

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2012 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>
2012 GENERAL ACTS of Regular Session ENACTED—ACT 001 through 016					
001	Jan 27	HB1458	PN2996	Immediately*	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
002	Feb 2	HB0169	PN2961	30 days	Local Option Small Games of Chance Act—omnibus amendments
003	Feb 2	HB0170	PN0114	60 days	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—driving on right side of roadway, overtaking vehicle on the left, no-passing zones, required position and method of turning and minimum speed regulation
004	Feb 2	HB0398	PN2633	Immediately*	Appraisal Management Company Registration Act—enactment
005	Feb 2	HB1630	PN2818	90 days	Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act—revocation or suspension of licenses
006	Feb 2	SB0159	PN0440	Immediately	Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children Act—enactment
007	Feb 2	SB0726	PN0732	60 days	First Class Township Code—omnibus amendments
008	Feb 2	SB0923	PN0960	60 days	Housing Authorities Law—powers of an authority
009	Feb 2	SB0995	PN1844	Immediately	Health and Safety (35 Pa.C.S.)—requiring operator of each permitted unconventional well in Pennsylvania to post certain 911 response information at entrance to each unconventional well site
010	Feb 9	SB1375	PN1889	Immediately	Health and Safety (35 Pa.C.S.)—further defining “extended benefit period”
011	Feb 14	HB1294	PN3007	60 days	Public Utility Code (66 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
012	Feb 14	HB1582	PN2999	60 days	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—purposes and powers of municipal authorities
013	Feb 14	HB1950	PN3048	Immediately*	Oil and Gas (58 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
014	Feb 14	SB0894	PN0911	60 days	Second Class Township Code—compensation of supervisors
015	Feb 14	SB1043	PN1161	60 days	Trooper Gary Rosenberger Memorial Bridge—designation
016	Feb 14	SB1237	PN1918	Immediately	Keystone Opportunity Zone, Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone and Keystone Opportunity Improvement Zone Act—omnibus amendments

* 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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