THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 1997 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1997 Regular Session.

1997 ACTS—Acts 7 through 10 (numerical)

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Act No.	Enactment Date	Bill No.	Printer's No.	Effective Date	Subject Matter				
1997-07	May 7	HB134	PN1706	Immediately*	Tax Reform Code of 1971—omnibus amendments				
1997-08	May 9	HB152	PN1345	60 days	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—drug trafficking and providing certain stimulants to minors, sentencing and penalties				
1997-09	May 9	HB844	PN1199	Immediately	The CPA Law—education requirements and reinstatement				
1997-10	May 9	SB299	PN293	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Mercer County				
1997 APPROPRIATIONS—Acts 4A through 40A (numerical)									
Act No.	Enactment Date	Bill No.	Printer's No.	Effective Date	Subject Matter				
1997-04A	May 6	HB847	PN1725	Immediately*	General Appropriation Act of 1997— enactment				
1997-05A	May 12	HB856	PN958	July 1, 1997	University of Pennsylvania—museum maintenance, operation and purchases				
1997-06A	May 12	HB857	PN1724	July 1, 1997	Carnegie Museum of Natural History and Carnegie Science Center—operation, maintenance and purchases				
1997-07A	May 12	HB858	PN960	July 1, 1997	Franklin Institute Science Museum— maintenance				
1997-08A	May 12	HB859	PN961	July 1, 1997	Academy of Natural Sciences—maintenance				
1997-09A	May 12	HB860	PN962	July 1, 1997	Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases				
1997-10A	May 12	HB861	PN1723	July 1, 1997	Everhart Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases				
1997-11A	May 12	HB862	PN1708	July 1, 1997	Mercer Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases				
1997-12A	May 12	HB863	PN1709	July 1, 1997	Museum of Scientific Discovery—operation, maintenance and purchases				
1997-13A	May 12	HB864	PN966	July 1, 1997	Arsenal Family and Children's Center—operation				
1997-14A	May 12	HB865	PN967	July 1, 1997	Beacon Lodge Camp—services to the blind				
1997-15A	May 12	HB866	PN1710	July 1, 1997	Wistar Institute-Research—operation, maintenance and AIDS research				
1997-16A	May 12	HB867	PN969	July 1, 1997	St. Francis Hospital—cardiovascular studies				
1997-17A	May 12	HB868	PN970	July 1, 1997	Jefferson Medical College and Hospital— Tay-Sachs disease program				
1997-18A	May 12	HB869	PN971	July 1, 1997	Burn Foundation—treatment				
1997-19A	May 12	HB870	PN972	July 1, 1997	Rehabilitation Institute of Pittsburgh— operation				
1997-20A	May 12	HB871	PN973	July 1, 1997	Lancaster Cleft Palate—treatment				
1997-21A	May 12	HB872	PN974	July 1, 1997	St. Christopher's Hospital—operation, maintenance, treatment and handicapped children's clinic				

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1997-22A	May 12	HB873	PN975	July 1, 1997	University of Pennsylvania—cardiovascular studies
1997-23A	May 12	HB874	PN976	July 1, 1997	Fox Chase Institute for Cancer Research—operation and maintenance
1997-24A	May 12	HB875	PN977	July 1, 1997	Pittsburgh Cleft Palate—treatment
1997-25A	May 12	HB876	PN978	July 1, 1997	Central Penn Oncology Group—operation
1997-26A	May 12	HB877	PN979	July 1, 1997	Johnson Technical Institute—operation and maintenance
1997-27A	May 12	HB878	PN1711	July 1, 1997	Pennsylvania College of Optometry—instruction
1997-28A	May 12	HB879	PN1712	July 1, 1997	Berean Training and Industrial School—operation, maintenance and debt service
1997-29A	May 12	HB880	PN1713	July 1, 1997	Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine—instruction
1997-30A	May 12	HB881	PN983	July 1, 1997	Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades—operation and maintenance
1997-31A	May 12	HB882	PN1714	July 1, 1997	Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine—instruction
1997-32A	May 12	HB883	PN1715	July 1, 1997	University of Pennsylvania—operation and instruction
1997-33A	May 12	HB884	PN1716	July 1, 1997	University of the Arts—instruction and student aid
1997-34A	May 12	HB885	PN987	July 1, 1997	Drexel University—instruction and student aid
1997-35A	May 12	HB886	PN1717	July 1, 1997	Allegheny University of the Health Sciences—instruction, student aid, maintenance, minority education and recruitment and cardiovascular and heart failure/transplant studies
1997-36A	May 12	HB887	PN1718	July 1, 1997	Thomas Jefferson University—mainte- nance, instruction, student aid and Chil- dren's Heart Hospital
1997-37A	May 12	HB888	PN1719	July 1, 1997	Lincoln University—operation and instruction, etc.
1997-38A	May 12	HB889	PN1720	July 1, 1997	University of Pittsburgh—operation and instruction, etc.
1997-39A	May 12	HB890	PN1721	July 1, 1997	Temple University—operation and instruction, etc.
1997-40A	May 12	HB891	PN1722	July 1, 1997	Pennsylvania State University—operation, instruction and research

^{*} with exceptions

Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified above 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 afffecting budgets of political subdivisions. See 1 Pa.C.S. §§ 1701—1704 (relating to effective dates of statutes).

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Copies of House Bills and Documents may be obtained from: Document Room, House of Representatives, 35 Main Capitol Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 787-5320.

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