

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions during the 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2007 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>
2007 GENERAL ACTS OF REGULAR SESSION ENACTED—ACT 044 through 056					
044	Jul 18	HB1590	PN2342	Immediately	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.), Transportation (74 Pa.C.S.) and Vehicle Code (75 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
045	Jul 20	HB0842	PN2347	Immediately	Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments
046	Jul 20	HB1251	PN2287	60 days	Medical Practice Act of 1985—physician assistants
047	Jul 20	HB1252	PN2288	60 days	Osteopathic Medical Practice Act—physician assistants
048	Jul 20	HB1253	PN2296	60 days	Professional Nursing Law—scope of practice for certified registered nurse practitioners and professional liability
049	Jul 20	HB1254	PN2295	60 days	Professional Nursing Law—clinical nurse specialists
050	Jul 20	HB1255	PN2290	60 days	Medical Practice Act of 1985—“legend drug” and nurse-midwife license
051	Jul 20	SB0455	PN1243	60 days	Dental Law—powers of State Board of Dentistry, radiologic procedures, education and training and practice of public health dental hygiene practitioners
052	Jul 20	SB0968	PN1298	30 days	Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act—reduction and prevention of health care-associated infection and long-term care nursing facilities
053	Jul 25	HB1631	PN2345	Immediately	Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund Capital Budget Itemization Act of 2007—enactment
054	Jul 25	HB1656	PN2341	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Skippack Township, Montgomery County; Winslow Township, Jefferson County; Borough of Mansfield, Tioga County; City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County; and City and County of Philadelphia
055	Jul 25	SB0097	PN1327	Immediately*	Tax Reform Code of 1971—omnibus amendments
056	Jul 25	SB0704	PN1272	90 days	Public Welfare Code—regulating and licensing personal care homes, Intra-Governmental Council on Long-Term Care and rules and regulations for personal care homes and assisted living residences

* 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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