# THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## Recent Actions during the 2003 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2003 Regular Session.

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|             |                   | 2003 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 044 through 053 |                     |                   |   |  |  |
| 044         | Dec 23            | HB0044  | PN3148              | immediately*      | Public Welfare Code—exempting certain<br>persons from Federal law relating to pub-<br>lic assistance and establishing the Health<br>Care Provider Retention Account and the<br>Health Care Provider Retention Program |  |  |
| 045         | Dec 23            | HB1133  | PN3159              | immediately*      | Fiscal Code—omnibus amendments  |  |  |
| 046         | Dec 23            | HB0200  | PN3160              | immediately*      | Tax Reform Code of 1971—omnibus amendments  |  |  |
| 047         | Dec 23            | HB0172  | PN3158              | immediately*      | Administrative Code of 1929—omnibus amendments  |  |  |
| 048         | Dec 23            | SB0080  | PN1341              | immediately       | Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments   |  |  |
| 049         | Dec 23            | SB0870  | PN1312              | immediately       | Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act—<br>increasing limitation on redevelopment<br>assistance capital projects  |  |  |
| 050         | Dec 23            | SB0483  | PN1319              | immediately*      | Insurance Company Law of 1929—providing for life insurance applications and extending expiration date of provisions relating to health care insurance individual accessibility  |  |  |
| 051         | Dec 23            | HB0521  | PN3062              | immediately       | Keystone Opportunity Zone and Keystone<br>Opportunity Expansion Zone Act—omni-<br>bus amendments  |  |  |
| 052         | Dec 23            | SB0850  | PN1315              | immediately       | Project 70 lands—Commonwealth property in Lackawanna County   |  |  |
| 053         | Dec 23            | HB0088  | PN3082              | 60 days           | Workers' Compensation Act—schedule of compensation  |  |  |
|             | 200               | 3 APPROPRIA                                   | ATION ACTS I        | ENACTED—ACT       | 009A through 040A   |  |  |
| 009A        | Dec 23            | HB1589  | PN3161              | immediately       | First Supplemental General Appropriation<br>Act of 2003—enactment   |  |  |
| 010A        | Dec 23            | HB1374  | PN3142              | immediately       | Pennsylvania State University—operation, medical education, children's hospital, agricultural research and extension services, debt service, etc.   |  |  |
| 011A        | Dec 23            | HB1375  | PN3143              | immediately       | University of Pittsburgh—operation, doctor of medicine instruction, education, dental and psychiatric clinics, rural education outreach, etc.   |  |  |
| 012A        | Dec 23            | HB1376  | PN3149              | immediately       | Temple University—operation, instruction, dental clinics, podiatric medicine, etc.  |  |  |
| 013A        | Dec 23            | HB1377  | PN3144              | immediately       | Lincoln University—education and general expenses   |  |  |
| 014A        | Dec 23            | HB1378  | PN3150              | immediately       | Drexel University—instruction and student aid   |  |  |
| 015A        | Dec 23            | НВ1379  | PN3151              | immediately       | University of Pennsylvania—dental clinics, doctor of medicine instruction, veterinary activities, cardiovascular studies and University of Pennsylvania Museum maintenance and purchases                              |  |  |

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| 016A        | Dec 23            | HB1380         | PN3145              | immediately       | Philadelphia Health and Education Corporation—colleges of medicine, public health, nursing and health professions instruction, maintenance and student aid and pediatric services               |
| 017A        | Dec 23            | HB1381         | PN3146              | immediately       | Thomas Jefferson University—doctor of<br>medicine instruction, maintenance, stu-<br>dent aid, Children's Heart Hospital, Tay-<br>Sachs disease program and College of<br>Allied Health Sciences |
| 018A        | Dec 23            | HB1382         | PN3152              | immediately       | Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine—instruction  |
| 019A        | Dec 23            | HB1383         | PN3153              | immediately       | Pennsylvania College of Optometry—instruction   |
| 020A        | Dec 23            | HB1384         | PN3154              | immediately       | University of the Arts—instruction and student aid  |
| 021A        | Dec 23            | HB1385         | PN3155              | immediately       | Berean Training and Industrial School—operation, maintenance and payment of debt services   |
| 022A        | Dec 23            | HB1386         | PN3156              | immediately       | Johnson Technical Institute of Scranton—operation and maintenance   |
| 023A        | Dec 23            | HB1387         | PN3157              | immediately       | Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades—operation and maintenance   |
| 024A        | Dec 23            | HB1388         | PN1716              | immediately       | Fox Chase Institute for Cancer Research—cancer research program operation and maintenance   |
| 025A        | Dec 23            | HB1389         | PN1717              | immediately       | Wistar Institute—operation, maintenance and Aids research   |
| 026A        | Dec 23            | HB1390         | PN1718              | immediately       | Central Penn Oncology Group—operation   |
| 027A        | Dec 23            | HB1391         | PN1719              | immediately       | Lancaster Cleft Palate—outpatient-inpatient treatment   |
| 028A        | Dec 23            | HB1392         | PN1720              | immediately       | Pittsburgh Cleft Palate—outpatient-inpatient treatment  |
| 029A        | Dec 23            | HB1393         | PN1721              | immediately       | Burn Foundation—outpatient and inpatient treatment  |
| 030A        | Dec 23            | HB1394         | PN1722              | immediately       | Children's Institute—treatment and rehabilitation of children and young adults with disabling diseases  |
| 031A        | Dec 23            | HB1395         | PN1723              | immediately       | Children's Hospital of Philadelphia—<br>comprehensive patient care and hospital<br>maintenance and operation  |
| 032A        | Dec 23            | HB1396         | PN1724              | immediately       | Beacon Lodge Camp—services to the blind   |
| 033A        | Dec 23            | HB1397         | PN1725              | immediately       | Arsenal Family and Children's Center—operation  |
| 034A        | Dec 23            | HB1398         | PN1726              | immediately       | Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh—<br>Carnegie Museum of Natural History<br>maintenance and purchases and Carnegie<br>Science Center and planetarium operation                                     |
| 035A        | Dec 23            | HB1399         | PN3147              | immediately       | Franklin Institute Science Museum—<br>maintenance   |
| 036A        | Dec 23            | HB1401         | PN1728              | immediately       | Academy of Natural Sciences—maintenance   |
| 037A        | Dec 23            | HB1402         | PN1729              | immediately       | African-American Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases  |
| 038A        | Dec 23            | HB1403         | PN1730              | immediately       | Everhart Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases  |

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| 039A        | Dec 23            | HB1404         | PN1731              | immediately       | Mercer Museum—operation, maintenance and purchases                            |
| 040A        | Dec 23            | HB1405         | PN1732              | immediately       | Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts—operation, maintenance and purchases |

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| 2003 GENERAL ACTS ENACTED—ACT 054 through 067 |                   |                |                     |                   |  |  |  |
| 054   | Dec 30            | HB0066         | PN2958              | immediately       | Conveyance—Commonwealth property in Warren County and release and imposition of restrictions   |  |  |
| 055   | Dec 30            | HB1718         | PN3116              | immediately       | Tobacco Settlement Act—limits on supersedeas bond requirements   |  |  |
| 056   | Dec 30            | HB1018         | PN3140              | 90 days*          | Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act—<br>Statewide integrated wireless E-911 State<br>plan, Wireless E-911 Emergency Services<br>Fund, collection of E-911 surcharge from<br>wireless customers and annual reporting,<br>etc. |  |  |
| 057   | Dec 30            | HB0051         | PN3049              | immediately*      | General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—powers and duties of authorities  |  |  |
| 058   | Dec 30            | HB1000         | PN3114              | 60 days           | Real Estate Licensing and Registration<br>Act—licensing requirements and penalties   |  |  |
| 059   | Dec 30            | HB1279         | PN3115              | immediately       | Liquor Code—powers and duties of Penn-<br>sylvania Liquor Control Board, wine mar-<br>keting, sales on Saint Patrick's Day and<br>wine purchased for consumption at a res-<br>taurant  |  |  |
| 060   | Dec 30            | HB1674         | PN2949              | immediately       | Conveyance—Commonwealth property in City and County of Philadelphia  |  |  |

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| 061         | Dec 30            | HB0485         | PN2706              | 60 days           | Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—municipal corporation portion of fines and immunity of State parole officers and county probation officers  |
| 062         | Dec 30            | HB0999         | PN1172              | 60 days           | Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy Syndrome Education Act—enactment  |
| 063         | Dec 30            | SB0586         | PN1203              | 60 days*          | Game Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—jurisdiction and penalties, suspension of licenses, unlawful taking or possession of game or wildlife, denial or revocation of license and license costs and fees |
| 064         | Dec 30            | SB0924         | PN1244              | immediately*      | Tobacco Product Manufacturer Directory<br>Act—enactment  |
| 065         | Dec 30            | SB0145         | PN1320              | immediately*      | General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—municipal police education and training and reimbursement   |
| 066         | Dec 30            | SB0271         | PN0273              | immediately*      | Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce Beltway—designation   |
| 067         | Dec 30            | SB0970         | PN1308              | immediately       | General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—revival of expired authority  |

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