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### Recent Actions during the 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly

The following is a summary of recent actions of the General Assembly during the 2024 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>
<b>2024 General Acts of Regular Session Enacted—Act 005 through 017</b>					
005	Apr 15	H1295	PN1597	60 days	Professions and Occupations (State Licensed) (63 Pa.C.S.)—hearing examiners
006	Apr 15	H1795	PN2211	60 days	Clinical Laboratory Act—definitions and exemptions
007	Apr 15	S0045	PN0927	60 days	National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline Notification Act—victim services
008	Apr 15	S0055	PN1169	120 days	Domestic Relations Code (23 Pa.C.S.) and Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—omnibus amendments
009	Apr 15	S0115	PN0041	60 days	Bituminous Coal Mine Safety Act—schedule of maintenance
010	Apr 15	S0740	PN0856	Immediately	Second Class Township Code—auditor's compensation
011	May 8	H0358	PN1798	60 days	Health and Safety (35 Pa.C.S.)—awards to first responders
012	May 8	H0917	PN2874	60 days	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—adopting the Uniform Family Law Arbitration Act
013	May 8	S0709	PN0841	60 days	Game and Wildlife Code (34 Pa.C.S.)—unlawful taking and possession of protected birds and endangered or threatened species
014	May 8	S0945	PN1111	60 days	Counties (16 Pa.C.S.)—consolidating the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L. 323, No.130), known as The County Code and making repeals
015	May 8	S0979	PN1206	Immediately	Agriculture Code (3 Pa.C.S.)—posted notice with information on dangerous transmissible diseases
016	May 8	S1111	PN1429	Immediately	Judicial Code (42 Pa.C.S.)—sexual offenses and tier system
017	May 15	H1661	PN3026	Immediately	Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act—schedules of controlled substances and secure storage of xylazine

\* denotes an effective date with exceptions

#### Effective Dates of Statutes

The effective dates specified 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 date of statutes).

#### Advance Copies of Statutes

Section 1106 of 1 Pa.C.S. (relating to prothonotaries to keep files of advance copies of statutes) provides that the prothonotaries of each county shall file advance copies of statutes in their offices for public inspection until the *Laws of Pennsylvania* are generally available.

One-time purchases of the advance copies of statutes can be purchased through the State Bookstore's web site at [www.shoppaheritage.com](http://www.shoppaheritage.com).

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