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Recent Actions during the 2020 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2020 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>
2020 General Acts of Regular Session Enacted—Act 106 through 140					
106	Nov 1	S1199	PN2042	90 days	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—personal delivery devices and making editorial changes
107	Nov 3	S0030	PN2102	Immediately	Tax Reform Code of 1971—reports, restrictions and Pennsylvania Housing Tax Credit
108	Nov 3	S0094	PN2101	Immediately	Workers' Compensation Act—further defining the definition of “employee” and making editorial changes
109	Nov 3	S0395	PN2111	60 days	Allowing the Governor to Regulate the Flying of the U.S. Flag—display of flag
110	Nov 3	S0530	PN1940	60 days	Public School Code of 1949—students convicted or adjudicated delinquent of sexual assault, safe schools advocate in school districts of the first class and school participation in program
111	Nov 3	S0976	PN2023	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—Commerce Court Program, problem-solving courts and commerce courts
112	Nov 3	S1110	PN2107	Immediately	Disease Prevention and Control Law of 1955—definitions, reports, confidentiality of reports and records and confidentiality provisions during disaster emergency
113	Nov 3	S1195	PN2041	Immediately	Insurance Company Law of 1921—omnibus amendments
114	Nov 23	H2536	PN4626	Immediately	Fiscal Code—omnibus amendments
115	Nov 25	H0030	PN3853	90 days	Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries Code (20 Pa.C.S.)—The Governor Robert P. Casey Memorial Organ and Tissue Donation Awareness Trust Fund contributions
116	Nov 25	H0064	PN0068	60 days	An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities—civil penalties
117	Nov 25	H0616	PN4473	Immediately	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act—schedules of controlled substances
118	Nov 25	H0777	PN4342	Immediately	Local Option Small Games of Chance Act—report and distribution of proceeds
119	Nov 25	H0862	PN0976	Immediately	Physical Therapy Licensure Compact Act—enactment
120	Nov 25	H0941	PN4617	60 days	Human Services Code—medical assistance pharmacy services and prescription drug pricing study
121	Nov 25	H0942	PN2088	60 days	Human Services Code—pharmaceutical and therapeutics committee
122	Nov 25	H1342	PN4576	60 days	Public School Code of 1949—health services and vision screening and examinations
123	Nov 25	H1534	PN1952	Immediately	Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law—definitions and unlawful acts or practices and exclusions

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124	Nov 25	H1538	PN3666	Immediately	Prisons and Parole Code (61 Pa.C.S.)—parole procedure
125	Nov 25	H1617	PN4572	60 days	Liquor Code—definitions, interlocking business prohibited, brand registration, limiting number of retail licenses to be issued in each county and unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees
126	Nov 25	H1662	PN4050	90 days	Methadone Death and Incident Review Act—title of act, short title, definitions, establishment of Methadone Death and Incident Review Team, team duties, duties of coroner and medical examiner, review procedures and confidentiality
127	Nov 25	H1808	PN3919	60 days	Solid Waste Management Act—definitions and editorial changes
128	Nov 25	H1962	PN4575	Immediately*	Education (24 Pa.C.S.) and State Government (71 Pa.C.S.)—Public School Employees' Retirement Board, administrative duties of board, stress test of system, the State Employees' Retirement Board, administrative duties of board and stress test of system
129	Nov 25	H2233	PN3276	Immediately	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—political subdivision and volunteer service use of tax-free motor fuels and examination of records and equipment
130	Nov 25	H2293	PN3847	60 days	Public Utility Code (66 Pa.C.S.)—emergency response plans
131	Nov 25	H2296	PN4542	Immediately*	Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
132	Nov 25	S0835	PN2112	Immediately	Unserved High-Speed Broadband Funding Program Act—enactment
133	Nov 25	S0983	PN2000	180 days	Newborn Child Testing Act—definitions, Newborn Child Screening and Follow-up Program and mandated screening and follow-up
134	Nov 25	S1193	PN2025	January 1, 2021	Law and Justice (44 Pa.C.S.)—codifying provisions relating to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, sheriff training requirement, Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff Education and Training Account, editorial changes and repeal
135	Nov 25	S1214	PN2128	Immediately*	Conveyance—multiple conveyances in multiple counties
136	Nov 25	S1216	PN2126	Immediately*	Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments
137	Nov 25	S1241	PN1936	One year	Administrative Code of 1929—report of State facilities owned or leased
138	Nov 25	S1268	PN1905	Immediately	Nurse Aide Resident Abuse Prevention Training Act—findings, definitions, certification of COVID-19 temporary nurse aides and an editorial change
139	Nov 25	S1309	PN1930	60 days	Conveyance—Manheim Township, Lancaster County
140	Nov 30	H0770	PN4562	Immediately*	Pharmacy Act—definitions, pharmacy technician and pharmacy technician trainee registration, qualifications and supervision, pharmacy technician data entry and laboratory waiver

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2020 Appropriation Acts of Regular Session Enacted—Act 17A					
17A	Nov 23	S1350	PN2129	Immediately	Supplement to the General Appropriation Act of 2020—enactment
2020 Vetoes of Regular Session of Bills—Veto 014 through 019					
014	Nov 3	S1164	PN2006		County Code—coroner's investigation
015	Nov 25	H1747	PN2338		Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.) and Health and Safety (35 Pa.C.S.)—prohibited conduct during emergency and general authority of Governor
016	Nov 25	H2440	PN3776		Hunting, Firearm and Ammunition Life-Sustaining Business Act—enactment
017	Nov 25	S0790	PN1446		Conventional Oil and Gas Wells Act—enactment
018	Nov 30	H0021	PN4619		Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act—omnibus amendments
019	Nov 30	H1737	PN4625		Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—Economic Development Agency, fiduciary and lender environmental liability protection, Agritourism Activity Protection, COVID-19-related liability and a repeal

* denotes an effective date with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified 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 date of statutes).

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