HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
The House convened at 1 p.m., e.s.t.

THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
(SETH GROVE) PRESIDING

PRAYER

HON. HAROLD A. ENGLISH, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Please join me in prayer:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the beauty of this day. While the beauty may cause some to ponder and be concerned, some to be disrupted in where they have to get to, who they have to be with, we know that You are with us in our travels and in our jobs and in our lives.

We thank You for the people, the people that will be out clearing our roads, providing heat, providing light, to keep us warm, to keep us strong, just as You do, not just during emergencies but throughout every day. Lord, be with us this legislative session and all of our leaders.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members and visitors.)

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, January 21, 2015, will be postponed until printed.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 159, PN 145  By Rep. PICKETT

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for medical professional liability reciprocal exchange-to-stock conversion and for adoption of plan of conversion; imposing duties on Insurance Commissioner; providing for contents of plan of conversion, for optional provisions of plan of conversion, for alternative plan of conversion, for effective date of plan; for rights of subscribers whose policies are issued after adoption of plan and before effective date, for corporate existence, for conflict of interest, for failure to give notice, for limitation on actions, for reciprocal insurer insolvent or in hazardous financial condition, for rules and regulations, for laws applicable to stock company, for licensing of stock company and commencement of business as an insurance company, for amendment of policies and for prohibition on acquisitions of control.

INSURANCE.

No. 32 By Representatives V. BROWN, GAINEY, KIRKLAND, FREEMAN, FRANKEL, BISHOP, GREINER, COHEN, SCHREIBER, BARRAR, BROWNLEE, THOMAS, LONGIETTI, SACCONE, BAKER, CALTAGIRONE, KIM, VEREB, DIGIROLAMO, RAPP, W. KELLER, KNOWLES, STURLA, C. PARKER, HARKINS, SCHLOSSBERG, D. COSTA, MILLARD, READSHAW, MENTZER, J. HARRIS, WATSON, GOODMAN, FARINA, SCHWEYER, MURT, HAHN, DeLUCA, CONKLIN, WATERS, MAJOR, DONATUCCI, McCARTER and ROEBUCK

A Resolution honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Referred to Committee on RULES, January 22, 2015.

No. 38 By Representatives MATZIE, SNYDER, BIZZARRO, READSHAW, D. COSTA, MAHONEY, SCHWEYER, BISHOP, KINSEY, FREEMAN, LONGIETTI, DAVIS, SCHLOSSBERG, DRISCOLL, THOMAS, HARTHART, MACKENZIE, DEASY, KORTZ, MURT, FRANKEL, CALTAGIRONE, DAY, J. HARRIS, COHEN, KAUFFMAN, DAVIDSON, DONATUCCI, O'BRIEN, ONEILL, RAVENSTAHL, STURLA, GRELL, KAVULICH, McCARTER, HENNESSY, KOTIK, WATSON and GIBBONS

A Resolution urging the Governor to issue a proclamation to observe January 30, 2015, as "Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day" in Pennsylvania, and requesting the Governor to appoint a committee to investigate and recommend how the Commonwealth can best commemorate "Pennsylvanians with Disabilities Day" on an annual basis to recognize residents with disabilities who have distinguished themselves and this Commonwealth in the spirit of the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, January 23, 2015.

No. 45 By Representatives PASHINSKI, KOTIK, HARKINS, FREEMAN, McNIEILL, KORTZ, THOMAS, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, COHEN, DeLUCA, McCARTER and V. BROWN
A Resolution calling on the Congress of the United States to pass legislation ending the practice of corporate inversion.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 23, 2015.

HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 14 By Representatives MARSHALL, KAUFFMAN, GODSHALL, MATZIE, O'BRIEN, KILLION, MURT, GABLER, A. HARRIS, PETRI and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1968 (P.L.316, No.154), known as the Legislative Code of Ethics, further providing for definitions, for prohibitions and for civil remedies.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 79 By Representatives EVANKOVICH, CALTAGIRONE, TALLMAN, GROVE, STURLA, GABLER and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of October 9, 2009 (P.L.588, No.51), entitled "An act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), entitled, as amended, 'An act providing for the payment of death benefits to the surviving spouse or children or parents of firefighters, ambulance service or rescue squad members, law enforcement officers or National Guard members who die as a result of the performance of their duties,' further providing for death benefit eligibility; and repealing certain provisions of the Municipal Police Pension Law and the Municipal Pension Plan Funding Standard and Recovery Act," further providing for repeals; ratifying certain payments made by the Commonwealth; and providing for reimbursement to cities of the third class under certain circumstances.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2015.

No. 143 By Representatives PETRI, SANTARSIERO, DAVIS, FARRY, DiGIROLAMO, GALLOWAY, O'NEILL, BARRAR, DUSH, GRELL, JAMES, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER, STEPHENS, D. COSTA, READSHAW, QUINN and WATSON

An Act amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for confidentiality of personal information of public safety officials.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2015.

No. 144 By Representatives PETRI, SANTARSIERO, DAVIS, FARRY, DiGIROLAMO, GALLOWAY, O'NEILL, DUSH, GODSHALL, JAMES and MILLARD

An Act amending the act of December 13, 2005 (P.L.432, No.79), known as the Retired Law Enforcement Identification Act, further providing for definitions, for retired law enforcement identification card, for firearm training and qualification card and for public records; and rescinding and abrogating rules and regulations.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 22, 2015.

No. 147 By Representatives MALONEY, MACKENZIE, EMRICK, SACCONI, KAUFFMAN, GRELL, TRUITT, GROVE, MENTZER, CAUSER, GOODMAN, CUTLER, HARHART, SAYLOR, EVERETT, CARROLL, DeLEUCA, LAWRENCE, HICKERNELL, GIBBONS and O'NEILL

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, January 22, 2015.

No. 149 By Representatives GROVE, TALLMAN, SANTARSIERO, GREINER, MURT, CONKLIN, BLOOM, MENTZER, DUNBAR, A. HARRIS, MUSTIO, MULLERY, D. COSTA, GRELL, M. K. KELLER, PHILLIPS-HILL, FEE and TRUITT

A Joint Resolution proposing separate and distinct amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, extending the term of office for members of the General Assembly; placing term limits on members of the General Assembly; setting a minimum number of voting sessions per session term; changing eligibility requirements to hold office; and reducing the size of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2015.

No. 152 By Representatives TALLMAN, SAYLOR, MILLARD, GRELL, KNOWLES, DRISCOLL, D. COSTA, BARRAR, R. BROWN, DONATUCCI, DIAMOND, KORTZ, READSHAW and COHEN


Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 22, 2015.

No. 153 By Representatives KNOWLES, TURZAI, REED, METCALFE, DUNBAR, MUSTIO, D. COSTA, GREINER, BLOOM, MACKENZIE, SAYLOR, CORBIN, SACCONI, HELM, BARRAR, MULLERY, M. K. KELLER, GRELL, KAUFFMAN, KAULICH, HEFFLEY, CARROLL, ROAE, A. HARRIS, MENTZER, DEASY, GROVE, TRUITT, MAJOR, MURT, TALLMAN, MARSICO, FEE and DeLUCA

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, reducing the size of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2015.

No. 157 By Representatives HEFFLEY, BLOOM, MILLARD, SCHWEYER, SAYLOR, COHEN, KILLION, FLYNN, MATZIE, LONGIETTI, SACCONI, JAMES, HAHN, KAUFFMAN, KNOWLES, V. BROWN, DUSH, R. BROWN, READSHAW, DIAMOND, KORTZ, TRUITT, WATSON and TALLMAN
An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in professional and occupational licenses, further providing for definitions and for retention and certification.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 22, 2015.

No. 158 By Representatives PEIFER, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, O'NEILL, GROVE, MURT, TALLMAN, SAYLOR, M. K. KELLER, CARROLL, READSHAW, MAJOR, TOPPER, PHILLIPS-HILL, R. BROWN and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for secretary declaration of emergencies.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 22, 2015.

No. 159 By Representatives KAMPF, KILLION, TOBASH, PICKETT, ROSS, GRELL and SONNEY

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for medical professional liability reciprocal exchange-to-stock conversion and for adoption of plan of conversion; imposing duties on Insurance Commissioner; providing for contents of plan of conversion, for optional provisions of plan of conversion, for alternative plan of conversion, for effective date of plan, for rights of subscribers whose policies are issued after adoption of plan and before effective date, for corporate existence, for conflict of interest, for failure to give notice, for limitation on actions, for reciprocal insurer insolvent or in hazardous financial condition, for rules and regulations, for laws applicable to stock company, for licensing of stock company and commencement of business as an insurance company, for amendment of policies and for prohibition on acquisitions of control.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, January 22, 2015.

No. 160 By Representatives MACKENZIE, BLOOM, DEASY, DIAMOND, LAWRENCE, McNIEL, MURT, PASHINSKI, PICKETT, ROSS, SCHWEYER, COHEN and SAMUELSON

An Act amending the act of May 25, 1945 (P.L.1050, No.394), known as the Local Tax Collection Law, providing for payment of taxes; and further providing for notice of taxes.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2015.

No. 161 By Representatives TALLMAN, DUSH, MURT, A. HARRIS, READSHAW, D. COSTA, DAY and COHEN

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in local taxes, further providing for limitations on rates of specific taxes and for restricted use.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 22, 2015.

No. 163 By Representatives TALLMAN, KAUFFMAN, SACCON, DAVIDSON, SAYLOR, MURT, GILLEN, KORTZ and GIBBONS

An Act regulating religious child-care facilities; providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Human Services; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH, January 22, 2015.

No. 165 By Representatives TALLMAN, COHEN, MURT, BAKER, KAUFFMAN, LAWRENCE and DAY

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, further providing for regulatory authority of board.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, January 22, 2015.

No. 166 By Representatives REGAN and DeLUCA


Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 22, 2015.

No. 167 By Representatives GROVE, MURT, BARRAR, BLOOM and GINGRICH

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, providing for effect of permit issued by Department of Environmental Protection.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 23, 2015.

No. 168 By Representatives TOBASH, EMRICK, HEFFLEY, JAMES, BAKER, TRUITT, SANTORA, BARBIN, KAUFFMAN, MARSICO, TALLMAN, COHEN and GROVE

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for Keystone Exams.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 169 By Representatives TRUITT, BAKER, SACCON, MACKENZIE, FLYNN, SNYDER, READSHAW, PASHINSKI, McGINNIS, DIAMOND, SAYLOR, CONKLIN, HARHAI, CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN, ELLIS, O'NEILL, LAWRENCE, CAUSER, ZIMMERMAN, MURT and DeLUCA

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further prohibiting unwanted telephone solicitation calls.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 171 By Representatives TRUITT, BAKER, SACCON, MACKENZIE, FLYNN, SNYDER, READSHAW, McGINNIS, DIAMOND, SAYLOR, CONKLIN, HARHAI, CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN, ELLIS, MILLARD, O'NEILL, LAWRENCE, CAUSER and DeLUCA

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further providing for civil penalties.
No. 172 By Representatives TRUITT, COHEN, J. HARRIS, YOUNGBLOOD, JAMES, REESE, KAUFFMAN, RAPP, DUSH, TALLMAN, MARSICO and COX

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for Keystone Exams.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, January 23, 2015.

No. 173 By Representatives BENNINGHOFF, DUNBAR, DUSH, GODSHALL, GREINER, GREG, GROVE, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, LAWRENCE, RAPP, SAYLOR and DIAMOND

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for criteria for institutions of purely public charity.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 174 By Representatives GROVE, DUNBAR, SAYLOR, IRVIN, TALLMAN, TOPPER, GABLER, MILLARD, BAKER, BARRAR, BLOOM, McGINNIS, KAUFFMAN, A. HARRIS, LAWRENCE, MULLERY, M. K. KELLER, SANKEY and GIBBONS


Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 175 By Representatives GOODMAN, GAINEY, MACKENZIE, REESE, FREEMAN, BIZZARRO, SACCONE, READSHAW, THOMAS, COHEN, KAUFFMAN, JAMES, DONATUCCI, SAMUELSON, BISHOP, McNIEL, CONKLIN, GODSHALL, GREG, YOUNGBLOOD, MURT, O'BRIEN, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, MARSICO, TALLMAN, DEASY, GABLER, SCHWEYER, MILLARD, DeLUCA, BARBIN, SAINATO, D. COSTA, GIBBONS, BROWNLEE and MAHONEY

An Act amending the act of April 26, 2006 (P.L.91, No.29), known as the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans' Benefit Act, further providing for application for compensation and for Commonwealth indebtedness.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 22, 2015.

No. 176 By Representatives GROVE, PASHINSKI, COHEN, SAYLOR, HAHN, JAMES, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, BARRAR, A. HARRIS, MAHER, MEXTZER, O'NEILL, D. COSTA and GIBBONS

An Act providing for grants to regional police departments; imposing powers and duties on the Center for Local Government Services and the Department of Community and Economic Development; providing for transfers from the State Gaming Fund; and repealing provisions in Title 4 relating to transfers from State Gaming Fund.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 177 By Representatives GROVE, PASHINSKI, GREINER, DIAMOND, ZIMMERMAN and GRELL

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, establishing the Academic Standards Commission and providing for its powers and duties.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 178 By Representatives SNYDER, READSHAW, FREEMAN, KINSEY, KNOWLES, DIGIROLAMO, THOMAS, HENNESSEY, CONKLIN, CAUSER, COHEN, TOEPEL, YOUNGBLOOD, CALTAGIRONE, BROWNLEE, BARRAR, HAHN, McNEILL, KAUFFMAN, WATSON, MARSICO, Cox, TALLMAN, W. KELLER, PAYNE, LONGIETTI, DONATUCCI, A. HARRIS, GILLEN, MATZIE, MILLARD, DUSH, GREG, O'NEILL, D. COSTA, MURT, FARINA, SCHWEYER, JOZWIAK, GABLER, M. K. KELLER, MAJOR, GIBBONS and McCARTER

An Act designating a section of State Route 43 at the Mon-Fayette Expressway Interchange with State Route 88, known as Exit 28, in Fayette County as the Marine Cpl. Thomas R. Matty Memorial Interchange.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 179 By Representatives SNYDER, CUTLER, READSHAW, COHEN, DUSH, SONNEY, D. COSTA, MILLARD, ELLIS, J. HARRIS, HENNESSEY, GREG, LONGIETTI, KINSEY, THOMAS, DIGIROLAMO, BENNINGHOFF, McCARTER, SCHWEYER, BAKER, COX, KIM, HICKERNELL, HAHN, BARRAR, TOEPEL, JOZWIAK, MAJOR, DRISCOLL, MARSHALL, GABLER, SAINATO, FARINA, MARSICO, DeLUCA, DEASY and TALLMAN

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of S.R. 88 over Muddy Creek, Cumberland Township, Greene County, as the Army Corporal Richard W. Kowalewski, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 181 By Representatives GROVE, DIAMOND, SAYLOR, JAMES, METCALFE, TALLMAN, CAUSER, GABLER, A. HARRIS, BARRAR, D. COSTA, GINGRICH, M. K. KELLER, PICKETT and READSHAW

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for sale or transfer of firearms; and providing for completion of forms.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 182 By Representatives GROVE, DELOZIER, COHEN, JAMES, KINSEY, MARSHALL, SAYLOR, DEASY, SANTARSIERO, GABLER, KORTZ, BAKER, KAUFFMAN, D. COSTA, KILLION, TOOHIL, GINGRICH,
An Act amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699), known as the Pharmacy Act, further providing for the authority to administer injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 23, 2015.

No. 184 By Representatives GROVE, JAMES, GREINER, SAYLOR, TALLMAN, BLOOM, McGинНIS, MENTZER, TOOHIЛ, DIAMOND, CORBIN, TOPPER, PETRI, EVERETT, FEE, GRELL, KAUFFMAN and PICKETT

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preemptions, providing for leave and compensation mandates.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 23, 2015.

No. 185 By Representatives HACKETT, DAVIDSON, COHEN, YOUNGBLOOD, BISHOP, V. BROWN, DiGIROLOMO, MAJOR, BAKER, PASHINSKI, BARRAR, BOBACK, O'BRIEN, KAUFFMAN, PICKETT, DAVIS, A. HARRIS, READSHAW, KINSEY, WATSON, MULLERY, MARSICO, TALLMAN, MURT, HARHART, FEE, GILLEН, ACOSTA, MILLARD, SAYLOR, SANTORA, HARHAI, SCHWEYER, HAHN, DeLUCA, METCALFE, PETRI, D. COSTA, HICKERNELL, GIBBONS and SONNEY

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for the offense of dealing in infant children.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 186 By Representatives HACKETT, STEPHENS, KOTIK, BAKER, SACСONE, DIAMOND, TOEPEL, KILLION, MILLARD, D. COSTA, LONGIETTI, GRELL, MURT, CALTAGIRONE, GODSHALL, KAUFFMAN, M. K. KELLER, MARSICO, LAWRENCE and A. HARRIS

An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, further providing for victims' rights.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 187 By Representatives DeLUCA, DAVIS, SCHREIBER, V. BROWN, SCHLOSSBERG, D. COSTA, READSHAW, GILLEН, DEASY and MURT

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for ignition interlock.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 188 By Representatives SONNEY, V. BROWN, COHEN, JAMES, MILLARD, MURT, O'BRIEN, PASHINSKI and ROSS

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law, further providing for definitions and for the purchase of agricultural conservation easements.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, January 23, 2015.

No. 189 By Representatives SONNEY, BARRAR, D. COSTA, ELLIS, GRELL, A. HARRIS, JAMES, KILLION, KNOWLES, MACKENZIE, MARSICO, MILLARD, O'BRIEN, ONEILL, SAINATO, SAYLOR and DeLUCA

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions, in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for general powers of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, in Pennsylvania liquor stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania liquor stores, in licenses and regulations, further providing for shipment of wine into Commonwealth and, in distilleries, wineries, warehouses, bailees and transporters, further providing for limited wineries.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, January 23, 2015.

No. 190 By Representatives SONNEY, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, DEASY, DRISCOLL, GABLER, JAMES, M. K. KELLER, MARSHALL, MILLARD, MURT, PICKETT, RAPP and SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly, further providing for the definition of "income."

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, January 23, 2015.

No. 191 By Representatives SONNEY and COHEN

An Act providing for county property tax reduction.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 192 By Representatives GILLEН, READSHAW, BARRAR, BAKER, JAMES, BOBACK, D. COSTA, COX, A. HARRIS, COHEN, MILLARD, METCALFE, DUSH, MURT, EVERETT, DeLUCA, GABLER and R. BROWN

An Act amending the act of August 5, 1941 (P.L.752, No.286), known as the Civil Service Act, further providing for powers and duties of director.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 194 By Representatives O'BRIEN, C. PARKER, KINSEY, BROWNLEE, COHEN, DAVIS, DRISCOLL, KOTIK, McNEILL, PASHINSKI, SCHWEYER, THOMAS and READSHAW
An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, extending benefit coverage.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 23, 2015.

No. 195 By Representatives O’BRIEN, BISHOP, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, CARROLL, KOTIK, MILLARD, PASHINSKI, THOMAS, YOUNGBLOOD, READSHAW and COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school finances, further providing for distress in school districts of the first class; and providing for school board in distressed school districts.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 196 By Representatives O’BRIEN, ROZZI, BISHOP, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, STEPHENS, THOMAS and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitation of time, further providing for other offenses.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 197 By Representatives MURT, BARRAR, BOBACK, D. COSTA, ELLIS, GILLENN, GINGRICH, HAHN, HARKINS, JAMES, MAJOR, READSHAW, ROZZI, SANTARSIERO, SAYLOR, SCHWEYER and SNYDER

An Act amending Title 37 (Historical and Museums) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, further providing for sites.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 198 By Representatives MURT, BAKER, BISHOP, COHEN, GILLENN, GINGRICH, HARKINS, KAUFFMAN, MAJOR, O’BRIEN, C. PARKER, READSHAW, ROZZI, SANTARSIERO, SAYLOR, SCHLOSSBERG and SCHWEYER

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child victims and witnesses, further providing for victims of sexual or physical abuse.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 199 By Representatives MURT, BOYLE, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, CARROLL, COHEN, D. COSTA, HARTHART, KINSEY, O’BRIEN, WATSON and YOUNGBLOOD


Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 201 By Representatives MURT, BARRAR, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, COHEN, CONKLIN, DRISCOLL, GILLENN, GINGRICH, HARKINS, ROZZI, SACCONE, SANTARSIERO, SAYLOR, SCHWEYER, SNYDER and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, in Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, further providing for fees and charges.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 202 By Representatives MURT, V. BROWN, COHEN, DAVIDSON, FRANKEL, FREEMAN and SCHLOSSBERG

An Act amending the act of June 13, 2008 (P.L.182, No.27), known as the Clean Indoor Air Act, further providing for definitions, for prohibitions and for enforcement.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, January 23, 2015.

No. 203 By Representatives MURT, BISHOP, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, D. COSTA, DAVIDSON, DAVIS, DeLUCA, KAVULICH, KIM, O’BRIEN, SACCONE and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizen property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for definitions, for property tax and rent rebate and for proof of claim.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 204 By Representatives MURT, BOBACK, D. COSTA, DEASY, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, HARKINS, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MILLARD, READSHAW, SCHLOSSBERG and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for the tourism marketing and promotion tax credit.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 205 By Representatives MURT, COHEN, D. COSTA, DONATUCCI, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GRELL, A. HARRIS, HENNESSEY, JAMES, KIM, KINSEY, MENTZER, O’NEILL, SAMUELSON, SACCONE and WATSON

An Act prohibiting employees of long-term care providers from serving as guardian, agent under a power of attorney, insurance or annuity beneficiary or estate executor of individuals who receive services from a long-term care provider.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, January 23, 2015.

No. 206 By Representatives MURT, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, D. COSTA, DAVIDSON, HARTHART,
O'BRIEN, READshaw, SANTARSIERO, SAYLOR, TALLMAN and YOUNGBLOOD

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 207 By Representatives PASHINSKI, COHEN, HARKINS, YOUNGBLOOD, FREEMAN, DAVIDSON, McNEILL, KORTZ, GROVE, READshaw, THOMAS, RAVENSTAHl, GOODMAN, MULLERY, DEASY, SAMUELSON, DeLUCA and TOOHL

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in taxation by school districts, further providing for school district tax notices.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 23, 2015.

No. 208 By Representatives PASHINSKI, COHEN, V. BROWN, YOUNGBLOOD, O'BRIEN, HANNA, DAVIDSON, FLynn, McNEILL, KORTZ, FREEMAN, SCHREIBER, C. PARKER, THOMAS, RAVENSTAHl, FRANKEL, MULLERY, SNYDER, SCHLOSSBERG, M. DALEY, DAWKINS, DEASY, SCHWEYER, BIZZARRO, DeLUCA, CARROLL, D. COSTA, GIBBONS, BROWNLEE and MAHONEY

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, providing for conduct of early voting in primaries and elections.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 23, 2015.

No. 209 By Representatives READshaw, COHEN, KOTIK, THOMAS, McNEILL, D. COSTA, CARROLL, MURT and KORTZ

An Act amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.345, No.48), entitled "An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities; providing for hearing examiners in the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs; providing additional powers to the Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs; and further providing for civil penalties and license suspension," further providing for hearing examiners.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 23, 2015.

No. 210 By Representatives GROVE, GREiner, DUNBAR, REGAN, BARRAR, HICKERNELL, SAYLOR, PASHINSKI, MILLARD, CUTLER, DIAMOND, MENTZER, PICKETT, SONNEY, MARSICO, TALLMAN and A. HARRIS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in grounds and buildings, further providing for approval by department of plans of buildings and exceptions, providing for accountability and reducing costs in construction process, further providing for limitation on new applications for Department of Education approval of public school building projects; and, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts, further providing for definitions, for approved reimbursable rental for leases hereafter approved and approved reimbursable sinking fund charges on indebtedness, for payments on account of leases hereafter approved and on account of sinking fund charges on indebtedness for school buildings hereafter constructed and for payments on account of building costs and providing for lump sum reimbursement for construction or reconstruction.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 23, 2015.

No. 214 By Representatives GINGRICH, JAMES, COHEN, DAVIDSON, MILLARD, SAYLOR, DEASY, MURT, BAKER, KAUFFMAN, A. HARRIS, GRELL, M. K. KELLER, ROSS and WATSON

An Act providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Aging and area agencies on aging and for annual review of care plans; requiring criminal background checks and communicable disease screenings of certain providers; prohibiting certain provider financial interests; and providing for consumer telephone access and for procedures for noncompliance.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, January 23, 2015.

No. 215 By Representatives GINGRICH, BISHOP, KOTIK, GODSHALL, DAVIDSON, MILLARD, WATSON, SAYLOR, BOBACK, COHEN, DEASY, BAKER, KAUFFMAN, A. HARRIS, GOODMAN, PETRI and M. K. KELLER

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in assault, further providing for the offense of neglect of care-dependent person; and providing for the offense of abuse of care-dependent person.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 216 By Representatives GINGRICH, MURT, A. HARRIS, M. K. KELLER and GRELL

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in budget and finance, further providing for the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 23, 2015.

No. 223 By Representatives SONNEY, BAKER, CAUSER, D. COSTA, CUTLER, DUSH, GRELL, GROVE, A. HARRIS, METCALFE, METZGAR, MILLARD, MULLERY, SANKEY, ZIMMERMAN and MUSTIO

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for unlawful devices and methods.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, January 23, 2015.

COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Maher.

Mr. MAHER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

For the information of the members, the House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee will not be meeting today.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lawrence County, Mr. Gibbons.

Mr. GIBBONS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
I am just submitting remarks for the record.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. GIBBONS submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

Mr. Speaker, it has come to my attention that today, January 26, is Spouse’s Day.

Spouse’s Day is a time to enjoy and appreciate our better half. The day can be used as a prelude or warmup to Valentine’s Day perhaps. But it is not so much of a gift-giving holiday. Rather, it is a time to show your spouse that you care and appreciate all of the things that he or she does for you and for the household and family you share.

Over the long years of a relationship, it is easy to take for granted the many things your spouse does. He or she is always there. At times we may refer to him or her as the "old ball and chain," but the truth is they are our rock and the foundation upon which our family is kept strong. They routinely do so many big and little things around the house that it is easy to forget or take him or her for granted. So take today to notice and to say thanks.

As legislators, we often have to rely on our spouse to hold down the home front for days at a time while we trek, some of us hundreds of miles, to Harrisburg to conduct the people’s business. It is they who are left behind to make sure children get to school, sports practices, music lessons, and other activities. It is they who make sure the dog gets fed and let out, the bills paid, and the house kept in order, and the daily work to maintain a home and family gets done. Of course they know we miss them while we are away, but we must make sure they also know we appreciate them for what they do while we are gone. So today is the day that we should make sure of that.

To all of the spouses of our legislators, the people of Pennsylvania say thank you for sharing your spouse today and every day of his or her public service. Particularly to my wife, Jennifer, thank you for being there to take care of our home, our dogs, and our three wonderful children. You are the hardest working person I know.

Happy Spouse’s Day!

RICKY WATTERS PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Vereb.

Mr. VEREB. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and colleagues that are with us here today.

On this gruesome weather day throughout our Commonwealth, there was a great opportunity for a press conference that had to be canceled, and that press conference was about this week being National School Choice Week. We want to make sure that school choice is alive and well here in Pennsylvania, and certainly in this chamber, school choice has been a major issue over the last two sessions. What is so special to me and to a lot of Philadelphia Eagle fans is, one advocate that has taken a very strong stance and position on advocating for school choice is former Philadelphia running back Ricky Watters.

Ricky is here with us today. I just want to, before I introduce him formally, I just want to say a few things if you could indulge me. Ricky’s passion in school choice comes from the heart. It comes from the heart as his family, and he as a student, had that choice. A graduate here of Bishop McDevitt High School in Harrisburg, and his mission, along with Otto Banks, executive director with the REACH (Road to Educational Achievement Through Choice) Foundation that is here as well, is the same, and that is, give the children that desperately need that school choice that opportunity to attend a school that they would like. Ricky had that. He wants to make sure every child, not only in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania but in the United States, has that choice.

So with your indulgence, Mr. Speaker, I would like to introduce— You know, I know there are some Pittsburgh fans here and there are some yellow towels around that represent national schools week, not the Pittsburgh Steelers, Mr. Speaker. But I would like to introduce, if you do not mind, Ricky Watters. Please stand up, Rick.

And I do not think a stranger to anyone in this building, Otto Banks, is the executive director of REACH.

Mr. Speaker, you know there is no doubt Ricky comes from— He is a great family man, and it is always good in the Commonwealth when we have people that want to take their time to commute across the country to be here with us and celebrate such an important week. Ricky had a couple footballs with him that he had autographed, small ones, and I can tell you after further review, the balls are all properly inflated, Mr. Speaker.

Thank you for the opportunity to introduce a great advocate, and if it is appropriate, I would like to call up a discharge resolution, Mr. Speaker. Disregard.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman, I think.

Welcome to the House, gentlemen.

MEMBER RECOGNITION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the following members for the record: the gentlelady, Ms. Rapp; the gentleman, Mr. Marshall; Mr. Sainato; Mr. Maher; Mr. Ellis; Mr. English; Mr. Longietti; Mr. Kotik; Mr. Harhai; Mr. Roae; Mr. Dush; Mr. Nesbitt; Mr. Wentling; Mr. Ortitay; Mr. Paul Costa; Mr. Sabatina; Mr. Millard.

COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman, I think.

Welcome to the House, gentlemen.
COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Mr. Longietti from Lawrence and Mercer Counties.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just to announce that the House Education Committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 9:30 has been postponed until Wednesday at 9:30 in room G-50.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

MEMBER RECOGNITION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Mr. Kortz for the record.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, all resolutions on today's calendar will be passed over. The Chair hears no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair now receives a motion from Representative Ellis from Butler County, who moves that the House will now adjourn until Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 11 a.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 1:17 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.