THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Recent Actions During the 1999 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 1999 Regular Session.

1999 ACTS—ACTS 48 through 56 (numerical)

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Act No.	Enact. Date	Bill No.	Printer's No.	<i>Effective</i> Date	Subject Matter
1999-48	Nov. 23	HB8	PN2625	Immediately*	Public School Code of 1949—omnibus amendments
1999-49	Nov. 24	HB115	PN2679	Immediately*	General Local Government Code (53 Pa.C.S.)—municipal police education and training and municipal ordinances appli- cation limitation
1999-50	Nov. 24	HB518	PN2626	60 days	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.)— county agency protective services for high risk abused children
1999-51	Nov. 24	HB1981	PN2628	Immediately	Pennsylvania Election Code—election dis- trict alteration and data reporting and year 2000 primary election date
1999-52	Nov. 24	SB405	PN1384	90 days	Medical Consent Act—enactment
1999-53	Nov. 24	SB504	PN1489	Immediately	Highway-Railroad and Highway Bridge Capital Budget Supplemental Act for 2000—enactment
1999-54	Nov. 24	SB670	PN1502	Immediately	Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Cen- ters Act—enactment
1999-55	Nov. 24	SB798	PN1482	60 days	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, The—controlled substance schedules and penalties
1999-56	Nov. 24	SB983	PN1488	Immediately	Conveyance—Commonwealth properties in Mercer, Dauphin and Venango counties

* 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 affecting budgets of political subdivisions. See 1 Pa.C.S. §§ 1701–1704 (relating to effective dates of statutes).

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