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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 11 a.m., e.d.t.

THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI) PRESIDING

PRAYER

HON. PAM SNYDER, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Heavenly Father, we ask Your blessing today on this body and this Commonwealth. You have created us all in Your image. We ask that You show each of us the way to live up to that image by becoming the best version of ourselves as we work toward issues that impact all people's lives. Help us to open our hearts and our minds to follow Your example, Lord, to love our neighbor, help those who cannot help themselves, and to forgive those who trespass against us. It is through You, Father, that we get our strength, our love, and our compassion. Let us all work together for the good of all people we serve with Your love in our hearts.

In Your name we say, Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, June 26, 2017, will be postponed until printed.

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 283, PN 269**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

Bill numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

HB 283, PN 269

An Act amending the act of June 17, 2016 (P.L.342, No.46), entitled "An act designating: A portion of State Routes 108 and 551 in Lawrence County as the Battery B Memorial Highway. A bridge on that portion of State Route 403 over the Two Lick Creek, Borough of Clymer, Indiana County, as the Sergeant James Robert Pantall Memorial Bridge. A bridge on that portion of State Route 580 over the Susquehanna River, Cherry Tree Borough, Indiana County, as the Airman Second Class Gerald Emmett Johnson Memorial Bridge. A bridge on State Route 2014 over the Muncy Creek in Muncy Creek Township, Lycoming County, as the Private Walter L. Smith Spanish-American War Memorial Bridge. A portion of State Route 2044 in Lycoming County as the Lance Corporal William F. Merrill Vietnam Veterans Highway. The bridge on State Route 225 that crosses the Armstrong Creek in Halifax Township, Dauphin County, as the Staff Sergeant Brian K. Mowery Memorial Bridge. A bridge on that portion of State Route 1026, Section 004 over the Cocalico Creek, Denver Borough, and West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County, as the Samuel L. Snyder Memorial Bridge. An overpass on State Route 49 over State Route 15, Lawrence Township, Tioga County, as the Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank Memorial Bridge. A portion of Blair Mill Road in Montgomery County as the PVT William H. Walls, U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway. The overpass on State Route 3145 over Interstate 376, BMS 02-3145-0010-0537, in the Market District at Settlers Ridge, Robinson Township, Allegheny County, as the Roy F. Johns, Jr., Overpass. A portion of State Route 51 North in the Borough of Coraopolis, Allegheny County, as the Fred A. Trello Memorial Boulevard. A certain interchange in New Stanton Borough, Westmoreland County, as the Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial Interchange. The bridge carrying State Route 2005 (Business Route 222) over the Schuylkill River, Riverfront Drive and Norfolk Southern Railroad in the City of Reading, Berks County, commonly referred to as the Bingaman Street Bridge, as the 65th U.S. Infantry Regiment, Borinqueneers Memorial Bridge. A bridge on that portion of State Route 36 over the Chest Creek, Patton Borough, Cambria County, as the Martin Joseph Davis Memorial Bridge. A portion of State Route 1008 in Fayetteville, Franklin County, as the James W. Cutchall Memorial Highway. A bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 15 over State Route 114, Mechanicsburg Borough, Cumberland County, as the Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth Memorial Bridge. The bridge on that portion of Township Route 431/436, Cooney Road, over U.S. Route 22 in Munster Township, Cambria County, as the PFC Thomas A. Cooney Memorial Bridge. The bridge on Tower Road spanning U.S. Route 219 in Croyle Township, Cambria County, as the Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel Memorial Bridge. A bridge on that portion of Greenwood Avenue over the SEPTA tracks in Cheltenham Township and Jenkintown Borough, Montgomery County, as the Honorable Lawrence H. Curry Bridge. A bridge on that portion of State Route 144

over the Bald Eagle Creek, Milesburg Borough, Centre County, as the Veterans Bridge. An interchange on Pennsylvania Turnpike Route 66 in Westmoreland County as the David B. Sheridan Memorial Interchange. A bridge on that portion of State Route 217 over the Norfolk Southern Railroad tracks and 2nd Street in Derry Borough, Westmoreland County, as the Derry Veterans Memorial Bridge," further providing for Lance Corporal Michael G. Plank Memorial Bridge.

Whereupon, the Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

The SPEAKER. I would ask all members to please come in from the anterooms and take your seats. All members, please report to the floor.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The majority whip request a leave of absence for Representative Jeff PYLE of Armstrong County for the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

The minority whip requests leaves of absence for Robert MATZIE of Beaver County for the day, Representative Patty KIM of Dauphin County for the day, Representative Angel CRUZ of Philadelphia County for the day, and Representative Leanne KRUEGER-BRANEKY of Delaware County for the day. Without objection, those will be granted.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The members will proceed to vote on the master roll.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—197

Baker	Emrick	Kortz	Readshaw
Barbin	English	Kulik	Reed
Barrar	Evankovich	Lawrence	Reese
Benninghoff	Evans	Lewis	Roae
Bernstine	Everett	Longietti	Roe
Bizzarro	Fabrizio	Mackenzie	Roebuck
Bloom	Farry	Madden	Rothman
Boback	Fee	Maher	Rozzi
Boyle	Fitzgerald	Mako	Ryan
Bradford	Flynn	Maloney	Saccone
Briggs	Frankel	Markosek	Sainato
Brown, R.	Freeman	Marshall	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Fritz	Marsico	Sankey
Bullock	Gabler	Masser	Santora
Burns	Gainey	McCarter	Saylor
Caltagirone	Galloway	McClinton	Schemel
Carroll	Gergely	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Causser	Gillen	McNeill	Schweyer
Cephas	Gillespie	Mehaffie	Simmons
Charlton	Godshall	Mentzer	Sims
Christiana	Goodman	Metcalfe	Snyder
Comitta	Greiner	Metzgar	Solomon
Conklin	Grove	Miccarelli	Sonney
Cook	Haggerty	Millard	Staats
Corbin	Hahn	Miller, B.	Stephens
Corr	Hanna	Miller, D.	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harkins	Milne	Tallman
Costa, P.	Harper	Moul	Taylor
Cox	Harris, A.	Mullery	Thomas
Culver	Harris, J.	Murt	Tobash
Cutler	Heffley	Mustio	Toepel
Daley	Helm	Neilson	Toohil

Davidson	Hennessey	Nelson	Topper
Davis	Hickernell	Nesbit	Vazquez
Dawkins	Hill	Neuman	Vitali
Day	Irvin	O'Brien	Walsh
Dean	James	O'Neill	Ward
Deasy	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Warner
DeLissio	Kampf	Ortitay	Warren
Delozier	Kaufner	Pashinski	Watson
DeLuca	Kauffman	Peifer	Wentling
Dermody	Kavulich	Petrarca	Wheatley
Diamond	Keefer	Petri	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Pickett	White
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Quinn, C.	Youngblood
Dowling	Keller, W.	Quinn, M.	Zimmerman
Driscoll	Kinsey	Rabb	
Dunbar	Kirkland	Rader	Turzai,
Dush	Klunk	Rapp	Speaker
Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl	

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Krueger	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Matzie		

LEAVES ADDED—2

Evankovich	Petri
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LEAVES CANCELED—2

Krueger	Petri
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The SPEAKER. There are 197 members who have voted on the master roll. There is a quorum today.

Members, I would like you to take your seats for a few introductions, and then we have some championship teams.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. To the left of the rostrum – please stand – Phil Walter and Bob Kriner. Please stand. They are guests of Representative Fred Keller. Thank you so much for being with us today, gentlemen.

This sharp young man stopped by my office today, Representative Brian Ellis' nephew, Dominic Russo. Dominic, great to have you, my good friend. Be careful, though, he picks up on the democratic government quickly. He is from New York, and he knew everything about the situations and the issues in front of the New York Legislature and the Governor up there. So, Dominic, we welcome you to study us today a little bit. Thank you.

Isabella Astolfi is here. Where is she? Good to see you. She is interning with Representative Kampf for the summer, and we certainly welcome you. Thank you for being with us.

In the rear of the House, we have the winner in Representative Martina White's "There Ought To Be a Law" contest, Grace Reteneller. Grace, where are you? Great to see you, Grace. Her law made it illegal for children under the age of 13 to sit in the front seat of a vehicle, unless there is no back seat in the vehicle. Thank you so much, Grace, and glad to have you.

WEST GREENE HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Now, members, I would like everybody to take their seats. This team traveled from our farthest southwest corner. Representative Snyder, about 4 1/2 hours? Four and a half hours this championship team drove to be with us today, and I really would love everybody to give their undivided attention to this championship team.

So we are going to start – I actually have a number of championship teams today, and we are going to give them, really, a great House of Representatives welcome. We are going to start with Representative Pam Snyder from the school district down in the southwest corner near the Ohio and West Virginia borders.

And I would ask all the members to take their seats. And for each team, I am going to close the doors of the House, and then I will open them before we get to the next team. So I ask all members who are in the anterooms to come onto the floor, take your seats. The Sergeants at Arms will close the doors of the House.

As I said, this team traveled 4 1/2 hours to be with us.

Representative Pam Snyder, please proceed.

Mrs. SNYDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have an unbelievable story to tell you today. It is a story about grit, about overcoming incredible odds, and refusing to back down in the face of adversity.

My friends, the West Greene Lady Pioneers, the PIAA Class A State Champions, are in the House. Ten days ago in State College, in the heat and humidity, the Lady Pioneers staged a great comeback, trailing by a 7-0 deficit after the second inning, to win the championship 9 to 8 against Williams Valley.

About this time last year I was celebrating the Lady Pioneers after they won the WPIAL championship and lost in the State championship to the same Williams Valley. West Greene finished last year at 26 and 2. This year they finished at 26 and 1. They won the WPIAL championship again and captured the first State title in any sport in the history of the school. Let me repeat that: these girls captured the State title for the first time in any sport in this school's history. Down 7 to 0 after two innings and coming back to win it all in the biggest game of the year is a little like "Hoosiers," "Rocky," and the 1960 Pittsburgh Pirates all wrapped up into one.

I need to brag a little bit about these players, including the five seniors and freshman Jade Renner, who went the distance in this championship game as the pitcher and also went 4 for 5 at the plate.

Joining me here today is head coach Bill Simms, junior Madison Renner, sophomores and twin sisters McKenna and Madison Lampe, and sophomore Kaitlyn Rizor.

This entire school district consists of 700 students total from K through 12. It is based in Center Township in Greene County, and it encompasses some 255 square miles.

Lady Pioneers, to secure the first team State title in the school's history is something you will always be proud of and it is something you will never forget.

The rest of the team is joining us in the back of the room, and I would like them to please stand as I call your name: Brianna Amos, Linzee Stover, Lexie Mooney, Mackenzie Carpenter, Jade Renner, Brittany Bonnema, Shelby Morris,

Courtney Ross, Hannah Pettit, Rhiannon Campbell, Makenzie Thomas, Savannah Pettit, Jessica Orndoff, Brianna Goodwin, Haleigh Thomas, Kylie Simms, Deshaylah Bissett, Skyler Horr, Hunter Fredericks, and Emily Simms. And we have the assistant coaches, Eric Bedilion, Nicole Redlinger, Jeff Stover, and Jeremiah Allison. We also have principal Scott Sakai, principal Don Painter, and superintendent Brian Jackson. Three seniors could not be here with us today: Emily Goodwin, Marissa Rode, and Sage Vliet.

Please give my Lady Pioneers a big round of applause, and it is my honor, Mr. Speaker, to present this citation from this House of Representatives to this great team, who worked hard and earned this title. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Snyder.

The Sergeants at Arms will open the doors of the House.

Representative Warren and Representative Galloway are invited to the rostrum for the purpose of presenting a citation to another important championship team.

I think Representative Snyder is going to be taking her team off the floor because I think they have to go over to the Senate. So to the West Greene team, I think you are going to be going over to the other side of the Capitol. Oh, maybe not right now. Maybe you are going to wait around for a little bit.

PENNSBURY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASEBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Members, please come onto the House floor. We have another team that has traveled some distance, but in just a few seconds I am going to close the doors of the House for our next presentation.

Sergeants at Arms, please close the doors of the House. The Sergeants at Arms will close the doors of the House. Members are asked to please take their seats. These guests have traveled some distance.

Representative Warren, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. WARREN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is my pleasure to rise today to recognize the State champion Pennsbury High School Baseball Team.

On Friday, June 16, we at home watched our computers for hours for the rain to stop in State College. After a 3-hour-and-29-minute rain delay, the championship game finally began.

Pennsbury and Dallastown battled through 6 1/2 scoreless innings, until in the bottom of the seventh and final inning, third baseman Nick Price placed a single to left field. Justin Massiello, on third base, barely beat the throw to the plate, scoring the championship winning run.

Pennsbury's PIAA Class 6A title is the team's first State championship, led by All-League First Team selections Billy Bethel, Vaughn Ward, and Justin Massiello, and coached by Joe Pesci. Pennsbury posted a 14-and-6 regular season record, won the Suburban One League National Conference before taking the District I title with a 5-3 win over North Penn. In the State tournament, the Pennsbury Falcons displayed amazing skills in all phases of the game. They allowed only one run in their four State tournament games, including a 2-1 extra inning victory over Parkland in the opening round followed by 3-0 and 12-0 wins in the next two games. These kids worked long and hard to earn this honor, and many of them came up through the ranks of outstanding youth baseball programs in Pennsbury, Levittown, and Morrisville.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for accommodating the team today, as many of the players are graduated seniors and this week will be their last to receive this recognition here in the Capitol.

Representative Galloway joins me here today in welcoming these champions. Representative Galloway is both a Pennsbury High School graduate and a former Pennsbury School Board member.

Joining us today in the front of the hall are captains Billy Bethel, who pitched the last two innings of the championship game on only 3 days' rest; cocaptains Tyrone Hodges, Jr., and Dave Murphy; head coach Joe Pesci; and assistant coach Kurt Kramp. And Nick Price, who hit the game-winning hit, is in the back of the hall. Nick, please stand to be recognized. Also in the back, Justin Massiello, who scored that game-winning run; and Ryan McCarty, who pitched five scoreless innings. And I would ask the rest of the team and the coaching staff also in the rear of the hall to please stand. We also have many of the team's family members in the gallery who followed them throughout the season and through their State championship victory. So thank you all for coming today. They gave up many vacation days and off days, including today, to follow these Pennsbury Falcons and offer them their love and support.

Mr. Speaker, colleagues, please join me in congratulating your PIAA Class 6A Baseball Champions, the Pennsbury Falcons.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

Congratulations to this Pennsbury High School Baseball Team. What an outstanding journey. Great to have you here today.

MOUNT PLEASANT HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Reese is invited to the rostrum.

You may not know this about Representative Reese, but he was his high school football team's starting quarterback. You may not know that about him.

And he has Representative Walsh with him as well, and they are going to bring up a championship team.

I would ask members to please take your seats, because this team has traveled – Representative Reese, how far? – a 2 1/2-hour drive to be with us today. So I would ask everybody to please take their seats. We are going to ask the Sergeants at Arms to close the doors of the House here.

Representative Reese, please proceed, sir.

Mr. REESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is an honor to stand here today with the PIAA Class AAAA State Champions, the 2017 Mount Pleasant Vikings Softball Team.

Less than 2 weeks ago, Mr. Speaker, this team traveled to Penn State University to face Tunkhannock Area High School. Late in that game, the team had an impressive defensive stand, ultimately leading the Lady Vikings to a 5-3 victory. They finished their season, Mr. Speaker, with an impressive 17-and-3 record, but in order to get to that championship game, these Lady Vikings faced a tough district opponent, the Yough Cougars. The Yough team was taking their second consecutive trip to the PIAA finals, but fell short to the Mount Pleasant Vikings. In both the semifinal and final games, this team relied

on strategic play and quality pitching and fielding, in addition to reliable hitting, to soundly defeat their opponents.

Mr. Speaker, much like Representative Snyder said with her high school team, this for Mount Pleasant is our first team State championship. Let us give them a round of applause.

To the young ladies standing with me today, I want to congratulate you and your coaches. State titles are won with perseverance, dedication, and teamwork, and I have no doubt that the lessons you have learned this season will serve you well for the rest of your lives and your academic careers.

Also, I just want to mention on a personal note that you ladies have had a huge impact on our community. My daughter, my oldest daughter, Addison, is 11, and she plays softball and you are her role models. So you are having a big impact, and believe me, your community could not be more proud of the work you have done this season.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor and steadfast Viking pride that Representative Justin Walsh and I ask this chamber to recognize these great student athletes. So standing behind me, we have juniors who are going to be seniors. Raise your hand, please, when I call your name: Alyssa Keslar, Ava Gnibus, Chloe Poullich, Christiana Czegán, and Meadow Uncapher; along with their head coach, Lauren Shaheen. In the back – girls, will you stand when I call your name, please – Autumn Shogan, Caroline Alincic, Mya Klejka, Sydney Kanuch, Sydni Overly, and Taylor Sofranko. And in the back, we also have three assistant coaches: Alli Homulka, Jocelyn Gula, and Rick Shaheen. And we are also joined by the athletic director of Mount Pleasant, Allan Bilinsky.

Folks, give them a round of applause.

The SPEAKER. Representative Walsh.

Mr. WALSH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to echo the sentiments expressed by my friend and colleague, Representative Reese, and extend congratulations to these young ladies on such a wonderful achievement.

And as Representative Reese mentioned, Yough High School is where I graduated from, so I was in kind of a no-lose situation there.

I would be remiss if I also did not mention my home school district, Belle Vernon Area, who won the WPIALs. So as you can see, we sure know how to play some girls softball in Westmoreland County. Congratulations, girls.

The SPEAKER. Thank you. The Sergeants at Arms will open the doors of the House. Congratulations to this outstanding team.

As I let one team head out, we are going to have another team come up.

Representative Davidson, on unanimous consent.

I thought it may be just for the record, but we will cover afterwards.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize my constituents who are visiting Harrisburg here today. They are in the gallery from the Novolex facility in Milesburg, PA. Would the House give them a nice warm welcome. Thank you.

AVON GROVE HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LACROSSE TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Representative John Lawrence and Representative Eric Roe are invited to the rostrum for the purpose of presenting a citation to a championship team. In just a moment; we are going to let the previous teams move on.

All members, please come to the floor. The Sergeants at Arms will close the doors of the House for the team's citation presentation.

Representative Lawrence, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Colleagues, it is a great pleasure for the good gentleman from Chester County, Representative Roe, and me to introduce the Avon Grove Boys Lacrosse Team, this year's 2017 PIAA AAA State Champions.

The State championship caps an amazing season for the Red Devils. This special team, led by head coach Eric Jackson and assistant coaches Brian Wallace and Eric Neil, dominated the field, going an almost perfect 23 and 2. The championship game ended with an amazing double-overtime win for Avon Grove, avenging an earlier loss over Conestoga at Harold Zimmerman Stadium in West Chester.

Mr. Speaker, we have several members of the team up front with us today, and I would like to ask those that are in the rear of the House if they would stand as well for a round of applause.

You may recall, Mr. Speaker, that the Avon Grove Girls Swim Team was here in the Capitol several weeks ago in recognition of their State championship in swimming. Now, with this second title in lacrosse, it seems 2017 is the year of championships for Avon Grove, a year that will go down in history for all who follow.

On behalf of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, it is my great pleasure to congratulate these gentlemen for their athletic excellence. You have made our community proud, and we wish you all the best for future success in everything you do. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Lawrence and Representative Roe.

The Sergeants at Arms will open the doors of the House.

To the Avon Grove High School Boys Lacrosse Team, congratulations. Outstanding, outstanding season. Thank you.

The Chair is going to take some committee announcements at this time, and caucus announcements.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative Stan Saylor, our Appropriations chair, for a committee announcement.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We will have an Appropriations meeting at 11:45 in the majority caucus room, Mr. Speaker; 11:45 in the majority caucus room for the Appropriations Committee.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

The Appropriations Committee will meet at 11:45 in the majority caucus room.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative Gene DiGirolamo, for a committee announcement, please.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Human Services Committee at the break in Irvis Office Building, G-50. That will be a voting meeting of the Human Services Committee. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

The Human Services Committee will have an immediate meeting in G-50 Irvis Office Building at the break.

COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Representative Mustio, for a committee meeting announcement, please.

Mr. MUSTIO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Professional Licensure Committee meeting for tomorrow has been canceled.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Majority Leader Reed, for a Rules Committee meeting announcement.

Mr. REED. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

There will be an immediate meeting of the House Rules Committee in the Appropriations conference room. Immediate meeting of the House Rules Committee. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

The Rules Committee will meet immediately in the Appropriations conference room.

Any other committee announcements first?

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative Ron Marsico, our Judiciary chair, for a committee announcement.

Mr. MARSICO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Judiciary Committee will hold a voting meeting tomorrow morning at 10 in G-50 Irvis Office Building. HBs 1152, 1216, and 1346 will be considered. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Tomorrow at 10 a.m. the Judiciary Committee will meet in G-50 Irvis Office Building.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Our majority caucus chair, Representative Marcy Toepel, for a caucus announcement. Mrs. TOEPEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 12 o'clock. We would be prepared to return to floor at 1 o'clock.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Dan Frankel, minority caucus chair, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Democrats will also caucus at 12 o'clock. Democrats will caucus at 12 o'clock.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MRS. DAVIDSON

The SPEAKER. Representative Davidson is recognized on unanimous consent.

Mrs. DAVIDSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just wanted to say to all of the members, I wanted to thank you all personally and publicly for all of you that congratulated me on the earning of my M.B.A. (master of business administration) from St. Joe's University and ask you to join me for a reception that St. Joe's is holding in my honor in my office in 38A East Wing, which is next to the gift shop in the Capitol.

And also, it is my understanding that I am the first legislator, sitting legislator to earn an M.B.A. from St. Joe's, so they are very proud and I am proud that they are proud. And I hope that you will join me and just say hello to me and to St. Joe's. Thank you so much, members.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, Representative Davidson. And congratulations to St. Joseph's University.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. We will stand in recess until 1 p.m.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 1:15 p.m.; further extended until 1:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The time of recess having expired, the House was called to order.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**HB 26, PN 2010**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for special registration plates.

APPROPRIATIONS.**HB 229, PN 196**

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in fees, providing for recreational trailers and for special procedures for trailer registration; and, in size, weight and load, further providing for registered gross weight.

RULES.**HB 407, PN 2011**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for contributions for pediatric cancer research and establishing the Pediatric Cancer Research Fund.

APPROPRIATIONS.**HB 544, PN 710**

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of February 2, 1966 (1965 P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," further providing for liability for landowners to recreational users; and providing for attorney fees and court costs.

RULES.**HB 835, PN 917**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), known as the Mental Health Procedures Act, in general provisions, further providing for rights and remedies of persons in treatment.

APPROPRIATIONS.**HB 927, PN 1080**

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, in recycling and waste reduction, further providing for municipal implementation of recycling programs.

RULES.**HB 1001, PN 2093**

By Rep. REED

An Act regulating home inspectors; establishing the Home Inspection Licensing Board; providing for licensure and practice, for disciplinary action, for remedies and for penalties; making an appropriation; and repealing provisions relating to home inspections.

RULES.**HB 1034, PN 1311**

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for money of authority.

RULES.**HB 1094, PN 1356**

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of November 29, 2006 (P.L.1463, No.163), known as the Credit Reporting Agency Act, further providing for definitions and for security freeze; and providing for protected persons security freeze.

RULES.**HB 1215, PN 2012**

By Rep. REED

An Act designating the bridge on State Route 125 before Ridge Road in Pitman, Schuylkill County, as the Abner Yoder Memorial Bridge.

RULES.

HB 1231, PN 1458

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, providing for veterans registry.

RULES.

HB 1364, PN 2017

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1979 (P.L.241, No.78), entitled "An act authorizing political subdivisions, municipality authorities and transportation authorities to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and the sale of real and personal property where no bids are received," further providing for title of the act; adding a short title; and providing for contracts for services.

RULES.

HB 1426, PN 1794

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for conditions of permits and security for damages, for permit for movement of construction equipment and for permit for movement of containerized cargo.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1452, PN 2143

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law, further providing for definitions.

RULES.

HB 1497, PN 2007

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further defining "alcoholic cider" and "public venue"; and, in licenses and regulations for liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for wine and spirits auction permits.

RULES.

HB 1518, PN 2069

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of independent administrative boards and commissions, further providing for Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board.

RULES.

HB 1547, PN 2154

By Rep. SAYLOR

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 enforcement; in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for hearings upon refusal of licenses, renewals or transfers and appeals, providing for declaration of need and further providing for revocation and suspension of licenses and fines and for rights of municipalities preserved; in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for appeals; and, in property illegally possessed or used and forfeitures and nuisances, providing for saturated nuisance market.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1550, PN 2070

By Rep. REED

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

RULES.

SB 288, PN 274

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for duty of driver in emergency response areas.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 289, PN 1020

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of old State Route 22 over the Conemaugh River in Blairsville Borough, Indiana County, as the Blairsville Area Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating that portion of State Route 4027, also known as Business U.S. Route 220, over the Norfolk Southern mainline railroad tracks in Grazierville, Snyder Township, Blair County, as the John Frederick Bridges Memorial Bridge; designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 53825, on that portion of State Route 1011, also known as Castile Run Road, over the South Fork Tenmile Creek between Jefferson Township and Clarksville Borough, Greene County, as the PFC Brent A. McClellan Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 11 over the Susquehanna River between the City of Pittston and West Pittston Borough, Luzerne County, as the Specialist Dale J. Kridlo Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge at the junction of State Route 150 and State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill Hall Borough, Clinton County, as the U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 2014 over Lycoming Creek, City of Williamsport, Lycoming County, as the Alexander M. McFadden Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 85 over the north branch of Plum Creek, Plumville Borough, Indiana County, as the Henry Lue Weaver Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on State Route 26 over Bald Eagle Creek, Howard Township, Centre County, as the Howard Area Veterans Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 651, PN 1025 (Amended)

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act providing for the capital budget for fiscal year 2017-2018; itemizing public improvement projects, furniture and equipment projects, transportation assistance projects, redevelopment assistance, flood control projects, Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund projects, Environmental Stewardship Fund projects, State forestry bridge projects, park and forest management projects, State ATV/Snowmobile Fund projects, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission projects, Oil and Gas Lease Fund projects and Motor License Fund projects to be constructed, acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Transportation or the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed, acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Transportation or the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission; authorizing the use of current revenue for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed, acquired or assisted by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources or the Department of Transportation stating the estimated useful life of the projects; and making appropriations.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE,
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED**

SB 446, PN 1024 (Amended) By Rep. DiGIROLAMO

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, providing for certified drug and alcohol recovery houses and establishing the Certified Drug and Alcohol Recovery House Account.

HUMAN SERVICES.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Representative Krueger-Braneky is back on the House floor and should be placed back on the master roll.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following bills for concurrence:

SB 630, PN 704

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 27, 2017.

SB 639, PN 727

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 27, 2017.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mrs. KULIK called up **HR 228, PN 1306**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of July 2017 as "Ultraviolet Safety Month" in Pennsylvania to raise awareness of the dangers of UV rays and point out the most effective ways to avoid these harmful rays.

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Mrs. R. BROWN called up **HR 336, PN 1734**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of July 24 through 30, 2017, as "ADA Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. BENNINGHOFF called up **HR 401, PN 2019**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of September 2017 as "Suicide Prevention Month" and September 10, 2017, as "Suicide Prevention Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. KIM called up **HR 410, PN 2072**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing June 27, 2017, as "National HIV Testing Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. EVANS called up **HR 425, PN 2131**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of August 2017 as "Pennsylvania Produce Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. WHEATLEY called up **HR 426, PN 2144**, entitled:

A Resolution designating July 13, 2017, as "Summer Learning Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative PETRI has requested to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

**CONSIDERATION OF
RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35
CONTINUED**

On the question recurring,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Baker	Emrick	Kortz	Readshaw
Barbin	English	Krueger	Reed
Barrar	Evankovich	Kulik	Reese
Benninghoff	Evans	Lawrence	Roae
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Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl	

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolutions were adopted.

The SPEAKER. Representative Hill-Evans is recognized to speak on HR 425. She will be followed by Representative Wheatley, who will be recognized to speak on HR 426. Members, before Representative Hill-Evans speaks, I would ask everybody to please take their seats. All members, please come in from the anterooms to take your seats. If you do have conversations, however, I understand. They will be off the House floor. All members, please take your seats. All members, please take your seats. Staff members, please take the conversations off the House floor. Thank you very much.

STATEMENT BY MRS. EVANS

The SPEAKER. Representative Hill-Evans, the floor is yours.

Mrs. EVANS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Pennsylvania has a long history of farming produce among its many agricultural products with more than 4,300 farm families managing some 55,000 acres of farmland, which produces more than 330,000 tons of vegetables each year. Pennsylvania owes a large debt of thanks to our farmers. These farms are responsible for providing healthy food options for Pennsylvanians, generating economic activity in their communities, and promoting the diverse crops grown in the Commonwealth. Pennsylvania is a leader in producing a variety of produce. The State is number one in mushroom production, as well as fourth in apple, strawberry, and pumpkin production.

For every \$100 spent at a farmers market, \$62 stays in the local economy and \$99 stays in the State. As many of you know, the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program provides qualified participants with vouchers to purchase Pennsylvania-grown produce at more than 1,100 markets and farm stands. More than 160,000 participants redeemed over \$1.3 million in vouchers in 2015 alone. Similarly, in 2015, SFMNP (Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program) distributed more than \$3 million in vouchers to help up to 183,000 seniors statewide.

Promoting these nutritious crops and programs to access them is important both for our economic and personal health. That is why I am proud to sponsor this resolution designating August 2017 "Pennsylvania Produce Month."

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, colleagues, for joining me in celebrating all of the economic and health benefits Pennsylvania produce creates.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

Representative Wheatley has waived off with respect to speaking on resolution 426.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 835, PN 917**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), known as the Mental Health Procedures Act, in general provisions, further providing for rights and remedies of persons in treatment.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

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Benninghoff	Evans	Lawrence	Roae
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DeLissio	Kampf	Oberlander	Warren
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DeLuca	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wentling
Dermody	Kavulich	Peifer	Wheatley
Diamond	Keefer	Petrarca	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Pickett	White
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Driscoll	Kinsey	Rabb	
Dunbar	Kirkland	Rader	Turzai,
Dush	Klunk	Rapp	Speaker
Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 26, PN 2010**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for special registration plates.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Martina White is recognized on the bill.

Ms. WHITE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just rise to ask for the members' support of this legislation and to submit my remarks for the record. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much, Representative.

Ms. WHITE submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

Mr. Speaker, I ask for support of HB 26. This bill's purpose is to make improvements to the special organizational plate program administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation. My intent with this legislation is to expand the special organization plate program to allow for special organizational motorcycle plates, as well as to allow shortened forms of an organization's name to be displayed on all special organizational plates, motorcycle or otherwise, as desired by the organization.

In drafting this bill, I have worked with my colleague from Clearfield County to ensure that this bill addresses an issue that is important to our State's National Guard. The 28th Infantry Division Association would like to create a special organizational plate displaying the name "28th Infantry Division." However, application of current law has been too restrictive and has not allowed this plate to be created. It is our intent that the language in this bill will empower PENNDOT to approve a special organizational plate with a display name that is abbreviated or shortened in this manner.

I thank my colleagues for their support of this legislation.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The SPEAKER. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl	

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 407, PN 2011**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for contributions for pediatric cancer research and establishing the Pediatric Cancer Research Fund.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.
The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On the bill, Representative Caltagirone.
Mr. CALTAGIRONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 407 will provide Pennsylvanians an opportunity to contribute to pediatric cancer research when they are electronically renewing a driver's license, identification card, or vehicle registration.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I want to thank the chairmen and committees that have voted this out. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dean, on the bill, please.

Mrs. DEAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of HB 407 and I commend the maker of this bill. He is a champion for pediatric cancer research. I encourage a "yes" vote from everybody, and then once we have this passed, I encourage everybody to contribute.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
The SPEAKER. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?
The SPEAKER. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1426, PN 1794**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for conditions of permits and security for damages, for permit for movement of construction equipment and for permit for movement of containerized cargo.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Dush	Knowles	Ravenstahl	Speaker
Ellis	Kortz		

NAYS—1

Evans

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 288, PN 274**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for duty of driver in emergency response areas.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

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NAYS-0

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EXCUSED-6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDERATION UNDER RULE 24

The SPEAKER. The leader has listed SB 289, PN 1020. We are going to need a motion to proceed on that bill. That officially names many roads in our Commonwealth. We cannot vote it until 3:43 without a motion, 3:43 p.m.

So I am going to call upon the majority whip, Representative Bryan Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to make a motion to proceed on the immediate consideration for SB 289.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

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

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody, the minority leader, on that motion, sir.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I also urge the members to support the motion to proceed on SB 289.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-187

Baker	Ellis	Kinsey	Readshaw
Barbin	Emrick	Kirkland	Reed
Barrar	English	Klunk	Reese
Benninghoff	Evankovich	Knowles	Roe
Bernstine	Evans	Kortz	Roe
Bizzarro	Everett	Krueger	Roebuck
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Dowling	Keller, F.	Rader	
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Rapp	Turzai,
Dunbar	Keller, W.	Ravenstahl	Speaker
Dush			

NAYS-10

Davidson	Miller, B.	Neuman	Samuelson
McCarter	Milne	Rabb	Tallman
Metzgar	Mullery		

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
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A majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 289, PN 1020**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of old State Route 22 over the Conemaugh River in Blairsville Borough, Indiana County, as the Blairsville Area Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating that portion of State Route 4027, also known as Business U.S. Route 220, over the Norfolk Southern mainline railroad tracks in Grazierville, Snyder Township, Blair County, as the John Frederick Bridges Memorial Bridge; designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 53825, on that portion of State Route 1011, also known as Castile Run Road, over the South Fork Tenmile Creek between Jefferson Township and Clarksville Borough, Greene County, as the PFC Brent A. McClellan Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 11 over the Susquehanna River between the City of Pittston and West Pittston Borough, Luzerne County, as the Specialist Dale J. Kridlo Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge at the junction of State Route 150 and State Route 64 over Fishing Creek in Mill Hall Borough, Clinton County, as the U.S. Navy SOC David M. Collins Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 2014 over Lycoming Creek, City of Williamsport, Lycoming County, as the Alexander M. McFadden Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 85 over the north branch of Plum Creek, Plumville Borough, Indiana County, as the Henry Lue Weaver Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on State Route 26 over Bald Eagle Creek, Howard Township, Centre County, as the Howard Area Veterans Bridge.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

Baker	Emrick	Kortz	Readshaw
Barbin	English	Krueger	Reed
Barrar	Evankovich	Kulik	Reese
Benninghoff	Evans	Lawrence	Roe
Bernstine	Everett	Lewis	Roe
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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

CALENDAR

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 354, PN 992**, entitled:

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 definitions; providing for reporting of sanctions and criminal proceedings and for temporary and automatic suspension; and further providing for civil penalties.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 927, PN 1080**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, in recycling and waste reduction, further providing for municipal implementation of recycling programs.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1034, PN 1311**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for money of authority.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MAKO** offered the following amendment No. **A02076**:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 23, by striking out "60" and inserting 90

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

The **SPEAKER**. On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Mako, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. **MAKO**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As mentioned before, the amendment moves it from 60 days to 90 days.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

The **SPEAKER**. There are no other amendments on the bill.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?
Bill as amended was agreed to.

The **SPEAKER**. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 229, PN 196**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in fees, providing for recreational trailers and for special procedures for trailer registration; and, in size, weight and load, further providing for registered gross weight.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1215, PN 2012**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridge on State Route 125 before Ridge Road in Pitman, Schuylkill County, as the Abner Yoder Memorial Bridge.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1231, PN 1458**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, providing for veterans registry.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **SOLOMON** offered the following amendment No. **A01734**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 8 through 17; page 2, lines 1 through 30; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting § 712. Veterans registry.

(a) Establishment of veterans registry.—The department shall establish a registry of veterans residing in this Commonwealth in order to provide information on Federal, State and local government benefits, programs and services available to veterans and to link veterans with resources that can provide assistance. Upon registration, if permission is granted by the registrant, the registrant's information shall be shared with county directors of veterans affairs and other State agencies.

(b) Coordination with State agencies.—The department shall coordinate with other State agencies that have contact with veterans to establish a paper and online registry form to enable State agencies to assist the department in registering veterans who wish to be included in the registry.

(c) Duties of the department.—The department shall provide access to a paper and online form which contains a statement indicating the purpose for the registry. The form shall be developed to obtain the following information relating to the veteran:

- (1) Personal information, including title, first, middle and last name.
- (2) Age, gender, address and county of residence.
- (3) Ten-digit phone number and email address.
- (4) Declaration of military service.
- (5) Benefit and program information requests for various benefits and programs for which veterans may be eligible.

(6) A signed statement, or for online applicants a box that is checked, indicating that the veteran grants permission for the department to store and share the veteran's information with the county director of veterans affairs for the county indicated and with other State agencies to ensure that the Commonwealth provides the veteran assistance in receiving earned benefits.

(7) The State agency which assisted the veteran.
(d) Duties of State agencies.—State agencies under subsection (b) shall:

(1) Utilize the paper or online registry form to develop a mechanism to identify veterans the agency serves for the purpose of expanding the registry.

(2) For each veteran who wishes to be included in the registry, provide assistance in filling out the paper or online registry form for the department to add the veteran to the registry.

(3) Submit a registrant's paper registry form to the department within 30 days from the date the veteran opts in to the registry.

(e) Use of information.—Information collected under this section may not be sold or used for commercial purposes or used for purposes not specified under this section.

(f) Report.—By January 1, 2018, and each January 1 thereafter, the department shall submit to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee of the House of Representatives a report on the registry which shall include:

(1) The total number of veterans registered with the department annually.

(2) The number of registrants received by each State agency.

(3) The number of veterans who choose not to be included in the registry annually from each State agency.

(4) Outreach expenses incurred by the department.

(g) Guidelines.—The Adjutant General may adopt and promulgate guidelines necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

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

The SPEAKER. Representative Solomon, on the amendment, please.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We worked with DMVA on this amendment. It further details the roles and responsibilities of agencies in this bill, as well as the exact information that will be transmitted to the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. I ask all members to vote in the affirmative.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Rothman, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. ROTHMAN. Will the maker of the amendment stand for interrogation?

The SPEAKER. Yes; the gentleman has indicated he will so stand.

Mr. ROTHMAN. Representative, just a point of clarification. Will your amendment protect the privacy rights of veterans when it comes to Right-to-Know and also for commercial purposes?

Mr. SOLOMON. Yes, Mr. Speaker. Actually, that amendment is coming up with the chairman. Also, under current law – the Right-to-Know Act and the Right-to-Know Law, as it is currently known – the Supreme Court has clearly indicated

that when it comes to privacy issues, particularly Social Security numbers, phone numbers, names of individuals, that will not be disclosed, and the Supreme Court has detailed a balancing test weighing the right for the public information and the individual's right. And the most recent decision that came down in 2006, the court clearly stated, citing a whole string of cases, that there will be no disclosure of information such as names, Social Security numbers, phone numbers, and that was in the *PSEA v. DCED* case.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. ROTHMAN. Okay. One more question, Mr. Speaker, just to establish some legislative intent. This registry of veterans – and as I thank you for your service, and I also am a veteran – will be used in order to help facilitate getting the State agencies to work to provide the benefits, but nothing in this bill will allow agencies to take away the rights of veterans or in any way use the information on the registry to infringe upon their rights. Is that correct?

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I appreciate the gentleman's help in drafting this provision. If I could refer the gentleman to line 10 – excuse me – lines 13 through 15 specifically, where intent is established on the issue the gentleman raises: "Information collected under this section may not be sold or used for commercial purposes or used for purposes not specified under this section."

Mr. ROTHMAN. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Chairman Barrar, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. BARRAR. I just wanted to let the members know that this is an agreed-to amendment and I would ask them to vote "yes" on it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

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NAYS—0

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EXCUSED—6

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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Mr. **BARRAR** offered the following amendment
No. **A02251**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 15 (A01734), by inserting after "section."
Information collected under this section for the registry shall be exempt from being disclosed under the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L. 6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law.

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

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Chairman Barrar.

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment protects the veteran information from the Right-to-Know Act and makes sure that the information when they register will remain confidential. I would ask the members to vote "yes" on the amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Solomon, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is an agreed-to amendment. I encourage all members to vote in the affirmative. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Barbin, on the amendment, please.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you. I want to thank the chairman of the committee for this amendment. This is a big problem in other agencies, and while we are not talking about other agencies now, the decisions of the court only are advisory. This would be an absolute prohibition for anybody using veterans' information. The same issue comes up with fire companies, now school districts' responses. Our Right-to-Know Law needs to be revised, but until we get to that, we should make sure that this bill with this amendment will do it, will not be subject to Right-to-Know abuse, which is happening all across the Commonwealth. So I ask for an affirmative vote.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

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Davis	Hickernell	Nelson	Vazquez
Dawkins	Hill	Nesbit	Vitali
Day	Irvin	Neuman	Walsh
Dean	James	O'Brien	Ward
Deasy	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Warner
DeLissio	Kampf	Oberlander	Warren
Delozier	Kaufner	Ortitay	Watson
DeLuca	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wentling
Dermody	Kavulich	Peifer	Wheatley
Diamond	Keefer	Petrarca	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Pickett	White
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Quinn, C.	Youngblood
Dowling	Keller, W.	Quinn, M.	Zimmerman
Driscoll	Kinsey	Rabb	
Dunbar	Kirkland	Rader	Turzai,
Dush	Klunk	Rapp	Speaker
Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDERATION UNDER RULE 24

The SPEAKER. Representative Jordan Harris is recognized. We are going to need a motion to proceed, sir, on HB 1547, PN 2154.

Actually, Representative Benninghoff will make the motion. Representative Benninghoff, a motion to proceed on HB 1547, PN 2154. You may go right ahead, sir.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. We ask for a motion to proceed on HB 1547, PN 2154.

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

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody, on the motion to proceed.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I also would urge the members to support the motion to proceed on HB 1547.

The SPEAKER. Members, without the motion to proceed, we would not be able to take up the bill until 3:45 p.m. today.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—183

Baker	Ellis	Kinsey	Reed
Barbin	Emrick	Kirkland	Reese
Barrar	English	Klunk	Roae
Benninghoff	Evankovich	Knowles	Roe
Bernstine	Evans	Kortz	Roebuck
Bizzarro	Everett	Krueger	Rothman
Bloom	Fabrizio	Kulik	Rozzi
Boback	Farry	Lawrence	Ryan
Boyle	Fee	Lewis	Saccone
Briggs	Fitzgerald	Longietti	Sainato
Brown, R.	Flynn	Mackenzie	Sankey
Brown, V.	Frankel	Madden	Santora
Bullock	Freeman	Maher	Saylor
Burns	Fritz	Mako	Schemel
Caltagirone	Gabler	Maloney	Schlossberg

Carroll	Gainey	Markosek	Schweyer
Causer	Galloway	Marshall	Simmons
Cephas	Gergely	Marsico	Sims
Charlton	Gillespie	Masser	Snyder
Christiana	Godshall	McClinton	Solomon
Comitta	Goodman	McGinnis	Sonney
Conklin	Greiner	McNeill	Staats
Cook	Grove	Mehaffie	Stephens
Corbin	Haggerty	Mentzer	Sturla
Corr	Hahn	Metcalfe	Taylor
Costa, D.	Hanna	Miccarelli	Thomas
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Tobash
Cox	Harper	Moul	Toepel
Culver	Harris, A.	Murt	Toohil
Cutler	Harris, J.	Mustio	Topper
Daley	Heffley	Neilson	Vazquez
Davis	Helm	Nelson	Vitali
Dawkins	Hennessey	Nesbit	Walsh
Day	Hickernell	O'Brien	Ward
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DeLissio	James	Ortitay	Watson
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DeLuca	Kampf	Peifer	Wheatley
Dermody	Kaufner	Pickett	Wheeland
Diamond	Kauffman	Quinn, C.	White
DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Quinn, M.	Youngblood
Donatucci	Keefer	Rader	Zimmerman
Dowling	Keller, F.	Rapp	
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Ravenstahl	Turzai,
Dunbar	Keller, W.	Readshaw	Speaker
Dush			

NAYS—14

Bradford	Metzgar	Mullery	Rabb
Davidson	Miller, B.	Neuman	Samuelson
Gillen	Miller, D.	Petrarca	Tallman
McCarter	Milne		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

A majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A CONTINUED

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1547, PN 2154**, entitled:

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 enforcement; in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for hearings upon refusal of licenses, renewals or transfers and appeals, providing for declaration of need and further providing for revocation and suspension of licenses and fines and for rights of municipalities preserved; in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for appeals; and, in property illegally possessed or used and forfeitures and nuisances, providing for saturated nuisance market.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.
The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Representative Donatucci, on the bill, please.
Ms. DONATUCCI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in strong support of this legislation, HB 1547. This bill deals with the important stop-and-go bar issue, an issue that has many negative impacts on the city of Philadelphia and its residents.

I would like to thank the maker of the bill, my colleague from the 186th District, for sponsoring this important bill. I would also like to thank both chairmen of the Liquor Committee and all the staff that helped bring this bill to where it is today. I also would like to express my gratitude to all members of the Philadelphia delegation. This bill has been a combined effort by many members of our delegation, and we have held numerous public meetings throughout the city and have heard and spoken to many members of our communities who have been impacted by these stop-and-gos.

This legislation will be a tool that we can now use to make our neighborhoods safer, reduce crime, and stop the proliferation of convenience stores and stop-and-gos, which constantly put our families and loved ones at risk, not only in the city of Philadelphia, but in communities across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On a personal note, I would like to explain why this issue has been so near and dear to my heart. As many of you know, my late husband, Representative Bob Donatucci, was a member of this body for over 30 years and was a Democratic chairman of the Liquor Committee when he passed away. This was a very important issue to him that he worked on session after session after session. So while they were able to effect some positive changes with nuisance bars, the substance of this legislation goes a long way to righting the wrong he fought for for so many years. My husband would be proud of the Philly delegation, proud of this body, proud of the maker, and I hope proud of me.

I would like to once again thank the maker of this bill and everyone who helped make this legislation a reality, and again I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Jordan Harris, on the bill, please.

Mr. J. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, today I rise to support HB 1547.

Mr. Speaker, in Philadelphia County and throughout the Commonwealth, bad actors have taken advantage of low and disadvantaged communities for decades. This bill looks to strengthen our laws so that our communities no longer have to be taken advantage of by these bad actors. This has been an issue that we have seen in the city of the first class for a long time – as long as I can remember – and this is an issue that has been worked on by many members in this chamber for a long time. So we are grateful to get us here collectively today.

Mr. Speaker, I definitely want to thank leadership on both sides of the aisle. I definitely want to thank our majority leader and his office for their support on this issue. I would like to thank both the majority and the minority chairmen of the Liquor Committee, and more importantly, also their staffs for all of their hard work in getting us to this point. Mr. Speaker, I thank all of my colleagues – the two gentleladies from Philadelphia who are co-prime sponsors, as well as the gentlelady who is the head of our delegation and the gentlelady who is a member of leadership on the Democratic side – for all of their work to get us here to this day.

This is a collective effort that I believe will benefit all of those in the Commonwealth, so that our communities will no longer be taken advantage of by bad actors and that our communities will no longer have to suffer. And this is a strengthening of our law that moves us in the right direction.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you all for your affirmative vote for HB 1547.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Adam Harris, on the bill, please.

Mr. A. HARRIS. I would just like to reiterate, this is an agreed-to bill. I would ask all the members to support HB 1547. I think this is a positive step forward to addressing what has been a long-standing problem in the city of Philadelphia. I do not have stop-and-gos in my neighborhood where I live. I am certainly glad I do not after hearing the stories of the negative influences they have. This will help address that problem, and I would ask everyone to support HB 1547.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The SPEAKER. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—191

Baker	English	Krueger	Reed
Barbin	Evankovich	Kulik	Reese
Barrar	Evans	Lawrence	Roae
Benninghoff	Everett	Lewis	Roe
Bernstine	Fabrizio	Longietti	Roebuck
Bizzarro	Fee	Mackenzie	Rothman
Bloom	Fitzgerald	Madden	Rozzi
Boback	Flynn	Maher	Ryan
Boyle	Frankel	Mako	Saccone
Bradford	Freeman	Maloney	Sainato
Briggs	Fritz	Markosek	Samuelson
Brown, R.	Gabler	Marshall	Sankey
Brown, V.	Gainey	Marsico	Santora
Bullock	Galloway	McCarter	Saylor
Burns	Gergely	McClinton	Schemel
Caltagirone	Gillespie	McNeill	Schlossberg
Carroll	Godshall	Mehaffie	Schweyer
Causar	Goodman	Mentzer	Simmons
Cephas	Greiner	Metcalfe	Sims
Charlton	Grove	Metzgar	Snyder
Christiana	Haggerty	Miccarelli	Solomon
Comitta	Hahn	Millard	Sonney
Conklin	Hanna	Miller, B.	Staats
Cook	Harkins	Miller, D.	Stephens
Costa, D.	Harper	Milne	Sturla
Costa, P.	Harris, A.	Moul	Tallman
Cox	Harris, J.	Mullery	Taylor
Culver	Heffley	Murt	Thomas
Cutler	Helm	Mustio	Tobash

Daley	Hennessey	Neilson	Toepel
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Donatucci	Keller, W.	Quinn, M.	White
Dowling	Kinsey	Rabb	Youngblood
Driscoll	Kirkland	Rader	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Klunk	Rapp	
Dush	Knowles	Ravenstahl	Turzai,
Ellis	Kortz	Readshaw	Speaker
Emrick			

NAYS—6

Corbin	Farry	Masser	McGinnis
Corr	Gillen		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Matzie	Pyle	Quigley
Kim	Petri		

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1213, PN 1486**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for short title and scope of chapter and for appeals by taxing districts and providing for standards of redress in appeals.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. There are a number of amendments.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **KAMPF** offered the following amendment No. **A02227**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 20 and 21
(1) A taxing district shall be precluded from filing an appeal of the assessment of a property that is approved for an exclusion under Subchapter F of Chapter 85 (relating to homestead and farmstead property exclusion).
Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by striking out "(1)" and inserting

(2)
Amend Bill, page 3, line 4, by striking out "(2)" and inserting
(3)
Amend Bill, page 3, line 17, by striking out "or"
Amend Bill, page 3, line 21, by striking out the period after
"parcel" and inserting
: or
(iv) a taxing district may appeal a property tax
assessment that resulted from an appeal by a taxpayer of
a value assessed in a countywide reassessment, provided
that the assessed value determined in the appeal by the
taxing district is the lesser of the value determined under
section 8844(e)(2) or a value which meets the
requirements of section 8855.1(b)(2).

Amend Bill, page 3, line 22, by striking out "(3)" and inserting
(4)
Amend Bill, page 3, line 25, by striking out "paragraphs (1) or
(2)" and inserting
paragraph (2) or (3)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 26, by striking out "(4)" and inserting
(5)
Amend Bill, page 4, line 3, by striking out "(5)" and inserting
(6)
Amend Bill, page 4, line 11, by striking out "(2)" and inserting
(3)
Amend Bill, page 4, line 22, by striking out "(6)" and inserting
(7)
Amend Bill, page 5, line 4, by striking out "assessment" and
inserting
reassessment of the market and assessed values
Amend Bill, page 5, line 6, by inserting after "the "
market and
Amend Bill, page 5, line 7, by striking out "value" and inserting
values
Amend Bill, page 5, line 7, by striking out "the" where it occurs
the first time and inserting
a comparable
Amend Bill, page 5, line 7, by inserting after "the" where it
occurs the second time
comparable

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

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, Representative Kampf.
Mr. KAMPF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

For the information of the members, I will be withdrawing
all of my other amendments, and so this amendment, 2227, is
the only amendment I am going to be offering. And this and
amendment 1927, the gentleman's from Westmoreland County,
are the – if it matters to you – two amendments that I am going
be supporting.

The amendment does this: the bill seeks to restrict the
practice of taxing districts, which are school districts or
municipalities. That is what a taxing district is. It restricts the
practice of taxing districts being able to select an individual
property no matter what it is – homestead, farmstead, open land,
gas station, mall, commercial property of any kind – to a certain
number of circumstances. The amendment changes that bill in
two ways. One, it will ban taxing districts – schools,
municipalities – from appealing the assessment of any property
approved for a homestead or a farmstead exemption. So it will
ban a taxing district, a school district, from picking a homestead
or a farmstead and attempting to increase its assessment alone.

In addition to that, the amendment adds one other right that
the taxing district will have. Under the bill, it has three currently
with respect to commercial properties. The new right that the
school districts or the municipalities will have if you vote for
the amendment is if a taxpayer has sought, by his own appeal,
a lowering of his property's assessment – and again, this is
confined to nonhomesteads and nonfarmsteads. If he seeks and
obtains a reduced assessment, going forward the taxing districts,
the school districts or the municipalities, would be, prior to
some future countywide reassessment, able to appeal the
assessment of that property – let us say the real estate market in
that area returned – and seek to bring that assessment back up to
something at or near the market rate depending on the valuation
that the assessment bodies would put on it. So that is what the
amendment does.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, Representative Kate
Harper.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Would the maker of the amendment stand for brief
interrogation?

The SPEAKER. Yes; he has agreed to stand and you may
proceed.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you.

The amendment that we are currently debating is similar to
an amendment that I offered. I am just confirming my
understanding on this that it would exempt homestead and
farmstead properties from reverse appeals. Is that correct?

Mr. KAMPF. Mr. Speaker, it is correct that that portion of
your amendment is now in this amendment. It is also similar to
the amendment from the gentleman from Luzerne County, and
somewhat similar to the gentleman from Northampton County's
amendments.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you. My further questions deal with
what is left in the bill. So I just am trying to understand how the
bill would work if it were amended, okay? So there is a
provision that is in the bill and apparently not affected by your
amendment that says, "A taxable person shall have the right at
any stage of the proceedings to request the dismissal, and the
applicable court shall order dismissal of an appeal taken by a
taxing district in violations of paragraphs..." 2 and 3, which
I think are new. Am I right? What does that mean?

Mr. KAMPF. So what that means is that if there are pending
appeals— So a taxing district has filed an appeal – wherever it
is in the process, the board of assessment or up through the
court system – if it is in violation of the bill when it is enacted
into law, the taxpayer – the owner of that property – would be
able to seek a dismissal of the taxing district's appeal. And the
main purpose of that is to avoid a rush to the boards of
assessment or the courthouses by the taxing districts, or by the –
I am sorry – the school districts or the municipalities to file as
many appeals as they could before the bill was enacted.

Ms. HARPER. So right now, Mr. Speaker, the taxing district
– the school board – can take an appeal of a property that it
believes is underassessed; in other words, not paying its fair
share because it is not paying in accordance with its correct
value. Right now the school boards could do that, and in fact
many have done that. And if your bill passes as amended, those
pending appeals would suddenly be dismissed and the money
that has been awarded by a court or a board of assessment as the
amount of the correct assessment and the amount of the correct
tax would not be paid to a school district. Is that correct?

Mr. KAMPF. I do not believe so. It is my understanding, generally speaking, that until there is a final order, taxpayers do not agree to pay money that has not been subjected either to settlement or to a final order.

Ms. HARPER. Okay. So if they have not paid the money yet, the case would be dismissed under the bill even with your amendment?

Mr. KAMPF. My bill says, if there is a pending appeal, if the bill is enacted into law, the appeal would be covered by it.

Ms. HARPER. At any stage, right? Okay.

My next question is, the amendment does not take out the paragraph called "Constitutionality," which is in the bill. I do not understand that. What does that mean?

Mr. KAMPF. This would be line 3 of page 5, and it is under "8855.1. Standards of redress in appeals." Generally speaking, the purpose of this amendment is to say, no matter who is doing the appeal, whether it is a taxpayer or the school district, these are going to be the issues.

Market value. So you find out what the market value is of the property and you multiply that by, as I understand it generally, the common level ratio. I will not get into that, but that is current law. Some of the problems with that is that if there are comparable properties nearby – let us say you are in a neighborhood and this is a house, just for the sake of argument – if the market value times the common level ratio would mean that that house would end up being assessed even after the appeal at quite a bit higher than all the comparables in the neighborhood, all the other assessed values in the neighborhood, you have to look at the neighborhood. And if the neighborhood assessed values are lower, then the comparables are what will trump; it is the lesser of the two.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you. Now, Mr. Speaker, the language that you just cited, and you did not read it, says about not introducing appraisals. If we are talking about the value of real property, is not an appraisal a commonly accepted way to figure out what the value of the real property is?

Mr. KAMPF. Mr. Speaker, the purpose of the section is to require in the appeal, for whoever is seeking a particular assessed value, to at least put in some measure of the value of their property. It does not mean that somebody else who is fighting that cannot put in an appraisal. They certainly could.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the amendment, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Yes; you may proceed on the amendment, please.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you.

I like some parts of this amendment. I certainly like the part that exempts homesteads and farmsteads from reverse appeals, and I have an amendment that does just that coming up, which was filed before this one was filed, that will take care of that problem. Unfortunately, this amendment goes way past that – way past that – and leaves in place some of the problems with the bill.

The current system, which has been upheld by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, is that a taxing district or a taxpayer can appeal their property assessment. If I think my house is assessed at too high a value, because maybe during the recession the property values dropped like a stone, I can file an appeal of my assessment and get my property taxes lowered. That is perfectly legal. At the same time, a school district could, if it sees that a shopping center, a mall, large apartment complex, or some other large property has greatly increased in

value, perhaps because there is a deed transfer in the newspaper that shows them that it just sold for a number much higher than its assessed value, the school board can take an appeal.

The Kampf amendment does protect property owners, homeowners, and farmsteads, but it also allows or disallows for what is now a perfectly legal procedure by removing the ability of the school board to tax a property that is underassessed. Since it does that, the long-range effect is that every other property is paying more than its fair share.

So I will be voting "no" on the Kampf amendment, and hope that you will wait for the Harper amendment which takes care of both homes and farmsteads. Thank you very much.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Gene DiGirolamo, on the amendment, please.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do not know about the other members here on both sides of the aisle, but I have been trying to get my hands around this issue for the last 3 or 4 weeks. This is a terribly, terribly complicated issue, and we have taken this bill – I know one time we reverted it to the prior printer's number, and now we are offering amendments to it. I very much respect and listen to my friend, the gentlelady from Montgomery County, because I think she knows this issue inside out, Mr. Speaker. And I am terribly worried that if we put this amendment that is before us in the bill that there is going to be a tax shift, a property tax shift away from big-box stores, big corporation, and apartment complexes, and that tax shift is going to be put on the property tax owners, our homeowners across the State of Pennsylvania, Mr. Speaker.

And again, this is so complicated, but I am going to err on the side of our homeowners and our taxpayers and ask for a "no" vote on this amendment, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Bryan Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to the amendment. My parish priest used to say "bottom line." The bottom line is, we do not have a budget. The bottom line is, whatever this bill does, whatever this amendment does is going to take away money from somebody. Since we are already in a deficit and since our public schools do not have enough money to meet their obligations, the idea of doing this now is really a bad idea.

There is a task force that is going to provide recommendations on this issue, and it is complicated. We ought to wait until at least the task force comes out with their recommendations. That is why we formed it. And in the meantime we will not be doing anything to harm our local school districts.

So I urge a "no" vote on the amendment and on the bill.

The SPEAKER. Representative Greg Rothman.

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Kampf amendment.

I mean, let us be clear: for most of the people outside of this building, government is government, whether it is the local government or the school district or the county or the State or the Federal. It is the government that assesses the property. It is the government, the county, that says, this is what the property is worth. And so another form of government says, well, we do not like what the value of the county is, so we use government lawyers and government resources to file their reverse appeal. I mean, it is— And then it goes to the county court or the court of common pleas to make the decision.

The Kampf amendment protects homeowners. It protects the taxpayers from the government saying, you are not paying enough. And if the county does not like what the property values are, they have recourse. They reassess everybody's property, do a countywide reassessment instead of targeting specific properties.

So I appreciate the Kampf amendment and I urge you to support it.

The SPEAKER. Representative Freeman, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Like the lady from Montgomery, there are some things in this amendment that are appealing in terms of the homestead exemption, but as she pointed out, she has an amendment that will be offered to protect that aspect of the issue.

As I look at the Kampf amendment, I worry about the fact that it still retains the language that would make it impossible for a taxing district such as a school district to challenge the value, the assessed value of a commercial property. The point was well made that if you see a major shopping center sell on the market for a value way above its assessed value, then they should probably be paying more in taxes. And if we let them off the hook by saying, you cannot appeal their assessment, the point is that that does spread the tax to the rest of our taxpayers, including residential taxpayers, who will shoulder the burden because that commercial entity, that commercial property is not paying their fair share.

It was mentioned by the gentleman from Johnstown that there already is a task force that was formed by the Local Government Commission to look into the very complicated issue of reassessment. They are doing yeoman's work. They are proceeding with their studies. They are proceeding with understanding the issue and recommending reforms to improve the assessment process. That is where our focus as a legislative body should be. Let us wait to see what they produce out of that task force and act upon that, but to vote on this amendment and on this bill at this time is premature and does have the potential of causing rippling effects where the burden of underassessed commercial properties will be borne by regular residential taxpayers.

For those reasons I urge a "no" vote on this amendment and urge my colleagues to support the Harper amendment when it comes up.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Tobash.

Mr. TOBASH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in favor of the Kampf amendment. This is about predictability of markets and a taxation system that we have got right now that is extremely unfair and inconsistently utilized within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This is about taxpayer protection.

There is no question that this is a complex issue, and this amendment does not necessarily rid the system of complexity, inequity, expense, or the dissatisfaction that so many people have about our property tax system. Let me tell you this for sure: this amendment adds fairness to a system right now that is inherently not fair. The inconsistency of assessment practices is affecting taxpayers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania very differently, and the predictability element of this amendment is important for economic growth. We are very close to a point in time where we are going to be voting on a budget, and without economic growth, we find ourselves in a position with no great options. Predictability is important for investment and

commerce and economic growth, and this amendment helps us add that to a system right now that we have got that is applied very inconsistently.

I rise in favor of the Kampf amendment, and I urge my colleagues to vote "yes." Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much.

Members, we have a number of our colleagues who wish to speak on the bill. This will be the order. We will go with Representative Eddie Day Pashinski, then Representative Ryan, then Representative McCarter, then Representative Heffley, then Representative Sturla, then Representative Nelson, then Representative Carroll, and then Representative Topper.

I would ask everybody – I know we do not have time limits, but this is our last bill of the day and we have a number of amendments to go through, so any precision in your remarks is certainly appreciated. Everybody should have the opportunity to speak.

We will begin with Representative Pashinski. You may proceed.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

I appreciate the opportunity to share a few thoughts here.

We just talked about, you know, a local government as opposed to county government as opposed to State government. I think it is very important for all of us to realize that we the people are all of the governments, and we are struggling to find fairness. The word "fairness" was used a little while ago. That is the key here. What is fair? What is fair to the people of Pennsylvania, to the people of that county, certainly to the people of that community that houses that school district?

I think it is really important for us to remember that on the State level, we have underfunded our schools consistently for the last 7 years. School districts are receiving about 34 percent of what they should, and as a result, the school districts are hampered in order to provide the education necessary for the kids.

These assessments are simply there to try to provide the fairness for all the people that are paying their assessed taxes. So if a particular business or a particular mall of some sort has been underassessed, would it not be fair to make sure that that business, that property owner, pays a fair amount just like the rest of our taxpayers are in that community?

The other thing that is also important to remember, it is difficult for me and for many of my constituents to understand, if we set up a task force to study an issue that has the concern so that we can provide the most fair process possible, why are we rushing to circumvent that? Allow that task force to provide the evidence, and then let us decide what is best for our communities.

I would appreciate at this point for all of us to reconsider and take this back and allow for that task force to do their job. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Ryan.

Mr. RYAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the amendment, as well as the basic bill. And as you look at this bill and this amendment, I encourage everyone to consider for a moment that the underlying problem is that we tax property, and the concept of what is fair and what is considered to be a fair share is in the eyes of the beholder.

If you take a look at some of the concerns that we have about the pending bankruptcy of the Commonwealth, we are there. Illinois is already there. When you talk about providing a

property tax to an apartment building, it is an absolute myth that those tax increases are not passed on to the tenants.

We have done a tremendous disservice to the young college students who are graduating, coming to work in Pennsylvania, where they are finding their rental payments going up every year 5 to 6 to 7 percent. They are not reaping the benefit of 3 1/2 to 4 percent mortgage interest rates as we are, if you happen to be fortunate enough to own a home. They are not benefiting from the largesse that has happened from the Federal Reserve.

When you consider the concept of underassessed, what happens if you consider the concept that this is revenue-neutral? What happens to the issue when you reassess all properties and recognize some that have done well and some that have not? Property taxes in and of themselves are inherently unfair, and I encourage you all to read the book by Meredith Whitney, "The Fate of the States," in which the coming perspective of what would happen to the northeast and to the west coast has already been set in motion.

You have an opportunity today, with passing this amendment and by passing this bill, to allow us to put the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania back on a firm footing financially, to begin the financial rescue of the Commonwealth and reverse the trend that started in the 1930s when we started to lose population such that our representation in Washington, DC, has declined by almost 50 percent in the past 100 years.

Property taxes and these spot appeals actually disadvantage taxpayers. Businesses pass on any increases in property taxes to either the consumer or to the tenants, and if they are not able to, they go bankrupt.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the amendment, as well as in support of the basic bill. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative McCarter.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again, we are hearing a lot of interesting words today of "taxpayer protection," "fairness," and the fact that our homeowners and our people living at the local districts do not understand the difference between different levels of government, whether school boards, whether municipalities, county governments, or the State here.

In truth, Mr. Speaker, I think it is a very simple answer. If you vote for this bill, what we are doing is making it such that local school boards in particular will have to again raise taxes at the local level. People understand school boards. They understand that is where their greatest tax increases that they face come from, and the reason that happens is because of our inability here to provide the necessary funds to allow schools to do the things that they need to do, whether it is at 34 percent or 36 percent; it is surely not at the 50-percent level that probably would be the ideal place for us to be in the State of Pennsylvania.

By taking this action, it handcuffs our local school districts to make the fairness that they need to have to be able to balance what they can do and what they cannot do. This is not a good bill. This is not a good amendment. It does not help the ability to bring fairness to this system. Let us wait again for the commission and its reports and we will visit this another day.

I ask for a "no" vote on both the amendment and the bill. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Everybody appreciates everybody's concise nature of the remarks. We are very appreciative.

Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I hear comments from my colleagues about "fairness" and "it is complicated," but I tell you what is not complicated: getting a letter in the mail from your local school board that your property taxes are going to increase by \$14,000 or \$4,000 or \$11,000 or \$7,000, and these are primarily residential properties. These are not shopping malls; these are residential properties. These are homeowners who want to live the American dream, and for no other reason but the fact that they bought a house, their taxes are going to go up \$4,000.

The problem that this bill solves is the issue – when you have an assessment that was done 30 years ago and you have millage rates that are built on a housing stock from those assessments done 30 years ago, when you plug in the value of a home in 2017 to those millage rates, it blows up the taxes that those folks are going to pay. So when you spot assess and you just go through and you pick and choose whom you are going to increase these taxes to, and you apply that new value to those very high millage rates based on the housing stock that is valued 30 years ago, it creates a terrible situation for the homeowners. These are homeowners that are seeing their taxes go up anywhere from \$300 to \$1,000 a month for no other reason than they bought a home, and we allow it to happen by giving them the authority to do it.

I want to commend the maker of this amendment and of this bill. This is something that is needed. I hear people say "wait." Well, my mom always said, "Wait broke the wagon." The next person that is going to get a letter in the mail that their taxes are going to go up by \$4,000, they are going to be contacting my office or your office. We need to fix this. We need fairness for everybody and we should not be singling out new homeowners.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I urge an affirmative vote on this amendment.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the amendment. Look, the reality is, as the previous speaker mentioned, that the kinds of assessments that some people seem to be concerned about are people whose taxes are going to rise \$14,000. Not their total tax bill will be \$14,000, but their newly assessed value will raise their taxes \$14,000. That is not your average homeowner that is living in a \$150,000 house; that is someone that is living in a several million dollar house.

The reality is that whether it is with the housing market or with the commercial market, the residential market or the commercial market, the collapse of the housing market in 2008 and 2010 did not adversely affect a whole lot of modestly priced homes. In fact, there was more of a demand for modestly priced homes from people who had started buying million dollar homes when they could really only afford a modestly priced home. The ones that got abandoned, the ones that the bank took back, the ones that sat on the market for years and were a glut, were the very high-priced homes that people could not afford in the first place. That is where people went in and whole communities went in or whole neighborhoods went in and asked for a reassessment of their private property, their residential properties, and got downward assessments because that market, that portion of the residential market collapsed.

Now some of those school districts are saying, yeah, but those properties are now selling for \$1 million or \$2 million again to people who actually do qualify for those mortgages, and gosh, we should be collecting taxes on it like they are worth a million or two, because that is what they are selling for. And what proponents of this amendment and others will say is, well, yes, but when the last person got that downward reassessment, the place was only worth three or four or five hundred thousand dollars, because that is what the bank sold it at a sheriff's sale for.

That is not the case anymore. When it comes to the commercial market, anybody who has ever been involved with commercial real estate knows that if you sell a mostly vacant strip mall, it is not worth very much, because most investors that are looking at commercial property want to see long-term leases in those spaces. And so if you go in and get a downward assessment, when after years of mismanagement you have basically run that facility into the ground, it is going to get a very low assessment. As soon as someone says, "But guess what? Now that I've gotten a lower assessment, I'm going to lease those things up. I'm going to find 20-year tenants. I'm going to make some improvements on that property," and then turns around and sells it for two or three times what it was assessed at after it was let go for years. To then say that a school district or a municipality cannot come in and say, "I'm sorry, that property is now worth \$10 million instead of \$2 million or \$3 million – it is just not right.

And so understanding how these markets actually work – and it has been pointed out that this is a pretty complex issue – but the reality is, what this amendment does is allow for people to go in for downward reassessment when markets are down, when they have mismanaged their properties, when things are not worth what they could be, and then immediately make them worth more and disallow the school district or the municipal body to then recapture that wealth. The only people that this helps are those at the top. The average family that is living in a modest home is not going in for reassessments on a regular basis, and so by not allowing those municipalities or school districts to reassess the properties that are constantly in flux and have greater value, you force then those school districts to raise taxes on those modest homeowners.

This amendment is not about protecting homeowners. It is about protecting extremely wealthy people that have a lot of money to invest. Homeowners are the ones that are going to get hurt as a result of amendments like this, and I urge a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. Representative Nelson.

Mr. NELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Kampf amendment and in disagreement of a number of colleagues from both sides. This effort and the hard-fought effort by Representative Kampf to get this across the finish line, this amendment is a reasonable common ground that does not benefit the ultra-rich by any imagination. Remember, when we talk about a homestead exclusion, that only can apply to one property. So a wealthy individual that may have multiple properties is not going to be able to benefit from protection across all of them. The dirty little secret about spot assessments and why there is not a fair-share difference is because after a spot assessment is done by, oftentimes, a third-party contractor who is incentivized to raise that rate, the school districts are not reducing their property

taxes on other homeowners. So if consistently a school district is targeting individual homes, farms, or businesses and raising their overall revenues, they are not reducing, at an equal level, the revenues of other people. So we either have to climb into the ring and reassess, which is very unpopular, or not climb into the ring and use the existing vehicles that are there. If there is a building permit, if there is a change of use, it creates an avenue for reassessment. There are ways that school districts can properly increase, but this spot assessment technique does not offer tax rebate efforts to offset the gains that school districts have.

That is why I rise and request everyone on both sides of the aisle to support the Kampf amendment, because it is intended to protect farmsteads and homesteads, not multiple-property owners, and it is a common-ground effort.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Carroll.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the problem with this amendment is essentially the same as the problem with the bill, and, Mr. Speaker, I want everybody in the chamber to think about the words "memorializing in perpetuity." Mr. Speaker, we have counties in this State that have not reassessed in decades – 1968, 1958, 1970s – and when we are going to memorialize in perpetuity these rates, we will undoubtedly affect the tax liability that exists for all of the properties in a taxing district.

Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Carbon County talked about a letter that goes out. I would remind him that a letter goes out to every single property owner in his district every August from his school districts, letting people know what their tax liability is for that year. Mr. Speaker, that tax liability will be increased as a result of an unfairness that would exist with respect to the treatment of these properties.

Mr. Speaker, I think the real solution to this problem, and it has been mentioned by a few of the proponents of this measure, and that is, let us have a conversation related to countywide reassessments. There will be an amendment that you will have a chance to consider in a little while that would set in motion a procedure for countywide reassessments. If we want to be serious about getting to fair tax liabilities for commercial and residential properties, then we should undo a system that allows counties to go 40 or 50 years without a reassessment.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment, as with the bill, simply attacks one of the symptoms. It does not attempt to cure the problem. Mr. Speaker, I ask for a "no" vote on the Kampf amendment. Let us consider the real remedy to this, not just a remedy to one of the symptoms. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Jesse Topper, on the amendment.

Mr. TOPPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Kampf amendment. Of course, many points have been made, both sides of the aisle, but I will say this: I believe that when predictability is brought into this system, we will see businesses that do want to invest. We will see people that want to come to Pennsylvania. They trust the system a little more than what they do now, and, Mr. Speaker, I would put to this chamber, we have heard a lot of talk about the shift going back to individual owners, individual property owners, but if we do not have businesses in this State, if we do not have jobs in this State, their tax burden will be even greater.

That is why we need to support the Kampf amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Todd Stephens, on the amendment.

Mr. STEPHENS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I know a lot of folks are making a lot out of this amendment, and as far as I can tell, it just does two simple things. The first is very important to one of my school districts. As a matter of fact, they brought this issue to my attention, and it was part of an amendment that I actually offered and ultimately withdrew, but I do think it is worth noting. This amendment allows school districts to appeal when the taxpayer previously appealed to reduce their assessments. So this gives a right to the school districts, and the example that was given to me back from home is a local mall that, when the economy was down, came before the school board or to the school district and said, look, you know the economy is down. Our assessment ought to be lowered. And the school district in fact agreed that the assessment should be lowered and they did so.

But then obviously, as we have seen, the economy has taken a turn for the better. Things are moving along, that mall has been flourishing with some terrific new tenants, some outstanding new development, and appropriately, this amendment allows the school district to go back to that mall and say, hey, look; we understand that during the downturn your assessment was reduced, but now things are kicking along for you, and we think it is appropriate that we come back and raise that assessment back up to where it should be, reflecting the current market conditions. So that is an important right for school districts and one that, again, was brought to my attention by a local district, and it is included in this amendment, which is one of the reasons why I would urge the members to support it.

The second thing this amendment does very clearly is protects residential property tax payers. It protects them from being targeted, and as a result, again, I think that is a worthwhile measure, protects our local homeowners that, you know, enjoy their residential properties, and prevents the school districts from targeting those folks.

So for those reasons, Mr. Speaker, I would urge my colleagues to support this amendment for those just two very basic, simple, and important provisions. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Jim Christiana, on the amendment.

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the current property tax system is flawed at a minimum, broken, and unfair. At their core, property taxes are far too subjective and far too erratic. We need more uniformity. We need more fairness. We should not allow an unpredictable and inherently unfair spot assessment procedure to continue.

There may be instances where the current system has been used in a positive manner. I think we have heard of some instances today where they have uncovered unfair situations and rectified those situations. However, those same problems could have been solved with a uniform reassessment process. They would have fixed those problems. The current system may have been used in a positive manner; however, it does give selected individuals the power to misuse that authority, to unfairly target people and to target selected groups of individuals.

The behavior this amendment attempts to curb may not be happening in your district. It is not happening in mine, from what I have heard from my constituents. But the fact is, it is happening in Pennsylvania. There have been people that have been targeted and we have a chance to fix it. We should end the power to target, and even if you are like me and you would love

to have a vote on the elimination of property taxes, even if your goal is to eliminate property taxes, let us not let that goal stand in the way of making the current system better, the current system more fair, and that is why I am voting for this amendment and I support the bill as well.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Bill Kortz.

Mr. KORTZ. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to the amendment. It is an unfair amendment and will negatively impact my residential property owners. The gentleman from Luzerne and Lackawanna Counties clearly made the case. This just addresses a small symptom. It does not fix the problem. Countywide reassessments will bring fairness. Many counties have not reassessed in decades; some, five, six decades. I mean, that is a severe problem. This will not fix that.

This is going to hurt the school districts in my 38th Legislative District. My Baldwin, Whitehall, South Allegheny, South Park, West Jefferson Hills, McKeesport, and West Mifflin School Districts will be impacted by this amendment. Please vote "no."

The SPEAKER. Representative Rick Saccone.

Mr. SACCONI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Kampf amendment. Back home where I am, these spot assessments are being used to go after individual homeowners who have had no change in their property situation, yet they are going to be penalized by these spot assessments. Taxpayers where I am from are in despair. They are calling me complaining about this problem.

Now, school districts will not lose money, as it has been said here by some. We have taken out the retroactivity, and between the Kampf amendment and the Nelson amendment, which we are going to pass here shortly, they will not lose money. There is no retroactivity in here, but it will prevent them from targeting homeowners to try and raise revenue. This is a grab by taxing authorities to increase revenue on the backs of a few targeted individual taxpayers. School districts and our government here in Harrisburg have to learn to control spending, not try to raise taxes on the backs of our people at home.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you stay with the taxpayers on this issue. Your constituents will cheer you back home. I have said it on this floor a number of times and I am going to say it again: There is never a wrong time to do the right thing.

Vote "yes" on the Kampf amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Jamie Santora.

Mr. SANTORA. Mr. Speaker, will the maker stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. He has indicated he will so stand.

You may proceed, sir.

Mr. SANTORA. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, I am reading, I believe it is line 18, page 1: "a taxing district may appeal a property tax assessment that resulted from an appeal by a taxpayer..." after "...a countywide reassessment," in the amendment.

Mr. KAMPF. Okay.

Mr. SANTORA. My concern here is, Delaware County has just been court ordered to do a reassessment in 2021. If this amendment does not go through, will they not be able to — would school districts not be able to appeal a lower assessment?

Mr. KAMPF. So the underlying bill is not changed in this respect, and that is that a taxpayer would – I am sorry, a taxing district would be able to appeal within a short period of time after a countywide reassessment. In addition to that, there is countywide reassessment law for that sort of a circumstance, which this bill does not address, nor does it change any of the rules with respect to, let us say there is an outlier of some kind before or afterwards – homestead, farmstead, commercial property, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. SANTORA. What does this provision then do?

Mr. KAMPF. This provision says that a taxing district cannot appeal the assessed value of a home or a farm which was approved for a homestead or a farmstead exemption.

Mr. SANTORA. "...Taxing district may appeal..." – am I reading this wrong? – "a taxing district may appeal a property tax assessment that resulted from an appeal by a taxpayer...", so it is only after a taxpayer appeals after a reassessment?

Mr. KAMPF. So that is Roman (iv)?

Mr. SANTORA. Yes.

Mr. KAMPF. Roman (i), number one, says that after a countywide reassessment, for up to 6 months, a taxing district may appeal the assessment that came out of that countywide reassessment.

Mr. SANTORA. And is that in the amendment or in the underlying bill?

Mr. KAMPF. That is in the underlying bill and it is not touched by the amendment.

Mr. SANTORA. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Harper, for the second time.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be brief.

I have been listening to the debate, which I think is a very good debate and people have raised good points. I rose the last time to say, please vote "no" on this amendment, because I have a better amendment which just deals with homesteads and farmsteads.

I rise this time to ask you to please consider the current law with the Harper amendment, which is coming, and the Kampf amendment as it is. And I have got to tell you the law that we are presently living under, that is completely legal and the Pennsylvania Supreme Court has said so, is if a taxpayer believes his property is assessed too high, the taxpayer can appeal. If the school district believes the property is assessed too low, the school district can appeal. Please do not believe that anyone who buys a property for \$60 million does not know the value of that property. Trust me on this. Guys who own properties worth \$60 million know the value on a day-to-day basis because they borrow against it.

Now, to the extent that we have to protect homeowners and farmsteads, vote "no" on this one and wait for the Harper amendment, which is otherwise clean of the other things that are in this amendment.

Secondly, do not think you are protecting your homeowners or your farmsteads by voting for the Kampf amendment, because if the guys who own the big properties are not paying their fair share, everybody else is paying it for them.

Please vote "no." Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Stan Saylor, the majority Appropriations chair.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to support the Kampf amendment.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment makes this bill a lot better. You know, I think as the former – and I want to let you know, I am probably the only person in this General Assembly who has served as the Chief Assessor of the County of York. I interacted and learned a lot of things when I was chief assessor from county chief assessors in Montgomery and Delaware and Bucks Counties, and the thing that was key was about ethics. It is so important to understand.

You add a patio to put maybe a hot tub on your property, or maybe you decide to put new kitchen cabinets in because your wife or your husband wants to, or maybe you just need a new roof on your house. So the assessor comes out to your house and he says, "Oh, okay, you just made that kind of improvement, but oh my goodness, this is a really expensive house and I only have this much money on it." In assessments, every county sets the date. If your last assessment was 1973, of course your house has gone up in value, of course your farm is going up in value. But the thing that is ethical is to make sure that everybody's home who has a rancher or a 2-story or a 10-acre farm is exactly the same as their neighbors', not to sit there, because somebody does a simple improvement or just fixes something for maintenance, to allow an assessor to just simply use the pressure of wanting more money to raise up and jack up your property values just for that sake.

The law is to be based on the year that all other homes and businesses were assessed, not on the fact – and it is not the assessor's job to go and raise taxes. That is the county's responsibility to do reassessments. So all I am asking you for is this protects homeowners. This protects farmers from being victimized by the pressure of raising money. Nobody should be a victim and selectively picked out to have their home or their farm or their business taxes raised simply because they did something that would simply make their life better.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. And Representative Kampf, on the amendment, please, for the second time.

Mr. KAMPF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, just a couple of comments on what was said here. There was a comment made, I think by the gentleman from Lancaster County, that if a taxpayer goes in and gets his property tax lowered by his own appeal and somehow he rents it out later on, that he is going to be immune from taxing district appeals. If you are concerned about school budgets in any particular way, this amendment says that if a taxpayer has gotten his property tax lowered because of some circumstance later on, the taxing district will be able to do that. In addition to that, for anyone who is concerned about taxing districts, school districts going after homeowners or farmowners, this amendment says they will not be able to do that. That is fundamentally what the amendment does, those two things.

Let me just wrap up with the following comment. We have 3,700 municipalities and 500 school districts, which are – based on court decisions only over the last 10 years, not anything in our statutes, but only over the last 10 years have said it is okay for those 3,700 municipalities and taxpayers to pick individual properties and say, "You are not paying enough taxes," and when they do that, and they prove the market rate for that individual taxpayer, that is unfair. It is unfair because they are not doing it to everybody in the school district, they are not doing it to everybody in the municipality, they are not doing it

to everybody in the county, and on top of that, if there was a countywide reassessment, at least the tax rate would be lower, because we all know that if you do a countywide reassessment, the millage rate comes down when the assessment goes up. But in these taxing appeals against you as a homeowner or against you as a business owner or you as a property owner, the taxing district is going to be able to get double his bond from you. He is going to be able to get that millage rate that he is charging everybody else, and he picked you out and he said, guess what? You just sold your property. I am coming after you at that sale rate. That is fundamentally unfair. You would not want to invest in Pennsylvania if you knew about this, and the courts have given our districts and our municipalities the ability to develop a reputation for Pennsylvania that we do not want. We do not want investors, home buyers, anybody who is thinking about moving to Pennsylvania to think that 3,700 municipalities and 500 school districts can exact their bond on you, the individual property owner.

This bill, if you amend it as I have described, will begin to shave away at that reputation. Right now all across our country this is going on. They know Pennsylvania is one of only two States where this is allowed to happen – only two States. The other one is Ohio, and at least they do regular reassessments there. Please support this legislation and support this amendment, because it is a good compromise. It takes into account a lot of voices in this chamber and voices outside.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Representative Petri is on the House floor and should be placed back on the master roll for the vote.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1213 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Burns	Fitzgerald	Maher	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Flynn	Markosek	Schlossberg
Carroll	Frankel	Marshall	Schweyer
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Comitta	Gainey	McClinton	Snyder
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Mr. NELSON offered the following amendment No. A01927:

Amend Bill, page 4, lines 3 through 8, by striking out "(i) A taxable person shall have the right to appeal" in line 3, all of lines 4 through 7 and "(ii)" in line 8

Amend Bill, page 4, lines 12 through 21, by striking out all of said lines

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

The SPEAKER. Representative Nelson, you may proceed on the amendment, sir.

Mr. NELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to request support from both sides of the aisle on this issue. It was developed after frequent conversations with both

the business managers of our local school district and in discussion of the bigger problem of spot assessments themselves.

The intention of this amendment is to protect school districts from being retroactively damaged from individuals that may go back and try to claim a lower assessment and then look to see if they would be able to recover those funds. So it does not take away the ability of a property owner to request a lower assessment. If they get that, moving forward they would pay the lower amount. But this does protect school districts from any issue in retroactivity.

It is a positive change and one I think the maker of the amendment supports, and I ask both sides of the aisle to support it with me. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Carroll, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to this amendment. Mr. Speaker, this amendment, if approved, would eliminate the ability for school districts to continue to pursue the appeals that they have already submitted to be considered, and so, Mr. Speaker, because this amendment does not completely attack the problem of retroactivity, insofar as it does not address the appeals that are currently being considered, I think it is important for all the reasons stated in the prior debate to oppose this amendment in the interest of fairness.

The SPEAKER. Representative Kampf, on the amendment.

Mr. KAMPF. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Westmoreland – this is an agreed-to amendment with me. It pulls out a retroactive element that I have heard from school districts about, and thank you to the maker of the amendment for doing it.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative EVANKOVICH has requested to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1213 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Representative Knowles, on the amendment. He waives off.

Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Will the maker stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. Yes, he will.

Mr. VITALI. I am trying to get my head around exactly what this does again. Has the School Boards Association taken a position on your amendment, support versus opposed?

Mr. NELSON. I am not aware that the School Boards Association has taken an official position on this amendment. I know that our individual school districts and business managers very much appreciate the amendment and it addresses their primary concern.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—115

Baker	Gillen	Marshall	Roae
Barrar	Gillespie	Marsico	Roe
Benninghoff	Greiner	Masser	Rothman
Bernstine	Grove	McGinnis	Ryan
Bloom	Hahn	Mehaffie	Saccone
Boback	Harper	Mentzer	Sankey
Brown, R.	Harris, A.	Metcalfe	Santora
Causar	Heffley	Miccarelli	Saylor
Charlton	Helm	Millard	Schemel
Christiana	Hennessey	Miller, B.	Simmons
Cook	Hickernell	Milne	Sonney
Corbin	Hill	Moul	Staats
Corr	Irvin	Mustio	Stephens
Cox	James	Neilson	Tallman
Culver	Jozwiak	Nelson	Taylor
Cutler	Kampf	Nesbit	Tobash
Day	Kaufman	O'Neill	Toepel
DeLozier	Kauffman	Oberlander	Toohil
Diamond	Keefer	Ortitay	Topper
Dowling	Keller, F.	Peifer	Walsh
Dunbar	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Ward
Dush	Klunk	Petri	Warner
Ellis	Knowles	Pickett	Watson
Emrick	Lawrence	Quinn, C.	Wentling
English	Lewis	Quinn, M.	Wheeland
Everett	Mackenzie	Rader	Zimmerman
Farry	Maher	Rapp	
Fee	Mako	Reed	Turzai,
Fritz	Maloney	Reese	Speaker
Gabler			

NAYS—82

Barbin	DeLissio	Kavulich	Rabb
Bizzarro	DeLuca	Keller, W.	Ravenstahl
Boyle	Dermody	Kinsey	Readshaw
Bradford	DiGirolamo	Kirkland	Roebuck
Briggs	Donatucci	Kortz	Rozzi
Brown, V.	Driscoll	Krueger	Sainato
Bullock	Evans	Kulik	Samuelson
Burns	Fabrizio	Longietti	Schlossberg
Caltagirone	Fitzgerald	Madden	Schweyer
Carroll	Flynn	Markosek	Sims
Cephas	Frankel	McCarter	Snyder
Comitta	Freeman	McClinton	Solomon
Conklin	Gainey	McNeill	Sturla
Costa, D.	Galloway	Metzgar	Thomas
Costa, P.	Gergely	Miller, D.	Vazquez
Daley	Godshall	Mullery	Vitali
Davidson	Goodman	Murt	Warren
Davis	Haggerty	Neuman	Wheatley
Dawkins	Hanna	O'Brien	White
Dean	Harkins	Pashinski	Youngblood
Deasy	Harris, J.		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Kim	Pyle	Quigley
Evankovich	Matzie		

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Ms. **HARPER** offered the following amendment No. **A01336**:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 20 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 25; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

(b) Basis of appeals.—

(1) A taxing district may not appeal the assessment of property:

(i) if the property is subject to a homestead exemption; or

(ii) if the property is subject to a farmstead exemption.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 26, by striking out "(4)" and inserting

(2)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

(3) A taxable person shall have the right to appeal

Amend Bill, page 4, lines 8 through 22, by striking out all of lines 8 through 21 and "(6)" in line 22 and inserting

(4)

Amend Bill, page 4, lines 25 through 30; page 5, lines 1 through 18; by striking out all of said lines on said pages

Amend Bill, page 5, line 19, by striking out "3" and inserting
2

Amend Bill, page 5, line 24, by striking out "4" and inserting
3

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

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Harper.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is the Harper amendment you have all been waiting for.

Everybody on the floor of the House has a concern about unfairness directed to homes and farms. What my amendment does, quite simply, is reduces this to a bill that just protects homes and farms from reverse appeals. It does not do any of the bad things with regard to reciprocity. It just takes care of homes and farms, and I think your school boards should be able to live with it. If they cannot, oh well.

But I understand what you are all saying. This gets rid of the negative aspects of the underlying bill and still protects homes and farms from spot assessments or reverse appeals.

Please vote for the Harper amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Kampf, on the amendment.

Mr. KAMPF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The piece of the gentelady's amendment with respect to homesteads and farmsteads being off limits going forward from taxing districts is excellent, and that is in the amendment that just passed, but the rest of it is a gut-and-replace amendment.

So for all the remarks that I made previously, which I will not go over again, I oppose the amendment.

The SPEAKER. Representative Saylor, on the amendment, please.

Mr. SAYLOR. Again, Mr. Speaker, I reiterate the fact that if you want to stand by your homeowners, you want to stand by your small business people, you will defeat this amendment

because it does gut and replace, and it puts our small business people who simply are trying to survive in today's world at great risk.

I ask for a negative vote on the Harper amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Freeman, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the Harper amendment. The Harper amendment narrows the focus to where it needs to be on this issue, and that is with homesteads and farmsteads.

The adoption of this amendment would make this a much better bill and I urge a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Carroll, on the amendment, please.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment simply does what the maker of the amendment says it does. This insulates our homesteads and our farmsteads from these sorts of appeals. Mr. Speaker, this amendment is well written, well targeted, and offers us an opportunity to protect homesteads and farmsteads. It is that simple.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative DiGirolamo, on the amendment, please.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I urge a "yes" vote on the Harper amendment. This amendment does a much better job of protecting our homeowners. I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—109

Baker	Donatucci	Kinsey	Petri
Barbin	Driscoll	Kirkland	Pickett
Bizzarro	English	Klunk	Quinn, M.
Boyle	Evans	Kortz	Rabb
Bradford	Fabrizio	Krueger	Ravenstahl
Briggs	Farry	Kulik	Readshaw
Brown, V.	Fitzgerald	Longietti	Roebuck
Bullock	Flynn	Madden	Rozzi
Burns	Frankel	Maher	Sainato
Caltagirone	Freeman	Markosek	Samuelson
Carroll	Gainey	Marshall	Santora
Cephas	Galloway	McCarter	Schlossberg
Charlton	Gergely	McClinton	Schweyer
Comitta	Gillespie	McNeill	Sims
Conklin	Godshall	Mehaffie	Snyder
Costa, D.	Goodman	Miccarelli	Solomon
Costa, P.	Haggerty	Millard	Stephens
Daley	Hanna	Miller, D.	Sturla
Davidson	Harkins	Mullery	Taylor
Davis	Harper	Murt	Thomas
Dawkins	Harris, J.	Neilson	Vazquez
Dean	Hill	Neuman	Vitali
Deasy	Kaufer	O'Brien	Warren
DeLissio	Kauffman	O'Neill	Watson
DeLozier	Kavulich	Pashinski	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	White
Dermody	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Youngblood
DiGirolamo			

NAYS—88

Barrar	Fritz	Marsico	Ryan
Benninghoff	Gabler	Masser	Saccone
Bernstine	Gillen	McGinnis	Sankey
Bloom	Greiner	Mentzer	Saylor
Boback	Grove	Metcalfe	Schemel
Brown, R.	Hahn	Metzgar	Simmons
Causar	Harris, A.	Miller, B.	Sonney
Christiana	Heffley	Milne	Staats
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Culver	James	Oberlander	Topper
Cutler	Jozwiak	Ortitay	Walsh
Day	Kampf	Quinn, C.	Ward
Diamond	Keefer	Rader	Warner
Dowling	Keller, F.	Rapp	Wentling
Dunbar	Knowles	Reed	Wheeland
Dush	Lawrence	Reese	Zimmerman
Ellis	Lewis	Roae	
Emrick	Mackenzie	Roe	Turzai,
Everett	Mako	Rothman	Speaker
Fee	Maloney		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Kim	Pyle	Quigley
Evankevich	Matzie		

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. Members, we have four other amendments. We have to just see if any of them are out of order, given that the other amendments have been passed.

Representative Bullock will be offering A01409, Representative Samuelson will be offering A01430, Representative Carroll will be offering A01697, and Representative Petri will be offering A01850.

If anybody wishes to withdraw any of those amendments, you may at this time. Let us know that.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Mrs. **BULLOCK** offered the following amendment No. **A01409**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 3 and 4, by striking out "short title and scope of chapter and for"

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 8 through 19; page 2, lines 1 through 5; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Section 1. 8855 of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. Representative Bullock, I believe your amendment will be in order.

Your amendment will be in order, so you may proceed. If you would like to comment on your amendment, please, or say remarks on the amendment.

Mrs. BULLOCK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today to offer amendment 1409. What this amendment does is it will remove Allegheny and Philadelphia Counties from the bill. Quite simply, these two counties have not, and never were, included in Chapter 88, the Consolidated County Assessment Law, except in reference to the wind energy generation. Each of these counties has a property tax assessment system in place that does not mirror Chapter 88.

Chapter 88 spells out the assessment procedures for second-class-A through eighth-class counties, not the first- and second-class counties. Because of this, much of the language in HB 1213 and the assessment appeals process spelled out in Chapter 88 will not be consistent with the existing practices of these two counties for such things as dates for certifying assessments and deadlines to file appeals.

This bill, if my amendment does not pass, will require these two counties to alter their assessment appeals process to work within the parameters of the statute. The bill will likely cause many headaches and confusion, not only for the taxing authorities, but also for the people of those counties. Philadelphia has been very active in trying to stay on top of its own reassessments fairly and uniformly, which is what really needs to happen to avoid spot assessments. Creating another set of rules, Mr. Speaker, when it comes to reassessments does not fix this issue, but instead, coming up with solutions and tools to assist the counties in conducting regular assessments will truly solve our problem here.

I would like to thank Chairman Thomas for his leadership on this bill, and I ask for a "yes" vote on the amendment.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Donatucci, on that amendment, please.

Ms. DONATUCCI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of the city of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia delegation, I rise in support of amendment 1409.

This bill would be detrimental to the city of Philadelphia without the Bullock amendment. Philadelphia has its own assessment system, and Chapter 88, the Consolidated County Assessment Law, does not apply to Philadelphia. This bill without the Bullock amendment would add us to the statute, which would be harmful to Philadelphia and its residents.

Again, I urge a "yes" vote on this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Donatucci.

Representative Kampf, on the amendment, please.

Mr. KAMPF. Mr. Speaker, respectfully, I oppose the amendment.

What it seeks to do, now that we have amended Harper into this legislation, I think is allow Philadelphia to go after homes and farms. So if you vote for that, good luck. I think that the bill should apply all across Pennsylvania, and I do not think we should exempt out our two major cities.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Carroll, on the amendment, sir.

Mr. CARROLL. Mr. Speaker, the prior speaker is eager to have the bill apply to all communities across the State. It is unfortunate, then, that the treatment in the law with respect to

Philadelphia and Allegheny Counties is not embedded in the very title in which he seeks to amend. So, Mr. Speaker, this amendment simply is an effort to ensure that Philadelphia and Allegheny Counties are treated in a fair way consistent with current law.

This bill, as amended by the Harper amendment, still does not attack the essence of the problem, which is Philadelphia and Allegheny counties are embedded in a different section of the law, not the title that we are dealing with today.

For that reason, Mr. Speaker, it is imperative that the Bullock amendment be approved so that we can be sure that the position of this law, the passage of this law, is consistent with current law, as contained in other sections of our consolidated and unconsolidated statutes.

The SPEAKER. Representative Maher, on the amendment, please.

Mr. MAHER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is correct that the second-class county and first-class county assessment laws are codified separately from the general assessment law, and insofar as this goes, the bill as a whole really is targeted towards assessments generally, not to first- and second-class counties.

I think it is actually a good housekeeping measure to approve this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—88

Barbin	DeLuca	Keller, W.	Petrarca
Bizzarro	Dermody	Kinsey	Rabb
Boyle	DiGirolamo	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Bradford	Donatucci	Kortz	Readshaw
Briggs	Driscoll	Krueger	Roebuck
Brown, V.	Evans	Kulik	Rozzi
Bullock	Fabrizio	Longietti	Sainato
Burns	Fitzgerald	Madden	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Flynn	Maher	Schlossberg
Carroll	Frankel	Markosek	Schweyer
Cephas	Freeman	McCarter	Sims
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Conklin	Galloway	McNeill	Solomon
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Costa, P.	Godshall	Mullery	Taylor
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Dawkins	Harkins	Neuman	Warren
Dean	Harris, J.	O'Brien	Wheatley
Deasy	Heffley	O'Neill	White
DeLissio	Kavulich	Pashinski	Youngblood

NAYS—109

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Barrar	Gabler	Marshall	Rothman
Benninghoff	Gillen	Marsico	Ryan
Bernstine	Gillespie	Masser	Saccone
Bloom	Greiner	McGinnis	Sankey
Boback	Grove	Mehaffie	Santora
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Causar	Harper	Metcalfe	Schemel
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Cutler	Jozwiak	Nesbit	Toohil
Day	Kampf	Oberlander	Topper
Delozier	Kaufner	Ortitay	Walsh
Diamond	Kauffman	Peifer	Ward
Dowling	Keefe	Petri	Warner
Dunbar	Keller, F.	Pickett	Watson
Dush	Keller, M.K.	Quinn, C.	Wentling
Ellis	Klunk	Quinn, M.	Wheeland
Emrick	Knowles	Rader	Zimmerman
English	Lawrence	Rapp	
Everett	Lewis	Reed	Turzai,
Farry	Mackenzie	Reese	Speaker
Fee	Mako	Roae	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cruz	Kim	Pyle	Quigley
Evankovich	Matzie		

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. Representative Samuelson, I understand that you are withdrawing your amendment. Is that correct, sir? Yes. So amendment 1430 has been withdrawn.

Representative Carroll's amendment does not need a redraft, 1697.

Representative Carroll, do you wish to offer the amendment? Okay.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Mr. CARROLL offered the following amendment No. A01697:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 5, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, providing for order for revaluation of all real property within county.

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 8 through 19; pages 2 through 4, lines 1 through 30; page 5, lines 1 through 24; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Section 1. Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

§ 8855.1. Order for revaluation of all real property within county.
If a taxpayer or taxing district brings an action in the court of common pleas, the court shall order a countywide revision of assessment for a county if the taxpayer or taxing district establishes:

- (1) there has not been a countywide revision of assessment for the county in at least seven years; and
- (2) by a preponderance of the evidence through the use of appropriate statistical measures, that the assessments in the county are inconsistent with the requirements of the Constitution

of Pennsylvania that all taxes be uniform.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

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

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, Representative Carroll, you may proceed.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment provides a cure for the problem with respect to assessments. A regular reassessment that happens more than once every 50 years, it seems to me, is probably a good idea. Mr. Speaker, my suspicion is that we would have a whole lot fewer spot assessments if we had regular reassessment by counties so that we had a fairness built into the system, as a result of a reassessment that occurs.

Mr. Speaker, I would offer the following as well: this is already happening as a result of court orders. Washington County was court ordered to do a reassessment. I learned today that Delaware County has been court ordered to do a reassessment. Mr. Speaker, it is happening whether we like it or not, and so for the counties, like the one I represent that has not been reassessed since 1968, maybe they need a little encouragement to reassess, Mr. Speaker.

This, Mr. Speaker, would set a level playing field so that we have a reassessment that occurs with some regularity. Thank you.

BILL PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER. Members, at this time we are going to go over the bill.

I have to indicate that there was one other amendment, amendment 1850, that would require a redraft, that would require a redraft to offer 1850.

We are going to go over it at this time.

RECONSIDERATION MOTION FILED

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House rule 26, the undersigned have moved to reconsider the vote on the Harper amendment, Representative Harper's amendment. That will not be taken up at this time. It has just been filed. It is amendment 1336 to HB 1213. It has been signed by Representative Ellis and Representative Oberlander. The motion to reconsider has been filed. That vote is not before us.

At this time we are going over the bill.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative John Taylor is recognized for a committee announcement.

Mr. TAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be an immediate meeting of the House Transportation Committee in room 205, Ryan Office Building. That is an immediate meeting of the House Transportation Committee in room 205, Ryan Office Building. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate meeting of the House Transportation Committee in room 205, Ryan Office Building.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MRS. DEAN

The SPEAKER. Representative Dean, for an announcement, please.

Mrs. DEAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be an immediate meeting of the southeast delegation in my office, 32 East Wing; immediate meeting of the southeast delegation.

STATEMENT BY MR. MURT

The SPEAKER. Representative Tom Murt, sir.

Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak under unanimous consent.

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir. You may proceed.

Mr. MURT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind all the members about an interpretive display, which is currently housed in the East Wing Rotunda, regarding the former Pennhurst Center.

Mr. Speaker, for many years, Pennhurst housed men and women who had various disabilities, mostly intellectual and developmental disabilities. Pennhurst, Mr. Speaker, was notorious for the manner in which many patients were mistreated and abused. The allegations of abuse led to the first lawsuit of its kind in the United States which asserted that the developmentally disabled in the care of the State have a constitutional right to appropriate care and education.

Mr. Speaker, the courts ruled that conditions at Pennhurst were so unsanitary, so inhumane, and so dangerous that they violated the 14th Amendment. The institution was eventually closed in 1987, pursuant to a settlement agreement that required that community-based services be offered to all the residents. The case became an important rule of law known as the Pennhurst Doctrine.

Mr. Speaker, if at all possible, I would ask and recommend that the members take the time to read the Pennhurst display and learn about this chapter in our history. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

LETTER SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

VOTE CORRECTION

Mr. GODSHALL submitted the following letter for the Legislative Journal:

House of Representatives
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg

June 27, 2017

Clancy Myer, Parliamentarian
House of Representatives
Room 110 Main Capitol Bldg.
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Clancy,

I would like to change my vote of today. A1336 to HB 1213 the Harper Amendment. I wish to be voted NO.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
Robert W. Godshall
53rd Legislative District
Montgomery County

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 229;
HB 927;
HB 1034;
HB 1215;
HB 1231;
SB 354; and
SB 651.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 137 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar:

HB 965;
HB 1162;
HB 1281;
HB 1301; and
HB 1342.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar:

HB 965;
HB 1162;
HB 1281;

HB 1301; and
HB 1342.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Representative Dom Costa moves that we be adjourned until Wednesday, June 28, 2017, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

He promises that it will be a short day. I am teasing. We will be adjourned until tomorrow at 11 a.m.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to, and at 3:41 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.