

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2014 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during 2014 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>
2014 General Acts of Regular Session Enacted—Act 131 through 138					
131	Sep 24	HB1177	PN4092	Immediately*	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
132	Sep 24	HB0993	PN3903	60 days	Public Welfare Code—changing the name of the Department of Public Welfare to the Department of Human Services, transition period and establishing a toll-free DHS fraud tip line
133	Sep 24	SB0601	PN1266	60 days	Law and Justice (44 Pa.C.S.) and Legal Notices (45 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
134	Sep 24	SB0990	PN1215	90 days	Acupuncture Licensure Act—medical diagnosis and liability insurance
135	Sep 24	HB1052	PN3691	60 days	Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code—contents of subdivision and land development ordinance
136	Sep 24	HB1558	PN4073	60 days	Cosmetology Law—eligibility requirements for examination, limited licenses and practice of massage therapy in cosmetology salon or esthetician salon
137	Sep 24	SB1155	PN2112	60 days	Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act—Aggregate Advisory Board
138	Sep 27	SB1197	PN2272	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—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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