Statutes: Session Laws vs. Code Sections

What’s the difference?

1. A legislature creates an Act (aka Session Law, Public Law or Law).

2. The language of the Act is broken up into parts and placed into the appropriate Code Sections.

3. The code sections are organized in a Code by topic, for easy research.

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