	Jul 7	HB0562	PN2092	Immediately*	Agricultural Area Security Law—purchase of agricultural conservation easements
045	Jul 7	HB0589	PN0573	60 days	Detective Christopher Jones Memorial Highway—designation
046	Jul 7	HB0797	PN0966	Immediately	Workers' Compensation Act—cancer in the occupation of
047	Jul 7	HB0870	PN0908	60 days	Land and water areas available to public for recreational purposes; further defining "recreational purposes"
048	Jul 7	HB0917	PN0980	60 days	Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Lightner Memorial Bridge—designation

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049	Jul 7	HB1173	PN1279	60 days	Transportation (74 Pa.C.S.)—metropolitan transportation authority powers relating to alternative means of raising revenue or reducing expenses
050	Jul 7	HB1219	PN1329	60 days	Donald H. Clark Memorial Bridge—designation
051	Jul 7	HB1255	PN1664	60 days	Wildlife Conservation Officer David L. Grove Memorial Bridge—designation
052	Jul 7	HB1336	PN2091	Immediately	Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act—procedures for registration as con- tractor and prohibited acts
053	Jul 7	HB1448	PN1738	60 days	Incorporated towns—office and powers and duties of town manager
054	Jul 7	HB1449	PN1739	60 days	Borough Code—office and powers and duties of borough manager
055	Jul 7	HB1549	PN2221	60 days	County Code—counties divided into nine classes, how offices of prothonotary, clerks of court, clerk of orphan's court, register of wills and recorder of deeds to be held
056	Jul 7	SB0101	PN1427	60 days	Public Officers (65 Pa.C.S.)—penalty for violations of agency members
057	Jul 7	SB0151	PN1426	60 days	Air Pollution Control Act—disposition of fees, fines and civil penalties
058	Jul 7	SB0163	PN0148	60 days	Brigadier General Richard J. Tallman Memorial Bridge—designation
059	Jul 7	SB0260	PN1400	60 days	Confidentiality of HIV-Related Informa- tion Act—legislative intent, consent to HIV-related tests and counseling
060	Jul 7	SB0263	PN0240	60 days	Regulatory Review Act—proposed regula- tions and procedures for review and crite- ria for review of regulations
061	Jul 7	SB0302	PN0279	60 days	Keystone Recreation, Park and Conserva- tion Fund Act—annual reports
062	Jul 7	SB0326	PN1387	60 days	Vital Statistics Law of 1953—certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth
063	Jul 7	SB0369	PN1409	Immediately	Transportation (74 Pa.C.S.)—designation of West Branch Susquehanna River byway, Clearfield County, as scenic byway
064	Jul 7	SB0387	PN0373	60 days	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—resident license and fee exemptions
065	Jul 7	SB0419	PN1405	60 days	Board of Vehicles Act—reimbursement for all parts and service required by manu- facturer or distributor and reimbursement audits, area of responsibility and grounds for disciplinary proceedings
066	Jul 7	SB0448	PN1458	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—purchase, consumption, possession or transportation of liquor or malt or brewed beverages by minors
067	Jul 7	SB0552	PN1442	Immediately	Workforce Development Act—industry partnerships
068	Jul 7	SB0606	PN0770	60 days	Transportation (74 Pa.C.S.)—designation of Crawford Lakelands Byway as scenic byway
069	Jul 7	SB0723	PN0707	60 days	Carl E. Stotz Memorial Little League Bridge—designation
070	Jul 7	SB0728	PN0734	60 days	Cpl. Harry Raymond Harr Memorial Bridge—designation

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071	Jul 7	SB0745	PN0744	60 days	Rail Freight Preservation and Improvement Act—contracts, procurement and sale of property and competition in award of contracts	
072	Jul 7	SB0791	PN0821	60 days	Bluff Recession and Setback Act—inspections	
073	Jul 7	SB0828	PN0846	60 days	First Class Township Code—office of township manager	
074	Jul 7	SB0829	PN0847	60 days	Second Class Township Code—office of township manager	
075	Jul 7	SB0830	PN0848	60 days	Third Class City Code—office and powers and duties of city administrator or man- ager	
20	11 APPROPRI	ATION ACTS	OF REGULAR	R SESSION ENAC	CTED—ACT 001A through 014A	
001A	Jun 30	HB1485	PN2228	Immediately	General Appropriation Act of 2011—enactment	
002A	Jun 30	SB1055	PN1191	July 1, 2011	State Employees' Retirement Board—expenses	
003A	Jun 30	SB1056	PN1192	July 1, 2011	Public School Employees' Retirement Board—expenses	
004A	Jun 30	SB1057	PN1193	July 1, 2011	Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs—operation of professional licensure boards	
005A	Jun 30	SB1058	PN1194	July 1, 2011	Department of Labor and Industry and Department of Community and Economic Development—expenses of workers' com- pensation, occupational diseases and Of- fice of Small Business Advocate	
006A	Jun 30	SB1059	PN1195	July 1, 2011	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission—operation	
007A	Jun 30	SB1060	PN1196	July 1, 2011	Office of Consumer Advocate—operation	
008A	Jun 30	SB1061	PN1197	July 1, 2011	Office of Small Business Advocate—operation	
009A	Jun 30	SB1062	PN1444	July 1, 2011	Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, Department of Revenue, Pennsylvania State Police and Attorney General—operations related to gaming	
010A	Jun 30	HB1727	PN2192	July 1, 2011	University of Pittsburgh—education and general expenses and rural education outreach	
011A	Jun 30	HB1728	PN2193	July 1, 2011	Temple University—education and general expenses	
012A	Jun 30	HB1729	PN2194	July 1, 2011	University of Pennsylvania—Center for Infectious Diseases, veterinary activities and education and general expenses	
013A	Jun 30	HB1730	PN2195	July 1, 2011	Lincoln University—education and general expenses	
014A	Jun 30	HB1731	PN2222	July 1, 2011	Pennsylvania State University—education and general expenses and Pennsylvania College of Technology	
2011 VETOES of Regular Session OF BILLS—VETO 001						
001	Jul 8	HB1696	PN2260	Immediately	Property Tax Reassessment Moratorium Act—enactment	

<sup>\*</sup> denotes an effective date with exceptions

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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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