

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 053 through 074					
053	May 29	HB1091	PN1188	60 days	Michael D. Crotty Memorial Parkway—designation
054	May 29	HB1400	PN3479	60 days	Primary Stroke Center Recognition Act—enactment
055	May 29	HB1825	PN3494	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in multiple counties
056	May 29	SB0817	PN1830	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—use of restraints on children during court proceedings
057	May 29	SB1395	PN1925	Immediately	Captain David Eric Pannabecker POW-MIA Memorial Highway—designation
058	May 29	SB1429	PN1968	60 days	Corporal Paul Walters Memorial Bridge—designation
059	May 30	HB1610	PN3442	60 days	Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act—enactment
060	Jun 12	SB1310	PN2234	Immediately*	Unemployment Compensation Law—omnibus amendments
061	Jun 13	HB0010	PN1957	90 days	Second Class County Port Authority Act—title, legislative findings, port authorities, board, eminent domain, conveyance, integrated operation, exclusive jurisdiction, report and editorial changes
062	Jun 13	HB0165	PN3560	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—cruelty to animals
063	Jun 13	HB0804	PN3561	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—exemptions from jury duty
064	Jun 13	HB1237	PN1356	Immediately	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—resident license and fee exemptions
065	Jun 22	SB0388	PN1388	60 days	Dental Law—professional liability insurance
066	Jun 22	SB1049	PN1717	60 days	Fish and Boat Code (30 Pa.C.S.)—form and expiration of licenses, license and permit packaging options and expiration of licenses and permits
067	Jun 22	SB1067	PN2127	60 days	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—further defining “emergency vehicle” and defining “emergency canteen support service organization vehicle”
068	Jun 22	SB1351	PN2140	60 days	Vital Statistics Law of 1953—death and fetal death registration information for certificates, coroner referrals and pronouncement of death by a professional nurse
069	Jun 22	SB1406	PN1934	Immediately	Education (24 Pa.C.S.)—certification of institutions
070	Jun 22	SB1433	PN2257	Immediately	Homeowner Assistance Settlement Act—enactment
071	Jun 27	HB1913	PN3211	Immediately	Real Estate Tax Abatement for Properties Damaged by Hurricane Irene or Tropical Storm Lee Act—enactment

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072	Jun 27	SB0276	PN1977	60 days	Downtown Location Law—powers and duties of Department of General Services
073	Jun 27	SB0375	PN2278	60 days	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—governing body and money of authority
074	Jun 27	SB1398	PN2163	Immediately	Storage Tank and Spill Prevention Act—Underground Storage Tank Environmental Cleanup Program and Underground Storage Tank Pollution Prevention Program
2012 APPROPRIATION ACTS of Regular Session ENACTED—ACT 001A through 007A					
001A	Jun 13	SB1472	PN2066	Immediately*	State Employees' Retirement Board—administrative expenses, etc.
002A	Jun 13	SB1473	PN2067	Immediately*	Public School Employees' Retirement Board—administrative expenses, etc.
003A	Jun 13	SB1474	PN2068	Immediately*	Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs—operation of professional licensure boards
004A	Jun 13	SB1475	PN2069	Immediately*	Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission—operation
005A	Jun 13	SB1476	PN2070	Immediately*	Office of Small Business Advocate—operation
006A	Jun 13	SB1477	PN2071	Immediately*	Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, Department of Revenue, Pennsylvania State Police and Attorney General—operation and maintenance expenses
007A	Jun 13	SB1479	PN2073	Immediately*	Office of Consumer Advocate—operation

* denotes an effective date with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

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