# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## Recent Actions during the 1998 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1998 Regular Session.

### 1998 ACTS—Acts 14 through 33 (numerical)

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Act No.	Enactment Date	Bill No.	Printer's No.	Effective Date	Subject Matter
1998-14	Feb. 11	SB213	PN1027	60 days	G. Donald McLaughlin Memorial Covered Bridge—d esignation
1998-15	Feb. 11	HB440	PN2771	60 days	Combustible and Flammable Liquids Act— enactment
1998-16	Feb. 11	HB909	PN2772	60 days	Donald L. Heiter and C. Vance DeiCas Memorial Highways, Technology Way and Louis R. Donahue, Castanea Fireman's and Mifflin County Veterans Memorial Bridges—designation
1998-17	Feb. 12	HB911	PN2877	60 days	Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act—omnibus amendments
1998-18	Feb. 13	HB1760	PN2949	Immediately	Pennsylvania Election Code—omnibus amendments
1998-19	Feb. 18	SB635	PN1659	Immediately*	Crimes Code (18 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-20	Feb. 18	SB1161	PN1542	Immediately	Project 70 Land Acquisition and Borrowing Act—release of restrictions and conveyance
1998-21	Feb. 18	SB1209	PN1511	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Chester County
1998-22	Feb. 18	HB14	PN2851	Immediately	Check Casher Licensing Act—enactment
1998-23	Feb. 18	HB109	PN2852	60 days	County Code, The—disaster or emergency aid to municipalities
1998-24	Feb. 18	HB595	PN2765	60 days	Municipal Police Pension Law—early retirement
1998-25	Feb. 18	HB985	PN2892	Immediately	Liquor Code—omnibus amendments
1998-26	Feb. 18	HB1048	PN2878	Immediately*	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
1998-27	Feb. 18	HB1111	PN2904	60 days	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.) —public records regulation
1998-28	Feb. 18	HB1113	PN2905	Immediately	Local Government—public records regulation
1998-29	Feb. 18	HB1114	PN1260	6 months	County records committee—omnibus amendments
1998-30	Feb. 18	HB1116	PN2906	Apr. 1, 1998	Local Government—public records regulation
1998-31	Feb. 18	HB1291	PN2407	60 days	Architects Licensure Law—omnibus amendments
1998-32	Feb. 18	HB1495	PN2829	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Venango and Lycoming counties and the city of Bethlehem
1998-33	Feb. 18	HB1764	PN2189	Immediately	Repeals—obsolete law relating to Harrisburg streets paving and curbing

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  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 of 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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