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The studies conducted by the Commission are authorized by statute or by a simple or joint resolution. In general, the Commission has the power to conduct investigations, study issues, and gather information as directed by the General Assembly. The Commission provides in-depth research on a variety of topics, crafts recommendations to improve public policy and statutory law, and works closely with legislators and their staff.

A Commission study may involve the appointment of a legislative task force, composed of a specified number of legislators from the House of Representatives or the Senate, or both, as set forth in the enabling statute or resolution. In addition to following the progress of a particular study, the principal role of a task force is to determine whether to authorize the publication of any report resulting from the study and the introduction of any proposed legislation contained in the report. However, task force authorization does not necessarily reflect endorsement of all the findings and recommendations contained in a report.

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<sup>1</sup> Act of July 1, 1937 (P.L.2460, No.459) (46 P.S. § 65), amended by the act of June 26, 1939 (P.L.1084, No.380); the act of March 8, 1943 (P.L.13, No.4); the act of May 15, 1956 (1955 P.L.1605, No.535); the act of December 8, 1959 (P.L.1740, No.646); and the act of November 20, 1969 (P.L.301, No.128).

<sup>2</sup> Consensus does not necessarily reflect unanimity among the advisory committee members on each individual policy or legislative recommendation. However, it does, at a minimum, reflect the views of a substantial majority of the advisory committee, gained after lengthy review and discussion.

department, agency, association, or group of all the findings and recommendations contained in a study report.

Over the years, nearly one thousand individuals from across the Commonwealth have served as members of the Commission's numerous advisory committees or have assisted the Commission with its studies. Members of advisory committees bring a wide range of knowledge and experience to deliberations involving a particular study. Individuals from countless backgrounds have contributed to the work of the Commission, such as attorneys, judges, professors and other educators, state and local officials, physicians and other health care professionals, business and community leaders, service providers, administrators and other professionals, law enforcement personnel, and concerned citizens. In addition, members of advisory committees donate their time to serve the public good; they are not compensated for their service as members. Consequently, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania receives the financial benefit of such volunteerism, along with the expertise in developing statutory language and public policy recommendations to improve the law in Pennsylvania.

The Commission periodically reports its findings and recommendations, along with any proposed legislation, to the General Assembly. Certain studies have specific timelines for the publication of a report, as in the case of a discrete or timely topic; other studies, given their complex or considerable nature, are ongoing and involve the publication of periodic reports. Completion of a study, or a particular aspect of an ongoing study, generally results in the publication of a report setting forth background material, policy recommendations, and proposed legislation. However, the release of a report by the Commission does not necessarily reflect the endorsement by the members of the Executive Committee, or the Chair or Vice-Chair of the Commission, of all the findings, recommendations, or conclusions contained in the report. A report containing proposed legislation may also contain official comments, which may be used in determining the intent of the General Assembly.<sup>3</sup>

Since its inception, the Commission has published more than 350 reports on a sweeping range of topics, including administrative law and procedure; agriculture; athletics and sports; banks and banking; commerce and trade; the commercial code; crimes and offenses; decedents, estates, and fiduciaries; detectives and private police; domestic relations; education; elections; eminent domain; environmental resources; escheats; fish; forests, waters, and state parks; game; health and safety; historical sites and museums; insolvency and assignments; insurance; the judiciary and judicial procedure; labor; law and justice; the legislature; liquor; mechanics' liens; mental health; military affairs; mines and mining; municipalities; prisons and parole; procurement; state-licensed professions and occupations; public utilities; public welfare; real and personal property; state government; taxation and fiscal affairs; transportation; vehicles; and workers' compensation.

Following the completion of a report, subsequent action on the part of the Commission may be required, and, as necessary, the Commission will draft legislation and statutory amendments, update research, track legislation through the legislative process, attend hearings, and answer questions from legislators, legislative staff, interest groups, and constituents.

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<sup>3</sup> 1 Pa.C.S. § 1939 (“The comments or report of the commission . . . which drafted a statute may be consulted in the construction or application of the original provisions of the statute if such comments or report were published or otherwise generally available prior to the consideration of the statute by the General Assembly”).



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To the Members of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania:

As the primary and central non-partisan, bicameral research and policy development agency for the General Assembly, the Joint State Government Commission is pleased to present this biennial report describing the history of the Commission, its projects, and its past and current reports.

On behalf of the Joint State Government Commission, I would like to thank all the members of the advisory committees that have been formed over the years, as well as the members of the numerous legislative task forces, for their dedication to review, update, consolidate, and ultimately improve the laws in the Commonwealth.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Florindo I. Fabrizio".

Florindo I. Fabrizio  
Commission Chair

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John C. Rafferty, Jr.  
Commission Vice-Chair

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Glenn J. Pasewicz".

Glenn J. Pasewicz  
Executive Director

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## INTRODUCTION

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The Joint State Government Commission was created in 1937 as the primary and central non-partisan, bicameral research and policy development agency for the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. The studies conducted by the Commission are authorized by resolution or statute, which may direct the Commission to form a legislative task force and/or an advisory committee of experts in a particular field. The Commission may also be directed to conduct a staff study, without the formal appointment of a task force or advisory committee.

Since its inception, the Commission has published more than 350 reports on a sweeping range of topics. Most recently, it has released reports concerning administrative law; child abuse and neglect prevention; childhood obesity; constables; consumer credit; criminal law and procedure; domestic relations; education; human trafficking; long-term care supports and services for older Pennsylvanians; mental health; probate, estates, and fiduciaries; public health and safety; and violence prevention.

The Commission also plays an integral part in developing and drafting legislation for the General Assembly. During the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly, 74 pieces of legislation can be traced directly to the work of the Commission and its advisory committees. This legislation involves such topics as child protection; children of incarcerated parents; common interest ownership communities; consumer credit; criminal law and procedure; human trafficking; mental health; probate, estates, and fiduciaries; and violence prevention. Twenty-eight of these pieces of legislation -- bills concerning child protection; consumer credit; human trafficking; and probate, estates, and fiduciaries -- have been enacted into law.

This report describes the role of the Commission as a legislative service agency of the General Assembly, from its enabling legislation in 1937 to its projects and reports of the 2013-14 legislative session. This report summarizes the powers and duties of the Commission and provides information regarding its leadership and staff. It also lists the current studies conducted and legislation drafted by the Commission, along with each report released by the Commission, by year and by topic.

For more information on the Commission or its reports, please visit the following website: <http://jsg.legis.state.pa.us/>





## CREATION AND LEADERSHIP

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Created in 1937, the Joint State Government Commission serves as the primary and central non-partisan, bicameral research and policy development agency for the General Assembly of Pennsylvania.

According to the Commission’s enabling legislation,<sup>4</sup> each member of the General Assembly is a member of the Commission: “the entire membership of the House of Representatives and the entire membership of the Senate shall constitute a continuing joint legislative commission, to be known as the Joint State Government Commission.”<sup>5</sup>

A fourteen-member Executive Committee comprised of the leadership of both the House of Representatives and the Senate oversees the Commission. The seven Executive Committee members from the House of Representatives are the Speaker, the Majority and Minority Leaders, the Majority and Minority Whips, and the Majority and Minority Caucus Chairs. The seven Executive Committee members from the Senate are the President Pro Tempore, the Majority and Minority Leaders, the Majority and Minority Whips, and the Majority and Minority Caucus Chairs.<sup>6</sup>

The members of the Executive Committee during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly were as follows:

SENATE MEMBERS	HOUSE MEMBERS
Joseph B. Scarnati, III <i>President Pro Tempore</i>	Samuel H. Smith <i>Speaker</i>
Dominic F. Pileggi <i>Majority Leader</i>	Michael C. Turzai <i>Majority Leader</i>
Jay Costa <i>Minority Leader</i>	Frank J. Dermody <i>Minority Leader</i>
Patrick M. Browne <i>Majority Whip</i>	Stanley E. Saylor <i>Majority Whip</i>
Anthony H. Williams <i>Minority Whip</i>	Michael K. Hanna <i>Minority Whip</i>
John R. Gordner <i>Chair, Majority Caucus<sup>7</sup></i>	Sandra J. Major <i>Chair, Majority Caucus</i>
Richard A. Kasunic <i>Chair, Minority Caucus</i>	Dan B. Frankel <i>Chair, Minority Caucus</i>

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<sup>4</sup> Act of July 1, 1937, *supra* note 1; *infra* pp. 77-78.

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* § 1.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

<sup>7</sup> Michael L. Waugh served as the Majority Caucus Chair until January 2014.

By statute, the Executive Committee selects a chairman of the Commission from among the members of the General Assembly.<sup>8</sup> Historically, the Executive Committee has also selected a Vice-Chair or Treasurer, or both, for the Commission. A table listing the officers of the Commission is set forth on pages 79-80 of this report.

During the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly, Representative Florindo J. Fabrizio and Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr., served as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Commission.

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<sup>8</sup> Act of July 1, 1937, *supra* note 1, § 1.

## POWERS AND DUTIES

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This section of the report explains the powers and duties of the Joint State Government Commission, including the legislative authorization to conduct a study, the nature of a study (whether the study is performed solely by Commission staff or with the assistance of an appointed advisory committee), the function of an advisory committee, the role of a legislative task force, and the publication of reports.

### *Authorization*

A study conducted by the Commission is authorized by an enacted statute or through a simple or joint resolution adopted by the House of Representatives or the Senate, or both.

The Commission has the power to conduct investigations, study issues, and gather information, as directed by the General Assembly.<sup>9</sup> In performing its duties, the Commission may call upon any department or agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for pertinent information and may designate individuals, other than members of the General Assembly, to act in advisory capacities.<sup>10</sup>

### *Studies*

The Commission provides in-depth research on a variety of topics, crafts recommendations to improve public policy and statutory law, and works closely with legislators and their staff.

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<sup>9</sup> *Id.* §§ 2(a) & 3.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* § 1.

## *Advisory Committees*

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Over the years, nearly one thousand individuals from across the Commonwealth have served as members of the Commission's numerous advisory committees or have assisted the Commission with its studies. Since 1945, for example, well over one hundred individuals have served as members of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws.

Members of advisory committees bring a wide range of knowledge and experience to deliberations involving a particular study. Individuals from countless backgrounds have contributed to the work of the Commission, such as attorneys, judges, professors and other educators, state and local officials, physicians and other health care professionals, business and community leaders, service providers, administrators and other professionals, law enforcement personnel, and concerned citizens.

In addition, members of advisory committees donate their time to serve the public good; they are not compensated for their service as members. Consequently, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania receives the financial benefit of such volunteerism, along with the expertise in developing statutory language and public policy recommendations to improve the law in Pennsylvania.

## *Task Forces*

A Commission study may involve the appointment of a legislative task force, composed of a specified number of legislators from the House of Representatives or the Senate, or both, as set forth in the enabling statute or resolution.

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<sup>11</sup> See *supra* note 2.

## *Reports*

The Commission periodically reports its findings and recommendations, along with any proposed legislation, to the General Assembly.<sup>12</sup> Completion of a study, or a particular aspect of an ongoing study, generally results in the publication of a report setting forth background material, policy recommendations, and proposed legislation. However, the release of a report by the Commission does not necessarily reflect the endorsement by the members of the Executive Committee, or the Chair and Vice-Chair, of all the findings, recommendations, or conclusions contained in the report.

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<sup>12</sup> Act of July 1, 1937, *supra* note 1, § 2(c).

<sup>13</sup> *See supra* note 3.



## STAFF

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The Joint State Government Commission “shall employ a director and such professional, technical, clerical and other assistance as may be deemed necessary.”<sup>14</sup>

Throughout the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, the staff of the Commission has generally consisted of 12 individuals and included five attorneys, three public policy analysts, and a fiscal analyst. Together, these individuals comprise a diverse research staff experienced in legal analysis, statistical analysis, survey methods, developing public policy recommendations, drafting legislation, and writing reports.

Given the nature of a particular study or assignment, Commission staff may work collectively in small groups and with a mixture of attorneys and public policy analysts, generally with one individual serving as project manager. Each staff member works on multiple studies simultaneously.

The following table lists the Commission staff, as of December 2014.<sup>15</sup>

<b>Staff Member</b>	<b>Position</b>
Wendy L. Baker	Executive Assistant and Office Manager
Michael P. Dirckx <sup>16</sup>	Staff Attorney
Susan F. Elder	Comptroller and Fiscal Analyst
Lawrence G. Feinberg	Senior Attorney
Ronald D. Grenoble	Assistant Counsel
Yvonne Llewellyn Hursh	Assistant Counsel
Yelena P. Khanzhina	Public Policy Analyst
Michelle L. Kreiger <sup>17</sup>	Administrative Assistant
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<sup>14</sup> Act of July 1, 1937, *supra* note 1, § 1.

<sup>15</sup> During 2013-14, the Commission also employed or otherwise engaged the services of the following individuals:

- Mark A. Bogush, Public Policy Intern from January - May 2013 and Public Policy Analyst from May 2013 - July 2014.
- Theodore S. Herman, Public Policy Analyst (until August 2014).
- Debra P. Reese, Administrative Assistant (until June 2013).
- Wendy A. Stewart, Messenger/Procurement Officer/Copy Coordinator (until May 2013).

<sup>16</sup> Began service in August 2013.

<sup>17</sup> Began service in June 2013.

Staff Member	Position
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Glenn J. Pasewicz	Executive Director
Stephen F. Rehrer	Counsel
Kathleen Wojtowicz <sup>18</sup>	Public Policy Analyst

In addition, the Commission engaged the services of two other individuals in 2014: Zachary M. Gates (Legislative Intern)<sup>19</sup> and Kristy Teisher (Public Policy Intern).<sup>20</sup>

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<sup>18</sup> Public Policy Intern from June-July 2014; began service as a Public Policy Analyst in August 2014.

<sup>19</sup> Began service in September 2014.

<sup>20</sup> Began service in August 2014.



## STUDIES IN PROGRESS DURING 2013-14

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The Joint State Government Commission conducts numerous studies simultaneously. Some are ongoing in nature, while others have specific deadlines. The information in this section of the report explains the various ongoing studies and the reports that those studies have recently generated, the studies that the Commission completed during 2013-14, the studies that have been authorized during 2013-14 but have not yet been completed, and the studies that have been proposed but not actually authorized by the House of Representatives or the Senate.

During 2013-14, the Commission was actively engaged in studies concerning the following topics:<sup>21</sup>

- Administrative Law
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Capital Punishment
- Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention
- Childhood Obesity
- Constables
- Consumer Credit
- The Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia
- Cyber Security
- Diabetes
- Domestic Relations
- Emergency Medical Services
- Homelessness
- Human Trafficking
- Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities
- Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of State-Related and State-Owned Universities
- The Juvenile Act
- Long-Term Care Supports and Services for Older Pennsylvanians
- Mental Health Services and the Criminal Justice System
- Opiate Prescription Drug Proliferation
- Physician Shortages
- Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries
- Professional Bedside Nurse Staffing
- Public Health

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<sup>21</sup> This list does not include work on other studies that were completed prior to the 2013-14 legislative session but involved additional time and resources, such as drafting legislation, updating research, tracking related legislation, attending hearings, and responding to inquiries from legislators, legislative staff, interest groups, and constituents.

- Real Property
- Truancy and School Dropout Prevention
- Violence Prevention
- Wind Turbines

### *Ongoing Studies*

The Commission is engaged in a number of ongoing studies, which generally involve multi-year research, information gathering, and legislative development projects without a specific deadline. In a number of instances, an ongoing study entails the proposed consolidation of existing statutory law as modernized, updated, and better organized provisions into a particular title of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes.

Current ongoing studies concern such topics as alternative dispute resolution, consumer credit, decedent's estates (probate, estates and fiduciaries), domestic relations, information disclosure of the state-related universities, instructional output and faculty salary costs of the state-related and state-owned universities, public health, and real property.

During the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, the Commission published nine reports involving these ongoing studies, as reflected in the following chart.

<b>RELEASE DATE</b>	<b>TITLE OF REPORT</b>	<b>ENABLING RESOLUTION OR STATUTE</b>
January 2013	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>	2007 Senate Resolution No. 194
February 2013	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2011-12 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>	§§ 2017-A(a) and (c), 2002-D, 2004-D(c) and 2005-D of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949
February 2013	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2011-12 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>	§§ 2017-A(a) and (c), 2002-D, 2004-D(c) and 2005-D of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949
May 2013	<i>Domestic Relations Law: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law 1993-2010</i>	1993 Senate Resolution No. 43

<b>RELEASE DATE</b>	<b>TITLE OF REPORT</b>	<b>ENABLING RESOLUTION OR STATUTE</b>
August 2013	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and Orphans' Court Matters: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws 1945-2013</i>	1945 Senate Resolution No. 46
November 2013	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania: Disease Control Measures -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>	2007 Senate Resolution No. 194
January 2014	<i>Consumer Credit Code: Motor Vehicle Sales Finance and Goods and Services Installment Sales</i>	§ 20 of the act of December 9, 2002 (P.L.1446, No.186)
February 2014	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2012-13 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>	§§ 2017-A(a) and (c), 2002-D, 2004-D(c) and 2005-D of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949
February 2014	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2012-13 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>	§§ 2017-A(a) and (c), 2002-D, 2004-D(c) and 2005-D of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949

### ***Studies Completed***

The Commission completed a number of studies during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. The following chart summarizes these reports and the resolution that prompted the study.

<b>RELEASE DATE</b>	<b>TITLE OF REPORT</b>	<b>ENABLING RESOLUTION</b>
January 2013	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on the Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia</i>	2010 Senate Resolution No. 344
December 2013	<i>Staff Study of the Emergency Medical Services System in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>	2011 House Resolution No. 315
December 2013	<i>Violence Prevention in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Violence Prevention</i>	2013 Senate Resolution No. 6
April 2014	<i>Constables in Pennsylvania: Proposed Statutory Reforms</i>	2013 House Resolution No. 138
May 2014	<i>Mental Health Services and the Criminal Justice System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Joint State Government Commission</i>	2013 House Resolution No. 226

RELEASE DATE	TITLE OF REPORT	ENABLING RESOLUTION
June 2014	<i>Childhood Obesity -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Childhood Obesity</i>	2013 House Resolution No. 243
July 2014	<i>Reforming the Administrative Law in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report</i>	2011 House Resolution No. 247
August 2014	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Long Term Care Supports and Services for Older Pennsylvanians</i>	2013 House Resolution No. 255
December 2014	<i>Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs in Pennsylvania: Staff Study</i>	2013 House Resolution No. 163

In addition, in October 2014, the Commission released a report on the human trafficking law under 2014 Act No. 105. This law was based on the recommendations developed by the Commission's Advisory Committee on Human Trafficking and published in a June 2012 report.<sup>22</sup>

### ***Studies Commenced But Not Completed***

Several resolutions were adopted during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, which directed the Commission to conduct a study whose deadline occurs after December 2014. The following chart lists the topic of these proposed studies, the enabling resolution, and the mandated deadline.

TOPIC	ENABLING RESOLUTION	DATE OF ADOPTION	LENGTH OF STUDY
Homelessness	2013 House Resolution No. 550	March 18, 2014	Two years
Opiate Prescription Drug Proliferation	2014 House Resolution No. 659	April 1, 2014	One year
Physician Shortages	2014 House Resolution No. 735	April 29, 2014	One year
Juvenile Act	2014 Senate Resolution No. 304	April 29, 2014	One year
Professional Bedside Nurse Staffing	2014 House Resolution No. 920	June 27, 2014	One year
Wind Turbines	2014 House Resolution No. 925	September 17, 2014	One year
Cyber Security	2014 House Resolution No. 778	September 22, 2014	One year
Diabetes	2014 House Resolution No. 936	September 24, 2014	Ongoing <sup>23</sup>

<sup>22</sup> See *Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: A Review of the Act of July 2, 2014, P.L.945, No.105* (Oct. 2014).

<sup>23</sup> An initial report containing specified information is due by March 1, 2015. Biennial reports are due by September 15 of each odd-numbered year, beginning in 2015.

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ENABLING RESOLUTION</b>	<b>DATE OF ADOPTION</b>	<b>LENGTH OF STUDY</b>
Truancy and School Dropout Prevention	2014 House Resolution No. 1032	October 8, 2014	One year

### *Studies Proposed*

Finally, several other resolutions or statutes were introduced during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, which directed the Commission to conduct a study. None of these resolutions or statutes were adopted or enacted. The following chart lists the topic of the proposed study and the legislative authorization.

<b>TOPIC</b>	<b>ENABLING RESOLUTION OR STATUTE</b>
Workplace Pay Disparity	2013 House Resolution No. 218
Youth Leadership and Community Involvement	2013 House Resolution No. 589
Workplace Pay Disparity <sup>24</sup>	2014 House Resolution No. 716
Military Electronic Voting <sup>25</sup>	2014 House Resolution No. 867
Health Care Workforce	2014 House Resolution No. 983
Police Training and the Use of Non-Lethal Force Against Dogs	2014 House Resolution No. 1017
Contracts Regarding the State Lottery Law	2013 Senate Bill No. 464
Public Construction Laws	2013 Senate Resolution No. 207
Inefficiencies of the Criminal Justice System	2013 Senate Resolution No. 238
Student Suicide in Higher Education	2014 Senate Resolution No. 345

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<sup>24</sup> Concurrent resolution, adopted by the House of Representatives in May 2014.

<sup>25</sup> Concurrent resolution.



## LEGISLATION DURING 2013-14

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One of the principal duties of the Joint State Government Commission is to draft legislation concerning its various studies. Although such legislation is not afforded “fast track” status and must undergo the normal legislative process, numerous bills stemming directly from the work of the Commission have recently been enacted into law. Over the last decade, for example, this legislation has included new statutory provisions and scores of amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code;<sup>26</sup> the Domestic Relations Code;<sup>27</sup> and Title 24 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes (Education).<sup>28</sup>

The following information provides a list and description of legislation in which the Commission has directly been involved and which has been introduced during the 2013-14 session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. This legislation concerns such diverse topics as child protection; children of incarcerated parents; common interest ownership communities; consumer credit; criminal law and procedure; human trafficking; and probate, estates, and fiduciaries.

### *Legislation Enacted*

Twenty-eight bills, based directly on the work of the Commission, were introduced during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly and enacted into law. This enacted legislation involves child protection; consumer credit; human trafficking; and probate, estates, and fiduciaries.

The following chart lists the act number, the House or Senate bill number that is the basis of the enacted legislation, the general topic of the enacted legislation, and the specific subject matter of the provisions.<sup>29</sup>

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<sup>26</sup> Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes. This legislation has included, for example, such topics as orphans’ court jurisdiction, probate, dispositions independent of letters, administration and personal representatives, health care, guardianships, powers of attorney, estates, the prudent investor rule, trusts, and principal and income.

<sup>27</sup> Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes. This legislation has included, for example, such topics as adoption, custody, divorce, and equitable distribution.

<sup>28</sup> Specifically, Chapter 93, relating to public libraries.

<sup>29</sup> References in the chart to “DPW” refer to the Department of Public Welfare. The department was renamed the Department of Human Services by the act of September 24, 2014 (P.L.2458, No.132).

ACT	BILL NUMBER AND GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER OF ENACTED PROVISIONS
2013 Act No. 35	2013 House Bill No. 513 <b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Increasing the dollar amounts involving deposit accounts and patient care accounts regarding payments to family and funeral directors, the settlement of small estates on petition, and estates not exceeding a specific value
2013 Act No. 98	2013 House Bill No. 1128 <b>Consumer Credit</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Motor vehicle sales finance</li> <li>● Goods and services installment sales</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 105	2013 House Bill No. 321 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Indecent contact</li> <li>● Sexual abuse of children</li> <li>● Sentencing enhancement for offenses involving sexual abuse of children</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 107	2013 House Bill No. 414 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Custody: consideration of child abuse and involvement with child protective services or general protective services; cooperation among entities</li> <li>● Release of information in confidential reports</li> <li>● Availability of information regarding reports of a child in need of general protective services</li> <li>● Inspection of court files and records</li> <li>● Law enforcement records</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 108	2013 House Bill No. 726 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definitions, including, but not limited to, bodily injury, founded report, indicated report, serious physical neglect, sexual abuse or exploitation, and child abuse</li> <li>● Exclusions from child abuse</li> <li>● Notice regarding the disposition of a founded or indicated report</li> <li>● Amendment or expunction of information</li> <li>● Investigation of reports</li> <li>● Evidence in court proceedings</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 109	2013 House Bill No. 1201 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Non-disclosure of the name of a minor who is a victim of sexual or physical abuse</li> <li>● Report by a district attorney to a health care professional: amendment of the definition of state board</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 117	2013 Senate Bill No. 23 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definitions of perpetrator and person responsible for the child's welfare</li> <li>● Expunction of information of a perpetrator who was under 18 when the child abuse was committed</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 118	2013 Senate Bill No. 28 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Simple assault</li> <li>● Aggravated assault</li> <li>● False reports of child abuse</li> <li>● Intimidation, retaliation, or obstruction in child abuse cases</li> </ul>



ACT	BILL NUMBER AND GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER OF ENACTED PROVISIONS
2013 Act No. 119	2013 Senate Bill No. 30 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definition of child-care services</li> <li>● Immunity from civil and criminal liability for a person, hospital, institution, school, facility, agency, or agency employee acting in good faith and making a report of suspected child abuse or referral for general protective services, cooperating or consulting with an investigation, testifying in a proceeding, or engaging in other specified authorized actions</li> <li>● Immunity from civil and criminal liability for an official or employee of DPW or a county agency who refers a report of suspected child abuse for general protective services to law enforcement authorities or who provides authorized services</li> <li>● Contents of the statewide database of protective services</li> <li>● Hearings regarding the amendment or expunction of information</li> </ul>
2013 Act No. 120	2013 Senate Bill No. 34 <b>Child Protection</b>	Amendment of the Professional Educator Discipline Act: definitions; certification requirements; Professional Standards and Practices Commission; complaints and department investigations; mandatory reporting; discipline for criminal offenses; imposition of discipline on additional grounds or founded reports; reciprocal discipline; duties of school entities; department action after investigation; hearing; proposed report by hearing officer; appeal; reinstatement; immunity from liability; confidentiality; Commission proceedings and procedures; subpoenas; disposition of fees and fines collected
2013 Act No. 123	2013 Senate Bill No. 1116 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Multidisciplinary investigative teams</li> <li>● Response to reports and investigations</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 4	2013 Senate Bill No. 29 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mandatory reporting of suspected child abuse of a child under one year of age who is born and identified as being affected by illegal substance abuse by the child's mother, withdrawal symptoms resulting from prenatal drug exposure, or a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder</li> <li>● Safety or risk assessment</li> <li>● County agency duties</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 27	2013 House Bill No. 89 <b>Child Protection</b>	Funding of children's advocacy centers through grants to the Pa. Commission on Crime and Delinquency from the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) Fund
2014 Act No. 28	2013 House Bill No. 316 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Children's advocacy centers</li> <li>● Funding for training of mandated reporters of suspected child abuse and child abuse related costs</li> <li>● Funding for children's advocacy centers and multidisciplinary investigative teams</li> <li>● Child Advocacy Center Advisory Committee within the Pa. Commission on Crime and Delinquency</li> </ul>

ACT	BILL NUMBER AND GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER OF ENACTED PROVISIONS
2014 Act No. 29	2013 Senate Bill No. 24 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Electronic reporting regarding suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Reporting the suspicion that a child died as a result of child abuse to the appropriate coroner or medical examiner</li> <li>● Contents of statewide database of protective services</li> <li>● Statewide toll-free telephone number</li> <li>● Reports of children in need of general services and reports made by electronic technologies</li> <li>● Reports by county agencies and law enforcement</li> <li>● Reports by DPW and referral to a county agency</li> <li>● Reports by DPW and referral to law enforcement</li> <li>● Procedures regarding disposition of complaints for suspected child abuse: joint referrals; jurisdictional overlap; referral for services or investigation; records of pending reports; cases involving other states</li> <li>● Investigations</li> <li>● Access to and use of information in the statewide database</li> <li>● Clearances</li> <li>● Information in the statewide database</li> <li>● Maintenance and expunction of information</li> <li>● Release of information in confidential reports</li> <li>● Cooperation of other agencies</li> <li>● Assessment regarding general protective services</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 31	2013 House Bill No. 431 <b>Child Protection</b>	Education and training: licensing boards and specific persons required to meet child abuse recognition and reporting training requirements
2014 Act No. 32	2013 House Bill No. 436 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mandated reporters of suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Privileged communications</li> <li>● Failure to report a case of suspected child abuse or make a referral to the appropriate authorities</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 33	2013 Senate Bill No. 21 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mandated reporters of suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Basis to report suspected child abuse or cause a report to be made</li> <li>● Persons encouraged to report suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Reporting procedures</li> <li>● Photographs, medical tests, and X-rays regarding suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Taking a child into protective custody</li> <li>● Education and training</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 34	2013 Senate Bill No. 33 <b>Child Protection</b>	Protection from employment discharge or discrimination for acting in good faith in making a report of suspected child abuse or causing such a report to be made

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2014 Act No. 44	2013 Senate Bill No. 31 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definitions of bodily injury, founded report, general protective services, indicated report for school employee (repealed), individual residing in the same home as the child (repealed), near fatality, school, and school employee</li> <li>● Persons required to report child abuse</li> <li>● Investigating performance of a county agency</li> <li>● Student in public and private schools (subchapter repealed)</li> <li>● Services for the prevention, investigation, and treatment of child abuse</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 45	2013 House Bill No. 434 <b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Definitions of founded report for school employee (repealed), serious physical neglect and subject of the report</li> <li>● Statewide database of protective services</li> <li>● Founded and unfounded reports</li> <li>● Amendment or expunction of information</li> <li>● Prospective child-care personnel</li> <li>● Family day-care home residents</li> <li>● Other persons having contact with children</li> <li>● Cooperation with other agencies</li> <li>● Reports to the Governor and General Assembly</li> <li>● Students in public and private schools (subchapter repealed)</li> <li>● Background checks for employees in schools (subchapter repealed)</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 56	2013 House Bill No. 112 <b>Child Protection</b>	Amendment of the Crimes Code, including, but not limited to, provisions regarding sexual assault by a sports official, volunteer, or employee of a nonprofit association
2014 Act No. 95	2013 House Bill No. 1429 <sup>30</sup> <b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Powers of attorney: execution requirements; notice; acknowledgment; duties of an agent; non-liability of an agent; disclosure; authority of agent; power to make limited gifts; power to disclaim an interest in property (repealed); power to engage in insurance and annuity transactions; power to engage in retirement plan transactions; acceptance of and reliance upon a power of attorney; liability for refusal to accept a power of attorney; activities through employees; validity; principles of law and equity

<sup>30</sup> The Commission's Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws developed different power of attorney recommendations from those set forth in 2013 House Bill No. 1429. Therefore, the Advisory Committee did not endorse the provisions of this bill. However, select members of the Advisory Committee were consulted for input on various aspects of the bill during the legislative process.

ACT	BILL NUMBER AND GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER OF ENACTED PROVISIONS
2014 Act No. 105	2013 Senate Bill No. 75 <b>Human Trafficking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Repeal of Chapter 30 (trafficking of persons) of the Crimes Code, to be replaced by a new Chapter 30 (human trafficking), with new provisions for the prosecution and prevention of human trafficking and for the protection of victims of human trafficking</li> <li>● Confidential communications with human trafficking caseworkers</li> <li>● Victim impact statements</li> </ul>
2014 Act No. 151	2013 House Bill No. 90 <b>Child Protection</b>	Administrative subpoenas
2014 Act No. 153	2013 House Bill No. 435 <b>Child Protection</b>	Amendment of the Child Protective Services Law: foster parents as mandated reporters of suspected child abuse; reporting procedures and the release of information (applicability of the Mental Health Procedures Act); confidentiality of reports; release of information in confidential reports; employees having contact with children; adoptive and foster parents; information to be submitted for clearances; documentation; grounds for denying employment or participation in a program, activity or service; dismissal; provisional employees for limited periods; information relating to certified or registered day-care home residents; volunteers having contact with children; continued employment or participation in a program, activity or service; certification compliance; penalties; study to analyze and make recommendations regarding employment bans
2014 Act No. 176	2013 Senate Bill No. 27 <b>Child Protection</b>	Exchange of information regarding a case of suspected child abuse: certified medical practitioners
2014 Act No. 186	2013 Senate Bill No. 428 <b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Pooled trusts for individuals with disabilities

### *Legislation Introduced*

Numerous bills, which were based directly on the work of the Commission or on which the Commission was directly consulted during the legislative process, were introduced during the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania but were not enacted into law. This legislation relates to child protection; children of incarcerated parents; common interest ownership communities; criminal law and procedure; human trafficking; mental health; probate, estates, and fiduciaries; and violence prevention.

The following charts list the House or Senate bill number, the general topic, and the subject matter of the legislation.

HOUSE BILL NUMBER	GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER
19	<b>Child Protection</b>	Child exploitation awareness education
328	<b>Child Protection</b>	Notification regarding a child abuse investigation
350	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Aggravated assault</li> <li>● Serious bodily injury to a child</li> </ul>
378	<b>Child Protection</b>	New training regarding child abuse for police officers and the minor judiciary
404	<b>Child Protection</b>	Intimidation or retaliation in child abuse cases
429	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Persons permitted to report suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Discrimination against a person filing a report</li> </ul>
430	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Advanced communication technologies</li> <li>● Persons required to report suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Report by a mandated reporter</li> <li>● Permissive report of suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Contents of a report</li> <li>● Photographs, medical tests, and X-rays of a child subject to a report</li> <li>● Statewide toll-free telephone number</li> <li>● Reports by county agencies and law enforcement</li> <li>● Reports by DPW and referral to county agencies</li> <li>● Reports by DPW and referral to law enforcement</li> <li>● Procedures regarding disposition of complaints for suspected child abuse: joint referrals; ability of law enforcement to receive reports; jurisdictional overlap; referral for services or investigation; records of pending reports; cases involving other states</li> <li>● Investigations</li> <li>● Access to and use of information in the statewide central register</li> <li>● Education and training</li> </ul>
432	<b>Child Protection</b>	Child abuse recognition and reporting training for certain operators of entities caring for children, certain employees caring for children, certain caregivers in family day care homes, and foster parents
433	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Notice of the determination that a report is founded, indicated or unfounded</li> <li>● Amendment or expunction of information in the statewide database</li> <li>● Investigation of reports: review of indicated reports; final determination; notice generally; notice to the mandated reporter</li> <li>● Evidence in court proceedings: child victims and witnesses</li> </ul>

<b>HOUSE BILL NUMBER</b>	<b>GENERAL TOPIC</b>	<b>SUBJECT MATTER</b>
476	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• False reports of suspected child abuse against an institution</li> <li>• Contents of the statewide central register</li> <li>• Amendment and expunction of information</li> </ul>
673	<b>Child Protection</b>	Persons required to report suspected child abuse and penalties for failure to report or refer
725	<b>Child Protection</b>	Training for child protective services workers regarding the recognition of drug and alcohol abuse and addiction, warning signs of drug and alcohol problems, and methods of referral for assessment and treatment of addiction
749	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increasing the dollar amount under the Pennsylvania Uniform Transfers to Minors Act</li> <li>• Pooled trusts for individuals with disabilities</li> </ul>
930	<b>Child Protection</b>	Amendment of the Professional Educator Discipline Act: definitions; certification requirements; Professional Standards and Practices Commission; membership and qualifications; powers and duties; organization and meetings of the Commission; expenses; Commission staff, complaints and department investigations, mandatory reporting, discipline for criminal offenses; imposition of discipline on additional grounds; imposition of discipline on founded and indicated reports; reciprocal discipline; unavailability of certain defense and mitigating factor; confidentiality; duties of school entities; department action after investigation; hearing; proposed report by hearing officer; appeal; reinstatement; unauthorized release of information; immunity from liability; Commission proceedings and procedures; subpoenas; disposition of fees and fines collected
1045	<b>Child Protection</b>	False reports of child abuse
1306	<b>Human Trafficking</b>	Prostitution and related offenses: commercial sex; victims of sex trafficking; vacating convictions
1417	<b>Human Trafficking</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repeal of Chapter 30 (trafficking of persons) of the Crimes Code, to be replaced by a new Chapter 30 (human trafficking), with new provisions for the prosecution and prevention of human trafficking and for the protection of human trafficking victims</li> <li>• Confidential communications with human trafficking caseworkers</li> </ul>
1462	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Increasing the dollar amount under the Pennsylvania Uniform Transfers to Minors Act
1688	<b>Common Interest Ownership Communities</b>	Identification of residential and mixed-use common interest ownership communities in a county comprehensive plan

<b>HOUSE BILL NUMBER</b>	<b>GENERAL TOPIC</b>	<b>SUBJECT MATTER</b>
2007 <sup>31</sup>	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Powers of attorney: acknowledgment; prevention of elder abuse

<b>SENATE BILL NUMBER</b>	<b>GENERAL TOPIC</b>	<b>SUBJECT MATTER</b>
20	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amendment of definitions, including, but not limited to, bodily injury, founded report, indicated report, serious physical neglect, and child abuse</li> <li>● Exclusions from child abuse</li> </ul>
22	<b>Child Protection</b>	Penalties for failure to report or refer an incident of suspected child abuse
25	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Electronic reporting regarding suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Reporting the suspicion that a child died as a result of child abuse to the appropriate coroner or medical examiner</li> <li>● Investigations</li> <li>● Report reception</li> <li>● Disposition of reports of suspected child abuse</li> <li>● Cooperation with county agencies</li> <li>● Release of information in confidential reports</li> </ul>
26	<b>Child Protection</b>	Statewide three-digit toll-free telephone number and monitoring by DPW
32	<b>Child Protection</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● School district's duty to notify the county when a child enrolls in a home school program or cyber charter school, is truant, or fails to register for school after attaining compulsory school age</li> <li>● Safety and risk assessments</li> </ul>
46	<b>Child Protection</b>	Employment at school entities and their independent contractors with direct contact with children
112	<b>Children of Incarcerated Parents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Grounds for the involuntary termination of parental rights</li> <li>● Disposition of a dependent child</li> <li>● Arrest protocols</li> </ul>
117	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Appointment by the orphans' court division</li> <li>● Compensation of a master, auditor, examiner, guardian ad litem, or trustee ad litem</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>- continued on next page -</i></p>

<sup>31</sup> Although the Advisory Committee did not endorse the provisions of this bill, select members of the Advisory Committee were consulted for input on various aspects of the bill during the legislative process.

SENATE BILL NUMBER	GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER
117	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>- continued from previous page -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Guardianships and incapacitated persons: venue; confidentiality and the disclosure of information; petition and hearing; appointment of counsel; who may and may not be appointed guardian; preference in appointing a guardian of the person or a guardian of the estate; review hearing; independent evaluation; affidavit in uncontested termination matters; counsel; emergency guardian; removal and discharge of guardian; appointment of guardian in conveyance; bond; evidence of incapacity; cross-examination of witnesses; death or removal of guardian; powers of a guardian of the estate with and without further court approval; revival of judgment; death or incapacity of a guardian; surviving or remaining guardians; disagreement of guardians of the estate; filing of decree; inadequacy of consideration; substitution of party; specific performance of contracts; abandonment of property; title of purchaser; compromise or settlement; reports; records of guardian; health care decisions; liability of a guardian of the person or a guardian of the estate; delegation by a guardian of the estate; inventory; protection of a person dealing with a guardian; accounts; distribution of income and principal during incapacity; guardianship services</li> </ul>
352	<b>Child Protection</b>	Newborns who receive a diagnosis of fetal alcohol syndrome or test positive for an illegal controlled substance
353	<b>Child Protection</b>	Newborns who test positive for an illegal controlled substance
429	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Increasing the dollar amounts involving deposit accounts and patient care accounts regarding payments to family and funeral directors
498	<b>Child Protection</b>	Training for child protective services workers regarding drug and alcohol abuse and addiction, warning signs of drug and alcohol problems, and methods of referral for assessment and treatment of addiction
517	<b>Child Protection</b>	Home education program affidavit requirements
518	<b>Child Protection</b>	Endangering the welfare of a child by leaving the child alone with a registered sex offender
530	<b>Human Trafficking</b>	Prostitution and related offenses: commercial sex; victims of sex trafficking; vacating convictions



SENATE BILL NUMBER	GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER
620 <sup>32</sup>	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	Powers of attorney: execution requirements; notice; acknowledgment; duties of an agent; non-liability of an agent; disclosure; authority of agent; power to make limited gifts; power to disclaim an interest in property (repealed); power to engage in insurance and annuity transactions; power to engage in retirement plan transactions; acceptance of and reliance upon a power of attorney; liability for refusal to accept a power of attorney; activities through employees; validity; principles of law and equity
621	<b>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jurisdiction of the orphans' court division</li> <li>● Submission to jurisdiction</li> <li>● Continuation of a business</li> <li>● Incorporation of or formation of an entity to operate an estate's business</li> <li>● Determination of title to a decedent's interest in real estate</li> <li>● Authority of a health care agent</li> <li>● Relation of a health care agent to a court-appointed guardian and other agents</li> <li>● Powers of attorney: execution; limitation on applicability; power to claim an elective share; power to handle interests in estates and trusts; power to operate a business or entity; power to provide for personal and family maintenance; relation of an agent to a court-appointed guardian; accounts; venue; jurisdiction</li> <li>● Release or disclaimer of powers or interests (repealed), to be replaced by new provisions regarding release of powers and interests and disclaimer of powers</li> <li>● Powers of appointment</li> <li>● Nonjudicial settlement agreements</li> <li>● Representation of parties in interest</li> <li>● Division of trust</li> <li>● Resignation of trustee</li> <li>● Duty to inform and report</li> <li>● Limitation of action against a trustee</li> <li>● Charitable instruments</li> </ul>
710	<b>Criminal Law and Procedure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tampering with and preserving biological evidence</li> <li>● Pennsylvania Postconviction DNA Testing Act</li> <li>● DNA profiles</li> <li>● Forensic laboratories</li> <li>● Forensic Advisory Board</li> </ul>

<sup>32</sup> The Commission's Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws developed different power of attorney recommendations from those set forth in 2013 Senate Bill No. 620. Therefore, the Advisory Committee did not endorse the provisions of this bill. However, select members of the Advisory Committee were consulted for input on various aspects of the bill during the legislative process.

SENATE BILL NUMBER	GENERAL TOPIC	SUBJECT MATTER
711	<b>Criminal Law and Procedure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Expungement of criminal history record information</li> <li>● Informant testimony</li> <li>● Sovereign immunity</li> <li>● Claims for wrongful conviction and imprisonment</li> <li>● Investigations: recording of interrogations; eyewitness identifications</li> </ul>
712	<b>Criminal Law and Procedure</b>	Pennsylvania Commission on Conviction Integrity Act
979	<b>Criminal Law and Procedure</b>	Pennsylvania Center for Effective Indigent Defense Legal Representation Act
1233	<b>Child Protection</b>	Endangering the welfare of a child and conviction of DUI/DWI in which the child is a passenger in the vehicle
1272	<b>Child Protection</b>	Release of information by an investigating county agency
1469	<b>Violence Prevention</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Amendment of the Public School Code of 1949: duty of the Office for Safe Schools to give priority in grant funding to school entities located more than 15 minutes from the nearest law enforcement agency</li> <li>● School safety requirements: safety assessment audits; school safety plans; school building blueprints; threat assessment and crisis response teams; safety drills</li> </ul>
1470	<b>Mental Health Violence Prevention</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Consolidation into the Mental Health Code provisions regarding mental health procedures: examination, treatment, and determinations affecting those charged with a crime or under sentence (with conforming amendments throughout the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes)</li> <li>● Repeal of the Mental Health Procedures Act</li> </ul>
1471	<b>Violence Prevention</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Repeal of Chapter 61 of the Crime Code, to be replaced by new Chapter 62, both regarding firearms and other dangerous articles (with conforming amendments throughout the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes)</li> </ul>

## PUBLICATIONS BY YEAR: 1940-2014

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The following tables list the publications of the Joint State Government Commission in reverse chronological order. Since its inception, the Commission has published more than 350 reports on a broad range of topics.

During the 2013-14 legislative session of the General Assembly, the Commission released 19 reports concerning administrative law; child abuse and neglect prevention; childhood obesity; constables; consumer credit; criminal law and procedure; domestic relations; education; human trafficking; long-term care supports and services for older Pennsylvanians; mental health; probate, estates, and fiduciaries; public health and safety; and violence prevention.

<b>2014</b>	December	<i>Joint State Government Commission: Biennial Report for the 2013-14 Legislative Session</i>
	November	<i>Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs in Pennsylvania: Staff Study</i>
	October	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: A Review of the Act of July 2, 2014, P.L.945, No.105</i>
	August	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Long Term Care Supports and Services for Older Pennsylvanians</i>
	July	<i>Reforming the Administrative Law in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report</i>
	June	<i>Childhood Obesity -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Childhood Obesity</i>
	May	<i>Mental Health Services and the Criminal Justice System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	April	<i>Constables in Pennsylvania: Proposed Statutory Reforms</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2012-13 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2012-13 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	January	<i>Consumer Credit Code: Motor Vehicle Sales Finance and Goods and Services Installment Sales</i>

<b>2013</b>	December	<i>Violence Prevention in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Violence Prevention</i>
	December	<i>Staff Study of the Emergency Medical Services System in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
	November	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania: Disease Control Measures -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>
	August	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and Orphans' Court Matters: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws 1945-2013</i>
	May	<i>Domestic Relations Law: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law 1993-2010</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2011-12 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2011-12 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	January	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on the Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia</i>
January	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>	

<b>2012</b>	November	<i>Child Protection In Pennsylvania: Proposed Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force on Child Protection</i>
	October	<i>Guardianship Law: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	June	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: Policy Recommendations and Proposed Legislation</i>
	March	<i>Developments of Regional Significance and Impact: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Developments of Regional Significance and Impact</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2010-11 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2010-11 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>

<b>2011</b>	December	<i>A Constitutional Default: Services to Indigent Criminal Defendants in Pennsylvania – Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Services to Indigent Criminal Defendants</i>
	December	<i>Common Interest Ownership Communities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- Pursuant to House Resolution 350 of 2009</i>
	December	<i>The Effects of Parental Incarceration on Children: Needs and Responsive Services -- Report of the Advisory Committee Pursuant to House Resolution 203 and Senate Resolution 52 of 2009</i>
	September	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Wrongful Convictions</i>
	June	<i>Methadone Use and Abuse: Reducing the Incidence of Methadone Overdoses and Deaths -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Use and Diversion of Methadone</i>
	June	<i>Powers of Attorney and Health Care Decision-Making: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2009-10 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2009-10 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>

<b>2010</b>	December	<i>The Pennsylvania Public Library Code: Findings and Recommendations</i>
	December	<i>High-Performing and Low-Spending School Districts: Best Practices and Other Factors -- Pursuant to Senate Resolution 243 of 2010</i>
	June	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments to Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	March	<i>Powers of Attorney: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates, and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2008-09 Data Reported Under Section 2004-D of the Public School Code of 1949</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2009-10 Data Reported Under the Public School Code of 1949</i>

<b>2009</b>	August	<i>Tax Provisions for Poverty Relief: An Analysis of the Federal and State Earned Income Tax Credit and the Pennsylvania Special Tax Forgiveness Program</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2007-08 Data Reported Under the Public School Code</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2007-08 Data Reported Under the Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>Student Drug and Alcohol Violations at Institutions of Higher Education: Parental Notification and Access to Student Records</i>

<b>2008</b>	December	<i>The Report of the Task Force on Violent Interactive Video Games</i>
	June	<i>Child Safety in Pennsylvania -- An Advisory Committee Report with Recommendations</i>
	June	<i>The Kilbuck Township Landslide: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on the Kilbuck Township Landslide</i>
	June	<i>The Advisory Committee Report on the Waiting List for Community-Based Mental Retardation Services</i>
	May	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2006-07 Data Reported Under 2006 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2006-07 Data Reported Under 2006 Appropriations Acts</i>

<b>2007</b>	December	<i>Alimony: Proposed Amendments to Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
	October	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments to Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	October	<i>Waste Tire Recycling and Reuse in Pennsylvania: An Analysis of the Industry, Markets, and State Use, Including Rubber Modified Asphalt</i>
	May	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation with Statistics from 1958 to 2006</i>
	May	<i>Guardianship Law in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Working Group on Guardianships</i>

<b>2007 (cont'd)</b>	May	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2005-06 Data Reported Under 2005 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2005-06 Data Reported Under 2005 Appropriations Acts</i>
	January	<i>Report of the Senate Select Committee on Tobacco Settlement Funding</i>

<b>2006</b>	November	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Consumer Credit Code: The Goods and Services Installment Sales Act -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Consumer Credit Code</i>
	November	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Consumer Credit Code: The Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Consumer Credit Code</i>
	March	<i>Unsolicited Proposals Under the Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2004-05 Data Reported Under 2004 Appropriations Acts</i>
	January	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2004-05 Data Reported Under 2004 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>2005</b>	November	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation With Statistics From 1958 to 2005</i>
	June	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Geriatric and Seriously Ill Inmates</i>
	April	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Trust Act and Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedent's Estates Laws</i>
	March	<i>Medical Professional Liability Reform for the 21st Century: A Review of Policy Options -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Medical Professional Liability</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2003-04 Data Reported Under 2003 Appropriations Acts</i>
	February	<i>Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code: An Analysis of the Effectiveness and Public Awareness of the Penalties for Violations</i>
	January	<i>Exotic Wildlife in Pennsylvania: A Report with Recommendations</i>

<b>2005 (cont'd)</b>	January	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2003-04 Data Reported Under 2003 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
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<b>2004</b>	November	<i>Cervical Cancer in Pennsylvania: Easing the Burden</i>
	November	<i>The Children and Youth Services Delivery System in Pennsylvania: Summary of Testimony Before the Task Force on Services to Children and Youth</i>
	September	<i>Pennsylvania's Role in Influenza Prevention and Control</i>
	July	<i>Laws Regulating School Nurses in Pennsylvania and Other States</i>
	February	<i>The Funding and Benefit Structure of the Pennsylvania Statewide Retirement Systems: A Report with Recommendations</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2002-03 Data Reported Under 2002 Appropriations Acts</i>
	January	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2002-03 Data Reported Under 2002 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>2003</b>	November	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Trust Act and Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	October	<i>Part-Time Faculty at Institutions of Higher Education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Part-Time Faculty</i>
	July	<i>Administrative Shortages in Pennsylvania's Public School Districts -- Report of the Task Force on Administrative Shortages</i>
	May	<i>Minority Representation in the Jury Selection Process in Pennsylvania -- 2002 Senate Resolution 268, Printer's No. 2300</i>
	March	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 2001-02 Data Reported Under 2001 Appropriations Acts</i>
	January	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Staff Analysis of 2001-02 Data Reported Under 2001 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>



<b>2002</b>	November	<i>The Children and Youth Services Delivery System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Services to Children and Youth</i>
	November	<i>Brain Defense: A Stroke Prevention and Treatment Strategy for Pennsylvania -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Stroke Prevention and Treatment</i>
	June	<i>Energy Policy for Pennsylvania: Displacing Foreign Petroleum -- Report of the Task Force on 21st Century Energy Policy for Pennsylvania</i>
	February	<i>Proposed Health Care Decision-Making Provisions Under Chapter 54 of Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes: 2002 Senate Bill 1265 (Printer's No. 1682)</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Analysis of 2000-01 Data Reported Under 2000 Appropriations Acts</i>
	January	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 2000-01 Data Reported Under 2000 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>2001</b>	December	<i>Driver Distractions and Traffic Safety -- Staff Report Pursuant to 2000 Senate Resolution No. 127, Printer's No. 1935</i>
	June	<i>Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Principal and Income Act and Other Proposed Amendments -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	April	<i>Adoption Act: Proposed Revision -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Adoption Law</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Analysis of 1999-00 Data Reported Under 1999 Appropriations Acts</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1999-00 Data Reported Under 1999 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>2000</b>	November	<i>Primary Election Dates in Pennsylvania: An Analysis of Proposals for Change -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Primary Election Dates</i>
	October	<i>Opportunity in the Age of Biology: Biomedical Research in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Working Group on Biomedical Research</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1998-99 Data Reported Under 1998 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 1998-99 Data Reported Under 1998 Appropriations Acts</i>

<b>1999</b>	November	<i>Custody: Recommendations -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
	April	<i>Divorce Code: Recommended Amendments -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 1997-98 Data Reported Under 1997 Appropriations Acts</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1997-98 Data Reported Under 1997 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>

<b>1998</b>	November	<i>Powers of Attorney: Recommended Amendments -- Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships and Powers of Attorney of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	July	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation with Statistics from 1958 to 1997</i>
	March	<i>A Health Care Decision-Making Proposal; A Prudent Investor Rule; [and] Other Proposed Amendments -- Recommended by the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 1996-97 Data Reported Under 1996 Appropriations Acts</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1996-97 Data Reported Under 1996 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1997</b>	December	<i>Intermediate Units in Pennsylvania: The Role of Educational Service Agencies in Promoting Equity in Basic Education</i>
	April	<i>Clean and Green -- Staff Analysis of the Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis of 1995-96 Data Reported Under 1995 Appropriations Acts</i>
	February	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1995-96 Data Reported Under 1995 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1996</b>	November	<i>State Workers' Insurance Fund: Financial Integrity and Stability -- Report of the Select Committee to Study SWIF</i>
	May	<i>Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships and Powers of Attorney of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Recommending Amendments to Chapter 55 (Incapacitated Persons) of the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>
	February	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities: Staff Analysis Pursuant to the Non-Preferred Appropriations Acts of July 1, 1994</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1994-95 Data Reported Under 1994 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1995</b>	November	<i>The Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Commemorating Fifty Years of Service to the Commonwealth, 1945-1995</i>
	November	<i>The Collapse of the Foundation for New Era Philanthropy -- Staff Report to the General Assembly Including a Narrative of the Foundation's Operations and an Analysis of the Relevant Regulatory Statutes</i>
	October	<i>The Feasibility of Publicly Funded Residential Education in Pennsylvania -- Staff Analysis Pursuant to House Resolution 43 of 1995</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1993-94 Data Reported Under 1993 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>The Cost of Juvenile Violence in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report to the Task Force to Study the Issues Surrounding Violence as a Public Health Concern</i>
	January	<i>Eastern European Markets for Pennsylvania Exports -- Report of the Task Force on East European Business Development, Vol. II: Appendices</i>
	January	<i>Eastern European Markets for Pennsylvania Exports -- Report of the Task Force on East European Business Development, Vol. I</i>

<b>1994</b>	April	<i>Joint State Government Commission Staff Report, Senate Bill 1625, Pr.'s No. 2008 (1994), Containing the Proposed Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>
	April	<i>1994 Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Recommending a Health Care Power of Attorney Statute [and] Other Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1992-93 Data Reported Under 1992 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1993</b>	November	<i>Governing for Results: A Vision for the Future -- Report of the Task Force on Government Service Efficiency</i>
	August	<i>Children and Youth: 1989-1992 -- Findings and Conclusions of the Staff of the Joint State Government Commission Pursuant to Senate Resolution 11 of 1989</i>
	July	<i>Report of the Task Force on Defense Related Industries</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1991-92 Data Reported Under 1991 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1992</b>	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1990-91 Data Reported Under 1990 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>A Persian Gulf Veterans' Bonus for Pennsylvanians</i>

<b>1991</b>	June	<i>1991 Report of the Joint State Government Commission Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Containing Recommendations Amending the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act with Comments</i>
	February	<i>The Feasibility and Impact of an Insure-the-Driver Program for Philadelphia -- Staff Analysis by the Joint State Government Commission Pursuant to Act 6 of 1990, Section 29</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1989-90 Data Reported Under 1989 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1990</b>	April	<i>Report of the Task Force on Boxing: Including Recommendations and Proposed Legislation Incorporating Combative Sports Statutes into Title 5 (Athletics and Sports) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, with Source Notes and Comments</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1988-89 Data Reported Under 1988 Appropriation Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1989</b>	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1987-88 Data Reported Under 1987 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
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<b>1988</b>	February	<i>Exempting Spousal Transfers and Other Proposed Amendments to the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act [and the] Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1986-87 Data Reported Under 1986 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1987</b>	October	<i>Report on the Mental Health System and Laws of Pennsylvania: Including Source Notes and Comments to the Proposed Mental Health and Mental Retardation Code, Title 50 (Mental Health) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>
	August	<i>Proposed Insurance Code -- 1987 House Bill 1628 -- Printer's No. 2005: Consolidating the Laws of Pennsylvania Relating to Insurance as Title 40 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes [with] Comments and Cross-Reference Tables</i>
	March	<i>Report of the Private Prison Task Force</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1985-86 Data Reported Under 1985 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>Laws Relating to Blindness: A Compilation of Pennsylvania Statutes</i>

<b>1986</b>	October	<i>Cost-of-Living Adjustment for Benefits Pursuant to Section 306(h) of the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Act</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1984-85 Data Reported Under 1984 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>
	January	<i>Proposed Insurance Code -- 1985 House Bill 1962 -- Printer's No. 2642: Consolidating the Laws of Pennsylvania Relating to Insurance as Title 40 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes [with] Comments and Cross-Reference Tables</i>

<b>1985</b>	December	<i>Proposed Eminent Domain Code with Comments</i>
	October	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1985</i>
	September	<i>Report of the Task Force on Third-Party Real Estate Brokerage Operations</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1983-84 Data Reported Under 1983 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1984</b>	September	<i>Proposed Election Code: Title 25, Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>
	March	<i>Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships -- Joint State Government Commission Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	February	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities: Analysis of 1982-83 Data Reported Under 1982 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1983</b>	October	<i>Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1983</i>
	October	<i>Separating Transportation from Fixed Utility Regulations Under the Public Utility Commission</i>
	June	<i>Proposed Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>
	February	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Analysis of 1981-82 Data Reported Under 1981 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1982</b>	September	<i>1981-82 Report: Special Joint Committee of the General Assembly to Review Retirement Cost-of-Living Supplements and Funding Sources</i>
	July	<i>Proposed Codification of Laws Relating to Aviation into the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Title 74, Part IV</i>
	April	<i>Bankruptcy Exemptions: A Proposed Revision</i>
	February	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Analysis of 1980-81 Data Reported Under 1980 Appropriations Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1981</b>	March	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1981 and Proposed Revision of Inheritance Tax Laws and Codification of Chapter 17, Title 72 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>
	February	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Analysis of 1979-80 Data Reported Under 1979 Appropriation Acts and Public School Code</i>

<b>1980</b>	September	<i>The Impact of PIDA Loans on Employment</i>
	May	<i>Proposed Revision of Adoption Law and Codification into Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Title 23, Part III: Incorporating Policy Changes Contained in 1979 House Bill 213, Printer's No. 1741</i>
	April	<i>Local School Tax Reform: A Proposal to Reduce Property and Nuisance Taxes</i>
	April	<i>Private Detectives and Security Business: Proposed Title 22 [of the] Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>
	February	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Analysis of Data Submitted Under Reporting Requirements of 1978 Appropriation Acts</i>

<b>1979</b>	October	<i>Interim Report of the Select Task Force to Study Cost-of-Living Adjustments and Benefit Funding for the State and School Retirement Systems</i>
	May	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1979, Including a Study of the Impact of Inheritance Taxes on Decedents' Domicile</i>
	March	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Staff Analysis of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>1979</b> (cont'd)	January	<i>Administration of Pennsylvania's Child Abuse Law: A Legislative Oversight Evaluation Conducted on Behalf of the Senate Committee on Aging and Youth and the House Committee on Health and Welfare by the Staff of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	January	<i>Report of Commonwealth Compensation Commission on Compensation Adjustments for Cabinet Officers, Legislators and Legislative Officers, Justices and Judges</i>

<b>1978</b>	September	<i>Condominiums: A New Generation -- Proposing the Uniform Act with Modifications</i>
	September	<i>Office of Elected Attorney General -- Final Report</i>
	May	<i>Sovereign Immunity</i>
	March	<i>Office of Elected Attorney General -- Preliminary Report</i>
	March	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Colleges and Universities: Analysis of Reports Submitted Under 1976 Acts 7A, 156, 157, 158 and 159</i>
	February	<i>Rent Withholding</i>

<b>1977</b>	June	<i>Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1977</i>
	May	<i>Fire Service Needs in the Commonwealth</i>
	April	<i>Energy Facility Siting: A Comprehensive Program for Pennsylvania</i>
	March	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of State-Related Universities: Analysis of Reports Submitted Under 1975 Acts 13A, 34A, 35A and 38A</i>

<b>1976</b>	September	<i>Initial Report of Commonwealth Compensation Commission on Compensation Adjustments for Members of the General Assembly, Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Cabinet Officers</i>
	June	<i>Funding the Game and Fish Commissions</i>
	March	<i>Proposed Public Utility Code, with Source Notes and Comments</i>
	February	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of State Related Universities: Analysis of Reports Submitted Under 1974 Acts 46A, 47A, 48A, 61A</i>



<b>1975</b>	November	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1975</i>
	May	<i>Proposed Military Code, with Source Notes and Comments</i>
	April	<i>Faculty Output and Salary Costs of State-Related Universities: Analysis of Reports Submitted Under 1973 Acts 22A, 23A, and 24A</i>
	March	<i>Services to Troubled Youth: A Review and Recommendations</i>

<b>1974</b>	September	<i>Guardianship of the Mentally Retarded -- A Subcommittee Report on House Bill 1516 to the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives</i>
	June	<i>Proposed Public School Employees' Retirement Code</i>
	March	<i>Implementing Constitutional Amendment: District Attorneys' Informations</i>

<b>1973</b>	November	<i>Senate Confirmation of the Governor's Appointments -- Report of the Special Committee to Study Confirmation Procedure, Senate of Pennsylvania, Session of 1973</i>
	May	<i>Proposed Amendments: Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Phase II</i>

<b>1972</b>	December	<i>Eminent Domain Code, as Amended, with Comments and Notes</i>
	January	<i>Proposed State Employees' Retirement Code of 1972 -- A Report of the Task Force on Administration of and Codification of State Employees' Retirement Laws</i>
	January	<i>Proposed Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>

<b>1970</b>	December	<i>Proposed Budgeting Legislation Implementing the Pennsylvania Constitutional Revision of 1968</i>
	August	<i>Taxation of Public Utility Realty</i>
	April	<i>Public School Building Costs</i>
	--	<i>Proposed Juvenile Act</i>
	--	<i>Proposed Adoption Act</i>
	--	<i>The Paramedical Professions</i>

<b>1969</b>	November	<i>Tax Exemption and Auditing Legislation Implementing the Pennsylvania Constitution, Article VIII, Sections 2 and 10</i>
	October	<i>Proposed Disposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Property Act</i>
	May	<i>Uniform Criminal Statistics</i>

<b>1967</b>	October	<i>A Viet Nam Veterans' Bonus for Pennsylvanians</i>
	August	<i>Medical Training Facilities and Medical Practice in Pennsylvania</i>
	June	<i>Automotive Air Pollution -- Supplemental Report</i>
	--	<i>Proposed Crimes Code for Pennsylvania</i>

<b>1966</b>	February	<i>Joint State Government Commission Activities, 1963-1965 -- A Report by the Chairman to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
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<b>1965</b>	May	<i>Pennsylvania National Guard Insurance</i>
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<b>1964</b>	July	<i>Four Years After High School: A Follow-Up Survey of the Pennsylvania High School Seniors of 1958 -- Their Post-High School Education -- Their Employment -- Their Future Plans</i>
	--	<i>Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963</i>
	--	<i>Eminent Domain Code</i>

<b>1963</b>	July	<i>Penal Institutions, Probation and Parole</i>
	May	<i>The Dangerous Sex Offender -- A Report of the Panel of Medical Advisors on Health and Welfare to the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	February	<i>Automotive Air Pollution -- A Report of the Panel of Technical Advisors on Automotive Air Pollution to the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	February	<i>Coal in Pennsylvania: Recent Development and Prospects</i>
	January	<i>Periodic Physical Re-Examination of Motor Vehicle Operators: An Evaluation of the Pennsylvania Experience</i>
	January	<i>Milk Price Control</i>
	January	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1961-1963</i>
	--	<i>The Report of the Joint State Government Commission Task Force on the University Museum of the University of Pennsylvania</i>

<b>1963</b> (cont'd)	--	<i>Record: Interstate Advisory Committee on the Susquehanna River Basin -- Binghamton, New York, Monday, May 28, 1962 -- Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Monday, August 13, 1962 -- Baltimore, Maryland, Tuesday, November 20, 1962</i>
	--	<i>Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1961, As Amended</i>

<b>1962</b>	September	<i>Proposed Eminent Domain Law of 1963</i>
	July	<i>Observations and Recommendations of the Wildlife Management Institute, Washington, D.C. re: Pennsylvania Fish Commission and Pennsylvania Game Commission</i>
	--	<i>State Mental Hospitals -- Reprint from the Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>

<b>1961</b>	June	<i>Proposed Marriage and Divorce Codes for Pennsylvania</i>
	April	<i>Civil Service: History and Contemporary Practices</i>
	January	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>
	--	<i>Public Education: Continuing Survey -- Reprint from the Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>

<b>1959</b>	December	<i>Pennsylvania High School Seniors, 1958: Their Mental Ability, Their Aspirations, Their Post-High School Activities -- A Technical Supplement</i>
	July	<i>Duties, Qualifications and Compensation of Liquor Store Sales Personnel Employed by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board</i>
	June	<i>Duties and Compensation of the Capitol Police</i>
	April	<i>Pennsylvania High School Seniors, 1958: Their Mental Ability, Their Aspirations, Their Post-High School Activities</i>
	March	<i>Structure and Growth of Pennsylvania's Economy: An Outline of Trends, 1946-1956</i>
	March	<i>Anthracosilicosis and Commonwealth Expenditures Under the Occupational Disease Law</i>
	January	<i>Higher Education in Pennsylvania: Analysis of Problems with Proposals</i>
	January	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1957-1959</i>
	--	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- Second Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>

<b>1958</b>	October	<i>Proposed Public School Employes' Retirement Code of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Codification of State and School Employes' Retirement Statutes</i>
	September	<i>Proposed State Employees' Retirement Code of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Codification of State and School Employes' Retirement Statutes</i>
	June	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	January	<i>Fiscal Trends, 1937-1957</i>

<b>1957</b>	June	<i>Branch Banking</i>
	May	<i>The Sale of Life Insurance by Mutual Savings Banks</i>
	March	<i>Report of the Subsidence Committee to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Under Authority of The Act of 1956, May 31, P.L. (1955) 1931</i>
	January	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1955-1957</i>

<b>1955</b>	July	<i>Proposed Amendments to the Decedents' Estates Laws -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
	January	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1953-1955</i>
	--	<i>Selected Employee Benefit Plans: A Source Book</i>
	--	<i>School Health Services</i>
	--	<i>Public School Building Subsidies</i>
	--	<i>Pennsylvania Minerals</i>
	--	<i>Medical Training Facilities</i>
	--	<i>Livestock Marketing in Pennsylvania</i>
	--	<i>Highway Safety</i>

<b>1953</b>	March	<i>Report of Findings of the Joint State Legislative Committee on Turnpike Safety Under Authority of Senate Concurrent Resolution Serial No. 110</i>
	January	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1951-1953</i>
	--	<i>Veterinary Medicine in Pennsylvania: Training Facilities and Practice</i>
	--	<i>State License Fees, Except Those Provided for by the Vehicle Codes</i>
	--	<i>State and Local Support of Public Education</i>

<b>1953</b> (cont'd)	--	<i>Sixty-Five: A Report Concerning Pennsylvania's Aged</i>
	--	<i>Public School Pupil Transportation</i>
	--	<i>Highway Use and Highway Costs: A Technical Supplement</i>
	--	<i>Highway Use and Highway Costs</i>

<b>1952</b>	September	<i>Pennsylvania Annotations to the Proposed Uniform Commercial Code -- A Report of the Subcommittee on the Proposed Uniform Commercial Code</i>
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<b>1951</b>	January	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1949-1951</i>
	--	<i>Tax-Exempt Liquid Fuels: A Survey of the Experience Under the Act of 1949, May 26, P.L. 1880, Which Provides for a Partial Refund of Tax Paid on Liquid Fuel Used for Nonhighway Agricultural Purposes</i>
	--	<i>Smoke Control</i>
	--	<i>Sex Offenders</i>
	--	<i>Report of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Relating to the Following Decedents' Estates Laws of 1951: Incompetents' Estates Act of 1951, Register of Wills Act of 1951, Orphans' Court Act of 1951, [and] Estate Tax Apportionment Act of 1951 -- Pursuant to House of Representatives Concurrent Resolution No. 74 of the General Assembly of 1949</i>
	--	<i>Public School Attendance Areas</i>
	--	<i>Public Assistance in Pennsylvania</i>
	--	<i>Partial Unemployment Compensation Benefits</i>
	--	<i>Occupational Hazards to State Employes</i>
	--	<i>The Independence Mall: A Pennsylvania Shrine</i>
	--	<i>Commonwealth Space Requirements in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia</i>
	--	<i>Commonwealth Retirement Systems: Structure and Costs</i>
	--	<i>Commonwealth-Owned Forests and Reforestation</i>
	--	<i>Commonwealth Accounting</i>
--	<i>Child Placement and Adoption</i>	
--	<i>Blind Pensions in Pennsylvania</i>	

<b>1950</b>	November	<i>Proposed Incompetents' Estates Act of 1951 -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
	September	<i>Proposed Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951 -- A Report of the Subcommittee on Landlord and Tenant Law</i>
	August	<i>Proposed Mental Health Act of 1951 -- A Report of the Subcommittee on Mental Health Laws</i>
	July	<i>Proposed Register of Wills Act of 1951 -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
	May	<i>Proposed Orphans' Court Act of 1951 -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>

<b>1949</b>	March	<i>Catalog of Historical Buildings, Sites and Remains in Pennsylvania</i>
	March	<i>School and State Employees' Retirement Systems: A Comparison</i>
	March	<i>Uniform Practice and Procedure Before Administrative Agencies of the Commonwealth</i>
	February	<i>Highways: A Proposed Administrative and Financial Program</i>
	February	<i>Juvenile Delinquency and Child Welfare</i>
	February	<i>Penal Laws</i>
	February	<i>Per-Pupil Cost of Vocational and General Education Programs in the Public Schools</i>
	February	<i>Report of Findings and Recommendations on the Pennsylvania Tax System by the Tax Study Committee Under Authority of Act of Assembly Approved July 9, 1947 (P.L. 1468) -- Part II</i>
	February	<i>Report of Findings and Recommendations on the Pennsylvania Tax System by the Tax Study Committee Under Authority of Act of Assembly Approved July 9, 1947 (P.L. 1468) -- Part I</i>
	February	<i>Unemployment Compensation: A Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly of Pennsylvania</i>
	January	<i>The Codification of the School Laws</i>
	January	<i>Commonwealth-Owned, Tax-Exempt Real Property</i>
	January	<i>Pennsylvania's Industrial Economy: An Outline of Trends and Strategic Factors, 1929-1947</i>
	January	<i>Public Libraries</i>
January	<i>Susquehanna River Fishways</i>	

<b>1949</b> (cont'd)	January	<i>Proposed Fiduciaries Investment Act of 1949 -- Report of the Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
	January	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1947-1949</i>
	--	<i>Report of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Relating to the Following Decedents' Estates Laws: Fiduciaries Act of 1949 [and] Fiduciaries Investment Act of 1949 -- Pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 34 of the General Assembly of 1947</i>

<b>1948</b>	December	<i>Alcoholism</i>
	November	<i>Findings and Recommendations of the Committee on Post-High School Education</i>
	November	<i>The Hatfield Case: Concerning the Control of Funds Derived from Extracurricular Activities in the Public Schools</i>

<b>1947</b>	April	<i>Report on Child Welfare Laws, Juvenile Delinquency and Institutions</i>
	March	<i>Report on Fish and Game Commissions</i>
	March	<i>Report on Cooperatives</i>
	March	<i>State-Local Highway Financing -- A Report by the Joint State Government Commission of the Progress and Activities of the Committee on State-Local Highway Financing</i>
	March	<i>Summary Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly, 1945-1947</i>
	--	<i>Report of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Relating to the Following Decedents' Estates Laws: Intestate Act of 1947, Wills Act of 1947, Estates Act of 1947, [and] Principal and Income Act of 1947 -- Pursuant to Senate Resolution No. 46 of the General Assembly of 1945</i>

<b>1946</b>	June	<i>Proposed Wills Act of 1947 -- Report of the Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	March	<i>Proposed Intestate Act of 1947 -- Report of the Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>1945</b>	April	<i>Liquid Fuels Tax -- A Report of the Committee on Distribution of State Funds to Political Subdivisions of the State of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	April	<i>Juvenile Delinquency, Penal Code and Penal Institutions -- A Report of the Committee on Penal Code and Juvenile Delinquency of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	April	<i>Strip Mining in Pennsylvania -- First Report of the Committee on Strip Mining of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	April	<i>Municipal Authorities -- A Report of the Committee on Municipal Authorities of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
	April	<i>Unemployment Compensation: Proposals for Increased Benefits and Benefits for Partial Unemployment -- A Report of the Committee on Unemployment Benefits for Partial Unemployment</i>
	April	<i>Proposals for Revision of the Tax Structure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report of the Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study of the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by the Tax Advisory Committee</i>
	March	<i>Summary Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly, 1943-1945</i>
	January	<i>Proposals for Revision of the Tax Structure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report of the Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study of the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by the Tax Advisory Committee -- Report No. 11</i>
	January	<i>The Economic Resources and Related Tax Problems of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 10</i>

<b>1944</b>	August	<i>Fiscal Analysis of the Operating Funds of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1923-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 9</i>
	June	<i>Tax Structure and Revenues of the General Fund of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1913-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 8</i>
	June	<i>An Analysis of Public Expenditures for Education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 7</i>
	June	<i>An Analysis of the Fiscal Operations of the School Districts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1920-1942 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 6</i>



<b>1944 (cont'd)</b>	June	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of Eleven Selected School Districts, 1920-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 5</i>
	May	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Scranton, 1919-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 4</i>
	May	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Pittsburgh, 1919-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 3</i>
	May	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Philadelphia, 1920-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 2</i>

<b>1943</b>	December	<i>The Debt of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Its Local Subdivisions -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 1</i>
	January	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Department of Health, Relative to the Issuance of Certified Copies of Birth Certificates</i>
	January	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Uniform Practice and Procedure Before Departments, Boards and Commissions of the Commonwealth</i>
	January	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Legislative Printing</i>

<b>1941</b>	January	<i>Report on Relief Prepared for the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
	January	<i>Joint Report to the General Assembly of Recommendations for Amending the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law, Part 2: Facts and Arguments For and Against Employer Experience Rating in Unemployment Compensation -- By the Joint State Government Commission and the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Unemployment Compensation Provisions</i>
	January	<i>Joint Report to the General Assembly of Recommendations for Amending the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law, Part 1 -- By the Joint State Government Commission and the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Unemployment Compensation Provisions</i>

<b>1941</b> <b>(cont'd)</b>	January	<i>First Report on the Tax and Financial Problems of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the General Assembly</i>
	January	<i>Supplement to the Report to the General Assembly on the Organization and Administration of Pennsylvania's State Government: Recommendations</i>
	January	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the Organization and Administration of Pennsylvania's State Government</i>
	January	<i>Facts About Your Keystone State Government</i>

<b>1940</b>	April	<i>History, Purposes, and Activities of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania</i>
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In a number of instances, a report is listed under multiple topics. Although the categorization of the reports may seem arbitrary in certain instances, the purposes of the tables are to signify the general contents of the reports and emphasize the wide range of topics studied by the Commission.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND PROCEDURE</b>	
July 2014	<i>Reforming the Administrative Law in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report</i>
March 1949	<i>Uniform Practice and Procedure Before Administrative Agencies of the Commonwealth</i>
January 1943	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Uniform Practice and Procedure Before Departments, Boards and Commissions of the Commonwealth</i>

<b>AGRICULTURE</b>	
January 2005	<i>Exotic Wildlife in Pennsylvania: A Report with Recommendations</i> <sup>33</sup>
April 1997	<i>Clean and Green -- Staff Analysis of the Pennsylvania Farmland and Forest Land Assessment Act of 1974</i>
January 1963	<i>Milk Price Control</i>
1955	<i>Livestock Marketing in Pennsylvania</i>
March 1947	<i>Report on Cooperatives</i>

<b>ATHLETICS AND SPORTS</b>	
April 1990	<i>Report of the Task Force on Boxing: Including Recommendations and Proposed Legislation Incorporating Combative Sports Statutes into Title 5 (Athletics and Sports) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, with Source Notes and Comments</i>

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<sup>33</sup> Also listed under the topic "Game."

<b>BANKS AND BANKING</b>	
June 1957	<i>Branch Banking</i>
May 1957	<i>The Sale of Life Insurance by Mutual Savings Banks</i>

<b>COMMERCE AND TRADE</b>	
January 2014	<i>Consumer Credit Code: Motor Vehicle Sales Finance and Goods and Services Installment Sales</i>
December 2008	<i>The Report of the Task Force on Violent Interactive Video Games</i>
June 2008	<i>Child Safety in Pennsylvania -- An Advisory Committee Report with Recommendations</i>
January 2007	<i>Report of the Senate Select Committee on Tobacco Settlement Funding<sup>34</sup></i>
November 2006	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Consumer Credit Code: The Goods and Services Installment Sales Act -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Consumer Credit Code</i>
November 2006	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Consumer Credit Code: The Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Consumer Credit Code</i>
January 1995	<i>Eastern European Markets for Pennsylvania Exports -- Report of the Task Force on East European Business Development, Vol. II: Appendices</i>
January 1995	<i>Eastern European Markets for Pennsylvania Exports -- Report of the Task Force on East European Business Development, Vol. I</i>
July 1993	<i>Report of the Task Force on Defense Related Industries</i>
September 1980	<i>The Impact of PIDA Loans on Employment</i>
March 1959	<i>Structure and Growth of Pennsylvania's Economy: An Outline of Trends, 1946-1956</i>
January 1949	<i>Pennsylvania's Industrial Economy: An Outline of Trends and Strategic Factors, 1929-1947</i>

<b>COMMERCIAL CODE</b>	
September 1952	<i>Pennsylvania Annotations to the Proposed Uniform Commercial Code -- A Report of the Subcommittee on the Proposed Uniform Commercial Code</i>

<sup>34</sup> Also listed under the topic "Health and Safety."

<b>CRIMES AND OFFENSES</b>	
October 2014	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: A Review of the Act of July 2, 2014, P.L.945, No.105</i> <sup>35</sup>
December 2013	<i>Violence Prevention in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Violence Prevention</i> <sup>36</sup>
January 2013	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on the Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia</i> <sup>37</sup>
November 2012	<i>Child Protection In Pennsylvania: Proposed Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force on Child Protection</i> <sup>38</sup>
June 2012	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: Policy Recommendations and Proposed Legislation</i> <sup>39</sup>
May 1969	<i>Uniform Criminal Statistics</i>
1967	<i>Proposed Crimes Code for Pennsylvania</i>
May 1963	<i>The Dangerous Sex Offender -- A Report of the Panel of Medical Advisors on Health and Welfare to the Joint State Government Commission</i>
1951	<i>Sex Offenders</i>
February 1949	<i>Penal Laws</i>

<b>DECEDENTS, ESTATES AND FIDUCIARIES</b>	
August 2013	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and Orphans' Court Matters: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws 1945-2013</i>
October 2012	<i>Guardianship Law: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
June 2011	<i>Powers of Attorney and Health Care Decision-Making: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
June 2010	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments to Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
March 2010	<i>Powers of Attorney: Proposed Amendments to the Probate, Estates, and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
May 2008	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies</i> <sup>40</sup>

<sup>35</sup> Also listed under the topic "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>36</sup> Also listed under the topic "Education."

<sup>37</sup> Also listed under the topic "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>38</sup> Also listed under the topics "Domestic Relations" and "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>39</sup> Also listed under the topic "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>40</sup> Also listed under the topic "Domestic Relations."

<b>DECEDENTS, ESTATES AND FIDUCIARIES</b>	
October 2007	<i>The Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments to Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
May 2007	<i>Guardianship Law in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Working Group on Guardianships</i>
May 2007	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies<sup>41</sup></i>
April 2005	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Trust Act and Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedent's Estates Laws</i>
November 2003	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Trust Act and Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
February 2002	<i>Proposed Health Care Decision-Making Provisions Under Chapter 54 of Title 20 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes: 2002 Senate Bill 1265 (Printer's No. 1682)</i>
June 2001	<i>Proposed Pennsylvania Uniform Principal and Income Act and Other Proposed Amendments -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
November 1998	<i>Powers of Attorney: Recommended Amendments -- Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships and Powers of Attorney of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
March 1998	<i>A Health Care Decision-Making Proposal; A Prudent Investor Rule; [and] Other Proposed Amendments -- Recommended by the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
May 1996	<i>Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships and Powers of Attorney of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Recommending Amendments to Chapter 55 (Incapacitated Persons) of the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>
November 1995	<i>The Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Commemorating Fifty Years of Service to the Commonwealth, 1945-1995</i>
April 1994	<i>1994 Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Recommending a Health Care Power of Attorney Statute [and] Other Amendments to the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>
June 1991	<i>1991 Report of the Joint State Government Commission Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Containing Recommendations Amending the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act with Comments<sup>42</sup></i>

<sup>41</sup> Also listed under the topic "Domestic Relations."

<sup>42</sup> Also listed under the topic "Taxation and Fiscal Affairs."

<b>DECEDENTS, ESTATES AND FIDUCIARIES</b>	
February 1988	<i>Exempting Spousal Transfers and Other Proposed Amendments to the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act [and the] Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments</i> <sup>43</sup>
October 1985	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1985</i>
March 1984	<i>Report of the Subcommittee on Guardianships -- Joint State Government Commission Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
October 1983	<i>Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1983</i>
March 1981	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1981 and Proposed Revision of Inheritance Tax Laws and Codification of Chapter 17, Title 72 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i> <sup>44</sup>
May 1980	<i>Proposed Revision of Adoption Law and Codification into Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Title 23, Part III: Incorporating Policy Changes Contained in 1979 House Bill 213, Printer's No. 1741</i> <sup>45</sup>
May 1979	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1979, Including a Study of the Impact of Inheritance Taxes on Decedents' Domicile</i> <sup>46</sup>
June 1977	<i>Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1977</i>
November 1975	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1975</i>
September 1974	<i>Guardianship of the Mentally Retarded -- A Subcommittee Report on House Bill 1516 to the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives</i>
May 1973	<i>Proposed Amendments: Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code -- Phase II</i>
January 1972	<i>Proposed Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code</i>
1970	<i>Proposed Adoption Act</i> <sup>47</sup>
1963	<i>Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1961, As Amended</i> <sup>48</sup>
1959	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- Second Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i> <sup>49</sup>
June 1958	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i> <sup>50</sup>

<sup>43</sup> Also listed under the topic "Taxation and Fiscal Affairs."

<sup>44</sup> Also listed under the topic "Taxation and Fiscal Affairs."

<sup>45</sup> Also listed under the topic "Domestic Relations."

<sup>46</sup> Also listed under the topic "Taxation and Fiscal Affairs."

<sup>47</sup> Also listed under the topic "Domestic Relations."

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<b>DECEDENTS, ESTATES AND FIDUCIARIES</b>	
July 1955	<i>Proposed Amendments to the Decedents' Estates Laws -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws</i>
1951	<i>Report of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Relating to the Following Decedents' Estates Laws of 1951: Incompetents' Estates Act of 1951, Register of Wills Act of 1951, Orphans' Court Act of 1951, [and] Estate Tax Apportionment Act of 1951 -- Pursuant to House of Representatives Concurrent Resolution No. 74 of the General Assembly of 1949</i>
November 1950	<i>Proposed Incompetents' Estates Act of 1951 -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
July 1950	<i>Proposed Register of Wills Act of 1951 -- Report of the Subcommittee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
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June 1946	<i>Proposed Wills Act of 1947 -- Report of the Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
March 1946	<i>Proposed Intestate Act of 1947 -- Report of the Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>DETECTIVES AND PRIVATE POLICE</b>	
April 1980	<i>Private Detectives and Security Business: Proposed Title 22 [of the] Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>



<b>DOMESTIC RELATIONS</b>	
May 2013	<i>Domestic Relations Law: Legislation Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law 1993-2010</i>
November 2012	<i>Child Protection In Pennsylvania: Proposed Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force on Child Protection<sup>51</sup></i>
May 2008	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies<sup>52</sup></i>
December 2007	<i>Alimony: Proposed Amendments to Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
May 2007	<i>The Proposed Pennsylvania Assisted Reproductive Technologies Act -- Report of the Subcommittee on Assisted Reproductive Technologies<sup>53</sup></i>
November 2004	<i>The Children and Youth Services Delivery System in Pennsylvania: Summary of Testimony Before the Task Force on Services to Children and Youth</i>
November 2002	<i>The Children and Youth Services Delivery System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Services to Children and Youth</i>
April 2001	<i>Adoption Act: Proposed Revision -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Adoption Law</i>
November 1999	<i>Custody: Recommendations -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
April 1999	<i>Divorce Code: Recommended Amendments -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Relations Law</i>
August 1993	<i>Children and Youth: 1989-1992 -- Findings and Conclusions of the Staff of the Joint State Government Commission Pursuant to Senate Resolution 11 of 1989</i>
May 1980	<i>Proposed Revision of Adoption Law and Codification into Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Title 23, Part III: Incorporating Policy Changes Contained in 1979 House Bill 213, Printer's No. 1741<sup>54</sup></i>
January 1979	<i>Administration of Pennsylvania's Child Abuse Law: A Legislative Oversight Evaluation Conducted on Behalf of the Senate Committee on Aging and Youth and the House Committee on Health and Welfare by the Staff of the Joint State Government Commission</i>
1970	<i>Proposed Adoption Act<sup>55</sup></i>
June 1961	<i>Proposed Marriage and Divorce Codes for Pennsylvania</i>
1951	<i>Child Placement and Adoption</i>

<sup>51</sup> Also listed under the topics "Crimes and Offenses" and "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>52</sup> Also listed under the topic "Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries."

<sup>53</sup> Also listed under the topic "Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries."

<sup>54</sup> Also listed under the topic "Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries."

<sup>55</sup> Also listed under the topic "Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries."

<b>EDUCATION</b>	
1996-2014	<i>Information Disclosure of the State-Related Universities</i> <sup>56</sup>
1975-2014	<i>Instructional Output and Faculty Salary Costs of the State-Related and State-Owned Universities</i> <sup>57</sup>
December 2013	<i>Violence Prevention in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Violence Prevention</i> <sup>58</sup>
December 2010	<i>The Pennsylvania Public Library Code: Findings and Recommendations</i>
December 2010	<i>High-Performing and Low-Spending School Districts: Best Practices and Other Factors -- Pursuant to Senate Resolution 243 of 2010</i>
January 2009	<i>Student Drug and Alcohol Violations at Institutions of Higher Education: Parental Notification and Access to Student Records</i> <sup>59</sup>
October 2003	<i>Part-Time Faculty at Institutions of Higher Education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Part-Time Faculty</i>
July 2003	<i>Administrative Shortages in Pennsylvania's Public School Districts -- Report of the Task Force on Administrative Shortages</i>
December 1997	<i>Intermediate Units in Pennsylvania: The Role of Educational Service Agencies in Promoting Equity in Basic Education</i>
October 1995	<i>The Feasibility of Publicly Funded Residential Education in Pennsylvania -- Staff Analysis Pursuant to House Resolution 43 of 1995</i>
January 1995	<i>The Cost of Juvenile Violence in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report to the Task Force to Study the Issues Surrounding Violence as a Public Health Concern</i> <sup>60</sup>
April 1970	<i>Public School Building Costs</i>
July 1964	<i>Four Years After High School: A Follow-Up Survey of the Pennsylvania High School Seniors of 1958 -- Their Post-High School Education -- Their Employment -- Their Future Plans</i>
1961	<i>Public Education: Continuing Survey -- Reprint from the Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>
December 1959	<i>Pennsylvania High School Seniors, 1958: Their Mental Ability, Their Aspirations, Their Post-High School Activities -- A Technical Supplement</i>
April 1959	<i>Pennsylvania High School Seniors, 1958: Their Mental Ability, Their Aspirations, Their Post-High School Activities</i>
January 1959	<i>Higher Education in Pennsylvania: Analysis of Problems with Proposals</i>
1955	<i>School Health Services</i> <sup>61</sup>
1955	<i>Public School Building Subsidies</i>

<sup>56</sup> The titles of these reports have varied slightly over the years.

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<sup>58</sup> Also listed under the topic "Crimes and Offenses."

<sup>59</sup> Also listed under the topic "Health and Safety."

<sup>60</sup> Also listed under the topics "Health and Safety" and "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>61</sup> Also listed under the topic "Health and Safety."

<b>EDUCATION</b>	
1953	<i>State and Local Support of Public Education</i>
1951	<i>Public School Attendance Areas</i>
February 1949	<i>Per-Pupil Cost of Vocational and General Education Programs in the Public Schools</i>
January 1949	<i>The Codification of the School Laws</i>
January 1949	<i>Public Libraries</i>
November 1948	<i>Findings and Recommendations of the Committee on Post-High School Education</i>
November 1948	<i>The Hatfield Case: Concerning the Control of Funds Derived from Extracurricular Activities in the Public Schools</i>

<b>ELECTIONS</b>	
May 2007	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation with Statistics from 1958 to 2006</i>
November 2005	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation With Statistics From 1958 to 2005</i>
November 2000	<i>Primary Election Dates in Pennsylvania: An Analysis of Proposals for Change -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Primary Election Dates</i>
July 1998	<i>Ballot Questions and Proposed Amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution: A Compilation with Statistics from 1958 to 1997</i>
September 1984	<i>Proposed Election Code: Title 25, Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>

<b>EMINENT DOMAIN</b>	
December 1985	<i>Proposed Eminent Domain Code with Comments</i>
December 1972	<i>Eminent Domain Code, as Amended, with Comments and Notes</i>
1964	<i>Eminent Domain Code</i>
September 1962	<i>Proposed Eminent Domain Law of 1963</i>

<b>ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES</b>	
June 2008	<i>The Kilbuck Township Landslide: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on the Kilbuck Township Landslide</i> <sup>62</sup>
October 2007	<i>Waste Tire Recycling and Reuse in Pennsylvania: An Analysis of the Industry, Markets, and State Use, Including Rubber Modified Asphalt</i>
June 2002	<i>Energy Policy for Pennsylvania: Displacing Foreign Petroleum -- Report of the Task Force on 21st Century Energy Policy for Pennsylvania</i>
June 1967	<i>Automotive Air Pollution -- Supplemental Report</i>
February 1963	<i>Automotive Air Pollution -- A Report of the Panel of Technical Advisors on Automotive Air Pollution to the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>ESCHEATS</b>	
October 1969	<i>Proposed Disposition of Abandoned and Unclaimed Property Act</i>

<b>FISH</b>	
June 1976	<i>Funding the Game and Fish Commissions</i> <sup>63</sup>
July 1962	<i>Observations and Recommendations of the Wildlife Management Institute, Washington, D.C. re: Pennsylvania Fish Commission and Pennsylvania Game Commission</i> <sup>64</sup>
January 1949	<i>Susquehanna River Fishways</i>
March 1947	<i>Report on Fish and Game Commissions</i> <sup>65</sup>

<b>FORESTS, WATERS AND STATE PARKS</b>	
1963	<i>Record: Interstate Advisory Committee on the Susquehanna River Basin -- Binghamton, New York, Monday, May 28, 1962 -- Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, Monday, August 13, 1962 -- Baltimore, Maryland, Tuesday, November 20, 1962</i>
1951	<i>Commonwealth-Owned Forests and Reforestation</i>

<sup>62</sup> Also listed under the topics "Municipalities Generally" and "Real and Personal Property."

<sup>63</sup> Also listed under the topic "Game."

<sup>64</sup> Also listed under the topic "Game."

<sup>65</sup> Also listed under the topic "Game."

<b>GAME</b>	
January 2005	<i>Exotic Wildlife in Pennsylvania: A Report with Recommendations</i> <sup>66</sup>
June 1976	<i>Funding the Game and Fish Commissions</i> <sup>67</sup>
July 1962	<i>Observations and Recommendations of the Wildlife Management Institute, Washington, D.C. re: Pennsylvania Fish Commission and Pennsylvania Game Commission</i> <sup>68</sup>
March 1947	<i>Report on Fish and Game Commissions</i> <sup>69</sup>

<b>HEALTH AND SAFETY</b>	
November 2014	<i>Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Programs in Pennsylvania: Staff Study</i>
August 2014	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Long Term Care Supports and Services for Older Pennsylvanians</i>
June 2014	<i>Childhood Obesity -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Childhood Obesity</i>
December 2013	<i>Staff Study of the Emergency Medical Services System in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
November 2013	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania: Disease Control Measures -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>
January 2013	<i>Public Health Law in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Public Health Law</i>
June 2011	<i>Methadone Use and Abuse: Reducing the Incidence of Methadone Overdoses and Deaths -- Report of the Advisory Committee on the Use and Diversion of Methadone</i>
January 2009	<i>Student Drug and Alcohol Violations at Institutions of Higher Education: Parental Notification and Access to Student Records</i> <sup>70</sup>
January 2007	<i>Report of the Senate Select Committee on Tobacco Settlement Funding</i> <sup>71</sup>
March 2005	<i>Medical Professional Liability Reform for the 21st Century: A Review of Policy Options -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Medical Professional Liability</i> <sup>72</sup>
November 2004	<i>Cervical Cancer in Pennsylvania: Easing the Burden</i>
September 2004	<i>Pennsylvania's Role in Influenza Prevention and Control</i>
July 2004	<i>Laws Regulating School Nurses in Pennsylvania and Other States</i>

<sup>66</sup> Also listed under the topic "Agriculture."

<sup>67</sup> Also listed under the topic "Fish."

<sup>68</sup> Also listed under the topic "Fish."

<sup>69</sup> Also listed under the topic "Fish."

<sup>70</sup> Also listed under the topic "Education."

<sup>71</sup> Also listed under the topic "Commerce and Trade."

<sup>72</sup> Also listed under the topic "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<b>HEALTH AND SAFETY</b>	
November 2002	<i>Brain Defense: A Stroke Prevention and Treatment Strategy for Pennsylvania -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Stroke Prevention and Treatment</i>
October 2000	<i>Opportunity in the Age of Biology: Biomedical Research in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Working Group on Biomedical Research</i>
January 1995	<i>The Cost of Juvenile Violence in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report to the Task Force to Study the Issues Surrounding Violence as a Public Health Concern</i> <sup>73</sup>
January 1987	<i>Laws Relating to Blindness: A Compilation of Pennsylvania Statutes</i>
May 1977	<i>Fire Service Needs in the Commonwealth</i>
1970	<i>The Paramedical Professions</i>
August 1967	<i>Medical Training Facilities and Medical Practice in Pennsylvania</i>
March 1959	<i>Anthracosilicosis and Commonwealth Expenditures Under the Occupational Disease Law</i> <sup>74</sup>
1955	<i>School Health Services</i> <sup>75</sup>
1955	<i>Medical Training Facilities</i>
1953	<i>Sixty-Five: A Report Concerning Pennsylvania's Aged</i>
1951	<i>Smoke Control</i>
December 1948	<i>Alcoholism</i>
January 1943	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Department of Health, Relative to the Issuance of Certified Copies of Birth Certificates</i>

<b>HISTORICAL AND MUSEUMS</b>	
1963	<i>The Report of the Joint State Government Commission Task Force on the University Museum of the University of Pennsylvania</i>
1951	<i>The Independence Mall: A Pennsylvania Shrine</i>
March 1949	<i>Catalog of Historical Buildings, Sites and Remains in Pennsylvania</i>

<b>INSOLVENCY AND ASSIGNMENTS</b>	
April 1982	<i>Bankruptcy Exemptions: A Proposed Revision</i>

<sup>73</sup> Also listed under the topics "Education" and "Judiciary and Judicial Procedure."

<sup>74</sup> Also listed under the topic "Mines and Mining."

<sup>75</sup> Also listed under the topic "Education."

<b>INSURANCE</b>	
February 1991	<i>The Feasibility and Impact of an Insure-the-Driver Program for Philadelphia -- Staff Analysis by the Joint State Government Commission Pursuant to Act 6 of 1990, Section 29</i>
August 1987	<i>Proposed Insurance Code -- 1987 House Bill 1628 -- Printer's No. 2005: Consolidating the Laws of Pennsylvania Relating to Insurance as Title 40 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes [with] Comments and Cross-Reference Tables</i>
January 1986	<i>Proposed Insurance Code -- 1985 House Bill 1962 -- Printer's No. 2642: Consolidating the Laws of Pennsylvania Relating to Insurance as Title 40 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes [with] Comments and Cross-Reference Tables</i>
May 1965	<i>Pennsylvania National Guard Insurance</i> <sup>76</sup>

<b>JUDICIARY AND JUDICIAL PROCEDURE</b>	
October 2014	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: A Review of the Act of July 2, 2014, P.L.945, No.105</i> <sup>77</sup>
January 2013	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on the Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia</i> <sup>78</sup>
November 2012	<i>Child Protection In Pennsylvania: Proposed Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force on Child Protection</i> <sup>79</sup>
June 2012	<i>Human Trafficking in Pennsylvania: Policy Recommendations and Proposed Legislation</i> <sup>80</sup>
December 2011	<i>A Constitutional Default: Services to Indigent Criminal Defendants in Pennsylvania – Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on Services to Indigent Criminal Defendants</i>
September 2011	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Wrongful Convictions</i>
March 2005	<i>Medical Professional Liability Reform for the 21st Century: A Review of Policy Options -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Medical Professional Liability</i> <sup>81</sup>
May 2003	<i>Minority Representation in the Jury Selection Process in Pennsylvania -- 2002 Senate Resolution 268, Printer's No. 2300</i>
January 1995	<i>The Cost of Juvenile Violence in Pennsylvania -- Staff Report to the Task Force to Study the Issues Surrounding Violence as a Public Health Concern</i> <sup>82</sup>
1970	<i>Proposed Juvenile Act</i>

<sup>76</sup> Also listed under the topics “State Government” and “Workmen’s Compensation.”

<sup>77</sup> Also listed under the topic “Crimes and Offenses.”

<sup>78</sup> Also listed under the topic “Crimes and Offenses.”

<sup>79</sup> Also listed under the topics “Crimes and Offenses” and “Domestic Relations.”

<sup>80</sup> Also listed under the topic “Crimes and Offenses.”

<sup>81</sup> Also listed under the topic “Health and Safety.”

<sup>82</sup> Also listed under the topics “Education” and “Health and Safety.”

<b>JUDICIARY AND JUDICIAL PROCEDURE</b>	
February 1949	<i>Juvenile Delinquency and Child Welfare</i>
April 1947	<i>Report on Child Welfare Laws, Juvenile Delinquency and Institutions</i>
April 1945	<i>Juvenile Delinquency, Penal Code and Penal Institutions -- A Report of the Committee on Penal Code and Juvenile Delinquency of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>LABOR</b>	
1951	<i>Partial Unemployment Compensation Benefits</i>
February 1949	<i>Unemployment Compensation: A Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly of Pennsylvania</i>
April 1945	<i>Unemployment Compensation: Proposals for Increased Benefits and Benefits for Partial Unemployment -- A Report of the Committee on Unemployment Benefits for Partial Unemployment</i>
January 1941	<i>Joint Report to the General Assembly of Recommendations for Amending the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law, Part 2: Facts and Arguments For and Against Employer Experience Rating in Unemployment Compensation -- By the Joint State Government Commission and the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Unemployment Compensation Provisions</i>
January 1941	<i>Joint Report to the General Assembly of Recommendations for Amending the Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Law, Part 1 -- By the Joint State Government Commission and the Joint Legislative Committee to Study Unemployment Compensation Provisions</i>

<b>LAW AND JUSTICE</b>	
April 2014	<i>Constables in Pennsylvania: Proposed Statutory Reforms</i>

<b>LEGISLATURE</b>	
December 2014	<i>Joint State Government Commission: Biennial Report for the 2013-14 Legislative Session</i>
February 1966	<i>Joint State Government Commission Activities, 1963-1965 -- A Report by the Chairman to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>
January 1963	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1961-1963</i>
January 1961	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>
January 1959	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1957-1959</i>
January 1957	<i>Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1955-1957</i>



<b>LEGISLATURE</b>	
January 1955	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1953-1955</i>
January 1953	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1951-1953</i>
January 1951	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1949-1951</i>
January 1949	<i>General Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1947-1949</i>
March 1947	<i>Summary Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly, 1945-1947</i>
March 1945	<i>Summary Report of the Joint State Government Commission to the General Assembly, 1943-1945</i>
January 1943	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on Legislative Printing</i>
April 1940	<i>History, Purposes, and Activities of the Joint State Government Commission of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania</i>

<b>LIQUOR</b>	
July 1959	<i>Duties, Qualifications and Compensation of Liquor Store Sales Personnel Employed by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board</i>

<b>MECHANICS' LIENS</b>	
1963	<i>Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963</i>

<b>MENTAL HEALTH</b>	
May 2014	<i>Mental Health Services and the Criminal Justice System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Joint State Government Commission<sup>83</sup></i>
June 2008	<i>The Advisory Committee Report on the Waiting List for Community-Based Mental Retardation Services</i>
October 1987	<i>Report on the Mental Health System and Laws of Pennsylvania: Including Source Notes and Comments to the Proposed Mental Health and Mental Retardation Code, Title 50 (Mental Health) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i>
1962	<i>State Mental Hospitals -- Reprint from the Biennial Report of the Joint State Government Commission, 1959-1961</i>
August 1950	<i>Proposed Mental Health Act of 1951 -- A Report of the Subcommittee on Mental Health Laws</i>

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<sup>83</sup> Also listed under the topic "Prisons and Parole."

<b>MILITARY AFFAIRS</b>	
January 1992	<i>A Persian Gulf Veterans' Bonus for Pennsylvanians</i>
May 1975	<i>Proposed Military Code, with Source Notes and Comments</i>
October 1967	<i>A Viet Nam Veterans' Bonus for Pennsylvanians</i>

<b>MINES AND MINING</b>	
February 1963	<i>Coal in Pennsylvania: Recent Development and Prospects</i>
March 1959	<i>Anthracosilicosis and Commonwealth Expenditures Under the Occupational Disease Law<sup>84</sup></i>
March 1957	<i>Report of the Subsidence Committee to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Under Authority of The Act of 1956, May 31, P.L. (1955) 1931</i>
1955	<i>Pennsylvania Minerals</i>
April 1945	<i>Strip Mining in Pennsylvania -- First Report of the Committee on Strip Mining of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>MUNICIPALITIES GENERALLY</b>	
March 2012	<i>Developments of Regional Significance and Impact: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Developments of Regional Significance and Impact<sup>85</sup></i>
June 2008	<i>The Kilbuck Township Landslide: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on the Kilbuck Township Landslide<sup>86</sup></i>
April 1945	<i>Municipal Authorities -- A Report of the Committee on Municipal Authorities of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

<b>PRISONS AND PAROLE</b>	
May 2014	<i>Mental Health Services and the Criminal Justice System in Pennsylvania -- Report of the Joint State Government Commission<sup>87</sup></i>
December 2011	<i>The Effects of Parental Incarceration on Children: Needs and Responsive Services -- Report of the Advisory Committee Pursuant to House Resolution 203 and Senate Resolution 52 of 2009</i>
June 2005	<i>Report of the Advisory Committee on Geriatric and Seriously Ill Inmates</i>

<sup>84</sup> Also listed under the topic "Health and Safety."

<sup>85</sup> Also listed under the topic "Real and Personal Property."

<sup>86</sup> Also listed under the topics "Environmental Resources" and "Real and Personal Property."

<sup>87</sup> Also listed under the topic "Mental Health."

<b>PRISONS AND PAROLE</b>	
March 1987	<i>Report of the Private Prison Task Force</i>
July 1963	<i>Penal Institutions, Probation and Parole</i>

<b>PROCUREMENT</b>	
March 2006	<i>Unsolicited Proposals Under the Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>
April 1994	<i>Joint State Government Commission Staff Report, Senate Bill 1625, Pr. 's No. 2008 (1994), Containing the Proposed Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>
June 1983	<i>Proposed Commonwealth Procurement Code</i>

<b>PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS (STATE LICENSED)</b>	
1953	<i>Veterinary Medicine in Pennsylvania: Training Facilities and Practice</i>
1953	<i>State License Fees, Except Those Provided for by the Vehicle Codes</i>

<b>PUBLIC UTILITIES</b>	
October 1983	<i>Separating Transportation from Fixed Utility Regulations Under the Public Utility Commission<sup>88</sup></i>
April 1977	<i>Energy Facility Siting: A Comprehensive Program for Pennsylvania</i>
March 1976	<i>Proposed Public Utility Code, with Source Notes and Comments</i>
August 1970	<i>Taxation of Public Utility Realty</i>

<b>PUBLIC WELFARE</b>	
1951	<i>Public Assistance in Pennsylvania</i>
1951	<i>Blind Pensions in Pennsylvania</i>
January 1941	<i>Report on Relief Prepared for the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania</i>

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<sup>88</sup> Also listed under the topic "Transportation."

<b>REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY</b>	
March 2012	<i>Developments of Regional Significance and Impact: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Advisory Committee on Developments of Regional Significance and Impact</i> <sup>89</sup>
December 2011	<i>Common Interest Ownership Communities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- Pursuant to House Resolution 350 of 2009</i>
June 2008	<i>The Kilbuck Township Landslide: Findings and Recommendations -- Report of the Task Force and Advisory Committee on the Kilbuck Township Landslide</i> <sup>90</sup>
September 1985	<i>Report of the Task Force on Third-Party Real Estate Brokerage Operations</i>
September 1978	<i>Condominiums: A New Generation -- Proposing the Uniform Act with Modifications</i>
February 1978	<i>Rent Withholding</i>
September 1950	<i>Proposed Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951 -- A Report of the Subcommittee on Landlord and Tenant Law</i>

<b>STATE GOVERNMENT</b>	
February 2004	<i>The Funding and Benefit Structure of the Pennsylvania Statewide Retirement Systems: A Report with Recommendations</i>
March 2003	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>
January 1999	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>
February 1997	<i>Gubernatorial Appointments Requiring Senatorial Advice and Consent</i>
November 1995	<i>The Collapse of the Foundation for New Era Philanthropy -- Staff Report to the General Assembly Including a Narrative of the Foundation's Operations and an Analysis of the Relevant Regulatory Statutes</i>
November 1993	<i>Governing for Results: A Vision for the Future -- Report of the Task Force on Government Service Efficiency</i>
September 1982	<i>1981-82 Report: Special Joint Committee of the General Assembly to Review Retirement Cost-of-Living Supplements and Funding Sources</i>
October 1979	<i>Interim Report of the Select Task Force to Study Cost-of-Living Adjustments and Benefit Funding for the State and School Retirement Systems</i>
January 1979	<i>Report of Commonwealth Compensation Commission on Compensation Adjustments for Cabinet Officers, Legislators and Legislative Officers, Justices and Judges</i>
September 1978	<i>Office of Elected Attorney General -- Final Report</i>
May 1978	<i>Sovereign Immunity</i>

<sup>89</sup> Also listed under the topic "Municipalities Generally."

<sup>90</sup> Also listed under the topics "Environmental Resources" and "Municipalities Generally."

<b>STATE GOVERNMENT</b>	
March 1978	<i>Office of Elected Attorney General -- Preliminary Report</i>
September 1976	<i>Initial Report of Commonwealth Compensation Commission on Compensation Adjustments for Members of the General Assembly, Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Cabinet Officers</i>
March 1975	<i>Services to Troubled Youth: A Review and Recommendations</i>
June 1974	<i>Proposed Public School Employees' Retirement Code</i>
March 1974	<i>Implementing Constitutional Amendment: District Attorneys' Informations</i>
November 1973	<i>Senate Confirmation of the Governor's Appointments -- Report of the Special Committee to Study Confirmation Procedure, Senate of Pennsylvania, Session of 1973</i>
January 1972	<i>Proposed State Employees' Retirement Code of 1972 -- A Report of the Task Force on Administration of and Codification of State Employees' Retirement Laws</i>
December 1970	<i>Proposed Budgeting Legislation Implementing the Pennsylvania Constitutional Revision of 1968</i>
November 1969	<i>Tax Exemption and Auditing Legislation Implementing the Pennsylvania Constitution, Article VIII, Sections 2 and 10</i>
May 1965	<i>Pennsylvania National Guard Insurance<sup>91</sup></i>
April 1961	<i>Civil Service: History and Contemporary Practices</i>
June 1959	<i>Duties and Compensation of the Capitol Police</i>
October 1958	<i>Proposed Public School Employees' Retirement Code of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Codification of State and School Employees' Retirement Statutes</i>
September 1958	<i>Proposed State Employees' Retirement Code of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Codification of State and School Employees' Retirement Statutes</i>
1955	<i>Selected Employee Benefit Plans: A Source Book</i>
1951	<i>Occupational Hazards to State Employees</i>
1951	<i>Commonwealth Space Requirements in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia</i>
1951	<i>Commonwealth Retirement Systems: Structure and Costs</i>
1951	<i>Commonwealth Accounting</i>
March 1949	<i>School and State Employees' Retirement Systems: A Comparison</i>
January 1949	<i>Commonwealth-Owned, Tax-Exempt Real Property</i>
January 1941	<i>Supplement to the Report to the General Assembly on the Organization and Administration of Pennsylvania's State Government: Recommendations</i>
January 1941	<i>Report to the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on the Organization and Administration of Pennsylvania's State Government</i>
January 1941	<i>Facts About Your Keystone State Government</i>

<sup>91</sup> Also listed under the topics "Insurance" and "Workmen's Compensation."

<b>TAXATION AND FISCAL AFFAIRS</b>	
August 2009	<i>Tax Provisions for Poverty Relief: An Analysis of the Federal and State Earned Income Tax Credit and the Pennsylvania Special Tax Forgiveness Program</i>
June 1991	<i>1991 Report of the Joint State Government Commission Task Force and Advisory Committee on Decedents' Estates Laws: Containing Recommendations Amending the Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code and the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act with Comments</i> <sup>92</sup>
February 1988	<i>Exempting Spousal Transfers and Other Proposed Amendments to the Inheritance and Estate Tax Act [and the] Probate, Estate and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments</i> <sup>93</sup>
March 1981	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1981 and Proposed Revision of Inheritance Tax Laws and Codification of Chapter 17, Title 72 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes</i> <sup>94</sup>
April 1980	<i>Local School Tax Reform: A Proposal to Reduce Property and Nuisance Taxes</i>
May 1979	<i>Probate, Estates and Fiduciaries Code: Proposed Amendments and Comments -- 1979, Including a Study of the Impact of Inheritance Taxes on Decedents' Domicile</i> <sup>95</sup>
1963	<i>Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1961, As Amended</i> <sup>96</sup>
1959	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- Second Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i> <sup>97</sup>
June 1958	<i>Proposed Inheritance and Estate Tax Act of 1959 -- A Report of the Task Force on Decedents' Estates Laws</i> <sup>98</sup>
January 1958	<i>Fiscal Trends, 1937-1957</i>
February 1949	<i>Report of Findings and Recommendations on the Pennsylvania Tax System by the Tax Study Committee Under Authority of Act of Assembly Approved July 9, 1947 (P.L. 1468) -- Part II</i>
February 1949	<i>Report of Findings and Recommendations on the Pennsylvania Tax System by the Tax Study Committee Under Authority of Act of Assembly Approved July 9, 1947 (P.L. 1468) -- Part I</i>
April 1945	<i>Proposals for Revision of the Tax Structure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report of the Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study of the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by the Tax Advisory Committee</i>

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<b>TAXATION AND FISCAL AFFAIRS</b>	
January 1945	<i>Proposals for Revision of the Tax Structure of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report of the Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study of the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by the Tax Advisory Committee -- Report No. 11</i>
January 1945	<i>The Economic Resources and Related Tax Problems of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 10</i>
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June 1945	<i>Tax Structure and Revenues of the General Fund of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1913-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 8</i>
June 1945	<i>An Analysis of Public Expenditures for Education in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 7</i>
June 1945	<i>An Analysis of the Fiscal Operations of the School Districts of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1920-1942 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 6</i>
June 1945	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of Eleven Selected School Districts, 1920-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 5</i>
May 1945	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Scranton, 1919-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 4</i>
May 1945	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Pittsburgh, 1919-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 3</i>
May 1945	<i>Fiscal Operations and Debt of the School District of Philadelphia, 1920-1943 -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 2</i>
December 1943	<i>The Debt of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Its Local Subdivisions -- A Report to the Joint State Government Commission (of the General Assembly) by its Committee on Continuation of the Tax Study -- Report No. 1</i>

<b>TAXATION AND FISCAL AFFAIRS</b>	
January 1941	<i>First Report on the Tax and Financial Problems of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the General Assembly</i>

<b>TRANSPORTATION</b>	
October 1983	<i>Separating Transportation from Fixed Utility Regulations Under the Public Utility Commission<sup>99</sup></i>
July 1982	<i>Proposed Codification of Laws Relating to Aviation into the Pennsylvania Consolidation Statutes Title 74, Part IV</i>
March 1953	<i>Report of Findings of the Joint State Legislative Committee on Turnpike Safety Under Authority of Senate Concurrent Resolution Serial No. 110</i>
1953	<i>Highway Use and Highway Costs: A Technical Supplement</i>
1953	<i>Highway Use and Highway Costs</i>
February 1949	<i>Highways: A Proposed Administrative and Financial Program</i>
March 1947	<i>State-Local Highway Financing -- A Report by the Joint State Government Commission of the Progress and Activities of the Committee on State-Local Highway Financing</i>

<b>VEHICLES</b>	
February 2005	<i>Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code: An Analysis of the Effectiveness and Public Awareness of the Penalties for Violations</i>
December 2001	<i>Driver Distractions and Traffic Safety -- Staff Report Pursuant to 2000 Senate Resolution No. 127, Printer's No. 1935</i>
January 1963	<i>Periodic Physical Re-Examination of Motor Vehicle Operators: An Evaluation of the Pennsylvania Experience</i>
1955	<i>Highway Safety</i>
1953	<i>Public School Pupil Transportation</i>
1951	<i>Tax-Exempt Liquid Fuels: A Survey of the Experience Under the Act of 1949, May 26, P.L. 1880, Which Provides for a Partial Refund of Tax Paid on Liquid Fuel Used for Nonhighway Agricultural Purposes</i>
April 1945	<i>Liquid Fuels Tax -- A Report of the Committee on Distribution of State Funds to Political Subdivisions of the State of the Joint State Government Commission</i>

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<sup>99</sup> Also listed under the topic "Public Utilities."



<b>WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION</b>	
November 1996	<i>State Workers' Insurance Fund: Financial Integrity and Stability -- Report of the Select Committee to Study SWIF</i>
October 1986	<i>Cost-of-Living Adjustment for Benefits Pursuant to Section 306(h) of the Pennsylvania Workmen's Compensation Act</i>
May 1965	<i>Pennsylvania National Guard Insurance</i> <sup>100</sup>

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<sup>100</sup> Also listed under the topics "Insurance" and "State Government."



## ENABLING LEGISLATION

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**Act of July 1, 1937**  
**(P.L.2460, No.459)**  
*As Amended*

AN ACT

Creating a joint legislative commission, to be known as the Joint State Government Commission; providing for its membership, chairman and executive committee; defining its powers and duties; and defining the powers and duties of standing committees of the General Assembly.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the entire membership of the House of Representatives and the entire membership of the Senate shall constitute a continuing joint legislative commission, to be known as the Joint State Government Commission. The President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority and minority leaders of each house, the majority and minority whips of each house, and the chairman of the majority and minority caucuses of each house, shall constitute the executive committee of the commission. The President pro tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority and minority leaders of each house, the majority and minority whips of each house, and the chairman of the majority and minority caucuses of each house may designate any member of the Senate or House, respectively, to act in their stead and to serve at their discretion as a member of the executive committee. The commission shall organize by the selection of a chairman who shall be selected by the executive committee and who shall be ex officio a member of the executive committee without a vote. The commission shall have power to employ a director and such professional, technical, clerical and other assistance as may be deemed necessary. The commission shall have power to call upon any department or agency of the State Government for such information as it deems pertinent to the studies in which it is engaged. The commission shall also have the power to designate persons, other than members of the General Assembly, to act in advisory capacities. The commission shall organize within thirty days after the final enactment of this act, and thereafter the executive committee shall hold the organization meeting within thirty days after the convening of the regular session of the General Assembly in odd-numbered years beginning with the regular session of 1957. Meetings of the commission shall be scheduled by the executive committee. The executive committee shall conduct the business of the commission and shall meet at the call of the chairman or upon written request of six or more members thereof.

Section 2. The commission shall have power and its duty shall be:

(a) To make such investigations and studies and to gather such information as may be deemed useful to General Assembly and to the standing committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

(b) To sit during the interim between regular legislative sessions convening in odd-numbered years.

(c) From time to time, to report to the General Assembly or to the various standing committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives such findings and recommendations accompanied with such drafts of legislation as it deems necessary for the information of and consideration by the General Assembly.

(d) To furnish such technical staff services as shall be requested by the standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives during regular or special sessions of the General Assembly.

Section 3. The commission shall undertake, through the standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, such studies and investigations as the General Assembly by resolution shall direct.

When a study or investigation is to be made, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate the appropriate standing committee of House and the President pro tempore of the Senate shall designate the appropriate standing committee of the Senate, to make such study or investigation. These two standing committees, when so designated, shall constitute a joint study committee of the commission for such purpose.

During the interim between regular sessions of the General Assembly which convene in odd-numbered years, each joint study committee assigned to make a study shall meet at the call of the chairman of the commission or at the joint call of the chairman of the designated standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 4. An item of appropriation shall be inserted in the General Appropriation Bill to pay the expenses of the members of the commission as constituted by this act, and for the salary of the director, clerical and other hire and incidental expenses. No member of the commission shall receive any remuneration, salary or expenses as a member of the commission other than remuneration, salary and expenses as a member of the General Assembly and travelling expenses incurred upon the business of the commission or its study committees.

Section 5. For the purposes of this act, the standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives shall continue during the interim between sessions convening in odd-numbered years.

## OFFICERS SINCE 1939

The following chart lists the officers of the Joint State Government Commission since 1939. An officer who also was an Executive Committee member of the Commission is noted.

<b>Year(s)</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Vice-Chair</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
2013-14	Rep. Florindo J. Fabrizio	Sen. John C. Rafferty, Jr.	
2011-12	Rep. Florindo J. Fabrizio	Sen. John C. Rafferty, Jr.	
2009-10	Rep. Florindo J. Fabrizio	Sen. John C. Rafferty, Jr.	
2007-08	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		
2005-06	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		
2003-04	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Jeffrey W. Coy <sup>101</sup>
2001-02	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Jeffrey W. Coy
1999-2000	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Jeffrey W. Coy
1997-98	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Ivan Itkin <i>Minority Whip</i>
1995-96	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Ivan Itkin <i>Minority Whip</i>
1993-94	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Ivan Itkin <i>Majority Leader</i>
1991-92	Sen. Roger A. Madigan	Rep. Robert W. O'Donnell <i>Speaker of the House</i>	Rep. Ivan Itkin <i>Majority Leader</i>
1990 <sup>102</sup>	Sen. Roger A. Madigan	Rep. Robert W. O'Donnell <i>Speaker of the House</i>	Rep. Ivan Itkin <i>Majority Whip</i>
1990 <sup>103</sup>	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. Robert W. O'Donnell <i>Majority Leader</i>
1989	Sen. Roger A. Madigan		Rep. James J. Manderino <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1987-88	Sen. Roger A. Madigan	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Majority Leader</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1985-86	Sen. Roger A. Madigan	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Majority Leader</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1983-84	Rep. Roger A. Madigan	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Majority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Speaker of the House</i>

<sup>101</sup> Resigned September 2, 2004 from the House of Representatives.

<sup>102</sup> June 1 through the end of the session.

<sup>103</sup> January 2 - June 1.

<b>Year(s)</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Vice-Chair</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>
1981-82	Rep. William D. Hutchinson	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Majority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Minority Leader</i>
1979-80	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Minority Leader</i>
1977-78	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. John Stauffer <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1975-76	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. T. Newell Wood <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Majority Leader</i>
1973-74	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. Stanley G. Stroup <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Minority Whip</i>
1971-72	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. Stanley G. Stroup <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Majority Leader</i>
1969-70	Rep. Fred J. Shupnik	Sen. Stanley G. Stroup <i>Majority Leader</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Majority Leader</i>
1967-68	Rep. Marian E. Markley	Sen. John H. Devlin <i>Minority Leader</i>	Rep. K. Leroy Irvis <i>Minority Whip</i>
1965-66	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Charles R. Weiner	Rep. Robert K. Hamilton <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1963-64	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Charles R. Weiner <i>Minority Leader</i>	Rep. W. Stuart Helm <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1961-62	Rep. Harris G. Breth		Rep. Hiram G. Andrews <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1959-60	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Frank W. Ruth <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. Hiram G. Andrews <i>Speaker of the House</i>
1957-58	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Frank W. Ruth <i>Minority Whip</i>	Rep. Hiram G. Andrews <i>Minority Leader</i> Rep. Albert S. Readinger <i>Minority Leader</i>
1955-56	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Paul L. Wagner	Rep. W. Stuart Helm
1953-54	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. Paul L. Wagner	Rep. W. Stuart Helm
1951-52	Rep. Baker Royer	Sen. John M. Walker <i>Majority Leader</i>	Rep. W. Stuart Helm
1949-50	Sen. Frederick L. Homsher	Rep. D. Raymond Sollenberger	
1947-48	Sen. Weldon B. Heyburn	Rep. Baker Royer	Rep. Herbert P. Sorg
1945-46	Rep. Ira T. Fiss	Sen. Charles H. Ealy	Rep. Franklin H. Lichtenwalter <i>Majority Leader</i>
1943-44	Rep. Elmer Kilroy	Sen. John H. Dent	Rep. Clayton E. Moul
1941-42	Rep. Ellwood J. Turner	Sen. Frederick T. Gelder	Rep. William E. Habbyshaw
1939-40	Rep. Ellwood J. Turner	Sen. Frederick T. Gelder	Rep. William E. Habbyshaw