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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 10 a.m., e.s.t.

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
(J. SCOT CHADWICK) PRESIDING**

#### PRAYER

REV. D. WAYNE BENDER, Chaplain of the House of Representatives and pastor of Paxton United Methodist Church, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Gracious God, we come together again today to struggle with the issues of the budget and the work of this great Commonwealth. We give thanks for the progress made and for the process. Although it may seem beleaguered with amendments and motions, with nit-picking and partisanship, with loopholes and pork barrels, we trust that You will guide these men and women in their quest to serve this Commonwealth to their best ability, that they will seek what is the common good and will vote their conscience on behalf of all the people they represent as well as all the people of this Commonwealth.

As politicians, there are some who say these men and women do not care, that they are more interested in their campaigns than their service, that they live in ivory towers removed from the reality of life, that they are more interested in their wealth and power than in the common good of the local communities, counties, State, and even the nation they serve. But I believe these naysayers are wrong; that before me this day are legislators with a sincere desire to serve, to represent the people, and to do their very best for this State. Bless them this day in their quest to care about our State and its government so much that they take the ridicule of others who know not what it is like to be a legislator.

Bless this House, its members, and its work this and every day. Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, March 23, 1998, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would like to take this opportunity to welcome a number of guests from the Fairless Hills Fire Company. Nick DePolitto, Tony Rotundo, Art Ball, and Peter Corradetti are here as guests of Representatives Corrigan and Melio from Bucks County. They are seated to the left of the Speaker. Would they please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

The Chair would like to welcome three sixth grade students from the Mary D. Lang Elementary School, who are here today as guests of Representative Chris Ross. They are Josie Earle, Kelly Kirwin, and Bridget McCarthy. Also, we would like to welcome their parents and teachers, who are located in the gallery – Mrs. Walter Earle, Theresa Kirwin, James McCarthy, and Philip Reggio. Would all of our guests please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

The Chair would like to welcome Ms. Pat Raynor from the Pennsylvania Senior Centers. She is here today as a guest of Representative Casorio, and she is seated to the left of the Speaker. Would she please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 2456** By Representatives ROBERTS, MELIO, PESCI, GIGLIOTTI, TIGUE, TRELLO, GORDNER, READSHAW, YOUNGBLOOD, ARGALL, STABACK, WOJNAROSKI, BELFANTI, ROBINSON and STEELMAN

An Act providing for the return to counties of a portion of the State sales and use tax to fund infrastructure improvements; providing for powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Revenue; requiring counties to account for funds and the status of infrastructure improvements; and requiring an independent audit of funds received by counties.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2457** By Representatives ROBERTS, PESCI, GIGLIOTTI, COY, TRELLO, READSHAW, HUTCHINSON, SAINATO, BOSCOLA, BELFANTI, TRAVAGLIO, STEELMAN, SEYFERT, RAMOS and L. I. COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further defining "average net income" for valuation of capital stock-franchise tax.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2458** By Representatives ROBERTS, TIGUE, LYNCH, DALEY and STEELMAN

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for the legislature.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2459** By Representatives SCHULER, GRUITZA, STURLA, BUXTON, GEORGE, NICKOL, FLEAGLE, ARGALL, WILT, DEMPSEY, READSHAW, SATHER, BATTISTO, CURRY, FAIRCHILD, OLASZ, STERN, HERSHEY, MUNDY, ARMSTRONG, SEMMEL, NAILOR, HESS, MAHER, BUNT, YOUNGBLOOD, B. SMITH, TANGRETTI, COWELL, SAYLOR, TRUE, MASLAND and MELIO

An Act amending the act of October 5, 1994 (P.L.531, No.78), known as the Human Services Development Fund Act, further providing for allocations.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2460** By Representatives STAIRS, COWELL, SCHULER, HERMAN, EGOLF, SANTONI, C. WILLIAMS, ROBINSON, BATTISTO, CURRY, STEELMAN, MELIO, PESCI, LAUGHLIN, GIGLIOTTI, COY, BAKER, GEIST, GEORGE, McCALL, SATHER, VAN HORNE, HORSEY, SHANER, BUNT, TRELLO, READSHAW, ORIE, GRUPPO, YOUNGBLOOD, E. Z. TAYLOR, ARGALL, WOJNAROSKI, CORPORA, SAINATO, HARHAI, STABACK, DALEY, BELFANTI, TRAVAGLIO, DALLY, SEMMEL, PETRARCA and L. I. COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for exclusions from the sales and use tax.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2461** By Representatives STABACK, COLAIZZO, READSHAW, GIGLIOTTI, TIGUE, GEORGE, LAUGHLIN, WOJNAROSKI, BELFANTI, BLAUM, ROONEY, EACHUS, SAYLOR, MANDERINO, JADLOWIEC, TRELLO, MELIO, SANTONI, MUNDY, McCALL, DeWEESE, BROWNE, LEVDANSKY, JOSEPHS, SAINATO, RUBLEY, JAROLIN, STURLA, DALLY, SERAFINI, ADOLPH, MAHER, BELARDI, SURRA, HANNA, LUCYK, C. WILLIAMS, CORPORA,

BUTKOVITZ, BENNINGHOFF, SCRIMENTI, TANGRETTI, RAMOS, SEYFERT, RIEGER, OLASZ, PISTELLA, SHANER, STEELMAN, ITKIN and M. COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens Rebate and Assistance Act, further providing for the definition of "income."

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2462** By Representative ROBINSON

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, providing for a special lottery to fund sports arena and stadium projects and public school building renovation.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2463** By Representatives HANNA, COY, PESCI, GEORGE, SHANER, GIGLIOTTI, McCALL, TIGUE, VAN HORNE, CAPPABIANCA, OLASZ, WOJNAROSKI, ROBERTS, HARHAI, BOSCOLA, LAUGHLIN, DALEY, MELIO, STABACK, CORRIGAN, CASORIO, BELFANTI, PHILLIPS, ITKIN, DERMODY, YOUNGBLOOD, M. COHEN, DALLY, READSHAW, CURRY, RUBLEY, RAMOS, GODSHALL, McILHINNEY, PIPPY, SEYFERT, PETRARCA, SERAFINI, ORIE, L. I. COHEN and TRELLO

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for special tax provisions for the aged and infirm.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2464** By Representatives DENT, BROWNE, BAKER, BROWN, CIVERA, FLEAGLE, GEIST, HALUSKA, HERSHEY, KENNEY, MAITLAND, McNAUGHTON, OLASZ, SAYLOR, SERAFINI, STABACK, STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, WAUGH and WILT

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for attachment of wages.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2465** By Representatives A. H. WILLIAMS, BELARDI, BELFANTI, M. COHEN, HORSEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KIRKLAND, RAMOS, ROBINSON, TIGUE and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act requiring license and permit notice; and providing for standing to challenge license or permit issuance.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2466** By Representatives A. H. WILLIAMS, BELARDI, M. COHEN, KIRKLAND, RAMOS, ROBINSON and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, further providing for landlord's duties.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2467** By Representatives A. H. WILLIAMS, BELARDI, BELFANTI, M. COHEN, CORRIGAN, JOSEPHS, KIRKLAND, RAMOS, ROBINSON, TIGUE, C. WILLIAMS and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for inquiry as to the source of security for bail in drug offenses.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 24, 1998.

**No. 2468** By Representatives A. H. WILLIAMS, BELFANTI, M. COHEN, HORSEY, JAMES, KIRKLAND, ROBINSON and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of October 12, 1984 (P.L.964, No.188), referred to as the Philadelphia Quarter Sessions Clerk Fee Law, increasing fees; and providing for additional fees.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 24, 1998.

### **HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

**No. 388** By Representatives ALLEN, ARGALL and LUCYK

A Resolution memorializing Congress and the Federal Communications Commission to allow state regulatory agencies greater flexibility in undertaking practices aimed at conserving the amount of telephone numbers and exchange codes issued to telephone service providers in an effort to extend the useful lines of current telephone area codes.

Referred to Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, March 24, 1998.

### **GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Mark McNaughton from Dauphin County has two guests here with him today. They are serving as guest pages. They are T.J. McKenna and Auburn Evans. Would they please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

### **SENATE MESSAGE**

**AMENDED SENATE BILL RETURNED  
FOR CONCURRENCE AND  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of

Representatives by amending said amendments to **SB 1204, PN 1790**.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

### **SENATE MESSAGE**

**AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED  
FOR CONCURRENCE AND  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 961, PN 3204**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

### **SENATE MESSAGE**

**ADJOURNMENT RESOLUTION  
FOR CONCURRENCE**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate  
March 23, 1998

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate adjourns this week, it reconvene on Monday, March 30, 1998, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it reconvene on Monday, March 30, 1998, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,  
Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?  
Resolution was concurred in.  
Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

### **CALENDAR**

### **BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1020, PN 1125**, entitled:

An Act providing for the removal of waste illegally deposited on or adjacent to State forests, for the closure of disposal sites, for the prevention of unauthorized waste disposal on State forests and for grant programs; and establishing the Forest Lands Beautification Restricted Account.

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1020, PN 1125, on page 8 of today's calendar, be placed on the tabled calendar.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair now recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1020, PN 1125, be removed from the table and placed on the active calendar.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is about to take up today's voting calendar and urges all members to report to the floor. If we call you for an amendment and you are not here, your amendment will be moved to the bottom of that packet. If you are then not here, you will be moved to the end of the list.

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair turns to leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, Mr. Snyder, who requests a leave for the balance of the week for the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. TAYLOR. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears no objection.

The Chair recognizes the Democratic leader, who requests a leave for today's session for the lady from Erie, Representative BEBKO-JONES, and the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. ITKIN. Without objection, the leaves will be granted. The Chair hears no objection, and the leaves are granted.

**MASTER ROLL CALL**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is about to take the master roll call. The members will proceed to vote.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

**VOTE STRICKEN**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The clerk will strike the master roll call.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Democratic leader, who requests a leave of absence for today's session for the gentleman from Westmoreland County, Mr. PETRARCA. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears no objection, and the leave is granted.

**MASTER ROLL CALL**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is about to take today's master roll call. The members will proceed to vote.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

**VOTE STRICKEN**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The clerk will strike the master roll call.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Snyder, who requests a leave for today's session for the gentleman from York County, Mr. PLATTS. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears no objection. The leave is granted.

**MASTER ROLL CALL**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Once again, the Chair is about to take the master roll call. The members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

**PRESENT—198**

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Stairs
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steil
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stetler
Brown	Gordner	Micozzie	Stevenson
Browne	Gruitza	Miller	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruppo	Mundy	Sturla
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Surra
Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhai	O'Brien	Thomas
Carn	Harhart	Olasz	Tigue
Carone	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Trello
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Trich
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	True



Civera	Hess	Petrone	Tulli
Clark	Horsey	Phillips	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Van Home
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Preston	Vitali
Colafrella	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker

## ADDITIONS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Platts	Taylor, J.
Itkin			

## LEAVES ADDED—6

Druce	Itkin	Micozzie	Van Home
Hennessey	McNaughton		

## LEAVES CANCELED—4

Itkin	McNaughton	Platts	Van Home
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## BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2281, PN 3013**, entitled:

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and for the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Ben Franklin/IRC Partnership Fund, the Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund and the Firearm Ownership Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999, for the proper operation of the several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth and for the establishment of restricted receipt accounts for the fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. We are about to take up the voting schedule for the day, and we are on packet No. 8.

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

Mr. STEVENSON offered the following amendment No. **A1001**:

Amend Sec. 212, page 61, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,979,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 61, by inserting between lines 29 and 30

For the purpose of increasing the reimbursement rate for noncredit "work force development" courses, defined herein as those courses, the specific purpose of which is to provide students with opportunities to upgrade and/or develop skills necessary or useful for gainful employment, but which do not lead to an associate's degree or other academic award. The subject matter of noncredit work force development courses may encompass any of the following:

(1) Computers, including the study of both hardware and software applications.

(2) Management and supervision, including, but not limited to, team-building training, management and supervisory skills, conflict resolution, interviewing skills, problem solving, developing leadership skills, team and individual decision making and the application of Federal and State law to the workplace.

(3) Health-related fields, including, but not limited to, continuing education for registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, critical care nurses, dental assistants and hygienists and certification for nurse aides.

(4) Vocational and industrial jobs in such fields as welding, machine tool and die, electronics, safety, plastics technology, hydraulics, construction, warehouse/materials management, automotive repair and management, heating, ventilation and air conditioning and refrigeration.

(5) Professional development, including required continuing education courses in a variety of fields, including, but not limited to, real estate, travel industry, early childhood education, child care, food service management and supervision and dietary management and supervision.

(6) New categories of noncredit work force development courses shall be added and existing categories shall be expanded or reduced from time to time by the

Department of Education in consultation with the community colleges as technology advances and changes in the nature of jobs in the workplace may require.

(7) Noncredit work force development courses may be offered by a community college at an off-campus site or at any of its facilities.

State appropriation ..... 3,099,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Stevenson.

Mr. STEVENSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment appropriates approximately \$3.1 million to the community colleges to increase the reimbursement rate for noncredit workforce development courses. These courses are defined in the amendment as those for which the specific purpose is to provide students with opportunities to upgrade and/or develop skills necessary or useful for gainful employment but which do not lead to an associate's degree or other academic award.

The Subcommittee on Higher Education, in their report on community colleges, emphasized that these institutions are designated by law to pursue an economic development job-creation and job-retention agenda. Prior to 1993, noncredit workforce development courses were reimbursed at the same rate as credit courses, so this amendment only attempts to restore these courses to the same level as they were only a few years ago.

If we are serious about workforce development in this Commonwealth, then this amendment is a small price to pay, for the end result will be a heavily trained workforce.

I now ask the members to please support this amendment. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—198

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Stairs
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steil
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stetler
Brown	Gordner	Micozzie	Stevenson
Brownie	Gruitza	Miller	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruppo	Mundy	Surla
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Surra
Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.

Cappabianca	Harhai	O'Brien	Thomas
Carn	Harhart	Olasz	Tigue
Carone	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Trello
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Trich
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	True
Civera	Hess	Petrone	Tulli
Clark	Horsey	Phillips	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Platts	Taylor, J.
Itkin			

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. WALKO

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Walko, seek recognition?

Mr. WALKO. Point of personal privilege, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his point.

Mr. WALKO. Mr. Speaker, I would like to announce that the Honorable Joe Petrarca became a daddy again at 1:20 a.m., so that is why he is not here, but our best wishes are extended to him and his wife, Elise. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman for that wonderful news.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. KREBS offered the following amendment No. A1002:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 24,000,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 61, by inserting between lines 29 and 30  
For the purpose of providing business  
and industry-related development  
programs for members of the community  
college's faculty and administrative staffs,  
and for business outreach programs.

State appropriation . . . . . 4,000,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon County, Mr. Krebs.

Mr. KREBS. Mr. Speaker, this amendment appropriates \$4 million to provide business and industry-related development programs for members of the faculty and administrative staffs of the community colleges. It will enable the community colleges to establish business outreach programs. This will assist in accelerating the development of programs designed to meet regional workforce planning needs.

To pay for this I am taking the money out of the Community Revitalization Program, and I ask for your support.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-197

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Maher	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Steelman
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Mundy	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nickol	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	O'Brien	Tigue
Carn	Harhart	Olasz	Travaglio
Carone	Hasay	Oliver	Trello
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Trich
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	True
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Tulli
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

#### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Stan Saylor of York County has two guests here with him today. Brandon Fisher is a student of the Future Leaders of York class and Ben Jackson is here as an intern for Representative Saylor. Would those guests please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

The Chair would also like to welcome Nina Boyagoda and Dane Dorundo. They are students from Trinity High School, and they are here today serving as guest pages, and they are the guests of Representatives Nailor, Vance, and Egolf. They are in the well of the House. Would they please rise. Welcome to the hall of the House.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. JOSEPHS offered the following amendment No. A1006:

Amend Sec. 212, page 55, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

For children's literacy programs.

State appropriation . . . . . 250,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the lady aware of the deficiency in the amendment?

Ms. JOSEPHS. Actually, an almost identical amendment was enacted by the House at the request of Representative Steelman. So whatever, I am withdrawing this.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. DeLUCA offered the following amendment No. A1008:

Amend Sec. 215, page 72, line 21, by inserting after "Health."

Funding is contingent upon the submission of a report by the Department of Health to the General Assembly outlining the measures which have been taken to implement the recommendations of the Auditor General's March 1998 audit related to long-term care.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. DeLuca.

Mr. DeLUCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is an easy amendment. It does not spend any money, but it does make an appropriation contingent on a report from the Health Department on the recommendations that the Auditor General made in his March news conference in his audit.

As we know, Governor Ridge has also commissioned an audit on the eight district health centers out there pertaining to giving immediate attention to the residents in immediate jeopardy; number two, follow up on investigations in a timely manner; number three, develop a priority code with written procedures for life-threatening complaints; number four, require the Department of Health field offices to have answering machines for after-hours calls; number five, advise callers with emergencies to call a 24-hour help line; and number six, instruct answering services to consider emergency calls urgent.

Now, this is a program that we are all interested in. It is not a Democratic program; it is not a Republican program. It is a program that we have instituted legislation to protect our most vulnerable citizens out there, the elderly, to make sure, when they go into these facilities, that they have the right care. I think it is time that we in this House, when we appropriate money to these departments, that we hold them accountable, and that is what this amendment does. It makes the Department of Health's general budget contingent upon the submission of a report to this House on the recommendations that Auditor General Casey and the Governor will be promulgating.

So I ask for an affirmative vote on this amendment, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I join with the gentleman and support the amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Maher	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	George	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boscota	Gladeck	Micozzie	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
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Casorio	Hennessey	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Herman	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Hershey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hess	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Horse	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	Hutchinson	Preston	Veon
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Corrigan	Kenney	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Kirkland	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Krebs	Roebuck	Wojnarowski
Curry	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Laughlin	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lawless	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lederer	Ruble	Zimmerman
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Dent	Lescovitz	Santoni	
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## EXCUSED—5

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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 recurring,

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Amendment 1009 is withdrawn.

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

Mr. CAPPABIANCA offered the following amendment No. A1013:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	1,500,000
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Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 2, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	7,940,000
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Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 23, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	7,940,000
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Amend Sec. 252, page 151, line 8, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	10,619,000
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Amend Sec. 252, page 152, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	10,619,000
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Amendment A1013 will be over temporarily. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Amendment 1014 is withdrawn.

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

Mr. ARMSTRONG offered the following amendment No. A1019:

Amend Sec. 209, page 41, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	8,700,000
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Amend Sec. 210, page 45, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	12,496,000
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Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	21,233,000
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Amend Sec. 217, page 82, line 30, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation .....	10,252,000
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Amend Sec. 219, page 113, by inserting between lines 10 and 11

For a testing program for children under six years of age who have an elevated blood lead level or confirmed lead poisoning.

State appropriation .....	100,000
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Armstrong.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment allows for some funds to be allocated for the testing of blood level or of confirmed blood lead poisoning and also for oversight in the Department of Labor and Industry in the remediation of lead hazards.

Thank you. I appreciate your support for this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Horsey, from Philadelphia County is recognized on the amendment.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, numerous members of this chamber, they are always complaining about education and the money that goes into education, but that is an issue that is on the front end.

Mr. Speaker, there have been numerous studies that associate lead poisoning and learning ability. This bill, which allocates funds for lead abatement and for lead studies, would be a service to children.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that all my members on both sides of the aisle support this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Cowell, on the amendment.

Mr. COWELL. Mr. Speaker, just a request. We are getting into an irregular pattern where some members explain where the dollars are coming from and others, as occurred in this instance, stand up and explain where the new dollars or where the dollars will go but do not identify the source of funds, and some of these amendments are fairly complicated. So in this instance, I would ask the maker of the amendment to explain where the dollars are coming from, and rather than getting up on each occasion, I would ask that the author of each subsequent amendment do likewise. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair agrees with the gentleman and would suggest that when members stand up to explain their amendments, that they do advise the House of where they intend to take the money from.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Armstrong, for the second time.

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Mr. Speaker, I am sorry that I overlooked that particular strong matter.

I am taking \$100,000 out of Team Pennsylvania, \$100,000 out of the general operations of DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources), and \$100,000 out of the general operations of DEP (Department of Environmental Protection).

Again, I believe that this money is going to be well served.

I would also like to state that the Federal government has set aside \$50 million for us to be able to pull down as grant dollars. So this money is going to be able to realize many, many benefits off of what we are doing today. Thank you very much.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Serafini
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## EXCUSED—5

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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 recurring,

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

Mr. CAPPABIANCA reoffered the following amendment No. A1013:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 1,500,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 2, by striking out all of said line and inserting

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Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 23, by striking out all of said line and inserting

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Amend Sec. 252, page 151, line 8, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 10,619,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 152, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 10,619,000

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie, Mr. Cappabianca.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The intent of this amendment is to duplicate what we have done in the present fiscal year budget of \$750,000 for the osteopathic hospital in northwestern Pennsylvania, which happens to be located in Erie County.

My understanding is that in last year's budget, the money used for this particular organization was arrived at by the four caucuses contributing. Actually, the House contributed a half a million dollars and the Senate only contributed \$250,000 to make up the \$750,000.

What I am doing here, Mr. Speaker, is really attempting to tell the two caucus chairmen — two caucus Appropriations chairmen; I am sorry — Chairman Barley and Chairman Evans, that when they arrive at that conference committee, that they will remember the understanding that existed this year and that they will remember that the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, the newest medical school in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the only school that does not receive a nonpreferred and that every budget session we have had to negotiate in the General Fund budget for their appropriation and that they were kind enough to give them \$750,000, that they will remember that largesse in this 1998-99 budget. That is the whole purpose. And obviously, because of our rules, I had to show where the money was coming from to make it revenue-neutral, and so I explained that we were taking it from the operation accounts of the Senate leadership — Democrat, Republican — and obviously, we had to take the like amount from the House leadership account — Democrat, Republican — and that is where it stands.

But I understand the realities, Mr. Speaker. This is just a message that you will not forget the medical college in Erie County and that they will see to it that whatever increase they feel necessary for that school, that they will support that increase. And I also realize, Mr. Speaker, that the Governor has put \$750,000 in his budget for that school, but what I am asking for is the same increase that we are giving the nonpreferreds, and I wish you would keep that in mind.

And with all of that in mind, I wish you would support amendment 1013. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Barley, on the amendment.

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

Mr. Speaker, on the amendment, the amendment basically raids, begins to raid, the accounts that fund what I believe have come to be and certainly are very professional support staffs that we have here in Harrisburg to support our elected members and assist them in their various responsibilities. It also takes the funds away that support the district offices that we have all been encouraged to establish to meet the needs of the various constituents and the community needs that we have throughout Pennsylvania.

Finally, I think we have all been served very well by the professional staff that we have on our research organizations, and this is on both sides of the aisle, I may add. We do have a very professional staff. I think it is evidenced by the way that this process has been running, and much of this I must give credit to our professional staff, both on the House Appropriations and the Democrat Appropriations Committees. So I think it is very shortsighted to begin to erode the funding and cause layoffs within our staffs.

I would suggest and respectfully request that the members would reject this amendment so that we can continue to keep the operation in place that we have established here that appears to be serving us very well.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Democratic leader, the gentleman from Greene County, Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Thank you.

The key word that the gentleman from Lancaster used was potential layoffs within our staff.

Notwithstanding the noble intent of the gentleman from Erie, the worthy concept and the high-minded goal that he is trying to realize — one that I think all of us idealistically in Plato's republic would endorse, embrace, and vote for — notwithstanding that, Mr. Speaker, and notwithstanding the fact that after this process is concluded we will still have a stupendous budget surplus — and I would politely suggest, not admonish, but suggest that Governor Ridge from Erie, Pennsylvania, acquiesce to the gentleman's request — we are still going to have a lot of money to accomplish the gentleman from Erie's goal, but this, this is not the place to do it. This has to do with your home offices; this has to do with our postage accounts. He is making a slight error here, I believe, in the way he is trying to fund it.

We have a big surplus. I want to vote for this; I want to vote for this, and if it were not for the revenue-neutrality concept that appropriately is in this measure, I would vote for it, but I politely suggest that all of us who realize good solid staff circumstances back in our district offices and who realize the need for funding our legislative accounts will politely vote "no" on this and suggest that Governor Ridge, with the surplus, fund the gentleman's very worthy amendment. My negative vote is a reluctant one but it is an emphatic one.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Masland, from Cumberland County is recognized.

Mr. MASLAND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I was prepared to vote "no" on this amendment until the minority leader stood up and convinced me otherwise. It just

reminded me of a phrase — and I am sure he is familiar with it — from Shakespeare, "Methinks the lady doth protest too much."

I do not really think you want to vote for this amendment if it does anything to legislative accounts or any, any amendment that touches any legislative account. I am going to vote with you.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Snyder, who requests that the gentleman from York County, Mr. Platts, be taken off leave and placed on the master roll call. The Chair hears no objection.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. I just want to remind the gentleman from Carlisle a line from Macbeth, "I dare do all that may become a man; Who dares do more is none."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca, for the second time.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Personally, I agree with the gentleman from Carlisle, Mr. Speaker. But, Mr. Speaker, if I have done nothing else, at least I got the minority leader finally to agree with something on the other side. That is an accomplishment or maybe a step in the wrong direction, I do not know.

But anyhow, my understanding, and obviously, that we have to have these amendments revenue-neutral, so I had to pick something, so I apologize to my colleagues.

However, it is my understanding that many of us boast at the end of every session of how much money we return back to the Treasury or to our legislative accounts. I never know where that money goes, but if we just use the money that you claim you did not spend, it would be enough money to fund this particular amendment. So there has got to be a little bit of hypocrisy.

But anyway, Mr. Speaker, I go back to my original intent. This is a way of sending a message without using Western Union, and all I am asking is for fairness and equity for this particular school, which receives no nonpreferred appropriation. I am not asking for a nonpreferred. I could have done that. I can remember when Speaker Ryan worked out an accommodation on the floor a few years back for the first time, and he saw to it that this particular institution got \$300,000, and he took it from his side. My side, I am ashamed to say, contributed nothing that year to that school.

So I am only pointing this out that the two chairmen of Appropriations, when they sit down in that conference room — this bill will come out of conference; we know that — that you will remember that the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, which is training doctors, family physicians for this Commonwealth, will get their fair share and their equitable increase over and above what the Governor has proposed; that is all I am asking for.

And if you find it in your hearts to support this amendment, you know it is all going to come out in the conference report, so why do you not vote for this amendment and just feel good about it. It is a feel-good vote. Vote for it. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Having concluded the dueling Shakespeares, those in favor of the amendment will vote "aye"; those opposed, "no."

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—71

Battisto	Daley	Laughlin	Preston
Belardi	Dent	Lederer	Ramos
Belfanti	Eachus	Lescovitz	Robinson
Benninghoff	Egolf	Lucyk	Santoni
Bishop	George	Lynch	Scrimenti
Boscola	Gordner	Maitland	Seyfert
Brown	Gruitza	Manderino	Staback
Browne	Haluska	Masland	Stairs
Butkovitz	Hanna	McGeehan	Steelman
Cappabianca	Hennessey	McGill	Stevenson
Cawley	Horsey	McIlhattan	Tangretti
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Melio	Thomas
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Michlovic	Tigue
Colaella	James	Miller	Trich
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Myers	Vitali
Corpora	Josephs	Pesci	Washington
Corrigan	Keller	Petrone	Waugh
Cowell	Kirkland	Pistella	

## NAYS—127

Adolph	Fargo	McIlhinney	Shaner
Allen	Feese	McNaughton	Smith, B.
Argall	Fichter	Micozzie	Smith, S. H.
Armstrong	Fleagle	Mundy	Snyder, D. W.
Baker	Flick	Nailor	Steil
Bard	Gannon	Nickol	Stern
Barley	Geist	O'Brien	Stetler
Barrar	Gigliotti	Olasz	Strittmatter
Birmelin	Gladeck	Oliver	Sturla
Blaum	Godshall	Orie	Surra
Boyes	Gruppo	Perzel	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Habay	Phillips	Travaglio
Buxton	Harhai	Pippy	Trello
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Carn	Hasay	Raymond	Tulli
Casorio	Herman	Readshaw	Vance
Chadwick	Hershey	Reber	Van Horne
Civera	Hess	Reinard	Veon
Clark	Kaiser	Rieger	Walko
Clymer	Kenney	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Krebs	Roebuck	Williams, C.
Coy	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Wilt
Curry	Lawless	Rooney	Wogan
Dally	Leh	Ross	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Yewcic
Dermody	Maher	Sather	Youngblood
DeWeese	Major	Saylor	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Markosek	Schroder	Zug
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## NOT VOTING—1

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## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. STAIRS offered the following amendment No. A1020:

Amend Sec. 212, page 49, line 27, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 16,391,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 55, lines 7 through 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting development.

State appropriation . . . . . 5,600,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland County, Mr. Stairs.

Mr. STAIRS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I offer this amendment 1020. It pertains to professional development for our educators. Setting aside \$2.6 million, this will supplement HB 2100, which will be providing continuing education for educators in the Commonwealth.

A lot of changes in education through reforms. We have academic standards coming, the IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act) from the Federal government on special education, and we also want to upgrade teacher skills to meet the challenges of the next century.

So I would appreciate a positive vote to send out money to help professional development, and this money will be funded by reallocation of money in the Department of Education. So I appreciate a positive vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Cowell, on the amendment.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I want to join with Representative Stairs in urging support for his amendment.

We are in the middle of some important education changes in the Commonwealth, and this amendment will act to support those changes. One of them is the work of the State Board of Education around academic standards. Progress is being made, and we can reasonably expect that over the next year, there will be a new system of academic standards and assessments put into place across the Commonwealth.

It is absolutely vital that we support that kind of system with the appropriate professional development activities and opportunities that are going to be vital if we are serious about academic standards in this Commonwealth.

Representative Stairs offers an amendment that I am going to suggest we even add to later on in this debate, but his is an important first step, and as he said, it does act to support legislation that we hope the House will pass over the next couple of weeks, HB 2100, that will require all professional educators in this State to fulfill more rigorous continuing professional development requirements. If we are going to require them to do that, we ought



to put this kind of language and these kinds of dollars in place to support that good idea.

I do disagree with the suggestion that the Department of Education can lose \$2.6 million and continue to do its work. We have not seen the Appropriations chair, in this case, raise that issue, as we were reminded so frequently yesterday, about the other side or the downside of some of these amendments, but as I pointed out yesterday, also, in my opinion, we have got to focus on some of the messages we want to send to the conferees, and the important message in this amendment is that we ought to be investing more in professional development activities for all professional educators in this State.

I would urge we support the amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Allen	Druce	Maier	Sather
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Saylor
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Schroder
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Schuler
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Scrimenti
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Semmel
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Serafini
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Seyfert
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Shaner
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Staback
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stairs
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Steelman
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Steil
Brown	Gordner	Micozzie	Stern
Browne	Gruitza	Miller	Stetler
Bunt	Gruppo	Mundy	Stevenson
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Strittmatter
Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Sturla
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Cappabianca	Harhai	O'Brien	Tangretti
Carn	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Carone	Hasay	Oliver	Thomas
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Tigue
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Van Horne
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Veon
Colaella	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Wagh
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdanský	Rubley	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	
Donatucci	Lynch		

Ryan,  
Speaker

## NAYS—2

Adolph

True

## NOT VOTING—1

Williams, A. H.

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Return to the top of packet 8.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. SCRIMENTI reoffered the following amendment No. A0994:

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,903,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 38, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 12,058,000

Amend Sec. 292, page 168, by inserting between lines 29 and 30

For the development and implementation of innovative programs that produce speedier disposition of misdemeanor cases.

State appropriation . . . . . 3,000,000

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie County, Mr. Scrimenti.

Mr. SCRIMENTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Yesterday we voted to help communities who have rising crime rates. We voted for more cops for our community policing; we voted for more State Police cars. We even voted for more antidrug efforts in some first-class cities. Now our cops are on our team, but they are only members of our team. Who else is on our team? Prosecutors are on that team, judges are on that team, and while we are increasing money for cops, we should make sure that our justice system is strong and swift. My amendment will promote swift justice against quality-of-life crimes.

I urge you to support my effort to strengthen our justice system. Thank you.

**THE SPEAKER (MATTHEW J. RYAN)  
PRESIDING**

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.  
Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.  
Mr. Speaker, I support the adoption of the amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

**YEAS—199**

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayermik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Micozzie	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Carone	Hennessey	Oric	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	True
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Van Home
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	
Donatucci			

**NAYS—0**

**NOT VOTING—0**

**EXCUSED—4**

Bebko-Jones      Itkin      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to packet No. 9. The first two amendments, 1022 and 1023, have been withdrawn.

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

Mr. BELARDI offered the following amendment No. A1026:

Amend Sec. 213, page 68, line 17, by striking out of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 64,997,000

Amend Sec. 230, page 124, by inserting between lines 17 and 18

For grants to augment PENNVEST  
loans for local sewage construction  
projects to be used solely to reduce the  
periodic residential sewer-user fees.

State appropriation . . . . . 5,000,000

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belardi.

Mr. BELARDI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my amendment, A1026, would appropriate \$5 million to PENNVEST for use as grants to supplement existing loans for sewage construction projects. This \$5 million would be used solely for the purpose of reducing the cost to homeowners for newly mandated and recently constructed sewer projects. The corresponding \$5-million reduction would come from the environmental protection operations line item in the Department of Environmental Protection budget.

With the Federal EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) and our DEP requiring more communities to be hooked up to modern sewer systems, the costs to homeowners in our smaller townships have become unaffordable. No one disputes the need for sewers or to hook up to a sewerage system, but when these \$15-million and \$20-million sewer projects are divided by the relatively few households in our small municipalities and townships, the cost to these residents becomes much more than they should be expected to pay.

I ask my colleagues for support on this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Belardi.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

## AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belardi, who asks that this amendment be passed over temporarily, and the amendment is withdrawn temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. CASORIO offered the following amendment No. A1028:

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,403,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 27, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 2,690,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 97, line 14, by inserting after "grants."

This appropriation includes \$1,500,000 to fund expanded eligibility for State Blind Pension benefits resulting from an inflation adjustment to the maximum annual income threshold.

Amend Sec. 219, page 97, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 258,432,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Casorio.

Mr. CASORIO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment attempts to correct an inequity that has been perpetrated on those individuals collecting blind pension throughout the Commonwealth. Those folks that are collecting the pension right now and receiving the \$100 a month, \$100 a month currently, can only make \$3,000 a year without having that pension taken away from them. There has not been an adjustment made to this pension for these individuals since 1980 — 1980, Mr. Speaker.

We are looking to take \$1.5 million and correct that inequity, allow those individuals to make now, as pertains to the Federal poverty level, \$6,390 a year while maintaining their \$100 blind pension benefit, and I urge all members to look at this carefully and cast an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I support the gentleman and urge an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Horsey.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I once read a book that said, whatever you do for the least of these, you do for me. I would encourage us to support this amendment, both sides of the aisle. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—199

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Micozzie	Stetler
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Browne	Gruppo	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Carone	Hennessey	Orie	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	True
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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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 recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. Amendment 1029 has been replaced by a later amendment.

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

Mr. CAPPABIANCA offered the following amendment No. A1033:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, lines 16 and 17, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

For Pennports. No port shall receive less funding than the amount received in fiscal year 1997-1998.

State appropriation . . . . . 11,741,000

Amend Sec. 220, page 114, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 118,456,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Amendment 1033— Here is another situation, Mr. Speaker, where the three ports of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, one port was singled out, the Port of Lake Erie, to get a reduction in this fiscal year's budget of \$500,000. Amendment 1033 is trying to correct that by simply restoring the same amount of funding that they are presently receiving in this fiscal year. It specifies that "No port shall receive less funding than the amount received in fiscal year 1997-1998."

And obviously, in order to be revenue-neutral, we had to take the money from someplace. So in order to do it, it is offsetted by an equal reduction in the \$118,956,000 appropriation to the Department of Revenue for general government operations.

I would ask the House to look with favor upon this amendment. Here again it is another question of equity and fairness. The Port of Erie is going through great economic development right now, and they can use the same funding they are presently receiving. So I am asking for support of the amendment, sir.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to point out on this particular amendment— And the gentleman is correct in saying that there is a \$500,000 reduction in the line. However, the reason for the \$500,000 reduction is due to the fact that there was a one-time \$500,000 expenditure, a nonrecurring expenditure, actually in the current fiscal year. I believe it was Litton Industry that was the recipient of the \$500,000 one-time expenditure. So in terms of the line in the budget setting aside that one-time expenditure, the way the budget is drafted and the way we are addressing it without this amendment really does keep the port whole.

So again, I think that it is important we understand that we are not taking real dollars away. We are just accounting for the fact that we do not have that \$500,000 expenditure occurring again this year.

Therefore, I would hope that the members would reject the amendment, because it really is not necessary. It would actually create a \$500,000 windfall for this one particular area.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Cappabianca.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Mr. Speaker, one man's windfall may be someone else's loss.

The Port Authority of Erie is looking at this \$500,000 reduction as a loss, and it is \$500,000 that they can put to good use. If anybody has been to Erie, Pennsylvania, lately, you will see what is going on on the waterfront — the new bayfront highway which is going through and so forth — and there are many capital projects that they can use this money for. I did not check out the Port of Philadelphia or the Port of Pittsburgh as to actually what funding and how it was being spent, but we look at this \$500,000 as a reduction. They need it, I am asking for it, and I would ask for favor for this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—102

Battisto	Donatucci	Mayernik	Seyfert
Belardi	Eachus	McCall	Shaner
Belfanti	Evans	McGeehan	Staback
Bishop	George	Melio	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gordner	Mundy	Stevenson
Boyes	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Olasz	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	Oliver	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Pesci	Thomas
Cappabianca	Horsey	Petrone	Tigue
Carn	James	Pippy	Travaglio
Casorio	Jarolin	Pistella	Trello
Cawley	Josephs	Preston	Trich
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Ramos	Van Horne
Colaella	Keller	Readshaw	Veon
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Rieger	Vitali
Corpora	LaGrotta	Roberts	Walko
Corrigan	Laughlin	Robinson	Washington
Cowell	Lederer	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
Coy	Lescovitz	Rooney	Williams, C.
Curry	Levdansky	Sainato	Wogan
Daley	Lloyd	Santoni	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Lucyk	Scrimenti	Yewcic
Dermody	Manderino	Serafini	Youngblood
DeWeese	Markosek		

#### NAYS—96

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Semmel
Bard	Fleagle	McGill	Smith, B.
Barley	Flick	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Geist	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gladeck	McNaughton	Stairs
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Dally	Kenney	Reinard	Zug

Dempsey	Krebs	Rohrer	
Dent	Lawless	Ross	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Leh	Rubley	Speaker
Druce	Lynch		

NOT VOTING—1

Gannon

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Itkin      Petarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair is advised that the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca, has withdrawn amendments 1034 and 1035.

Mr. Cappabianca, how about amendment 1036? Will you withdraw that? Mr. Cappabianca, is 1036 withdrawn?

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. I am not sure yet, Mr. Speaker.

We are on A1036, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. We are negotiating that.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. We are negotiating. If you want to give me \$750,000 for the school, I will withdraw this one.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. CAPPABIANCA offered the following amendment No. A1036:

Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 27, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Protection and that no funds may be expended from this appropriation for citizen monitoring of air, land, water pollution activities unless specifically authorized in future State legislation.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In all seriousness, the intent of introducing this amendment was to raise concern about the Department of Environmental Protection of what I consider abrogating its responsibility for protecting and monitoring environmental quality to the citizens of the Commonwealth.

I wanted to make sure that this is not the direction that this department was headed in. It is a concern, I might add, Mr. Speaker, that the ag community has and specifically the Ag Advisory Committee to the DEP. They have and we have good reason to be concerned, and we need to ensure that DEP addresses

many unsolved issues such as the quality of the data and the liability of landowners before continuing such programs, and I wanted to make sure, Mr. Speaker, that these monitoring programs were not the official monitoring activities of the department.

It is and always should be the primary responsibility of DEP to ensure that the citizens of Pennsylvania have drinking water that is clean and safe. We should not trade citizen monitoring for DEP monitoring, Mr. Speaker. The taxpayers of this Commonwealth deserve a DEP that does not abrogate that responsibility by privatizing through monitoring volunteer groups their responsibility.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will yield; the gentleman will yield for a moment.

### FILMING PERMISSION

The SPEAKER. The Chair advises the members that permission has been granted to Paul Vathis to take still photographs on the floor for the next 15 minutes.

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And therefore, at this time, Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw this amendment, because it may unintentionally affect educational grants to school water-quality programs, and, Mr. Speaker, I would like to submit for the record some other remarks.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order. Kindly submit your remarks to the desk.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Amendment 1036 is withdrawn.

### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

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

I have introduced this amendment to raise concerns about DEP's abrogation of its responsibilities for protecting and monitoring environmental quality to that of citizens monitoring programs. A1036 would provide for legislative oversight prior to the Department of Environmental Protection becoming involved in citizen volunteer monitoring programs.

Despite the scare tactics and politically orientated environmental alert being used by DEP that states that "House Democrats are trying to end citizen monitoring," my environment record speaks for itself. I support and promote the importance of water quality and environmental protection. To continue to protect Pennsylvania's environment we must make sure accurate information is being utilized and collected and that it is done so by the proper authority.

It is my concern and the concern of the agriculture community that we ensure that DEP address the following issues before implementing a program such as the Citizens Volunteer Monitoring Program.

We are concerned that DEP is attempting to disregard its responsibility of the protection and quality of Pennsylvania's water to citizen monitoring organizations. I want to make sure that these monitoring programs are not the official monitoring activities of the department. It is the primary

responsibility of DEP to ensure that the citizens of Pennsylvania are drinking clean, safe water.

We should not trade citizen monitoring for DEP monitoring. The taxpayers of this Commonwealth deserve a DEP that does not abrogate that responsibility.

I introduced this amendment because I wanted to make sure that this is not the direction we are headed. The monitoring by citizen organizations is not just a concern of the agricultural community but of the environmental organizations as well. They realize that "this is a DEP that currently answers to the worst environmental Governor we have had in my lifetime." This is a quote from a leader of one of the most trusted, effective, and respected environmental organizations in PA.

We have good reason to be concerned about the integrity, accuracy, and security of the data collected and the effect it could have on land-use policies. I want to know what safeguards are there to ensure the proper use of this data. We should all be concerned about use of this data, especially when the Secretary of DEP says, and I quote, "Quality data collected by citizen volunteers may be used by local decision-makers to guide land management policies for protection of water resources. Given the unique political structure of the Commonwealth, most critical decisions are made at the municipal level." That could mean over 2,000 different local policies for water quality and land management.

Yet another area of concern is that of the liability of landowners and their private property rights. DEP has yet to answer that question; all they say is that "property owners may have some limited protection from liability but that it is impossible to assure complete protection from liability."

At this time I would like to withdraw this amendment because it may unintentionally affect educational grants to school water-quality programs. I want to make sure that it is understood that the tradeoff of DEP-mandated responsibilities will not be tolerated.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. STURLA offered the following amendment No. A1037:

Amend Sec. 801, page 174, lines 23 and 24, by striking out all of said lines and inserting  
distributed based on vehicle miles traveled.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, yesterday I distributed some information to members regarding this amendment. It deals with the \$50 million that is in the budget currently for road maintenance.

The way that money is currently distributed, 50 percent of the distribution is based on lane miles, 50 percent is based on vehicle miles. I think there is something inherently wrong with distributing along that formula line. The fact of the matter is that what generates road dollars is vehicle miles or gas taxes. Lane miles do not generate any dollars; they actually cost dollars, and on top of that, the roads that get beat up the most are the ones that have the most vehicles traveling on them. You can build a road out in the middle of nowhere, and if nobody ever travels on the road, it will last for a fairly long time. When you have 10,000 cars a day passing on that road and trucks carrying heavy weights pounding

on that road, that road needs more maintenance. The formula that I am proposing recognizes that change and that need for change.

Now, in the information that I passed out yesterday, it is pointed out that there are 17 counties that would receive increases as a result of this. The interesting thing is that in those 17 counties resides 70 percent of the State's population. Also, 70 percent of the members of the legislature reside in those counties and represent those counties.

I would urge members to understand the ramifications of this bill. This is not for everyone. This is not a partisan thing. There are members on both sides of the aisle that lose, but there are more members on both sides of the aisle that gain as a result of this, to have increased road funding for their districts on the roads that need it the most.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Geist.

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

Not too long ago this House went through a very long and arduous debate on this whole process. This is not the place or the time to redo it as an amendment form.

I would urge a "no" vote on this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Belfanti.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I join my colleague, Representative Geist, in opposing this amendment. I would ask that those of us that live in the middle of nowhere across the State pay particular attention to this amendment before they put their vote up.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. Mr. Speaker, I stand to support the Sturla amendment. In the Lehigh Valley we do not get our fair share of tax dollars for road maintenance, and I know that this amendment would help all the people in the Lehigh Valley from Northampton and Lehigh Counties.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a negative vote on this amendment. Last year I tried unsuccessfully to have this money given out on the basis of some type of an objective assessment of need. What is in the bill now, which gives it out 50 percent on the basis of the number of vehicle registrations and 50 percent on the amount of highway that you have in the county, is better than giving it out strictly on the basis of the number of vehicle registrations without any regard whatsoever to how many miles of bad highway there might be in that jurisdiction.

The real fallacy in the gentleman's amendment is that it assumes that nobody ever drives on roads outside of his own county, and therefore, nobody ever cares whether the interstate highway system or four-lane highways that are major arteries in this State ever get fixed. That is a fallacy, Mr. Speaker. If we want to fix those roads, if we want to have the ability to drive from one end of the State to the other on decent highways, then we need to reject this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Daley.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to this amendment. For those counties surrounding the city of Pittsburgh, this has an adverse effect on all those counties and the funding for those counties, and I ask for a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, a previous speaker said that this formula is based on vehicle registrations. This has nothing to do with vehicle registrations. In fact, this formula recognizes when people travel in other counties outside their own, because it is based on vehicle miles traveled. It is where people actually drive. It has nothing to do with roads where people do not drive; it has to do with roads where people drive. It is the vehicle miles that are taken into account in this, not the vehicle registration.

I will point out the counties where there are people that drive substantial amounts of miles, irregardless of the amount of roads that there are and those things. Those counties are Allegheny, Philadelphia, Montgomery, Delaware, Bucks, Dauphin, Chester, Lehigh, Lancaster, Cumberland, Berks, Luzerne, Northampton, York, Westmoreland, Lackawanna, Monroe, and Butler. It has nothing to do with the number of cars that are there; it has to do with the number of miles that are driven on those roads. The roads in those counties are getting beat up every day with tens of thousands of cars, and what some of the members of the legislature are suggesting is that we ought to take those tax dollars that are generated by those people driving on those lane miles and ship them somewhere else in the State so that they can have a nice road, so that 10 or 12 cars can drive on a nice road.

All I am suggesting is, I want to drive on good roads everywhere I drive in this State. The way to do that is to recognize where people drive on those lane miles. This formula that I am proposing recognizes that fact, and I would urge members in those 17 counties that I mentioned, which represent 70 percent of the State's population, to vote "yes" on this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Fargo.

Mr. FARGO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Last year this particular formula was studied by our committee through the committee structure, through compromise, and a lot of other factors that were involved to make it a fair formula, which had not been fair for many, many years, and when we finally got it to that particular point and it was passed last year, I feel that that is the process that should be followed. We ended up with a formula that was fair to everyone in Pennsylvania finally after many years of not having fair formulas.

So I think that now is not nor is this the way to change an item which affects so many of us, through an amendment in the budget process. If this is to be changed, it should be run through the committee, as other bills that affect so many of us are, and get a complete study of it to find what is the correct procedure.

I would very strongly say that this amendment should be defeated.

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Williams.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Sturla amendment. I represent Upper Merion Township and King of Prussia, which is a wonderful place to visit. It is not a wonderful place to get stuck in

traffic. We have over 100,000 cars coming through our area every day, and this amendment would help us and help the rest of the very populated Montgomery County. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sainato.

Mr. SAINATO. I rise to oppose the Sturla amendment.

I have to agree with the chairman of the Transportation Committee. This is something that has serious ramifications, to put something like this out on the House floor when we are going to be debating over 200-and-some amendments the next couple hours and days. I think any changes should be made through the House Transportation Committee. That is what we have the committee for. This could have some devastating effects, especially for many of the rural counties in Pennsylvania. Many of these counties still have not gotten their fair share of additional revenues that were generated last year. This would only make matters worse.

I strongly urge my colleagues, especially from rural Pennsylvania, to vote against this amendment. If any changes do need to be made, we do have a Transportation Committee with two fine, able legislators in charge of it, and I think they should have the opportunity to have hearings and discuss any types of changes that need to be made. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Michlovic.

Mr. MICHLOVIC. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, several of the preceding gentlemen argued that we ought not to pass this amendment, using the term "fair," having a fair share. I would remind the members of the House that the wear on that road is determined by the number of cars and trucks that pass over that road, and that is where, if you are thinking of fairness and really trying to address the problems of the State transportation system, our roadways, properly, that is what you are going to use as a basis for your consideration. What is the wear and tear on those roads?

And I will tell you, as one coming from one of the larger counties, and there are, if you take a look at the list here that the gentleman, Mr. Sturla, ticked off a little earlier, you know, we seem to sometimes have things backwards here. With 70 percent of the State's population in those counties, we ought to get some consideration, and here we have the tail wagging the dog. The larger counties are, because of the makeup of the Transportation Committee or some committee that is deciding the transportation system, the larger counties are time and again on this floor asked to give up a larger share of, you know, road revenues or other kinds of revenues to the smaller counties because their roads are so bad, and then when we come with our problems and our concerns and our position facing the quality of roads on a fair share on the wear of those roads, it is not listened to.

I think it is time that we in those larger counties stand up and say, no more of this. Seventy percent of the State's population is running over those roads time and again, we are wearing them out, and we are going to ship the money to the smaller counties? Baloney. Let us take a look at that list and vote accordingly, and let us get this amendment passed. It is a good amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Haluska.

Mr. HALUSKA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to remind the people that live in the urban areas not to forget the counties like Cambria, Indiana, and Armstrong, which produce all the coal that goes to the powerplants that power their

electricity in some of these areas. And the coal truck traffic, basically, is one of the biggest deterrents to our highways, and that is why we do need that money, to rebuild those roads, so everybody in the city of Philadelphia and the city of Pittsburgh have electricity in their homes. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sather.

Mr. SATHER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

You know, I have heard a lot of comments about who got what and who did what to whom, but if I recall in the debate that we had over the gas tax, or revenue enhancement, excuse me, the vote that occurred and what took place in that debate, mass transit was an important part of that legislation. So to say that the rural counties received all the benefits of that legislation is not true, and I think that members on this floor ought to be guided by that, the fact that mass transit did receive a significant portion of that increase.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, on this amendment, the formula under this amendment is good for my county. I guess that does not come as a surprise when we understand the author and the sponsor of the amendment. So for myself, I will be voting "yes."

We have supplied, however, for all of the members in our caucus a printout of exactly how this amendment impacts your county and your district under PennDOT's various districts. So I would just encourage all members, particularly on our side, to pay attention to what the reallocation would mean in their respective counties in determining how you will vote individually. Thank you very much.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER. Have all the members voted? Have all the members read the printout?

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—137

Adolph	Eachus	McNaughton	Semmel
Argall	Evans	Melio	Smith, B.
Armstrong	Fichter	Michlovic	Snyder, D. W.
Bard	Flick	Micozzie	Staback
Barley	Gannon	Miller	Stairs
Barrar	Gigliotti	Mundy	Steil
Battisto	Gladeck	Myers	Stetler
Belardi	Godshall	Nailor	Stevenson
Bishop	Gruppo	O'Brien	Strittmatter
Blaum	Habay	Olasz	Sturla
Boscola	Harhai	Oliver	Tangretti
Browne	Harhart	Orie	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Hennessey	Perzel	Thomas
Butkovitz	Hershey	Pesci	Tigue
Buxton	Horsey	Petrone	Travaglio
Caltagirone	James	Pippy	Trello
Carr	Jarolin	Pistella	True

Casorio	Josephs	Platts	Tulli
Cawley	Kaiser	Preston	Vance
Civera	Keller	Ramos	Van Horne
Clymer	Kenney	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, L. I.	Kirkland	Readshaw	Walko
Cohen, M.	Lawless	Reber	Washington
Cornell	Lederer	Reinard	Waugh
Corpora	Leh	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Levdansky	Robinson	Williams, C.
Cowell	Maher	Roebuck	Wogan
Curry	Manderino	Rohrer	Wojnaroski
Daily	Markosek	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Marsico	Ross	Youngblood
Dent	Masland	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dermody	Mayernik	Santoni	
DiGirolamo	McGeehan	Saylor	Ryan,
Donatucci	McGill	Schroder	Speaker
Druce	McIlhinney	Schuler	

#### NAYS—61

Allen	Egolf	Jadlowiec	Sainato
Baker	Fairchild	Krebs	Sather
Belfanti	Fargo	LaGrotta	Scrimenti
Benninghoff	Feese	Laughlin	Serafini
Birmelin	Fleagle	Lescovitz	Seyfert
Boyes	Geist	Lloyd	Shaner
Brown	George	Lucyk	Smith, S. H.
Cappabianca	Gordner	Lynch	Steelman
Chadwick	Gruitza	Maitland	Stern
Clark	Haluska	Major	Surra
Colafiglia	Hanna	McCall	Trich
Colaizzo	Hasay	McIlhattan	Veon
Coy	Herman	Nickol	Wilt
Daley	Hess	Phillips	Yewcic
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Roberts	Zug
DeWeese			

#### NOT VOTING—1

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#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

#### BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. HB 2281 will go over temporarily.

#### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to page 10 of today's calendar. Prior to doing that, however, the Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House, as the guests of Representative Caltagirone, students and faculty of Alvernia College in Reading, Pennsylvania, seated in the gallery. Would these guests please acknowledge their presence.



And here as the guest of Representative DiGirolamo, Mr. John Harbison, a teacher at Holy Family College. Mr. Harbison is seated in the balcony. Would he please rise.

### RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time is going to take up a nonprivileged resolution concerning a former long-term employee of this House.

Mr. BARLEY called up **HR 386, PN 3241**, entitled:

A Resolution expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of K. Paul Muench.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I find it to be certainly fitting, as we are debating the budget, to recognize a long-term staff member who served on the Appropriations Committees throughout the years, and I would like to take this time to just recognize the achievements of Mr. Paul Muench.

In the words of those who worked with Paul Muench and knew him well:

"Paul was like a member of our family. He was generous, a protector, and so funny. He was a walking encyclopedia, a book of knowledge; a true and unforgettable legend."

"Paul was a principled guide to all who worked with him. His work ethic, wit, wisdom, and ability is missed."

"Paul Muench was one of the most caring, warmhearted, and generous persons that I have ever known. Paul represented the best of public service — hardworking, honest, forthright, and knowledgeable. I valued his friendship more than words can express."

Paul Muench passed away January 23 at the age of 76. Born in 1921 in Delaware County, Mr. Muench graduated from Upper Darby High School and attended Franklin and Marshall College.

In 1942 he enrolled in the Army and served his tour of duty during World War II in the military police and rose to the rank of captain.

Mr. Muench began his distinguished tenure of service with the Commonwealth in 1963 as a budget analyst with the Department of Health and served there until 1965 when he took a position as budget analyst in the Governor's Office of the Budget.

He served as chief legislative analyst to the Secretary of Administration and the Budget Secretary from 1970 through 1971 and was executive director of the Senate Appropriations Committee from 1970 through 1980.

From 1980 through 1997, Paul was a budget analyst with the House Appropriations Committee.

He was a member of the State Employees' Retirement Board, and he was the legislative designee of Representative Steve Nickol to the Public School Employees' Retirement Board from 1995 until this year.

In every aspect of his life, Mr. Muench exemplified the finest virtues of dedication, ability, leadership, and integrity, and he is missed by all who knew and loved him.

On behalf of the House of Representatives, I ask all of us to recognize with great sadness the passing of Paul Muench, beloved family member and devoted contributor to his Commonwealth and country, and we extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Phyllis; to his daughters, Susan Paige, Patricia Smith, and Judy Shindel; and to his three grandchildren and to his two great-grandchildren.

We all miss him. We are thankful for the privilege that we have had to know him. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The SPEAKER. Those in favor will kindly rise and maintain silence for a moment in honor of the memory of Paul Muench. Guests will please rise.

(Whereupon, the members of the House and all visitors stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of K. Paul Muench.)

The SPEAKER. The resolution is unanimously adopted.

Mr. DeWEESE. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Just for one moment from this side of the aisle on Paul.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. DeWEESE. No one can argue the poignancy of the gentleman from Lancaster's remarks. Just one thing to add to those observations.

I think Paul was quintessentially bipartisan in his social views. As someone who is here often on Thursdays and spends a lot of time with Buster and Tony and the occasional member who walks into the members' lounge on Thursdays, they can appreciate the kinds of jokes, humor — much of it at my expense, I might add — that came from Paul, and it is longtime career State workers, and I doff my hat to not only Paul but to State workers, our staff, each one of our staff, and especially those who endure, as Mr. Barley indicated, over decades and decades in our midst.

But as I give up the microphone, my memories of Paul will be the joking and happy exchanges by Democrats and Republicans, one and all, in the members' lounge. Not once, not once did he ever walk through there without a happy reflection. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and agrees with him: Paul had a good subject to make fun of.

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time returns to the amendment offered by the gentleman, Mr. Belardi, which has already been read by the clerk.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belardi.

Mr. BELARDI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment that we spoke about before and had a brief conference on is about grants to augment PENNVEST loans for local sewage construction projects, helpful for PENNVEST to help our local authorities to help keep costs down for our local property owners and taxpayers that are experiencing the high costs of sewage construction projects and to hook up to the new sewer systems.

I have asked my colleagues to please urge and consider voting "yes" for this. I believe that it is a worthy amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman, Mr. Belardi.

Mr. Barley, on the Belardi amendment.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We feel there may be a bit of a problem with the language in this amendment, but the intent of the amendment is certainly, you know, I think directed very well, and we may, as we would attempt to implement it, be required to make some changes. But at the present time, because of the intent of the amendment, I do support it and urge the members to do likewise.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to salute Representative Belardi for the worthy goals of his amendment. I regrettably will be voting against it due to its reduction in the appropriation for environmental protection operations.

Mr. Speaker, this line item is the bulk of moneys for the regulatory programs of the Department of Environmental Protection to protect the air, land, and streams of the Commonwealth. Current funding levels are not what they should be. Staffing levels are down, and although I do not have as many facts and figures as I would like, I can speak from personal experience that when I have called for various projects in my district, various situations which needed to be taken care of, staffing was just not what it should be.

Again, Mr. Speaker, although I salute the maker of this amendment, I believe that reducing funding levels for environmental protection is the wrong direction to go. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Serafini, on the question of the adoption of the Belardi amendment.

Mr. SERAFINI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just like Representative Belardi, I, too, have those same concerns for my district where people are paying exorbitant amounts of money to save the environment through the installation of central sewer projects and infrastructure development. This legislation complements the Department of Environmental Protection by fixing the problem now instead of waiting later for major problems of pollution and afterthought remedies.

I support the amendment and compliment the sponsor. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—191

Allen	Donatucci	Lucyk	Sainato
Argall	Druce	Lynch	Santoni
Armstrong	Eachus	Maher	Sather
Baker	Egolf	Maitland	Saylor
Bard	Evans	Major	Schroder
Barley	Fairchild	Manderino	Schuler
Barrar	Fargo	Markosek	Scrimenti
Battisto	Feese	Marsico	Semmel
Belardi	Fichter	Masland	Serafini
Benninghoff	Fleagle	Mayernik	Seyfert
Birmelin	Flick	McCall	Shaner
Bishop	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Blaum	Geist	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Boscola	George	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Boyes	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Staback
Brown	Gladeck	McNaughton	Stairs
Browne	Godshall	Melio	Steelman
Bunt	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Butkovitz	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Buxton	Gruppo	Mundy	Stevenson
Caltagirone	Habay	Myers	Strittmatter
Cappabianca	Haluska	Nailor	Sturla
Carn	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Carone	Harhai	O'Brien	Tangretti
Casorio	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cawley	Hasay	Oliver	Thomas
Chadwick	Hennessey	Orie	Tigue
Civera	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Clark	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Clymer	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cohen, L. I.	Horsey	Phillips	True
Cohen, M.	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Colaella	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Colaizzo	James	Platts	Van Home
Cornell	Jarolin	Preston	Veon
Corpora	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Corrigan	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cowell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Coy	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Daley	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dally	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dent	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dermoddy	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
DiGirolamo	Levdansky	Rubley	

#### NAYS—6

Adolph	Miller	Vitali	
Lloyd	Steil		Ryan, Speaker

#### NOT VOTING—2

Belfanti	Wogan
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#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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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 recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca, who offers amendment 1038.

On the amendments that have been distributed, this may carry Mr. Evans' name at the top of the amendment. That is amendment 1038.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca, who offers that amendment, which the clerk will now read.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **CAPPABIANCA** offered the following amendment No. **A1038**:

Amend Sec. 208, page 37, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
development, with no funds to be  
expended until the department issues  
program guidelines with the secretary  
noting the approval and recommendations  
from the department's Emergency Food  
Advisory Committee on use of these funds.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca.

Mr. **CAPPABIANCA**. This one is being withdrawn for another amendment, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.  
1038 is withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **BENNINGHOFF** offered the following amendment No. **A1039**:

Amend Sec. 212, page 62, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 49,089,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 97, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 254,531,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Benninghoff.

Mr. **BENNINGHOFF**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I ask for support of an amendment to add additional funding to our public schools for vocational education. This would be \$2.4 million for vocational ed.

Many of us have heard from our business sector that these individuals are coming out without the training that they need to get good jobs. Many of us feel strongly about education. I feel this is an opportunity for us to be able to support this.

This money is being provided by a reallocation of money from the cash grant assistance. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—191

Adolph	Eachus	Major	Saylor
Allen	Egolf	Manderino	Schroder
Argall	Fairchild	Markosek	Schuler
Armstrong	Fargo	Marsico	Scrimenti
Baker	Feese	Masland	Semmel
Bard	Fichter	Mayernik	Serafini
Barley	Fleagle	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Flick	McGeehan	Shaner
Battisto	Gannon	McGill	Smith, B.
Belardi	Geist	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	George	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Staback
Birmelin	Gladeck	Melio	Stairs
Bishop	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Blaum	Gruitza	Micozzie	Steil
Boscola	Gruppo	Miller	Stern
Boyes	Habay	Mundy	Stetler
Brown	Haluska	Myers	Stevenson
Browne	Hanna	Nailor	Strittmatter
Bunt	Harhai	Nickol	Sturla
Butkovitz	Harhart	O'Brien	Surra
Buxton	Hasay	Olasz	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hennessey	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Herman	Orie	Thomas
Carone	Hershey	Perzel	Travaglio
Casorio	Hess	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Horsey	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Hutchinson	Phillips	True
Clark	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	James	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Platts	Van Horne
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Preston	Veon
Colafella	Kaiser	Ramos	Vitali
Colaizzo	Keller	Raymond	Walko
Cornell	Kenney	Readshaw	Washington
Corpora	Kirkland	Reber	Waugh
Corrigan	Krebs	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	LaGrotta	Rieger	Williams, C.
Curry	Laughlin	Roberts	Wilt
Daley	Lawless	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lederer	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Leh	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Rooney	Youngblood
Dent	Levdansky	Ross	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lucyk	Rubley	Zug
DeWeese	Lynch	Sainato	
DiGirolamo	Maher	Santoni	Ryan,
Donatucci	Maitland	Sather	Speaker
Druce			

#### NAYS—4

Cawley	Gordner	Lloyd	Tigue
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## NOT VOTING—4

Cappabianca Coy Evans Wogan

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. BROWNE offered the following amendment No. A1040:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 19 and 20  
For grants to school districts to be used  
as matching funds to participate in  
federally funded Head Start programs.

State appropriation . . . . . 2,500,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 97, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 254,432,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Browne.

Mr. BROWNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In order to improve the chances of our at-risk youth in the Commonwealth, I believe we cannot underestimate the value of early childhood programs. Recent studies have consistently shown that enrollment in early childhood programs helps at-risk youth overcome developmental and cognitive delays, allowing them to be more prepared for primary education. This is why other States are investing a tremendous amount of resources in early childhood programs and why it was the number one priority of the Legislative Commission on Urban Schools.

Head Start, as a lot of the members know, is one such program. An investment in Head Start, studies have shown for every \$1, it saves taxpayers \$7 in long-term remediation costs. Because of the limits on Federal spending on this program, only 40 percent of those children who could qualify actually can enroll in Head Start.

Amendment 1040 provides matching money for school districts of \$2.5 million, those school districts that participate in Head Start. It is revenue neutral, taking money out of the cash-grant line, which is appropriate due to recalculation of declining caseloads in the next fiscal year.

If the General Assembly is serious about standards, serious about any social promotion in our schools, I believe that this is a competent amendment, and I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman from the Lehigh Valley consent to interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Lehigh County indicates he will stand for interrogation. You may begin.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this takes away \$2.5 million in cash grants. Why is this money available?

Mr. BROWNE. We did a recalculation of the caseload for the next fiscal year, determined that it is declining by enough to afford this appropriation. So the cash-grant line, the estimate in the cash-grant line that was made in the Governor's budget, is an overestimate, and we believe there is enough flexibility there to provide for money for Head Start.

Mr. COHEN. So this will not require further cuts in eligibility?

Mr. BROWNE. No; absolutely not, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. COHEN. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Druce	Maitland	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Major	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Manderino	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Markosek	Scrimenti
Baker	Fargo	Marsico	Semmel
Bard	Feese	Masland	Serafini
Barley	Fichter	Mayernik	Seyfert
Barrar	Fleagle	McCall	Shaner
Battisto	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Belardi	Gannon	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Geist	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	George	McIlhinney	Staback
Birmelin	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stairs
Bishop	Gladeck	Melio	Steelman
Blaum	Godshall	Michlovic	Steil
Boscola	Gordner	Micozzie	Stern
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruppo	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Habay	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Haluska	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Hasay	Oliver	Thomas
Cam	Hennessey	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	True
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colafella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Ryan, Speaker
Donatucci	Maher		

## NAYS-2

Cawley

Tigue

## NOT VOTING-1

Evans

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

Ms. CARONE offered the following amendment No. A1041:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 12,853,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 43, line 2, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 1,000,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to ask the members to support my amendment. This amendment is being offered because recently there was a major meeting here in the legislature to invite all House and Senate members as well as our county planning directors to come to Harrisburg to gain information about growing smart, for us to be able to plan so that we can continue to have our great resources and have viable communities in which people can live and enjoy.

The county planning directors from several counties urged us to increase the amount of money in the State planning assistance grants. They are presently at \$375,000 to be used statewide, their matching grants. So because of their interest, I also had a meeting back home last week that I was able to attend, an exciting meeting, where boroughs and townships in Butler County came together to promote working together, and the big question asked of me was, can there not be more State dollars available for us to use to be able to plan and develop our growth? Because the SPAG (State planning assistance grant) amount is only at \$375,000, I have asked to increase that to \$1 million.

I chose to take it, because I had to take it from somewhere, the marketing to attract tourists, because we argue that Pennsylvania's memories last a lifetime, and if we are going to have our wonderful State treasures — our parks, our historical sites, like Valley Forge, McConnells Mill State Park, Moraine State Park — we need to be able to have planned our communities around them to be attractive, exciting places for people to visit and want to return.

I would ask for a positive vote on this amendment. Thank you. The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, will the lady from Butler indicate to her knowledge what the effect of reducing the money from tourism has on the tourism budget?

Ms. CARONE. Mr. Speaker, I am unaware that this will have a major impact on the tourism budget. You may recall that last evening we increased that same line item by additional money. So there is more money in it already than what the Ridge administration asked for. And of course, the big issue is that throughout this State and especially in the Harrisburg area—

The SPEAKER. The lady will yield; the lady will yield, please.

There are too many conferences on the floor in the vicinity of the lady, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The lady will yield.

Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Throughout the State in the past several years, Mr. Tom Hylton has been promoting his book "Save Our Land, Save Our Towns." He has argued and we have listened to him in both caucuses and all throughout the State in many audiences arguing for creating quality communities and having Pennsylvania's treasures be protected. Thus for tourism, my argument is I had to take it from somewhere, so that if we can do planning, we will save those treasures and we will have tourists coming not once but many times.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further questions for the lady. I would like to speak for a minute.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the lady from Butler is not completely clear on the impact this has on the tourism budget, nor am I an expert on the intricacies of the tourism budget. Mr. Godshall has given me some information which creates disturbance in my mind, and Mr. Godshall will speak for himself with the specifics of the information. It does seem to me, though, that tourism is a major industry in Pennsylvania, and to the degree we take this exercise seriously, we ought to look negatively on cutting the tourism budget. The tourism budget is a key for economic growth in this Commonwealth, and therefore, I would very regretfully urge a "no" vote on this amendment.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. Kaiser, desire to be recognized?

Mr. KAISER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to be against amendment 1041.

As a member of the Tourism Committee, it is predicted that within 5 years, tourism will be the number one industry in Pennsylvania. Right now it is agriculture. Unfortunately, I wish we could turn the clock back 20, 30 years ago when heavy industry was the number one moneymaker in this State, but in the eighties, that all fell by the side. This year, Mr. Speaker, if I were still with U.S. Steel, I would have 21 years, but my steel mill now is just a vacant lot.

Tourism is going to attract many people all over the State, and it is most important that they are properly funded. I am not clear,

as my colleague is from Philadelphia, about this amendment, but I know it will hurt tourism, so I am against it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Godshall.

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

A couple weeks ago I wrote a letter which is appropriate in addressing this amendment, and I just want to share the first two paragraphs with you. I wrote to the Appropriations chairman in saying, "I am pleased to report that the most recent study by the U.S. Travel Data Center reported that Pennsylvania's tourism industry continues to demonstrate remarkable strength, growing 7% in 1996, generating approximately \$23 billion in economic impact and employing 424,000 Pennsylvanian's whose payroll exceeded \$7 billion.

"I believe a large part of these increases can be attributed to the aggressive tourism marketing effort which have all taken the lead in providing over the course of the past several years; a program which has grown from \$6 million in 1994-95 to a proposed \$13.478 million in 1998-99. This financial commitment has driven state and regional tourism promotional programs, luring tourists to the Commonwealth and bolstering our economy." That is the positive side, and now the negative.

Presently in Pennsylvania, we rank 40th in the country in the number of personnel in our State travel and tourism bureaus. I want to repeat that: Presently in Pennsylvania, we rank 40th in the country in the number of our personnel in the State travel and tourism bureaus. Right now we rank 23d in the nation in terms of advertising, which is doing the selling of the Commonwealth, the advertising of Pennsylvania. Media purchase and production is what make up the bulk of this item. Any reduction in our Pennsylvania marketing moneys will only exacerbate an already bad situation. We need to do more, not less.

Right now, we are spending less in advertising Pennsylvania than the States of Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and West Virginia. This amendment will take \$625,000 out of the projected increase in the advertising line item. We will have our tourism people, our county tourism people, coming to meet with us next Monday. We have the tourism dinner next Monday. If we want to send these people a message, it is not that we are going to decrease the proposed budget item for the marketing of Pennsylvania.

I ask for a negative vote.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Battisto.

Mr. BATTISTO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this amendment.

I certainly second Representative Godshall's words and simply add the fact that Pennsylvania, through the Governor's efforts and through our efforts, is increasing funding for tourism. Certainly we ought not to take money away from the industry that is the second largest in Pennsylvania, and we are trying to attract more and more foreign visitors to Pennsylvania and this country. Therefore, it is the last item that we should certainly deal with. If we want to really add money for planning grants, take it from some general government operations but not from tourism.

I strongly oppose this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Well, here we go again, pretending that we do not have millions of dollars that in fact we do have to spend on good programs. So once again we have set up an artificial conflict, in this case between planning grants for municipalities that want to maintain their local character and their natural beauty and tourism initiatives that are supposed to attract people to come to Pennsylvania to enjoy our small communities — their local character and their natural beauty.

If we do not help our small communities make the best of what they have, we are going to be inviting people to come to Pennsylvania to tour our strip malls, to spend money at Wal-Mart, to examine our potholes. Look, if we pave paradise and put up a parking lot, who is going to want to come?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Sainato.

Mr. SAINATO. Mr. Speaker, I also rise to oppose this amendment.

As a member of the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee, I have had an opportunity to see many areas in Pennsylvania and the economic dollars that are generated through tourism. Tourism is the second biggest industry in this State. In a few years, it is going to be the number one industry, and I think taking money away from that budget could have a devastating effect on Pennsylvania.

We have to look at the total picture, something that benefits all of us, and we have got some beautiful areas in Pennsylvania and we have got a lot of tourist attractions in all 67 counties in this State — 67 counties. Things you may not think of as tourism are in this State. And as our chairman of Tourism from Montgomery County says, next week there is a big tourism dinner in Pennsylvania, and the worst message we could send is, we are cutting the budget for tourism.

I think we have come a long way, a long way in tourism in Pennsylvania. I credit my colleague from Montgomery County for that, because I have been a member of that committee for 3 years. We have a long way to go, and I think opposing this amendment and voting "no" is the right thing to do for Pennsylvania, and it is the right thing to do for the tourism industry. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Gruppo.

Mr. GRUPPO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I represent part of the Lehigh Valley and the Pocono region, which are very important tourism to Pennsylvania. We must move forward, not backward, with funding tourism.

In the Lehigh Valley and the Poconos, we benefit from the tourism, yes, in the malls and the shops, in the gas stations, in the riding stables, in the skiing resorts, in the motels. In all the shops, it means jobs — jobs for the people of the area. It means an improvement to the economy of Pennsylvania, and I believe this is a bad amendment and we should defeat it. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have enjoyed very much the debate on this particular amendment, and what I am saying to you is we only have \$375,000 to be used statewide as matching grants for municipalities who want to join together or work separately to try to enable their part of Pennsylvania to be attractive for not only the people who live there but to bring people there to spend those tourist dollars. I have chosen to take it from this piece, because we

know we have to take it from somewhere when we run out of the early money, the surplus moneys.

For those of us who are going to vote against this amendment, I would say to you that you have also got to figure out how, very quickly, you can make certain that those treasures you want people to come visit can stay. Whether it is McConnells Mill State Park in Lawrence County or a State park in the eastern part of the State where people like to come, if we do not allow those municipalities to have those extra dollars, they cannot save it for you to go and convince people to come not once but over and over again.

If this amendment fails, as I suggest that it may with the number of people speaking against it, I would encourage you between now and the end of the budget season to figure out how we can assure that planning can take place at the grassroots level, where we are now saying it has to take place because we have nothing at the State level to encourage communities to save what is very important to them.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The lady, Mrs. Lederer.

Mrs. LEDERER. Mr. Speaker, as the Representative for the most historic mile in America, and from the city of Philadelphia where tourism is extremely important, I want to remind this body that this body appropriated many millions of dollars for the Pennsylvania Convention Center, and I think that a vote for this amendment would be contra to what we need in Pennsylvania to keep our Convention Center profitable and to make tourism more profitable than it is in Pennsylvania.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—48

Argall	Hennessey	Orie	Stetler
Buxton	James	Pesci	Sturla
Carone	Jarolin	Petrone	Tangretti
Colaizzo	Josephs	Pistella	Thomas
Corrigan	Kirkland	Preston	Trello
Curry	Krebs	Ramos	Trich
Daley	Levdansky	Robinson	Vance
Evans	Manderino	Rooney	Vitali
Fairchild	Masland	Rubley	Washington
Gruitza	McIlhinney	Serafini	Waugh
Hanna	Miller	Stairs	Williams, A. H.
Hasay	Myers	Steelman	Youngblood

#### NAYS—150

Adolph	Dempsey	Lederer	Ross
Allen	Dent	Leh	Sainato
Armstrong	Dermody	Lescovitz	Santoni
Baker	DeWeese	Lloyd	Sather
Bard	DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Schroder
Barley	Donatucci	Lynch	Schuler
Barrar	Druce	Maher	Scrimenti
Battisto	Eachus	Maitland	Semmel
Belardi	Egolf	Major	Seyfert
Belfanti	Fargo	Markosek	Shaner
Benninghoff	Feese	Marsico	Smith, B.

Birmelin	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Fleagle	McCall	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Flick	McGeehan	Staback
Boscola	Gannon	McGill	Steil
Boyes	Geist	McIlhattan	Stern
Brown	George	McNaughton	Stevenson
Browne	Gigliotti	Melio	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gladeck	Michlovic	Surra
Butkovitz	Godshall	Micozzie	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Gordner	Mundy	Tigue
Cappabianca	Gruppo	Nailor	Travaglio
Cam	Habay	Nickol	True
Casorio	Haluska	O'Brien	Tulli
Cawley	Harhai	Olasz	Van Home
Chadwick	Harhart	Oliver	Veon
Civera	Herman	Perzel	Walko
Clark	Hershey	Phillips	Williams, C.
Clymer	Hess	Pippy	Wilt
Cohen, L. I.	Horse	Platts	Wogan
Cohen, M.	Hutchinson	Raymond	Wojnaroski
Colafella	Jadlowiec	Readshaw	Wright, M. N.
Cornell	Kaiser	Reber	Yewcic
Corpora	Keller	Reinard	Zimmerman
Cowell	Kenney	Rieger	Zug
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	
Dally	Laughlin	Roebuck	Ryan,
DeLuca	Lawless	Rohrer	Speaker

#### NOT VOTING—1

Saylor

#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. Amendment 1042 has been covered under a prior printer's number.

The gentleman, Mr. Sturla, withdraws 1043.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. STURLA offered the following amendment No. A1044:

Amend Sec. 218, page 85, line 29, by inserting after "Affairs." Up to \$100,000 of this appropriation shall be used to provide maintenance and security services for pilot community service projects using the Commonwealth facilities.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is a rather simple amendment. It takes \$100,000 from the general government operations of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and uses it for a pilot program within National Guard units to be used at armories throughout the State.

Currently what is going on at the armories around the State of Pennsylvania is that they are actually pretty nice facilities. They oftentimes have gyms, they have basketball courts, athletic equipment, and various other amenities. Unfortunately, most of the time, even though those people at the National Guard tell me that they would like to open these facilities to the community for youth programs, what they need in order to do that is a janitor, a maintenance man, someone to lock up the building at night, and those personnel do not exist because there is no money in the budget for them.

What this would do is allow for a small stipend of money to be used to experiment to see whether if we hire some people like that, we can create some of those community programs and get a big bang for our buck in terms of facilities. If you had to go buy those kinds of facilities, it would cost millions of dollars. For \$100,000, we think we can give a lot of the communities throughout the State access to those facilities just by allowing someone to come in and open and close the doors at night and maybe sweep up afterwards.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—197

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	George	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Micozzie	Stettler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali

Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Maher	Saylor	

NAYS—1

Haluska

NOT VOTING—1

Lawless

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. It is the understanding of the Chair that amendment 1045 is withdrawn.

Packet No. 10. It is the understanding of the Chair that Nos. 1047, 1048, and 1049 are all withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. STURLA offered the following amendment No. A1051:

Amend Sec. 206, page 32, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 558,128,000

Amend Sec. 225, page 120, by inserting between lines 18 and 19

For debt service on loans to municipal  
fire departments.

State appropriation . . . . . 2,300,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment takes \$2.3 million from the general obligation debt service line item and uses it specifically or



designates it specifically for payment on a bond issue to fund grants and loans for municipalities with fire departments, with paid fire departments.

Mr. Speaker, there have been a lot of members that support the volunteer fire companies throughout the State with the volunteer loan program, and I have supported that in the past, and all that we are asking, for those of us who represent areas that have paid fire departments, that we would have access to similar funds.

I am not taking anything away from the volunteer fire departments. There are hundreds of millions of dollars that have been loaned to those volunteer fire departments. This would allow for \$20 or \$25 million to be put out on a bond issue and loaned to municipalities that have paid fire departments, that oftentimes have a hard time buying equipment because of the constraints of budgets in the cities in which those fire departments exist.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—191

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Santoni
Allen	Donatucci	Lucyk	Saylor
Argall	Druce	Lynch	Schroder
Armstrong	Eachus	Maher	Schuler
Baker	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Bard	Evans	Manderino	Semmel
Barley	Fairchild	Markosek	Serafini
Barrar	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Battisto	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Belardi	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Flick	McCall	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGeehan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Stairs
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Strittmatter
Brown	Gordner	Micozzie	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Miller	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Mundy	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nickol	Tigue
Cappabianca	Harhai	O'Brien	Travaglio
Cam	Harhart	Olasz	Trello
Carone	Hasay	Oliver	Trich
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	True
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tulli
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Vance
Civera	Hess	Petrone	Van Home
Clark	Horse	Phillips	Veon
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vitali
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Walko
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Washington
Colafella	Jarolin	Preston	Waugh
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Williams, C.
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Wilt
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Wogan
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wojnaroski
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Yewcic
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Youngblood
Dally	Lawless	Rohrer	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Zug
Dempsey	Leh	Ross	

Dent  
Dermody  
DeWeese

Lescovitz  
Levdansky

Rubley  
Sainato

Ryan,  
Speaker

#### NAYS—8

Fargo  
Maitland

McIlhinney  
Reinard

Sather  
Smith, S. H.

Steil  
Stern

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair is advised that amendments 1052 and 1053 are withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. TRELLO offered the following amendment No. A1054:

Amend Sec. 201, page 20, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,904,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 27, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

For law enforcement equipment for  
sheriffs in counties of the second class.

State appropriation . . . . . 161,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman, Mr. Trello, on the floor?  
1054 will go over temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. 1055 has been withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. CAPPABIANCA offered the following amendment No. A1056:

Amend Sec. 208, page 37, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
development, provided that none of these funds may be expended until the department publishes in the Pennsylvania Bulletin program guidelines with the secretary noting the approval and recommendations from the department's Emergency Food Advisory Committee on use of these funds.

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cappabianca.

Mr. CAPPABIANCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Amendment 1056 is merely a language amendment. It neither increases nor decreases this appropriation.

Mr. Speaker, studies have indicated that those needing help are getting poorer, meaning that the level of assistance needed is much greater. This will put an increasing burden on food assistance networks, such as food banks. So it is even more important to ensure that the money we allocate for these programs is well spent.

This budget, as we know, includes a \$4-million line item that is intended to enhance and improve the delivery of emergency foods. The advisory committee for the emergency food assistance program in the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is, in my opinion, in the best position to determine where this money should be spent. Therefore, A1056, this amendment, adds language which would require guidelines be established prior to the spending of the \$4 million.

This amendment, Mr. Speaker, would ensure that the money which is intended to enhance and improve the delivery of emergency food does in fact do so and would provide that that department, the Department of Agriculture, issue program guidelines to be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin with the Secretary noting the approval and recommendations from the department Emergency Food Advisory Committee on the use of these funds.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I would ask for an affirmative vote on amendment 1056.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-197

Adolph	Druce	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Argall	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Feese	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.

Belfanti	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	George	McNaughton	Stelman
Bishop	Gigliotti	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Godshall	Micozzie	Stetler
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Home
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci	Maher	Saylor	

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-2

Civera Lawless

EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Trello, on amendment 1054, which has been read.

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

Mr. TRELLO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate that.  
Mr. Speaker, this amendment is for the law enforcement equipment for Allegheny County.

Quite some time ago, this General Assembly passed legislation that mandated photo identification cards for anyone that possesses

a firearm, but what we neglected to do is to appropriate money to buy the equipment to process those photo identification cards. The equipment that is used in Allegheny County right now is so outdated that anybody can duplicate it and counterfeit the card for the people, the recipients of those firearms, that have those ID cards, and what they are asking for is equipment to fight crime. What they are asking for, first of all, is equipment for firearm license photo ID, criminal bench warrants equipment, computer cash registers that identify each and every recipient's check, and equipment for a special response squad.

This is a \$161,000 appropriation. The appropriation is very, very small, but it will play a big part in fighting crime in Allegheny County, and I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I understand what my good friend is doing, and I just want to point out for all the members to be aware that this is an appropriation of \$161,000 for only one county in the State of Pennsylvania. It is a county of the second class, and that would be Allegheny County. So I just feel it is important that all members know that we are creating this special program for that one particular county.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Habay.

Mr. HABAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of that second-class county, Allegheny County, we want to strongly support the Allegheny County sheriffs. We recently had testimony from them on what they are doing in their narcotics unit in Allegheny County. We met with the sheriff last week, and we feel that these appropriations are necessary to fight crime within our county. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Trello.

Mr. TRELLO. Mr. Speaker, I certainly appreciate what the Appropriations chairman said, and I do not mean to be selfish about this, but if I would have known for 1 minute what the other counties might have needed to fight crime in those respective counties, I certainly would have offered the money that they would have needed, too. But Allegheny County is the only county that I am familiar with, and if we are going to fight crime and be successful, then I think this appropriation for Allegheny County is absolutely necessary to get the job done, and I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Godshall, are you seeking recognition on the Trello amendment?

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to interrogate the maker of the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will stand for interrogation. You may begin.

Mr. GODSHALL. Mr. Speaker, I think it was mentioned pertaining to a photo on gun permits. I think you were probably referring to right-to-carry permits. Is that correct?

Mr. TRELLO. No. If you remember, the legislature passed a bill which calls for the issuance of photo ID cards for anybody that gets a license to carry a firearm.

Mr. GODSHALL. That is a right-to-carry permit, right.

Mr. TRELLO. I did not hear that.

Mr. GODSHALL. That is a right-to-carry permit.

Mr. TRELLO. Yes; correct.

Mr. GODSHALL. And so you are asking for the photo ID, for money to be placed for the equipment to produce a photo ID for that right-to-carry permit in Allegheny County only.

Mr. TRELLO. That is correct.

Mr. GODSHALL. That was something we had discussed before — I think it was the Mayernik amendment when we had discussed that before — and we have no problem with that as long as it does not affect the rest of the State. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—110

Battisto	Eachus	Mayernik	Scrimenti
Belardi	Evans	McCall	Seyfert
Belfanti	Gigliotti	McGeehan	Shaner
Bishop	Gordner	McGill	Smith, B.
Blaum	Gruitza	Melio	Staback
Brown	Habay	Michlovic	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mundy	Steelman
Butkovitz	Hanna	Myers	Stetler
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Stevenson
Caltagirone	Horsev	Oliver	Sturla
Cappabianca	Jadlowiec	Orie	Surra
Carn	James	Pesci	Tangretti
Casorio	Jarolin	Petrone	Thomas
Cawley	Josephs	Pippy	Tigue
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Pistella	Travaglio
Colafella	Keller	Preston	Trello
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Ramos	Trich
Cornell	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Van Horne
Corpora	Laughlin	Reber	Veon
Corrigan	Lederer	Rieger	Vitali
Cowell	Lescovitz	Roberts	Walko
Coy	Levdansky	Robinson	Washington
Curry	Lloyd	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
Daley	Lucyk	Rooney	Williams, C.
DeLuca	Lynch	Sainato	Wojnaroski
Dermody	Maher	Santoni	Yewcic
DeWeese	Manderino	Saylor	Youngblood
Donatucci	Markosek		

#### NAYS—89

Adolph	Druce	Lawless	Schroder
Allen	Egolf	Leh	Schuler
Argall	Fairchild	Maitland	Semmel
Armstrong	Fargo	Major	Serafini
Baker	Feese	Marsico	Smith, S. H.
Bard	Fichter	Masland	Snyder, D. W.
Barley	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Steil
Barrar	Flick	McIlhinney	Stern
Benninghoff	Gannon	McNaughton	Strittmatter
Birmelin	Geist	Micozzie	Taylor, E. Z.
Boscola	George	Miller	True
Boyes	Gladeck	Nailor	Tulli
Browne	Godshall	Nickol	Vance
Carone	Gruppo	O'Brien	Waugh
Chadwick	Harhart	Perzel	Wilt
Civera	Hasay	Phillips	Wogan
Clark	Hennessey	Platts	Wright, M. N.
Clymer	Herman	Raymond	Zimmerman
Cohen, L. I.	Hershey	Reinard	Zug
Dally	Hess	Rohrer	
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Ross	Ryan,
Dent	Kenney	Ruble	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Krebs	Sather	

NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Itkin

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Sturla, who offers amendment 1058. The gentleman withdraws 1058. Thank you.

The gentleman withdraws 1059? No.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. STURLA offered the following amendment No. A1059:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 21, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	222,000
For the marketing of Pennsylvania public and private institutions of higher learning.	
State appropriation . . . . .	222,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, recent newspaper articles have pointed out that Pennsylvania has actually been losing population in the last 3 years, and part of that is due to the fact that we have young people leaving the State, and it has been hard to attract businesses also because we do not have the workforce that they are looking for in some cases. What this amendment proposes to do is to spend \$222,000 to promote the business, if you will, or the industry, if you will, of higher education in Pennsylvania.

We have a wealth of higher education institutions in Pennsylvania, both public and private. We should be marketing that industry, if you will, to the rest of the nation and perhaps the rest of the world. I know earlier in the debate for the budget here, we had passed an amendment to appropriate \$150,000 for the purpose of international marketing of Pennsylvania health care. What I am proposing is that we spend \$222,000 to promote those institutions of higher education in Pennsylvania.

Now, think about this: We spend a lot, millions of dollars, promoting the tourist industry in Pennsylvania, and it is to try and get people to come here and stay for a week and spend maybe \$1,000 or \$2,000. What I am proposing is that we spend some dollars trying to attract people to come here for 4 years at \$20,000 or \$25,000 a year, and if the studies are right, to stay here for the rest of their life. They also will have a tendency to come back,

even if they do leave after they have come here for their education, they will have a tendency to come back and visit friends that they have left in Pennsylvania.

I have taken the money for the \$222,000 by splitting the line item that had been set up for promotion of the film industry in Pennsylvania. Now, I know coming on the heels of the Oscars last night and people having stars in their eyes and thinking it would be great to jet off to Hollywood and spend some time with the stars and try and get them to come to Pennsylvania to promote the film industry, this might be a tough amendment, but I actually think if you look at it in real terms and in the reality of what we should be doing in Pennsylvania, an affirmative vote is the way to go here, to attract students to our institutions of higher learning and to promote Pennsylvania as the place to go if you are going to get a higher education. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Kaiser.

Mr. KAISER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The previous speaker was right, this is a very tough sell. I rise in opposition to the Sturla amendment.

"Deer Hunter," "Silence of the Lambs" — just two films shot in western Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, the Pittsburgh Film Office got its start in 1990, and since that time, it has helped in 48 feature and TV movies. It has brought \$190 million into western Pennsylvania.

Last night Matt Damon and Ben Affleck won an Academy Award for original screenplay in "Good Will Hunting." Those two young men within the next month will be in Pittsburgh to shoot "Dogma." I cannot tell you the good will those people, when they are finished with that movie, will take back to Hollywood.

This summer "Superman" will be in Pittsburgh. Pittsburgh will turn into Metropolis. Western Pennsylvania can provide any type of setting for the movie industry except the desert.

The competition is very fierce not only from New York and Cincinnati but from Vancouver. Vancouver is the number one place to shoot films in North America. Why is that? Because of the exchange rate and many government incentives.

What this amendment does basically is it guts the film industry here in Harrisburg. In Pittsburgh the film industry operates on a budget of a mere \$300,000, which comes from the hotel tax. That \$300,000 has brought in \$190 million since 1990. And if you go to Philadelphia, it is the same story. Since 1992 the Philadelphia Film Office has brought in \$150 million — "Rocky," "Twelve Monkeys," "Fallen," and just recently, "Beloved," starring Danny Glover. So you can see how important the film industry is not only to Pennsylvania but throughout the nation.

With this amendment, you will be gutting the marketing here in Harrisburg, and with that, that will be a death blow. The film industry will not survive this amendment. So if you want to see films being conducted in Pennsylvania, vote against this amendment.

I do want to say one thing about my colleague from Lancaster. Lancaster is an area that thrives on tourism. It is one of the biggest tourism attractions in Pennsylvania. A few years ago, a movie company produced a movie about Lancaster and the Amish called "Witness," starring Harrison Ford and Kelly McGillis. That was the number one attraction that brought people to Lancaster.

So please vote against this amendment. It is a bad amendment. It is a death blow to the film industry in Pennsylvania. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Godshall.

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We have, as was said earlier, a tremendous potential in Pennsylvania with all we have to offer, and we have a lot to offer the film industry. But we need a central focal point; we need somebody to contact. When the film people in Hollywood decide to make a picture, they need somebody to contact.

Recently the movie "Beloved" was completed in Philadelphia. It resulted in \$24 million actually being spent in the city of Philadelphia, actual dollars spent in the city of Philadelphia. The recognized spinoff is an additional \$72 million, creating an economic impact of the one movie of \$96 million, from the movie "Beloved."

Philadelphia has 10 people employed in their film office; Pittsburgh has 7 in their film office. The presence of Pennsylvania is almost nonexistent, with a single individual handling the total office responsibilities and duties. If you look what we have available here, the potential is tremendous. The State of Pennsylvania does benefit indirectly through the efforts of Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, but emphasis must be given to the development of a strong Pennsylvania office, not to complement Philadelphia and Pittsburgh but to lead the State of Pennsylvania's effort.

Right now the budget for the State of Pennsylvania and the film office here in Harrisburg is \$261,000, with one person. We are building this up with this budget, which was the budget that was given to us earlier, to \$444,000, which will build up the complement that we have here in our film office in Harrisburg. We need this effort. We cannot cut any of the \$444,000. We have States that actually have their own film office where they got \$2 million, \$3 million, \$4 million involved in their State film office. We are asking for \$444,000. This is an effort to cut it not only back to where it was this year but back to \$183,000, which would mean a loss of \$78,000 from where we presently are today.

I ask for a negative vote on this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Maitland.

Mr. MAITLAND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to this amendment.

This budget cuts the film promotion budget by more than 50 percent. These films are very beneficial to our State and have been very beneficial to my district in particular. The movie "Gettysburg," produced in Adams County, has produced 2 of the best years in tourism that we have had in Adams County in the last 20 years. We have ongoing PBS (Public Broadcasting Service) and other documentaries being filmed in the area, and there is a sequel to the movie "Gettysburg" called "Gods and Generals," some of which may be filmed in Gettysburg. This film promotion budget means jobs in my district, and I would like to see that money remain where it is in the budget.

Please vote "no" on the Sturla amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Gruppo.

Mr. GRUPPO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would just like to echo what some of the previous speakers have already said about the importance of the film budget. We have had a number of film crews in the Lehigh Valley area, in Easton and Bethlehem and even in the Pocono region. They come in on an increasing basis. They attract people. They stay overnight in motels. They use the facilities that are provided. It means jobs

to the local economy. I believe it is an important thing. We should do everything we can to defeat this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Dent.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of this amendment.

For a person who lives in the Lehigh Valley, where we have a great many private institutions of higher learning, I think for far too long we as Pennsylvanians have overlooked the economic impact of higher education, both public and private. Specifically, higher education is a great export industry, if you believe me, for Pennsylvania. All the numbers of foreign students and people from out of State who attend our institutions should not go unnoticed, and I would be prepared to argue that higher education is one of our largest industries in this Commonwealth. We should continue to market it. That is not to say that the film industry is insignificant. It is very significant. But if I am forced to choose between marketing higher education, which has a tremendous impact in Pennsylvania, or the entertainment industry, I am going to choose higher education.

Thank you, and I urge support of the amendment.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would also support higher education over films. I have followed very closely the expansion of jobs around the development of Widener University in Harrisburg. Whenever I go into center city and see the Philadelphia Community College, I am amazed at the huge growth in that area, due to the expansion of the Philadelphia Community College in an area that used to be my district and is now John Myers' district. The growth of LaSalle University has led to enormous spinoffs of jobs. I think that the question is, how do we most and best efficiently create and increase jobs in Pennsylvania, and I believe the Sturla amendment will create more jobs than the status quo in the budget. Either one will create jobs. The Sturla amendment, I believe, will create more jobs, and I therefore support the Sturla amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Very quickly, the current budget for the promotion of films in Pennsylvania is about the same as it is going to be after this amendment. What this amendment does is allow for us to promote an industry that has high-paying jobs, is a nonsmokestack industry, and will bring other jobs to Pennsylvania. When you go market to other businesses, you do not say, guess what; we actually filmed a film here 10 years ago. You say, here are educated people that we have existing in our State because we have a college system and we promote that college system and we attract the best and the brightest from around the world to come to Pennsylvania, and we would attract you as a business to come and use those resources.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-56

Belfanti	DeWeese	Laughlin	Roebuck
Bishop	Donatucci	Levdansky	Rooney
Blaum	Evans	Manderino	Santoni
Boscola	George	McCall	Serafini
Browne	Haluska	McGill	Staback
Caltagirone	Hanna	Mundy	Steelman
Carn	Harhart	Myers	Stetler
Cawley	Hasay	Oliver	Sturla
Cohen, M.	Herman	Pesci	Surra
Cowell	Horsey	Pistella	Thomas
Coy	James	Ramos	Trich
Daley	Jarolin	Rieger	Veon
Dent	Josephs	Roberts	Washington
Dermody	Kirkland	Robinson	Williams, C.

## NAYS-143

Adolph	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Allen	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Argall	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Armstrong	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Baker	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Bard	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Flick	McIlhatten	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Battisto	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Belardi	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stevenson
Birmelin	Godshall	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Tangretti
Brown	Gruitza	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tigue
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Travaglio
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Trello
Cappabianca	Hennessey	Orie	True
Carone	Hershey	Perzel	Tulli
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Vance
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Phillips	Van Horne
Civera	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vitali
Clark	Kaiser	Platts	Walko
Clymer	Keller	Preston	Waugh
Cohen, L. I.	Kenney	Raymond	Williams, A. H.
Colaella	Krebs	Readshaw	Wilt
Colaizzo	LaGrotta	Reber	Wogan
Cornell	Lawless	Reinard	Wojnaroski
Corpora	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Corrigan	Leh	Ross	Yewcic
Curry	Lescovitz	Rublely	Youngblood
Dally	Lloyd	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lucyk	Sather	Zug
Dempsey	Lynch	Saylor	
DiGirolamo	Maher	Schroder	Ryan,
Druce	Maitland	Schuler	Speaker
Eachus			

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Evans, withdraws amendment 1060.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. THOMAS offered the following amendment No. A1062:

Amend Sec. 219, page 102, line 14, by inserting after "Disabled."  
The department shall not assess or deduct  
any charge for processing any check issued  
under this appropriation.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment is, for the most part, revenue neutral in the sense that it only asks that we do not charge the elderly, disabled, and other members of the Pennsylvania community anymore, anymore on their small SSI (supplemental security income) check. As you know, the budget proposes to place an additional \$2.60 on the SSI checks that many of our elderly citizens receive. This would take the total deduction from their check to about \$7 and some cents.

People are suffering enough in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I think that this places an undue burden, an unnecessary burden, on a very vulnerable population in our community, and to that end, I ask members of both sides of the aisle to vote "yes" for this amendment that would remove that financial burden on a vulnerable member of the Pennsylvania population.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment certainly has merit, and I do not argue with the merit of the amendment. However, I do take issue with the gentleman when he presents the argument that it is revenue neutral. The amendment actually spends \$20 million or has a fiscal impact to the extent of \$20 million to the Commonwealth, and as we are all well aware, we have adopted HR 357, which requires all of our amendments to be revenue neutral or at least have the offset. This amendment does not have that, and therefore, I believe the amendment is out of order and would ask the Speaker for a ruling on that.

## AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The Speaker had this called to his attention and the attention of the Parliamentarian shortly before calling the amendment up and agrees with the gentleman, Mr. Barley, that it is not a revenue-neutral amendment, but rather, if the figures that were given to the Speaker are accurate — and I have no reason to think they are not accurate — it would be the equivalent of a \$20-million expenditure and therefore not revenue neutral and out of order.

Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I agree, and since it is just being brought to my attention, that there is a cost. However, I refer to this cost as not being a burden, since up until this year, until this budget, this is a cost that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has absorbed. The absorption started under the Casey administration, as we recall, because under the Casey administration, it was clearly felt and supported by members from both sides of this aisle that we need not be charging the elderly and disabled—

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas, this is not something that is open for debate. If you would care to come up and talk about it, I would be glad to talk to you about it, but it is not debatable. I found it out of order, unless you desire to appeal the order of the Chair.

Mr. THOMAS. Well, I am not going to appeal the order of the Chair.

The SPEAKER. It is either out of order or it is not out of order as I see it, and I see it as being out of order, and we are just not going to stretch the day by debating it.

Mr. THOMAS. Well, Mr. Speaker, if I may, I know that there is a subsequent amendment that does provide revenues so that this expense can be—

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas, this amendment is out of order. Now—

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Come on up and let us talk, but let us let the other amendments roll while we see if we can work something out.

Mr. THOMAS. Okay, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. WOGAN offered the following amendment No. A1068:

Amend Sec. 218, page 86, by inserting between lines 20 and 21  
For a Korean War Memorial in the  
metropolitan Philadelphia area.  
State appropriation . . . . . 100,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. That amendment is over temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. EACHUS offered the following amendment No. A1069:

Amend Sec. 202, page 22, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation . . . . . 27,071,000  
Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation . . . . . 12,478,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,000,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 40, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 20,000,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 41, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,800,000

Amend Sec. 214, page 71, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 56,236,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of that amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman.

The Chair at this time asks the lady, Mrs. Vance, to temporarily preside.

#### THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (PATRICIA H. VANCE) PRESIDING

Mr. EACHUS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This is a very simple amendment. It takes \$5 million and adds it to the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority, PIDA, which is one of our most effective flagship economic development programs in the Commonwealth. It has been proven that PIDA in Luzerne County has been effective in securing one-third of all of our economic development growth projects by our economic development entities in northeastern Pennsylvania. Over 6,100 jobs were created just in my county alone.

So I stand today and ask your support for this increase in funding for PIDA, and I appreciate your support. Thank you.

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

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like to call to the attention of the members of the House that what we are doing here is transferring \$5 million from various accounts, \$1½ million again from the tourism account, to PIDA. This amendment is unnecessary. We have already transferred \$5 million out of the surplus account, which was the Harhart amendment, amendment No. 946, to PIDA.

So we have already fully transferred an additional \$5 million to PIDA, and I would ask that we defeat this amendment, since what the amendment is trying to accomplish is already accomplished out of surplus. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Eachus, for the second time.

Mr. EACHUS. While I appreciate the comments of the chairman, I think he understands that it is important to shoot all the bullets in our chamber before we are finished, and I think it is important to try and make sure that this gets included in the final version, so I am being persistent about the inclusion of this \$5 million, simply because PIDA has been proven as a job creator in Pennsylvania, and I hope that members will support that proposal. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia County, Mr. Gordner.

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise to support this amendment.

I support the Governor's proposal in regard to Team Pennsylvania, and that program is now ongoing, and Team Pennsylvania contacts are now going out into our businesses around the State and asking them, what are your plans; what sort of programs do you need; what sort of funding do you need? And one of the things that they are hearing is that there is actually expansion going on in our State and many businesses are planning to expand within the next 12 months, and as a result of that, they are going to be looking at two programs. They are going to be looking at the Small Business First program, and they are going to be looking at the PIDA program.

Now, many of you know that PIDA used to be able to loan up to \$2 million. That has been cut back, and now they can loan only up to \$1 million. I believe they used to loan up to 50 or 60 percent of a project. Now they can only loan up to 40 percent of a project. That is the result of a lack of funding to be able to fully take care of the business needs in regard to that program. So what used to be a \$2-million-and-60-percent type of deal is now a \$1-million-and-40-percent.

So I wholly support this amendment, which would put more money into the PIDA program, because I think the worst possible thing that could happen may happen in that we go out with Team Pennsylvania, contact businesses; they tell us that they need help through Small Business First and PIDA — we are from the government, and we are here to help you — and then once, in the next couple of months or 6 months or 9 months, they come back and say, okay; we are ready to expand; we need your help, we find out that the Small Business First and the PIDA programs are tapped out, and we are red-faced by saying, sorry; we cannot help you out.

So I support this effort by Representative Eachus to put more money into this valuable program. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin County, Mr. Coy.

Mr. COY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I support the amendment. I do so on the theory that PIDA is a tried and true method of attracting jobs for Pennsylvania. It is a program that works. It is a program that is proven. I think in all of our counties we have recognized the importance and not only that but the success story that PIDA grants and loans generate for bringing new jobs to Pennsylvania and sustaining jobs that were already here.

So whether or not we actually think that some of the other programs which this takes money from work or do not work, we know that PIDA works. I think its success has been proven, and I urge support for the amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Appropriations chairman from Lancaster County, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Madam Speaker, again, I just would like to point out that on this amendment, we are putting an additional \$5 million into PIDA. We put \$5 million into PIDA yesterday, which we took out of the surplus. What we are doing in many respects here is we are decreasing various lines that are intended and for the express purpose of promoting business in Pennsylvania. So I think the members should be aware of what is happening here, and I believe Representative Godshall from Montgomery County has pointed out the additional money again

being taken away from the promotion of the tourist industry, and we have other examples of that in these various lines.

So again, I just want to caution members as to what is being offset here and the consequences that it may have to some other very good programs in Pennsylvania.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—87

Allen	Daley	Lescovitz	Shaner
Argall	DeLuca	Levdansky	Smith, B.
Belardi	Dent	Lloyd	Staback
Belfanti	Dermody	Manderino	Steelman
Bishop	DeWeese	McCall	Stetler
Blaum	Donatucci	Melio	Sturla
Boscola	Eachus	Mundy	Surra
Buxton	Evans	Myers	Tangretti
Caltagirone	George	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Gigliotti	Pesci	Tigue
Carn	Gordner	Pistella	Travaglio
Casorio	Gruitza	Preston	Trello
Cawley	Haluska	Ramos	Trich
Clark	Hanna	Rieger	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	Harhai	Roberts	Veon
Colaella	Horsey	Robinson	Vitali
Colaizzo	James	Roebuck	Walko
Corpora	Jarolin	Rooney	Washington
Corrigan	Josephs	Rubleby	Wojnaroski
Cowell	Kirkland	Santoni	Yewcic
Coy	LaGrotta	Schroder	Youngblood
Curry	Laughlin	Scrimenti	

#### NAYS—108

Adolph	Flick	Marsico	Saylor
Armstrong	Gannon	Masland	Schuler
Baker	Geist	Mayernik	Semmel
Bard	Gladeck	McGeehan	Serafini
Barley	Godshall	McGill	Seyfert
Barrar	Gruppo	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Habay	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Harhart	McNaughton	Stairs
Birmelin	Hasay	Michlovic	Steil
Boyes	Hennessey	Micozzie	Stern
Brown	Herman	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Hershey	Nailor	Strittmatter
Bunt	Hess	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Carone	Hutchinson	O'Brien	True
Chadwick	Jadlowiec	Orie	Tulli
Civera	Kaiser	Perzel	Vance
Clymer	Keller	Petrone	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Phillips	Williams, A. H.
Dally	Krebs	Pippy	Williams, C.
Dempsey	Lawless	Platts	Wilt
DiGirolamo	Lederer	Raymond	Wogan
Druce	Leh	Readshaw	Wright, M. N.
Egolf	Lucyk	Reinard	Zimmerman
Fairchild	Lynch	Rohrer	Zug
Fargo	Maher	Ross	
Feece	Maitland	Sainato	Ryan,
Fichter	Major	Sather	Speaker
Fleagle	Markosek		

#### NOT VOTING—4

Butkovitz	Cohen, M.	Oliver	Reber
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## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Itkin      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to amendment No. 1068, sponsored by Representative Wogan. The amendment is withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **BELARDI** offered the following amendment No. **A1074**:

Amend Sec. 219, page 92, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 26,937,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 113, by inserting between lines 6 and 7

For summer programs for low-income children in northeastern Pennsylvania.

State appropriation . . . . . 125,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belardi.

Mr. **BELARDI**. Madam Speaker, yesterday I requested amendment 1074 be withdrawn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman, Mr. Ramos, on the floor of the House?

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **GORDNER** offered the following amendment No. **A1079**:

Amend Sec. 209, page 43, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,700,000

Amend Sec. 214, page 71, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 55,236,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia County, Mr. Gordner.

Mr. **GORDNER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

We always want to try to help our small businesses, and certainly, the medium businesses of tomorrow are the small businesses of today, and one of the vital organizations of our State that helps these small businesses is the small business development centers. This amendment would give \$2 million more to the small business development centers, and I say gladly that I am not taking any money from tourism. Where I am getting the money is from the Department of General Services general government account, and I think that the money would be much better spent helping our small businesses get started, getting them started with business plans and marketing and getting them on their feet, so that those small businesses can become our medium-sized businesses and our larger-sized businesses of tomorrow.

I would ask for your support.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—193

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Semmel
Barley	Fargo	Markosek	Serafini
Barrar	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Battisto	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Belardi	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Flick	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Staback
Bishop	George	McIlhatten	Stairs
Blaum	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Steelman
Boscola	Gladeck	McNaughton	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Melio	Stetler
Brown	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson
Browne	Gruitza	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruppo	Miller	Sturla
Buxton	Habay	Mundy	Surra
Caltagirone	Haluska	Myers	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Harhai	Nickol	Thomas
Carone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tigue
Casorio	Hasay	Olasz	Travaglio
Cawley	Hennessey	Oliver	Trello
Chadwick	Herman	Orie	Trich
Civera	Hershey	Perzel	True
Clark	Hess	Pesci	Tulli
Clymer	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Home
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Colafella	James	Preston	Vitali
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Cornell	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Corpora	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Corrigan	Keller	Reber	Williams, C.

Cowell	Kenney	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	Krebs	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Laughlin	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lawless	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lederer	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Lescovitz	Rubley	
DeWeese	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
Donatucci	Lucyk	Sather	

## NAYS-2

Steil Williams, A. H.

## NOT VOTING-4

Bard Butkovitz Petrone Phillips

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Turn to packet No. 11.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. EVANS offered the following amendment No. A1083:

Amend Sec. 201, page 20, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,865,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,203,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 22, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 27,271,000

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 858,334,000

Amend Sec. 220, page 114, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 117,956,000

Amend Sec. 223, page 117, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 128,623,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 128, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 1,895,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 142, line 26, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,675,000

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

## AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The amendment will be over temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. MARKOSEK offered the following amendment No. A1086:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 24,885,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, by inserting between lines 22 and 23

For community flood damage grants for southwestern Pennsylvania.

State appropriation . . . . . 3,115,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. That amendment is over temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. VITALI offered the following amendment No. A1090:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 12, by inserting after "Bulletin."

All grants shall be awarded solely on the basis of the project's merits and needs of the applicant. All applications shall be scored using objective merit and need criteria developed by the department. All submitted grant applications and scoring information shall be available for public inspection and copying as soon as practicable. All grant application information contained on the department's computer data base known as the single application comprehensive tracking report shall be placed on the department's Internet home page.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this amendment deals with the \$28-million appropriation for the Community Revitalization Program.

Madam Speaker, this amendment would not affect the amount of the line item for this program, but it would affect the way these moneys are distributed.

Madam Speaker, what this would do with regard to this line item is it would require a number of things. One, it would require that all moneys distributed, all awards that are made would be made on a merit-need basis. Madam Speaker, it would also require that a scoring system be implemented so that applications would be scored on their merit, and that scoring system would be developed by the department. Next, Madam Speaker, the amendment would require that all applications that were submitted for Community Revitalization Program grants would be made available to the public. And finally, Madam Speaker, it would require that the computer information which the department maintains with regard to these applications be posted onto the Internet.

Madam Speaker, this program is now, as the members privately will concede, a legislative slush fund. Madam Speaker, the Community Revitalization Program is now the repository of our WAMs (walking-around moneys), which the Governor in his 1994 campaign pledged to eliminate. Madam Speaker, the Governor broke his promise to eliminate WAMs by allowing this program to continue. I think what we need to do, Madam Speaker, is tighten up this program so the program becomes what the administration says it currently is.

Madam Speaker, with regard to merit-need allocation, right now it is difficult to justify many of the grants being allocated. It is the same cavalcade of statues, parades, and grants to Little League teams that we saw under the WAM program. Even in my own district, Madam Speaker, we have a \$5,000 grant to the Radnor Fourth of July parade. Radnor is one of the most affluent districts in the State, and money for parades, money for pony rides and hot dogs and so forth, is difficult to justify when we look at some of the needs of this Commonwealth — kids who do not have adequate school supplies and so forth. Madam Speaker, there clearly is a problem with misallocation, and this amendment is designed to deal with that.

Madam Speaker, by instituting a scoring system, we will return some objectivity to this system so that the truly worthy projects will be given the money, so that all applications will be considered — the applications of all municipalities, all worthy community groups. Not just those community groups who are wired into a legislator will receive the moneys.

Madam Speaker, it is necessary that all applications be available to the public. Right now the Ridge administration steadfastly refuses to share these applications with the public, and that reduces accountability. The public has a right to know this. These are not State secrets, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, finally, the Ridge administration touts its use of the Internet to post various other pieces of government information. They are already maintaining information right now on this program — dates of application, amounts of awards, and so forth. It is time that they put this up on their Internet home page, Madam Speaker.

This is a very good amendment. It brings more accountability to this program. I ask, Madam Speaker, for an affirmative vote. And I yield my final 4 seconds, too. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Butler County, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like to rise in support of Representative Vitali's amendment. His language would allow us to do what I have always wanted the revitalization moneys in the former legislative initiative program to be able to do, and that is to allow groups to submit their applications for the projects they think are important, have them based and judged on merit, select the best projects that are submitted, and then they can become the models for being replicated across the State if they are successful.

This gives us an opportunity to be in Governing Magazine one day as we were this past year for Secretary Seif's programs, because it makes sense to allow the best to rise to the top, that we repeat them across the Commonwealth, and that all taxpayers have an opportunity to know that moneys will be coming to their districts, to their part of the State, to programs that have been rated as quality. Let us give them a shot to see how we can revitalize those communities.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the minority leader, who requests that the name of Mr. Itkin be placed on the master roll.

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—182

Adolph	DeWeese	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sather
Argall	Donatucci	Lucyk	Saylor
Armstrong	Druce	Lynch	Schroder
Baker	Eachus	Maher	Schuler
Bard	Egolf	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barley	Evans	Major	Semmel
Barrar	Fairchild	Manderino	Serafini
Battisto	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Belardi	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Belfanti	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Benninghoff	Fleagle	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Flick	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Bishop	Gannon	McIlhinney	Staback
Blaum	Geist	McNaughton	Stairs
Boscola	George	Melio	Steelman
Boyes	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Steil
Brown	Godshall	Micozzie	Stern
Browne	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Bunt	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Buxton	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Caltagirone	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Cappabianca	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Carn	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Carone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Casorio	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Chadwick	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Civera	Hennessey	Pesci	Trich
Clark	Herman	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hershey	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	Hutchinson	Platts	Vitali

Colaizzo	Itkin	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Ramos	Washington
Corpora	James	Raymond	Waugh
Corrigan	Jarolin	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	Josephs	Reinard	Williams, C.
Coy	Kenney	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	Kirkland	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Krebs	Robinson	Yewcic
Dally	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Laughlin	Rohrer	Zug
Dempsey	Lawless	Rooney	
Dent	Leh	Ross	Ryan,
Dermody	Lescovitz	Rubley	Speaker

## NAYS-17

Butkovitz	Lederer	Oliver	Van Home
Cawley	Markosek	Readshaw	Wilt
Gladeck	Mayernik	Sainato	Wojnarowski
Kaiser	McGeehan	Tigue	Youngblood
Keller			

## NOT VOTING-1

Thomas

## EXCUSED-3

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1091:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 765,334,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 56, lines 8 and 9, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

program components. This amount also includes \$94,000,000 for payments to school districts to guarantee that every school district will have at least 50% of its actual special education expenditures paid by the Commonwealth.

State appropriation . . . . . 747,515,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I have circulated a series of amendments, probably 10 or 12 of them. It is not my intent, certainly it is not my hope, to offer all of them, but we will take them one at a time.

Amendment 1091 deals with the issue of special education payments from the Commonwealth to our school districts. You have heard me say on several occasions now over the last 2 or

3 weeks, as we have begun to discuss the budget for next year, that we ought to take advantage of this opportunity to solve some significant problems in this Commonwealth. The significant surplus that we have and the prospect of a continuing vibrant economy allows us to address some very real issues, and this amendment is in that vein. The problem that I propose that we begin to solve is a problem of inadequate State payments to our school districts for special education, with the resultant dramatic increase in property taxes in so many school districts across the Commonwealth; a situation where property taxes are going up year after year in our local school districts while we enjoy and build big surpluses here in Harrisburg.

The amendment that I propose would add \$94 million to the line item for special education, and it is specifically intended to ensure that every school district will have at least 50 percent of its special education costs reimbursed by the Commonwealth. And for the purposes of the revenue-neutrality rule that we have artificially imposed on us, I have suggested that those dollars, at least temporarily, for today, come out of the Department of Corrections, but the real issue is whether we will increase State support, State payments to our local school districts, for special education costs.

Let me remind you that it was only in 1991 that the State was paying 100 percent of the costs of special education. Four years ago that share had been reduced to 50 percent. It is now about 43 percent, and it is going to be further reduced if we simply adopt the budget as it currently stands before us. Year after year we have shifted more responsibility for special education costs to local taxpayers, and we have, in the course of doing that, driven up property taxes all over this State.

The amendment that I offer reflects the language in legislation that many of you, Republicans and Democrats alike, cosponsored several weeks ago, legislation that I introduced, and it is not unlike the legislation that many Republicans and Democrats alike cosponsored that was introduced just a week or two ago by Representative Stairs. In the case of my bill and Representative Stairs' bill, one of the fundamental principles is that the State will pay no less than 50 percent of the special education costs incurred by school districts. Right now the range is from about 18 percent to more than 112 percent, and it is some of our poorest school districts around the State that are only getting the 18- or 20- or 25- or 30-percent reimbursement, because it is often in those districts that we find the largest number of special-needs students who are not counted in any way because of that artificial rule we have with our special education formula where we assume that every school district has 16 percent of its kids who have special needs, while in fact some school districts have 20 and 25 and 30 percent who are legally required to receive services from their school district, services that are paid for by the local district if we do not pay the bill.

The amendment that I am offering will help 221 school districts around the State. Those 221 school districts are found in 188 of our legislative districts. There are only 15 members on this floor who have no interest in this issue, whose school districts would not benefit from a State guarantee of 50 percent of the special education costs being paid by the Commonwealth. I would urge that we adopt the principle that is reflected in this amendment and provide the dollars that are necessary to reflect that principle.

So many people signed my bill and so many people just 2 weeks ago signed Representative Stairs' bill. If that legislation is to be more than just a news release, if it is to be more than just an empty promise, then we have got to follow through, and we need to follow through with this \$94 million for special education, and this is the year to do it, because we have a surplus that is in no way reflected in this bill so far. That is why we have this artificial rule. That is why I comfortably suggest for the moment that we take it from Corrections, knowing full well it will not come from Corrections; it will come from the surplus that is in no way accounted for in this bill to date.

I urge that we have the State stand up to the plate and pay a more fair share of special education costs. Let us pass this amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

### POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Appropriations chairman from Lancaster County, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise to raise a point of order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BARLEY. Madam Speaker, on the amendment as presented, it indicates \$94 million that would be removed from the State Corrections budget and that we would be spending \$94 million on special education. Madam Speaker, the calculations that we have done on this amendment indicate that this amendment spends \$99,158,000. That is the cost of implementation, the way the amendment is drafted. Therefore, according to our HR 357 that we are operating under, this amendment is in violation of that resolution, and I would suggest that it be ruled out of order.

### AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Based on the information that we have received from the Appropriations Committee, this amendment is out of order because it spends more than \$5 million more than is available.

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, may I offer a different opinion before you finally rule, because I believe that the calculations of the Appropriations Committee are not complete.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Sir, your only recourse is to appeal the Chair. It has been ruled out of order. If you would like to approach the podium, we would be happy to talk with you.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1092:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 820,984,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For the purpose of providing for a full-day kindergarten incentive. No incentives shall be awarded by the Department of Education until the enactment of legislation authorizing the expenditure.

State appropriation ..... 38,350,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, you have moved on to amendment 1092, but I believe we were still on 1091, and your most recent decision was that it was out of order?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. That is correct.

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, based on that decision, I would ask that we suspend the rules.

### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. First of all, amendment 1092 will be over temporarily.

### MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question before the House is suspension of the rules.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, is that motion debatable?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Only by the leaders.

Mr. COWELL. I would ask that our leader debate it or ask that the leader assign me to debate it.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cohen, who defers to the gentleman, Mr. Cowell?

Mr. COHEN. Yes.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Just very briefly, the issue is whether we will suspend this artificial cap that we have imposed on ourselves so that we can deal with an amendment that is intended to have the State pay a more fair share of the cost of special education. The reason it has been ruled out of order is a dispute over a printout from the Department of Education about the real cost of having the State pay 50 percent, and I will acknowledge that there are different printouts, but we ought to get to the gut of the issue, and the gut of the issue is whether the State will pay a fair share, 50 percent of the cost of special education, and for that reason I urge that we suspend this rule and allow us to actually debate the amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader from Philadelphia, Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. Madam Speaker, all of us would like to spend more money on special education. Unfortunately, right now, they

are about to take 10 percent of the budget for Corrections in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, so if my memory serves me correctly, that would mean letting about 3,500 prisoners out of prison in Pennsylvania.

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, with all due respect, the gentleman is not debating the motion; he is debating the amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman, Mr. Cowell, cease.

The issue before the House is suspension. The gentleman, Mr. Perzel, may proceed.

Mr. PERZEL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would urge a "no" vote and remind the members that this would take a two-thirds vote. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-96

Battisto	DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni
Belardi	Donatucci	Lucyk	Scrimenti
Belfanti	Eachus	Manderino	Shaner
Bishop	Evans	Markosek	Staback
Blaum	George	Mayernik	Steelman
Boscola	Gigliotti	McCall	Stetler
Butkovitz	Gordner	Melio	Sturla
Buxton	Gruitza	Michlovic	Surra
Caltagirone	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Hanna	Myers	Thomas
Cam	Harhai	Olasz	Tigue
Casorio	Horseley	Oliver	Travaglio
Cawley	Itkin	Pesci	Trello
Cohen, M.	James	Petrone	Trich
Colafella	Jarolin	Pistella	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Josephs	Preston	Veon
Corpora	Kaiser	Ramos	Vitali
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Walco
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Washington
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Williams, C.
Daley	Lederer	Roebuck	Wojnarowski
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rooney	Yewcic
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	Youngblood

#### NAYS-102

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Schroder
Allen	Fairchild	Maitland	Schuler
Argall	Fargo	Major	Semmel
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Bard	Fleagle	McGill	Smith, B.
Barley	Flick	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McNaughton	Stairs
Birmelin	Gladeck	Micozzie	Steil
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stern
Brown	Gruppo	Nailor	Stevenson
Browne	Habay	Nickol	Strittmatter
Bunt	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	True
Chadwick	Hennessey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Herman	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Hershey	Platts	Waugh
Clymer	Hess	Raymond	Wilt
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Reber	Wogan
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Kenney	Rohrer	Zimmerman

Dempsey	Krebs	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lawless	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Leh	Sather	Ryan,
Druce	Lynch	Saylor	Speaker

#### NOT VOTING-2

McGeehan	Orie
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#### EXCUSED-3

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

#### GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair welcomes to the hall of the House Gary Wood, chief clerk of Bradford County Courthouse, as the guest of Representative Matt Baker and Representative Scot Chadwick. He is seated in the well, to the left of the Speaker. Would the gentleman stand, please.

#### VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the lady, Miss Orie, rise?

Miss ORIE. Madam Speaker, I am rising because my machine is malfunctioning. On the last vote, suspension on A1091, it was not registering a "no" vote. It is not working.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. How would the lady wish her vote to be registered?

Miss ORIE. "No," please.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady. The vote will be cast upon the record.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns again to amendment 1092 and recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, amendment 1092 deals with the issue of full-day kindergarten incentives, and it proposes that we appropriate \$38,350,000 to provide for a full-day kindergarten incentive program. This reflects a recommendation that was made to the General Assembly by the Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children, and the Pennsylvania Partnerships for Children, as part of its budget package this year, recommended that we assure the availability of full-day kindergarten for 30,000 5-year-old children by providing an incentive of an average of \$1,250 per pupil to school districts to provide full-day kindergarten.

Madam Speaker, we should be embarrassed in this State that we are one of the few in the country that do not require our school

districts to offer kindergarten at all, despite all the research that says that is one of the most effective practices if we are really concerned about improving learning. It is one thing for us to pass more rules and more expectations and more standards, but the real challenge is whether we are going to create the capacity in school districts and the opportunity in school districts for kids to really have the opportunity to learn, and the research tells us that providing kindergarten opportunities, particularly full-day kindergarten opportunities and particularly full-day kindergarten opportunities for children who are disadvantaged, is one of the most effective things that we can do, one of the most effective ways we can spend money, to improve the education system in this Commonwealth. Indeed, it was one of the recommendations of the Urban Schools Commission that was established by this House of Representatives.

Madam Speaker, this is another opportunity, it is another threshold moment, for us to make a decision about priorities. Again, because of the artificial rule that we have where we ignore hundreds of millions of dollars that will be available to us and will show up in the final budget that will be written by a small handful of people rather than us, because of that artificial rule, I am forced to suggest that we, at least for this moment and for the purposes of the rule, take this \$38 million from the Department of Corrections. And we will be threatened with the prospect of criminals running all over our streets. That is not a real threat; it is an empty threat. But the real situation, the real situation that we will perpetuate if we do not deal with this problem, if we do not deal with this amendment, will be tens of thousands of kids running all over our streets without appropriate education opportunities in their youngest years. That is the real problem. That is the reality. That is something that we can begin to address, a problem we can begin to undo, if we are willing to invest some of the money that is available in this huge surplus; not investing it in a whim, not investing it in a theory, but investing it in a proven, effective practice that can improve learning, improve our education system, be a good investment, a wise investment, of taxpayers' dollars that can save us lots of money in future years.

Madam Speaker, I urge that we approve amendment 1092.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-99

Bard	Donatucci	Lucyk	Sainato
Battisto	Eachus	Markosek	Santoni
Belardi	Evans	Mayernik	Scrimenti
Belfanti	Fichter	McCall	Shaner
Blaum	George	McGill	Staback
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mello	Stairs
Butkovitz	Gordner	Michlovic	Steelman
Buxton	Gruitza	Mundy	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gruppo	Myers	Sturla
Cappabianca	Haluska	Olasz	Surra
Carn	Hanna	Oliver	Tigue
Carone	Harhai	Pesci	Travaglio
Cawley	Horsey	Petrone	Trello
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Pistella	Trich
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Tulli
Colafella	Jarolin	Preston	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Veon

Corpora	Kaiser	Readshaw	Vitali
Cowell	Keller	Reber	Walko
Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Washington
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Williams, C.
DeLuca	Lederer	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Dermody	Lescovitz	Rooney	Youngblood
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	

#### NAYS-100

Adolph	Egolf	Maitland	Semmel
Allen	Fairchild	Major	Serafini
Argall	Fargo	Manderino	Seyfert
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Smith, B.
Baker	Fleagle	Masland	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Flick	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Benninghoff	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Birmelin	Gladeck	Micozzie	Stevenson
Bishop	Godshall	Miller	Strittmatter
Boyes	Habay	Nailor	Tangretti
Brown	Harhart	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Browne	Hasay	O'Brien	Thomas
Bunt	Hennessey	Orie	True
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Vance
Chadwick	Hershey	Phillips	Waugh
Civera	Hess	Pippy	Wilt
Clark	Hutchinson	Raymond	Wogan
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Cornell	Kenney	Rohrer	Yewcic
Corrigan	Krebs	Ross	Zimmerman
Dally	Lawless	Sather	Zug
Dempsey	Leh	Saylor	
Dent	Lloyd	Schroder	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Schuler	Speaker
Druce	Maier		

#### NOT VOTING-1

McGeehan

#### EXCUSED-3

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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

#### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House Tom Kerchner, Curt Clifford, and John Karsch, who are members of the Daniel Boone Optimists, along with students from the Daniel Boone High School, who are guests of Representative Leh. They are seated in the balcony. Would you please rise.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

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

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1093:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For the purpose of providing for a full-day kindergarten incentive. No incentives shall be awarded by the Department of Education until the enactment of legislation authorizing the expenditure.

State appropriation . . . . . 38,000,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 2, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 3,377,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 23, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 3,377,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 138, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 408,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 139, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 408,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 149, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,644,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 150, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,644,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 151, line 8, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,057,000

Amend Sec. 253, page 152, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,057,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the issue is the same. It is whether we will invest \$38 million in a full-day kindergarten incentive. I have already made the case. In this instance, the dollars come from a different source. It would temporarily, again because of this artificial rule, take the funds from the leadership legislative accounts.

Now, we have already been threatened with criminals running all over the streets, and it has been suggested earlier today, if we do something like this, we will have legislators running all over the streets with no staff and no district offices. We know those are empty threats. This is simply a temporary approach to identify dollars that we really know are unaccounted for in this budget process, that big surplus. The real issue is the issue that was just defeated by one vote — one vote — on the prior consideration, and that is whether we will invest in an effective practice that is good for kids, good for education, is research-based. It is not anecdotal. It is not a hunch. We know it works. We just have not been smart enough to do it in this State.

I would urge that we approve the amendment 1093 to invest \$38 million in a full-day kindergarten incentive that will positively

create opportunities for tens of thousands of youngsters throughout the Commonwealth. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Appropriations chairman from Lancaster County, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this amendment takes \$38 million from a variety of legislative accounts, legislative management committee accounts, the Bipartisan Management Committee. The Bipartisan Management Committee is the committee that funds and takes care of the overhead of our district offices, our field offices. So the variety of legislative accounts that are being raided by this amendment would basically require the legislature to lay off many of our very dedicated professional staff that support us on our day-to-day legislative activities.

Beyond that, many of our constituents, many of the taxpayers of Pennsylvania, have come to rely on our legislative district staff to help solve some of the problems that result from the complexity of State government today. There were times that we helped that individual to get that birth certificate that they needed; there were times when going through the trauma of settling estates where we know we have helped those families to get that required death certificate. I could go on. The list is as long as our arms.

To raid these accounts and to create the possibility of having to lay these people off, I believe, is irresponsible, and I would urge the members to reject this amendment today.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Evans.

Mr. EVANS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, you know, whenever you talk about this particular issue of class size, it is always very clear to me that people will say that we do not seem to care about this particular issue— Let me apologize about that. The gentleman said, or kindergarten then.

My issue is, as we have done in the past, that we have dealt with this particular issue. If we look at Representative Rooney's amendment, if we look at what we voted earlier with Representative Perzel last year, we have sent a commitment that we are committed to the aspect of kindergarten, and I think that, Madam Speaker, this is an issue that we all are concerned about, but it is a question of choices and priorities and the dollars that we have available.

I believe, Madam Speaker, that the dollars that we have invested at this particular point begin to move us in this direction. Yes, Madam Speaker, I would like to have more dollars be invested in this particular area, but the fact of the matter is, Madam Speaker, that the \$10 million that we committed under Representative Rooney's amendment, I believe, moves us in the right direction. No, it is not as much money as I would like to be invested in it, but the fact of the matter is that we have to work within the rules that this House has established.

For that particular reason, Madam Speaker, I am against this particular amendment. No, I am not against the concept, and I think I have demonstrated that in the past, but at this particular time, in terms of the choices that have been made, I am against this particular amendment, and I would encourage members on both sides of the aisle to be "no" on this particular amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cowell, for the second time.



Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the previous speaker disappoints me, because he did not bother to read the amendment that he spoke against. We have done nothing about kindergartens thus far in this process. The Rooney amendment was \$10 million for small class size. It had nothing to do with this issue. In fact, this issue is one that is important to many of our school districts, but it is especially important to the urban school districts of this State, and it is ironic that it was the Urban Schools Commission that was a creature of a couple of folks in leadership positions here who recommended that we be doing something about this issue. And it is ironic that it is one of the proven practices — proven practices, research-based — that we know to be effective in improving educational opportunities for kids and improving learning by kids. We can use a thousand different reasons, but the fact that we have already done something about it is not a good reason because we have done nothing. There has been no other amendment dealing with the kindergarten issue except the one that was just defeated by one vote 5 minutes ago.

The suggestion that we are going to have all kinds of layoffs is really a disservice to the people who work so hard here, our staff in Harrisburg and in our legislative districts. To use them as pawns to create an argument against investing in kindergarten programs is shameful. To tell kindergarten children, kids who might be in kindergarten or should be, and their parents that they are not going to have an opportunity to have that rich experience because we want to sit on fat surpluses in Harrisburg, including fat legislative surpluses that accumulate year after year, is shameful. That is really the issue, not whether anybody gets laid off. It is whether we cut into the legislative surpluses, even if this amendment would stand, and there is enough legislative surplus money to run this place for a year without appropriations. That is the truth, and it was, as I suggested, not even my true intent that we touch that issue in the final analysis. We have lots of other State surplus money that is not accounted for anywhere in this budget, legislative accounts aside.

This may be our only opportunity to deal with the kindergarten issue in this budget. It may be our only opportunity in this budget to do what parents ask us to do, parents in school districts all over the State. It may be the only opportunity to do what research says is an effective practice, something that can make the difference in the lives of tens of thousands of kids. It may be our only opportunity to take some of that surplus that is unaccounted for in this budget and actually invest it in children, invest it in kindergarten. I hope we will be honest enough with ourselves to do that by voting for amendment 1093. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—82

Allen	Daley	Keller	Rooney
Argall	Dally	Laughlin	Rubley
Battisto	DeLuca	Lescovitz	Santoni
Belardi	Dent	Levdansky	Semmel
Belfanti	Eachus	Lucyk	Shaner
Blaum	Feese	Maher	Staback
Boscola	George	Manderino	Stairs

Browne	Gigliotti	Melio	Steelman
Butkovitz	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Buxton	Gordner	Oliver	Sturla
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Pesci	Tigue
Carn	Gruppo	Petrone	Trello
Carone	Habay	Pippy	Trich
Cawley	Haluska	Pistella	Tulli
Cohen, M.	Hanna	Platts	Vitali
Colaella	Harhai	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Harhart	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Horsey	Roberts	Williams, C.
Cowell	Jarolin	Robinson	Wojnarowski
Coy	Josephs	Roebuck	Youngblood
Curry	Kaiser		

#### NAYS—116

Adolph	Fargo	Mayernik	Serafini
Armstrong	Fichter	McCall	Seyfert
Baker	Fleagle	McGill	Smith, B.
Bard	Flick	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Benninghoff	Godshall	Micozzie	Stern
Birmelin	Hasay	Miller	Stevenson
Bishop	Hennessey	Mundy	Strittmatter
Boyes	Herman	Myers	Surra
Brown	Hershey	Nailor	Tangretti
Bunt	Hess	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Hutchinson	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Itkin	Olasz	Travaglio
Chadwick	Jadlowiec	Orie	True
Civera	James	Perzel	Vance
Clark	Kenney	Phillips	Van Home
Clymer	Kirkland	Raymond	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Krebs	Reber	Washington
Cornell	LaGrotta	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Lawless	Rieger	Wilt
Dempsey	Lederer	Rohrer	Wogan
Dermody	Leh	Ross	Wright, M. N.
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Yewcic
DiGrolamo	Lynch	Sather	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Maitland	Saylor	Zug
Druce	Major	Schroder	
Egolf	Markosek	Schuler	Ryan,
Evans	Marsico	Scrimenti	Speaker
Fairchild	Masland		

#### NOT VOTING—2

McGeehan Preston

#### EXCUSED—3

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1094:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 829,334,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For the purpose of providing an incentive for class size reduction in grades kindergarten through third. No incentives shall be awarded by the Department of Education until the enactment of legislation authorizing the expenditure.

State appropriation . . . . . 30,000,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this is the amendment against which we heard the speech a little bit ago by the minority Appropriations chair of the House. This is the amendment that suggests that we invest \$30 million in an incentive for class size reduction in grades kindergarten through 3.

This is the amendment that would actually implement that other bill that we all voted for several months ago, that so many people put out news releases about all over the State, so many people bragged about they were going to do something about reducing class size K through 3. We were going to phase it in over several years, and the fiscal note that we had before us when we voted for it said it was going to cost \$30 million in this first year. If that vote was more than just the news releases that were issued after the vote, if it represented more than just the patting ourselves on the back that went on after we did that vote, if it is to be more than just an empty promise to kids, then we have got to pass this amendment. This amendment would provide for the \$30 million that we said we need to implement that bill that we all voted for several months ago to create an incentive to reduce class size, grades K through 3. This is only asking us to keep our word. This is asking us to keep our promise. It is asking us to do what we told everybody we were going to do.

In this case, again, the dollars are, for the moment, to comply with the rule, taken from Corrections. We could make a powerful argument why that makes sense, even if we were serious about transferring money from Corrections. We ought to be investing in the youngest kids of this State — something we do not do very effectively, something that is shameful in this State. But that is not really the intent. We are not going to ultimately take it out of Corrections. It can and will come out of the big surplus that is not accounted for anywhere in this budget — the surplus for this current year and the overly conservative revenue estimates for next year.

Is it not shameful? We have had this debate here in prior years, the last 2 or 3 years, and every year we are told, no; sorry; it is a good idea, but we cannot afford it; we do not have any money. And last year we had this same rule, and the year before that I think we had this same rule, and we left it to the few leaders that come around the table then to decide what the real priorities are.

I do not know anybody around this chamber who has campaigned on the basis of being antikids. I think most people run around saying they are for kids and we ought to do something for kids and we ought to do something for the youngest citizens of the State and our most vulnerable citizens. I have heard the speech given a thousand different ways, but we do not do anything about it when we have the opportunity.

This is the opportunity to not initiate something; this is the opportunity to do what we promised to do when we passed the bill, when we passed I think it was the Evans amendment, if I recall, the amendment that said we would implement smaller class size over several years and it would take \$30 million this year. That is what this amendment is about.

I urge that we approve it.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Butler County, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like to encourage the members to have listened to the sponsor of this amendment's arguments.

I recall very well when we passed the legislation to have the reduced class size, I had constituents calling my office, my district office, asking for copies of the bills because they wanted to go to their school boards to let them know what was going to be happening very soon and that they encouraged their local school districts to support the measure and to utilize the dollars to reduce class size. So it is true, we did have constituents have high hopes that it was not just language, it was also money coming to make it very reliable and possible.

I encourage a "yes" vote. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—96

Battisto	Donatucci	Lloyd	Roebuck
Belardi	Eachus	Lucyk	Rooney
Belfanti	Evans	Maher	Sainato
Blaum	Feese	Manderino	Santoni
Boscola	George	Markosek	Schroder
Butkovitz	Gigliotti	Mayemik	Shaner
Buxton	Gruitza	McCall	Staback
Caltagirone	Gruppo	Melio	Stairs
Cappabianca	Habay	Michlovic	Steelman
Cam	Haluska	Micozzie	Stettler
Carone	Hanna	Myers	Sturla
Cawley	Itkin	Olasz	Tigue
Clark	James	Oliver	Travaglio
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Pesci	Trello
Colafrella	Josephs	Petrone	Trich
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Pippy	Tulli
Corpora	Keller	Pistella	Van Home
Corrigan	Kirkland	Platts	Vitali
Cowell	Krebs	Preston	Walko
Curry	LaGrotta	Ramos	Washington
Daley	Laughlin	Readshaw	Waugh
DeLuca	Lederer	Rieger	Williams, C.
Dermody	Lescovitz	Roberts	Wojnaroski
DeWeese	Levdansky	Robinson	Youngblood

#### NAYS—98

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Semmel
Allen	Druce	Major	Serafini
Argall	Egolf	Marsico	Seyfert
Armstrong	Fairchild	Masland	Smith, B.
Baker	Fargo	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Bard	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Barley	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Steil
Barrar	Flick	McNaughton	Stern

Benninghoff	Gannon	Miller	Stevenson
Birmelin	Geist	Nailor	Strittmatter
Bishop	Gladeck	Nickol	Tangretti
Boyes	Godshall	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Brown	Gordner	Orie	Thomas
Browne	Harhart	Perzel	True
Bunt	Hasay	Phillips	Vance
Casorio	Hennessey	Raymond	Williams, A. H.
Chadwick	Herman	Reber	Wilt
Civera	Hershey	Reinard	Wogan
Clymer	Hess	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Ross	Yewcic
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Rubley	Zimmerman
Coy	Kenney	Sather	Zug
Dally	Lawless	Saylor	
Dempsey	Leh	Schuler	Ryan,
Dent	Lynch	Scrimenti	Speaker

## NOT VOTING-6

Harhai	McGeehan	Surra	Veon
Horsey	Mundy		

## EXCUSED-3

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1095:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For the purpose of providing an incentive for class size reduction in grades kindergarten through third. No incentives shall be awarded by the Department of Education until the enactment of legislation authorizing the expenditure.

State appropriation . . . . . 30,000,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 2, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,377,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 137, line 23, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,377,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 138, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 1,408,000

Amend Sec. 251, page 139, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 1,408,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 149, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,644,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 150, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,644,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 151, line 8, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,057,000

Amend Sec. 252, page 152, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,057,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, just very briefly, the issue is the same. The proposal is that we fulfill the promise we made to reduce class size in grades K through 3 when we passed that legislation, a report of which found its way into most of the legislative newsletters that went out of this chamber over the last several months and certainly a report of which found its way into most of the news releases and speeches that we have heard in so many communities across the State. We promised to reduce class size; we said we were serious about it. We had a fiscal note prepared by the Republican Appropriations chair that said it would cost \$30 million. I believe the Republican Appropriations chair and almost every other member voted for it with full knowledge of what it was going to cost this year. This is \$30 million to fulfill that promise.

In this case, rather than taking it from Corrections, the proposal is to temporarily, for the purpose of this artificial cap that we have, to propose to take it out of our legislative accounts so this is revenue neutral. We know that will not happen. We know we can count on our legislative leaders to protect the interests of the legislative accounts even if we cannot count on them to protect the interests of kids in this State, so there is no danger, really, that these accounts will be cut in the final budget. It is going to be up to the members of this House, not the leaders, to protect the interests of kids. We need to speak up about this if we are serious.

I would urge that we approve the amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Appropriations chairman from Lancaster County, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, once again, this amendment basically steals all of the money, robs the money, from the legislative accounts. These accounts, over the years, were established in a bipartisan fashion. They were established, as I indicated earlier, to serve not the members of the legislature but the constituents, the taxpayers, of Pennsylvania. And again, by taking the funding from these accounts, we will be putting in jeopardy our district office operations, the district office staff, the outreach that we have in our communities.

The communities in Pennsylvania vary from one end of the State to the other, and we have a variety of needs — senior citizens coming in applying for PACE (Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly) cards, property tax and rent rebates. In some areas, legislative district offices are that outreach where needy families come and sign up for food-stamp benefits. In other areas, it is driver license problems, where our legislative district office becomes that conduit where we are able to help constituents that

have serious, very serious challenges that are not able to be handled through the private-sector services.

Again, Madam Speaker, our district offices, on a variety of occasions, assist that constituent, that taxpayer, to be able to have that overdue tax refund returned to them, and again, we can continue down a long list of services that we provide, and I think it is shortsighted, as I have said earlier, to continue to raid those funds just simply for something that could be accomplished in another manner. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, we have reached a point where the record needs to be clear, and the record needs to be clear so that Pennsylvanians from one end of the State to the other would not be confused. So, Madam Speaker, I rise to make it very clear that I, along with many of my other colleagues, support and stand for a reduction in class size, support and stand for full-day kindergarten, support and stand for education, additional educational resources. We stand for that and we support that. But I guess, as the old used to say, it is not so much what you do but how you go about doing it.

Therefore, Madam Speaker, we are in a situation right now where I would like to think that we could take \$30 million from here or \$30 million from there and deal with reduced class size and deal with full-day kindergarten. I would like to think that, because I know members from both sides of the aisle who have stood up and raised this issue even when the Education Committee refused to raise it, so it is not like this is something new; it is not that there is opposition to reduced class size or opposition to full-day kindergarten. What there is opposition to is this game of political expediency; that I am going to say to the public that I can just take \$30 million out of a legislative account or take \$30 million from this account over here, and, wow, everything is going to be okay. Well, Pennsylvania public, it is not going to be okay because we do not have the capacity to do that, and this is not the appropriate path for achieving that.

So, Madam Speaker, I want the record to be clear that many of us support reduced class size, many of us support full-day kindergarten, and as long as, as long as there is breath in our body and a commitment in our heart, we are going to provide the dollars necessary to achieve those two ends, but we are not going to play this game of where you can just reach into this pot and take it and put it over here in this pot. We are talking about real-world stuff; we are not talking about voodoo economics.

So, Madam Speaker, I want people to be clear. Vote "no" on this amendment and vote "yes" to take up the issue of reduced class size, take up the issue of full-day kindergarten, take up the issue of a quality education for all children. "No" on the amendment; "yes" to moving forward and taking up that issue when it is the right time, right place, and we have the avenue to do it.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Northampton, Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I stand to agree with Representative Cowell on his amendment today in reduction of class size. In fact, I have a lot of respect for

Representative Cowell, and he is very impassioned when it comes to his arguments that he is making, and I just want to say a thank-you for all of us in Pennsylvania that you are standing up for these issues.

But what I wanted to say to you today was, when I think about how I am going to vote on an issue like this, sometimes you bring in your past experiences and you learn from them and you make a judgment based on things that have happened in your life.

Well, I can recall when I was in college and I was in a class with 80 students and I received my first C-minus that I had received in my whole career. In my whole education career, I had never had a C-minus. I was always an A and B student, and those As and Bs came from class sizes where there were 20, 25 students, sometimes 30 in a classroom. In fact, at times I was chosen to be in an honors class with only 10 students or 12 students, and we had hands-on contact with our teacher, and there was a great interaction. The time that I got that C-minus was when I had no contact with my professor, when I was with a whole host of students that were probably floundering like I was, that we just needed some help from our teacher and felt that if he would just have the time and the ability to work with us, that he could, and a lot of teachers do suffer from the fact that they do not have that hands-on contact that they would like with students. Just from my own personal experience, and I know a lot of Representatives in this room today that went through the educational process know that class size does matter.

I respect Representative Cowell; I understand where he is coming from, and support this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cowell, from Allegheny County for the second time.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

In summary, the effect of this will not be to cause layoffs among our staff. That is such a shameful, empty threat to jerk staff members around. Anybody that might be listening who begins to think that they are at some risk of losing their job, that is a shame that we would have people use them and abuse them that way.

There is enough money in our legislative accounts to run this operation for a year if we had no money in the budget. That is the real story, that is the real crime, that is the real stealing, if somebody used the word "stealing," about the effect of this amendment. There is enough money in accounts to run this place for a year if we appropriated nothing, while at the same time we do nothing about smaller class size, nothing about kindergartens, nothing about special education. That is the real story, and we keep using the same excuse over and over and over again.

As I said, we can count on the legislative leaders to protect those accounts when the budget conferees come together, but if somebody is going to protect the interests of kids in this Commonwealth, it better darn well be the members on the floor of the House, because it is not going to happen any other way, and this is simply about fulfilling a promise that we made when we passed the legislation. We all voted for this; we voted for the legislation. Now is the time to pay the piper — \$30 million to begin to phase in smaller class sizes, K through 3.

I know some people are uncomfortable with how they are voting and I am sure there can be all kinds of explanations, but the real issue is whether we are going to prioritize smaller class sizes and provide the money and send a message to the conferees.

It has been suggested that we are all for this stuff but now is not the right time. There is only one right time to do budget stuff — here when we do this stuff, when we offer amendments. This is the only right time to deal with budget stuff, and if we are going to have smaller classes or kindergartens or any of that stuff, you have got to deal with it at budget time. Otherwise, 2 weeks from now we will all be back here saying, that was a good idea, but, gee, there is no money in the budget; unfortunately, we cannot do all those wonderful things. And we will be jerking kids and parents around for another year making excuses about why we failed, making an excuse about the failed leadership.

I urge we approve the amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Indiana County, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise in support of the Cowell amendment.

I see that the Oscar Awards last night both saddened and motivated the Republican Appropriations chairman, because now he is trying to beat out Robin Williams next year, but this time he wants an award in the category of dramatic series. Listening to him talk about the problems that would ensue if we funded smaller class sizes in Pennsylvania, the inability of individuals to get death certificates and driver's licenses if legislators' offices could not handle those problems, brought a tear to my eye — a tear of laughter.

Do you know, there are States in which the executive branch actually does the job that it is supposed to do, in which legislators do not have to work as adjuncts of the Department of Transportation but can actually determine public policy. That is what legislators are supposed to do, not run driver's licenses and not have their staff run driver's licenses either. And to say that that is what we need to do rather than fulfilling our constitutional responsibility to provide a thorough and efficient education to the children of Pennsylvania, the only responsibility of the legislature that is specifically enumerated in the Constitution, is to completely evade the issue of what we are here for and what we ought to be doing, and what we ought to be doing is recognizing what the evidence says about smaller class sizes and recognizing that the future in global economics will belong to those countries and those States that have the best educated population.

And so, frankly, if we did have to cut into the special legislative accounts, if, for example, leadership could no longer afford to provide, as was announced yesterday afternoon, breakfast, lunch, and dinner for the members while we deliberate these crucial issues of public policy, I myself would be proud to bring in a brown-bag lunch in order that we can have smaller classes for children in Pennsylvania, and I hope the rest of you will join me in voting "yes" on this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland, Mr. Stairs.

Mr. STAIRS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I join to support this very important amendment.

During the course of this amendment process yesterday and today, we have had the opportunity to vote for several very important amendments that address education needs of the Commonwealth, starting with more money for special education, sparsity, and there have been a number of very key amendments that we have supported adding millions of dollars to the education

of our Commonwealth, and this amendment joins those other amendments that we have passed to make a difference. Reducing the class size for our younger students will make a significant change. Other States have done this, and I think Pennsylvania should join that list of progressive education, and I would hope that we could support this very positive signal for better education for our kids. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Kirkland.

Mr. KIRKLAND. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the Cowell amendment.

Madam Speaker, it bothers me somewhat, Madam Speaker, that we are supposed to be somewhat of role models, and every time that we talk about our young people or every time we talk about supporting programs that benefit young people, adults seem to get in the way; adults seem to be worried about their own personal gains and their own personal whims.

Madam Speaker, it seems that we sometimes have the best of all worlds, not just both worlds but all worlds here in Harrisburg, perks or whatever you want to call them, but back home our kids, our kids are lacking. In my own district, Madam Speaker, education has been talked about and educational issues have been debated, and our young people still are walking around without.

Representative Cowell simply wants to put an amendment forth that says that we are going to be serious about the educational lives of our young people. We always talk about how young people are our future. Well, our future is right here before us right now in this amendment.

If you think about it, Madam Speaker, the ages or the grades K through third grade are the most crucial and important times in a young person's life, and we have here an opportunity today to tell those young people that we are serious about their educational growth and we are serious about their future.

Madam Speaker, as adults, we need to be providing them with real role models. If it means that we have to give a little more of ourselves, give a little more of our own personal profits, if we have to give, Madam Speaker, from our own accounts to make sure that our young people have, then we need to be about doing that. We come here and we talk a good game — we talk about education and we talk about the importance of bettering our children — but that is all we do is talk, Madam Speaker.

We have had here a special session on crime and we are very committed to crime, and so we push forth bills and amendments that will put prisoners away for longer periods of time and even told them if they struck out three times, at three strikes they were out. But what are we doing as far as our young people? What are we — How are we committing ourselves to the education of our young people to make sure that they do not find themselves locked in these prisons simply because they have not had the opportunity to be properly educated?

We ask that you would support — I stand in support of the Cowell amendment. I applaud him for his efforts concerning our young people, our future, and I hope that folks would vote in the affirmative today recognizing that our future is not tomorrow but it starts right now; it starts in this House.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Philadelphia, Ms. Josephs.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This time I am going to be very brief. I just challenge, I challenge anybody who votes on this amendment who votes "no" to go back home, find a voter, say to that voter, what would you be for, giving money to the politicians or putting it into education? I dare you, tell that voter the way you voted. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—121

Adolph	Dermody	Levdansky	Roebuck
Allen	Donatucci	Lloyd	Rooney
Argall	Eachus	Lucyk	Ross
Battisto	Feese	Maher	Rublely
Belardi	Fichter	Manderino	Santoni
Belfanti	George	Markosek	Schroder
Blaum	Gigliotti	Marsico	Scrimenti
Boscola	Gladeck	Masland	Semmel
Boyes	Godshall	Mayernik	Serafini
Browne	Gruitza	McCall	Shaner
Butkovitz	Gruppo	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Buxton	Habay	McGill	Staback
Caltagirone	Haluska	McIlhattan	Stairs
Cappabianca	Hanna	McNaughton	Steelman
Carn	Harhai	Melio	Stetler
Carone	Harhart	Michlovic	Sturla
Cawley	Hennessey	Myers	Taylor, E. Z.
Civera	Horsey	Nailor	Tigue
Clark	Hutchinson	Olasz	Travaglio
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Oliver	Trello
Colaella	Jarolin	Pesci	Trich
Colaizzo	Josephs	Petrone	Tulli
Corpora	Kaiser	Pippy	Van Horne
Cowell	Keller	Pistella	Vitali
Coy	Kirkland	Platts	Walko
Curry	Krebs	Preston	Waugh
Daley	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Williams, C.
Dally	Laughlin	Reber	Wojnarowski
DeLuca	Lederer	Roberts	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Robinson	Youngblood
Dent			

#### NAYS—79

Armstrong	Fairchild	Micozzie	Steil
Baker	Fargo	Miller	Stern
Bard	Fleagle	Mundy	Stevenson
Barley	Flick	Nickol	Strittmatter
Barrar	Gannon	O'Brien	Surra
Benninghoff	Geist	Orle	Tangretti
Birmelin	Gordner	Perzel	Thomas
Bishop	Hasay	Phillips	True
Brown	Herman	Ramos	Vance
Bunt	Hershey	Raymond	Veon
Casorio	Hess	Reinard	Washington
Chadwick	Jadlowiec	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Clymer	James	Rohrer	Wilt
Cohen, M.	Kenney	Sainato	Wogan
Cornell	Lawless	Sather	Wright, M. N.
Corrigan	Leh	Saylor	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Lynch	Schuler	Zug
DiGirolamo	Maitland	Seyfert	
Druce	Major	Smith, B.	Ryan,
Egolf	McIlhinney	Smith, S. H.	Speaker
Evans			

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—3

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1096:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 851,534,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 55, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

For continuing professional education courses involving subjects determined by the department to be of significant Statewide importance to Pennsylvania's educators.

State appropriation . . . . . 7,800,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, there are three amendments that deal with a similar issue — 1096, 1097, and 1098 — and I will be offering only the 1096, the amendment that is before us.

The issue is how much we will appropriate for continuing professional development. We spoke to this issue earlier in this process. In a nutshell, the point is, we are about to put into place a significant education reform in this Commonwealth that deals with academic standards and a new assessment system. And even as we do that, there are other new requirements imposed on professionals, including the need to deal with kids who are more and more complex, kids who have special needs, and next week, with Representative Stairs' bill, we will be considering the issue of imposing on all professional educators in this Commonwealth, as a condition of their continuing certification, a requirement that they engage in rigorous professional development, rigorous professional development that will be relevant to their professional responsibilities.

Next week we will be debating some amendments to that bill that have to do with the responsibilities of the Department of Education, and the question will be, how much of a responsibility will the department have to offer meaningful professional development courses or programs or activities that will be available without cost to educators across the Commonwealth? The department will put together the programs, and one of the options that educators will have, not the only option but one of the options, will be to take the department's program without cost. This will be an opportunity for the department to craft programs that are very relevant to other education reforms that we are

undertaking — standards, inclusive practices, a new assessment system, a host of issues like that.

The amendment that I offer adds to what is now a \$5.6-million line item. Representative Stairs had us increase the line item from \$3 million to \$5.6 million. This would take us to \$7.8 million. Its purpose is for us next week or in a subsequent week to be able to say to the department, we are giving you the resources; we expect you to do more in terms of providing rigorous, relevant professional development opportunities for professional educators in all of our school districts.

I would urge that we support the amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland County, Mr. Stairs.

Mr. STAIRS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Certainly, on this amendment Representative Cowell offers, the idea of professional development is one with great merit; it is something that the department, the Governor, and certainly this legislative body must be vigorously working for and pushing forward in an accelerated pace.

I agree that there is much out there to be disseminated to our teachers to make them better in the classroom, to have a final result of better students and a better Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

My only disagreement with the sponsor of this amendment would be the cost. Earlier today I offered amendments to raise that from \$3 million to \$5.6 million with the \$2.6-million increase in an amendment. I feel at this time that should be sufficient money. A lot of this training will be done with CD-ROMs (compact disc read-only memory) and high technology that this State is progressing forward with. I believe that we can educate our teachers with this amount of money. Do we need more money? At this time I think not, and I hope we can do it with the amount of money that is available.

Certainly we have a very aggressive agenda. I think we have to challenge the department to do more with maybe the term "less" sometimes because we have money to be spent on other very vital issues, so we are putting a challenge on the department to be able to meet this requirement of professional development, and we need the money for other programs.

So I would hope that we could defeat this amendment. Even though the idea and the heart is there, we have got to challenge them to do more on this \$5.6 million. So I would urge my colleagues to vote "no" on this amendment, but still we want to go forward with professional development in a very positive way. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Adolph.

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Would the sponsor of the amendment stand for interrogation?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman agrees. You may proceed.

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you.

Madam Speaker, with your amendment, are you asking the Commonwealth to foot the bill for continuing education for our public school teachers, for their continuing education?

Mr. COWELL. Madam Speaker, not to foot the bill, but already in HB 2100 that has been approved by the Education Committee and will be before us next week, there is language that, among a

variety of options that will be available to professional educators, including college courses and professional development in their own district, one of the options will be programs that are offered by the Department of Education. The idea is that the department could put together programs that will provide training, provide professional activity in areas related to the State interests; for instance, the academic standards or assessment or special education practices.

To have the Department of Ed, using the department's numbers that they have presented to us several weeks ago, to have them offer a rich menu of courses, it will require, I believe and others believe, more money than is currently in the budget, but this would not foot the bill for educators across the State. It would better equip the department to provide a fuller menu of professional development activities.

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Could I speak on the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. ADOLPH. The previous speaker was mentioning a bill that I do not believe this House has voted on. It is somewhere in the pipeline to be voted on. It passed the Education Committee. I do not know what committee it is in right now. So we are actually putting the cart before the horse here by voting for funding of it.

The other thing is— And I have no problem with what the speaker is talking about, about continuing professional education for development and so forth for our public school teachers. However, I do not know of any other profession, Madam Speaker, in the Commonwealth, whether you are an R.N. (registered nurse), whether you are a C.P.A. (certified public accountant), whether you are a P.A. (public accountant), whether you are an attorney, a realtor, where the State mandates that you have a license and you have got to maintain continuing education and then the State says, we will also pay for it.

Now, I know there are a lot of employers that pay for their employees' continuing professional education, and I think that is great. I happen to be one of them. Okay? However, I do not believe the State taxpayers should be mandated to pay for continuing professional education for any profession. I think that should be negotiated between the employee and the employer, and this is an unfunded mandate on our taxpayers, and I urge my colleagues to defeat this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell, for the second time.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, let me just remind all of us of the obvious. Ultimately we are the employers of our public school officials; we are the employers. We have the constitutional obligation, and we are about to engage — and I support Governor Ridge in this regard — we are about to engage in some important education reforms. We have actually followed behind the curve; we are behind the rest of the country rather than out front, but we are catching up with academic standards, with a meaningful assessment system to report back to parents and taxpayers in our communities.

We have always had impressive things in this State around special education. It is one of the things we can be proud of, but we have a public interest and an employer interest in making sure that our professional educators who work for us are well equipped. And it just makes common sense: If we are going to embark on



new initiatives like standards and assessment, we ought to want to do something to make sure the educators in the field deal with that appropriately, and Governor Ridge has already recommended that in his budget. That is why he started out with \$3 million in the budget, and Representative Stairs' amendment increased it to \$5.6 million, and I proposed an additional increase so that the department can do more.

The principle is already established in the Governor's budget. This is not anything revolutionary I am suggesting. The Governor has recommended and recognized that we invest in professional development to make sure these reforms work, and in the final analysis, we are going to support that. That will surely be in the budget, and it ought to be, so the only question is, how much? And I have suggested that we invest a little more so the department can have a richer menu of programs that will be available, not programs that will just willy-nilly be picked by others but programs the department will decide are most important to make these reforms work. That is in our interest.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—82

Battisto	DeWeese	Levdansky	Roebuck
Belardi	Donatucci	Lucyk	Rooney
Belfanti	Eachus	Manderino	Sainato
Bishop	Evans	Markosek	Santoni
Blaum	George	McCall	Shaner
Butkovitz	Gruitza	Melio	Staback
Buxton	Haluska	Michlovic	Steelman
Caltagirone	Hanna	Mundy	Sturla
Cappabianca	Harhai	Myers	Surra
Carn	Horsey	Olasz	Thomas
Carone	Itkin	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	James	Pesci	Travaglio
Cawley	Jarolin	Petrone	Trello
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Pistella	Trich
Colafella	Kaiser	Preston	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Keller	Ramos	Walko
Corpora	Kirkland	Readshaw	Washington
Cowell	LaGrotta	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Laughlin	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Ledcrer	Robinson	Youngblood
Demody	Lescovitz		

## NAYS—117

Adolph	Fairchild	Major	Serafini
Allen	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Argall	Feese	Masland	Smith, B.
Armstrong	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Baker	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Bard	Flick	Mclhattan	Stairs
Barley	Gannon	Mclhinney	Steil
Barrar	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Benninghoff	Gigliotti	Micozzie	Stetler
Birmelin	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boscola	Godshall	Nailor	Strittmatter
Boyes	Gordner	Nickol	Tangretti
Brown	Gruppo	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Browne	Habay	Orie	True
Bunt	Harhart	Perzel	Tulli
Chadwick	Hasay	Phillips	Vance
Civera	Hennessey	Pippy	Veon
Clark	Herman	Platts	Vitali

Clymer	Hershey	Raymond	Waugh
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Reber	Williams, C.
Cornell	Hutchinson	Reinard	Wilt
Corrigan	Jadlowiec	Rohrer	Wogan
Coy	Kenney	Ross	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Krebs	Rublely	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lawless	Sather	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Leh	Saylor	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Schroder	
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Schuler	Ryan,
Druce	Maher	Scrimenti	Speaker
Egolf	Maitland	Semmel	

## NOT VOTING—1

McGeehan

## EXCUSED—3

Bebko-Jones      Petarca      Taylor, J.

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Cowell, is it correct that you are withdrawing amendments 1097 and 1098?

Mr. COWELL. That is correct.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Thank you.

Amendments 1099, 1100, and 1101 are over temporarily.

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

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1102:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, line 8, by inserting after "grants."  
Grants from this appropriation to local education agencies shall be awarded when two or more local education entities jointly cooperate in performing or exercising their respective functions, powers or responsibilities, which benefit or enhance the quality of educational programs or administrative duties performed in the local education entities.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, there is no cost to this amendment. It provides for a clarification of some text that is already in the budget bill.

The Governor has proposed and the budget bill proposes a new initiative of \$1 million to encourage the consolidation of



instructional and administrative activities at school districts. This simply elaborates on that by indicating that these grants from this appropriation will go to local education agencies when two or more jointly cooperate in performing or exercising their respective functions, powers, or responsibilities. It is simply an elaboration. It gives a little bit more direction to the department about the use of these dollars, again without cost to the budget.

I would encourage the adoption of the amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-179

Adolph	DeWeese	Lloyd	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Lucyk	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Maitland	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Manderino	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Markosek	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Staback
Bishop	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stairs
Blaum	George	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscota	Gigliotti	Melio	Stetler
Boyes	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stevenson
Brown	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gordner	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Haluska	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Hanna	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Harhai	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Harhart	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hasay	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hennessey	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Herman	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hershey	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Horsey	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Hutchinson	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Raymond	Wanko
Colaella	James	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Josephs	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kaiser	Roberts	Wogan
Corrigan	Keller	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Cowell	Kenney	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Coy	Kirkland	Rohrer	Yewcic
Curry	Krebs	Rooney	Youngblood
Daley	LaGrotta	Ross	Zimmerman
Dally	Laughlin	Rubley	Zug
DeLuca	Lederer	Sainato	
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Santoni	
Dent	Levdansky	Saylor	Ryan, Speaker

## NAYS-20

Birmelin	Lawless	McIlhinney	Sather
DiGirolamo	Leh	Micozzie	Steil
Fairchild	Lynch	Miller	Stern
Geist	Maher	Phillips	Wauh
Hess	Major	Reinard	Wilt

## NOT VOTING-1

Benninghoff

## EXCUSED-3

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The House will be at ease for a moment.

## VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what reason does the gentleman rise?

Mr. CASORIO. Madam Speaker, I would like to correct the record, please, while we are at ease.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. CASORIO. On amendment 1096 an affirmative vote was cast. I would like to be corrected to reflect a negative vote, please. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. The correction will be cast upon the record.

Mr. CASORIO. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Kirkland, rise?

Mr. KIRKLAND. Madam Speaker, I wanted to correct the record.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. KIRKLAND. Madam Speaker, amendment 1093, I was recorded in the negative. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. THOMAS. Madam Speaker, I would like to rise to correct the record.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. THOMAS. On amendment 1094 I would like my vote to be recorded in the affirmative, and, Madam Speaker, on amendment 1092, I would like for my vote to be recorded in the affirmative on amendment 1092.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your votes will be cast upon the record.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Preston, rise?

Mr. PRESTON. To correct the record, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. PRESTON. On the Cowell amendment, amendment 1093 on HB 2281, my switch malfunctioned. I was not recorded. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. James.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I would like to correct the record on amendment 1013.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. JAMES. I would like to be— My switch malfunctioned, and I would like to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Rohrer, rise?

Mr. ROHRER. To correct the record, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. ROHRER. On amendment 1002 my vote was not recorded. I would like to be recorded in the positive, in the affirmative, please.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the lady, Ms. Bard, rise?

Ms. BARD. Madam Speaker, I would like to correct the record.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Ms. BARD. On amendment 1079 my vote should be recorded in the positive.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Reber. For what reason do you rise?

Mr. REBER. Madam Speaker, I would like the record to appropriately reflect my intentions.

My machine did not operate on amendment 1069. I would like the vote to be recorded in the affirmative. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what reason does the gentleman, Mr. Benninghoff, rise?

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Madam Speaker, I need to correct the record as well.

On amendment 1102 my button malfunctioned, and I should be recorded as a "yes."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

### JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what reason does the gentleman, Mr. Gannon, rise?

Mr. GANNON. For an announcement, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. GANNON. Madam Speaker, the House Judiciary Committee meeting which was scheduled for today is postponed. The meeting is postponed until tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. in room 302 of the South Office Building.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. GANNON. Thank you.

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Saylor, rise?

Mr. SAYLOR. To correct the record, Madam Speaker.

On House amendment 1041, the voting machine did not register my negative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Gordner, rise?

Mr. GORDNER. To correct the record, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. GORDNER. On amendment 1095 I was recorded in the negative, and I wish to be recorded in the positive.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman, and your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the lady, Ms. Williams, rise?

Ms. WILLIAMS. Madam Speaker, I would like to have the record show on amendment 1033 that I would prefer to be voting in the negative.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Strittmatter, rise?

Mr. STRITTMATTER. Thank you.

To correct the record.

On amendment 1095 I would like to be recorded in the affirmative. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Your vote will be cast upon the record.

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment No. A1103:

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 11, by inserting after "appropriation" includes sufficient funds for day-care services to reduce the Priority 2 waiting list under 55 Pa. Code 3040.54(a) and

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Federal appropriation . . . . .	97,280,000
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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the lady from Montgomery, Ms. Williams.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr. COY. Madam Speaker? Madam Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Coy, rise?

Mr. COY. I would like to request the gentleman, Mr. VAN HORNE, be placed on leave.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The lady from Montgomery County may proceed.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

As many of us know, many of us who have been working parents and others who are, and from what we have learned in hearings and committee, from workforce development and economic development experts, from the Department of Public Welfare to early childhood professionals, child care matters.

The Governor's budget reflects his concern as well with an increase of approximately \$55 million in additional funds. However, there are still many, many hundreds of people in this Commonwealth who, according to our regulations in the Department of Public Welfare, are entitled to some subsidy for their child-care costs and, because there has not been enough money, cannot afford it. Montgomery County has over 350 people on a Priority 2 wait list waiting for some help with their child-care costs. Child care is expensive; good child care costs some money — child-care workers who have been vetted, who have criminal background checks.

Madam Speaker, my amendment would insert language into the Department of Welfare to reduce the waiting list for Priority 2. Priority 2 is 185 percent of the Federal poverty level. For a family of one, with one child, it is \$19,000. What we would like to do is transfer TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) funding, which we have the ability to do, in the amount of \$25 million so that the working poor— These are people who are working, who do not make very much money, who could use a little bit of help with their child-care costs or sometimes, and in my district, they are going to have to go back on welfare because they cannot afford the child-care costs. This does not cost the State any money. We have additional moneys that are left over from the TANF grant, which we are able to use for this. It is under our percentage that is allowable.

So I ask, for the good and the safety and the sake of our working families and our children, who ought to be in safe and secure day care, that you pass this amendment. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Somerset County, Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise to support the amendment.

Several years ago I started getting phone calls from constituents who were not making a lot of money but who had been on waiting lists for child care, and their complaint was, how come if somebody was on welfare, that person gets child support, or day-care money rather, and I am working and my spouse is working and we are told our income is too high; we have to be on a waiting list; we do not get day-care money?

Now, Madam Speaker, we all recognize — and it took a long time to get the point through to people — that if we really want to have welfare reform, we have to have adequate day care, and I think the Governor's budget goes a long way toward taking care of that problem. What has happened, however, is that those folks who have never been on welfare or who are not transitioning off welfare are finding themselves not getting the day-care funding they need. That does not make any sense at all. Those are the people who are the working poor, who have been doing what they

are supposed to do, not being a burden on the taxpayers, and in order to continue to maintain their employment, they have to have day-care funding.

Madam Speaker, I think this is the minimum that we can do to help to eliminate the waiting list. The Governor's budget solves the problem in a much different way. If you read the budget book, it says there will be no waiting list. The reason is because the Governor reduces the income eligibility limit. That is not a sensible solution. That is simply a dollars-and-cents solution saying that, well, just like we have in the General Fund budget, let us let these Federal funds pile up in a big surplus and maybe someday we will need them, and if we need them someday on a rainy day, we will have them. That does not make any sense.

We have taxpaying, working poor families which need day care. The lady's amendment will help us provide that day care.

I urge an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady from Montgomery County, Mrs. Cohen.

Mrs. COHEN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, will the maker of the amendment stand for interrogation, please?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The lady agrees. You may proceed.

Mrs. COHEN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, as I read this amendment, I read it that we are increasing our Federal funding by \$25 million, and I was just wondering how we are able to increase the Federal dollars by any amount let alone \$25 million.

Ms. WILLIAMS. In the budget, in section— At the end of the bill, in the section in the bill on page 188, there is a provision of the TANF funding grant that we can transfer from the unexpended TANF funds a certain percentage of the money. We have a windfall this year of over \$100 million— We have over \$200 million — or \$100 million has already been allocated. This would be part of the remaining \$100 million, which is in the guidelines, which we can allocate from what has not been spent from the savings that has been spent on TANF.

Mrs. COHEN. As I read this, Madam Speaker, this is an increase in our Federal dollars, which I am not quite sure how we can increase and budget an increase in Federal dollars. I thought that I had asked the question.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Would you repeat your question, please.

Mrs. COHEN. As I understand it, this is not within our rule. This is appropriating Federal dollars, which is not within our rule, and I am wondering how we are able to do that.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Because our rule is dealing with the State dollars, not with the Federal dollars.

Mrs. COHEN. That is correct, Madam Speaker, and it is my understanding that we are not able to deal with these Federal dollars because our rule is only dealing with State dollars.

Ms. WILLIAMS. These Federal dollars are the dollars that we have the responsibility to allocate.

Mrs. COHEN. As I understand it, Madam Speaker, these are Federal dollars, and therefore, they do not exist at all.

Ms. WILLIAMS. No, that is not true. They do exist. They are within the purview of our spending. The resolution that we passed specifies specifically the increase in State dollars has to have an offset.

Mrs. COHEN. Madam Speaker, are these dollars, these Federal dollars, available to us at all?

Ms. WILLIAMS. Yes; yes, they are. They are identified through the TANF funds in the budget as the Bureau of the Budget has indicated. They have been allocated, Madam Speaker, and they are not yet appropriated.

Mrs. COHEN. Thank you, Madam Speaker. I have no further questions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the lady, Ms. Williams, wish to be recognized for the second time?

Ms. WILLIAMS. I urge my colleagues to vote for this amendment. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Donatucci	Lucyk	Sather
Allen	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Argall	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Armstrong	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Baker	Evans	Major	Scrimenti
Bard	Fairchild	Manderino	Semmel
Barley	Fargo	Markosek	Serafini
Barrar	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Battisto	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Belardi	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
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Benninghoff	Gannon	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
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Cappabianca	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
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Casorio	Hennessey	Perzel	Travaglio
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Chadwick	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Hess	Phillips	True
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Clymer	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Platts	Veon
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Cornell	Josephs	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
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Coy	Kirkland	Roberts	Wojnaroski
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Dempsey	Lederer	Ross	Zug
Dent	Leh	Rubley	
Demody	Lescovitz	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Levdansky	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lloyd		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—3

Micozzie Miller Vitali

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Home

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 third consideration as amended?

Ms. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment No. A1104:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, by inserting between lines 8 and 9

For cluster enhancement and regional strategies to provide grants to create regional partnerships to enhance cluster industry development and to undertake strategic industry opportunity analysis.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,750,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 26,250,000

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

AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. We are informed that that amendment is withdrawn.

Ms. WILLIAMS. I would like to pass that over for the moment, Madam Speaker, please. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Correction. That amendment is over temporarily. The Chair thanks the lady.

**THE SPEAKER (MATTHEW J. RYAN)  
PRESIDING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady, Mrs. Vance.

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

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1099:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 858,334,000

Amend Sec. 228, page 122, by inserting between lines 24 and 25  
For State grants to students enrolled in  
less than two-year credit and noncredit

technical and occupational programs at a community college, technical institute or area vocational-technical school.

State appropriation ..... 1,000,000

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

#### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Mr. Speaker, with your permission, I would like to temporarily go over A1099 and A1100 and first address amendment A1101, perhaps eliminating the possibility or the need to deal with the other two.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cowell, withdraws temporarily A1099. The clerk will read A1101.

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

Mr. COWELL offered the following amendment No. A1101:

Amend Sec. 211, page 48, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 10,132,000

Amend Sec. 228, page 122, by inserting between lines 24 and 25

For State grants to students enrolled in less than two-year credit and noncredit technical and occupational programs at a community college, technical institute or area vocational-technical school.

State appropriation ..... 1,000,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question of amendment 1101, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 1101 is intended to provide the financial wherewithal to implement a recommendation of two special reports that have been submitted to this House of Representatives. It would create a special line item in the PHEAA (Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency) appropriation for \$1 million for State grants to students enrolled in less than 2-year credit and noncredit technical and occupational programs at a community college, technical institute, or area vo-tech school.

Under the current law, these students are not eligible for grants. It was recommended originally in 1994 by the House Education Committee, after a review of vocational education laws at the direction of the House, that we change that law and provide for eligibility for grants to students who fall into that category. Most recently the House Subcommittee on Higher Education, chaired by Representative Carone and Representative Robinson, issued a report back to this House making that same recommendation. So this amendment is the first step toward implementing the recommendation twice received by us now that would expand

PHEAA eligibility to certain students enrolled in certain kinds of programs at community colleges and vo-tech schools that currently are not eligible for PHEAA grants.

This is viewed by many as not just an education program, but very importantly, a job training initiative, something that will help more citizens of all ages enroll in programs that are educational and job training in nature and to do so with the help of a PHEAA grant.

I would urge that we approve that amendment, and I would also add that the \$1 million in this case would be deducted from the line item currently in the budget that deals with inmate training. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

#### POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I raise a point of order on this particular amendment.

The amendment attempts to direct \$1 million to a program that I do not have a problem with. I mean, it is a program for some additional funds that would provide credits in technical schools and community colleges and so on. However, I believe it is a violation of law because we are prevented under PHEAA for providing direct reimbursement to secondary institutions of learning. The vo-tech schools are not postsecondary. They are of the secondary level, high schools, if you will. The PHEAA grants are provided only for postsecondary education.

I believe that this is out of order because it would violate the ability under PHEAA to be able to make those grants available to students that are in the vocational and technical schools.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Cowell, would you come to the rostrum.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

#### CONSTITUTIONAL POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This particular amendment, I believe, is unconstitutional, and I raise the question of constitutionality.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley, raises the point of order that the amendment No. 1101, offered by the gentleman, Mr. Cowell, is unconstitutional.

The Speaker, under rule 4, is required to submit questions affecting the constitutionality of an amendment to the House for decision, which the Chair now does.

On the question,  
Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Mr. Barley, on that question.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, under section 29 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, it very clearly prohibits appropriations in the form of scholarships, grants, or loans for higher education purposes in Pennsylvania to

be given to anyone other than those that are enrolled in institutions of higher learning. That is a very direct prohibition in section 29 of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

This amendment, basically, the way it is drafted today, would provide for a direct grant to our vocational and technical schools, which are secondary schools; they are not postsecondary or they are not institutions of higher learning.

It is possible to change the law. The Constitution, I believe, allows and provides the latitude that if the legislature would change the law to allow for direct grants, loans, reimbursements, as we have described, for vocational and technical schools, then it could be done. The Constitution prevents it today with the absence of law or statute that would allow it, and therefore, I urge that the members vote, as the Constitution binds us, that this is unconstitutional.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, in response, I would urge members to keep in mind that it may be unconstitutional today for a grant to be made to a student at a vocational-technical school, and I will accept the argument for the moment that the gentleman makes. It may be unconstitutional to make such a grant today, but it surely is not unconstitutional for us to put money into a budget anticipating a change in the law.

Keep in mind, the gentleman said, we do not need to change the Constitution; we need to change the law, and for the moment I will accept that suggestion that the law needs to be changed. In fact, as I suggested earlier, we need to change the law anyway to make these kinds of grants legal, because right now, PHEAA does not have the authorization to make these kinds of grants.

Keep in mind also that these grants that are anticipated through this appropriation to PHEAA will go to students not only at vocational-technical schools but also at these certain kinds of programs at community colleges and technical institutes. So even if we—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will yield.

The question before the House is the question of constitutionality, not the disposition of funds under the bill.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am trying to make the point that it is not unconstitutional to provide money to PHEAA to make grants to students who are enrolled in these credit and noncredit technical and occupational programs at community colleges and technical institutes. That is not in dispute at all. The only thing that the gentleman is disputing is whether, if we make this appropriation to PHEAA, they can under the current law, the current law that defines "higher education institution," whether PHEAA can make grants to students enrolled in these vo-tech schools.

We agree that this is something we want to do. We have had two legislative committees recommend it, most recently the Carone committee. We agree that there is no doubt that it is constitutional for grants to be made to students at community colleges and technical institutes. We also agree that none of this can happen under the current law. We need to change the law so that PHEAA is authorized to make grants for these less than 2-year credit and noncredit technical and occupational programs, and if we need to change the law to redefine "higher education institution" and make it very clear that for these purposes, vocational-technical school programs that are aimed at adults —

these are not high school students; we are talking about adults now, adult learners — if we need to change that part of the law, too, we ought to do it.

For the moment, PHEAA making a grant to that limited number of students may be unconstitutional, but this amendment is not unconstitutional. There are grants that are appropriate and constitutional here once we change the law dealing with grants for less than 2-year programs. So we ought to move forward on this. We ought not to let a constitutional challenge, not an unfounded constitutional challenge, get in the way of putting into effect what the very recent Carone committee has said makes sense from a job-training standpoint in this Commonwealth.

I would argue that we decide it is constitutional, that we move forward, and then in the process change the statute — not the Constitution, change the statute — which we can do over the next couple weeks if we are serious about this. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. Chadwick.

Mr. CHADWICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

With all due respect to the gentleman from Allegheny County, the gentleman is arguing that it is constitutional to give PHEAA money specifically earmarked for an unconstitutional purpose. That is just nuts. This is unconstitutional, and we ought to vote that it is.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Stairs.

Mr. STAIRS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of constitutionality, certainly I must agree that it is unconstitutional. I would agree that it is certainly constitutional for PHEAA to disburse money to community colleges. Unfortunately, the area vo-technical schools, which can play a very vital role in our education in Pennsylvania, the way the law stands, it is unconstitutional.

So I would hope that we could vote this unconstitutional and then be very positive about this and move forward to make it constitutional at a later date with other legislation. So I urge members to vote unconstitutional in this matter, which it clearly is. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady, Mrs. Taylor.

Mrs. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, I think there is no question in the minds of those of us who have to vote on the constitutionality that this certainly is unconstitutional.

Over the years we have had in PHEAA many requests, and if it is proper that we take a look at whether or not we want to change the law, the statute, then we should do that. But we certainly should not appropriate money today when this is blatantly unconstitutional.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, regardless of whatever way members vote on this, I am just heartened to hear members say that it is unconstitutional to send money for education other than higher education. I think once and for all today we can resolve the whole issue of vouchers, because there are members who have stood up, who otherwise have supported vouchers, who claim that it is unconstitutional, and I will be happy to support them when it comes to vouchers in saying that they are—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman—

Mr. STURLA. —unconstitutional also. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the question, those voting "aye" will vote to declare the amendment to be constitutional; those voting "no" will vote to declare the amendment to be unconstitutional.

On the question recurring,

Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-96

Battisto	Dermody	Levdansky	Rooney
Belardi	DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato
Belfanti	Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni
Bishop	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Blaum	Evans	Markosek	Shaner
Boscola	George	Mayernik	Staback
Butkovitz	Gigliotti	McCall	Steelman
Buxton	Gordner	McGeehan	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Melio	Surra
Cappabianca	Haluska	Michlovic	Tangretti
Carn	Hanna	Mundy	Thomas
Carone	Harhai	Myers	Tigue
Casorio	Horsey	Olasz	Travaglio
Cawley	Itkin	Oliver	Trello
Cohen, M.	James	Pesci	Trich
Colaella	Jarolin	Petrone	Veon
Colaizzo	Josephs	Pistella	Vitali
Corpora	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Cowell	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Coy	LaGrotta	Rieger	Williams, C.
Curry	Laughlin	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lederer	Robinson	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Roebuck	Youngblood

## NAYS-103

Adolph	Fargo	Major	Schuler
Allen	Feese	Marsico	Semmel
Argall	Fichter	Masland	Serafini
Armstrong	Fleagle	McGill	Seyfert
Baker	Flick	McIlhattan	Smith, B.
Bard	Gannon	McIlhinney	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Geist	McNaughton	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Gladeck	Micozzie	Stairs
Benninghoff	Godshall	Miller	Steil
Birmelin	Gruppo	Nailor	Stern
Boyes	Habay	Nickol	Stevenson
Brown	Harhart	O'Brien	Strittmatter
Browne	Hasay	Orie	Sturla
Bunt	Hennessey	Perzel	Taylor, E. Z.
Chadwick	Herman	Phillips	True
Civera	Hershey	Pippy	Tulli
Clark	Hess	Platts	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Raymond	Waugh
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Reber	Wilt
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Wogan
Dally	Krebs	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Lawless	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Leh	Rubley	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	
Druce	Maher	Saylor	Ryan,
Egolf	Maitland	Schroder	Speaker
Fairchild			

NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the constitutionality of the amendment was not sustained.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cowell. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. COWELL. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the members for their consideration of this series of amendments that I have offered and withdraw amendments 1099 and 1100.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the lady, Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of correcting the record?

The SPEAKER. Mrs. Miller, I wonder if you could wait until the end of the day, and we will take all the corrections at once.

Mrs. MILLER. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Williams, who offers amendment 1104, which is on your desks under Mr. Evans' name.

The clerk will read the amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. WILLIAMS reoffered the following amendment No. A1104:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, by inserting between lines 8 and 9

For cluster enhancement and regional strategies to provide grants to create regional partnerships to enhance cluster industry development and to undertake strategic industry opportunity analysis.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,750,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 26,250,000

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the lady.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

My amendment is a redirection of a portion of the economic and community development money, which would take advantage of some of the information that the work that Team PA has gathered.

This is part of the "Pennsylvania Can!" idea, that we need to help identify and strengthen the regional partnerships when it comes to strategic industry and industry development. I know that, for instance, in Montgomery County, Team PA has been going out and talking to all the industries that need help.

I believe that this transfer of these funds within the Department of Economic and Community Development would strengthen the work that Team Pennsylvania is doing and leverage the funding that we have for more community development, and I ask for your approval of this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

We are on— Pardon me. We are on packet No. 12. No; pardon me. We are on the last amendment in packet No. 11.

Mr. Barley. I am sorry.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is redirecting funds within the Department of Community and Economic Development, and I would support the lady on the amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—194

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Santoni
Allen	Donatucci	Lucyk	Sather
Argall	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Baker	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Bard	Evans	Major	Scrimenti
Barley	Fairchild	Manderino	Serafini
Barrar	Fargo	Markosek	Seyfert
Battisto	Feese	Marsico	Shaner
Belardi	Fichter	Masland	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Flick	McCall	Staback
Birmelin	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Bishop	Geist	McGill	Steelman
Blaum	George	McIlhattan	Steil
Boscola	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck	McNaughton	Stetler
Brown	Godshall	Melio	Stevenson
Browne	Gordner	Michlovic	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Micozzie	Surla
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Miller	Surra
Buxton	Habay	Mundy	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Haluska	Myers	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Hanna	Nailor	Thomas
Carn	Harhai	Nickol	Tigue
Carone	Harhart	O'Brien	Travaglio
Casorio	Hasay	Olasz	Trello
Cawley	Hennessey	Oliver	Trich
Chadwick	Herman	Orie	True
Civera	Hershey	Pesci	Tulli
Clark	Hess	Petrone	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Pippy	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Walko
Colafrella	James	Platts	Washington
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Waugh
Cornell	Josephs	Ramos	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kaiser	Raymond	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Wilt
Cowell	Kenney	Reinard	Wogan
Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Wojnaroski
Curry	Krebs	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Daley	LaCrotta	Robinson	Yewcic
Dally	Laughlin	Roebuck	Youngblood

DeLuca	Lawless	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lederer	Rooney	Zug
Dent	Leh	Ross	
Dermody	Lescovitz	Rubley	Ryan,
DeWeese	Levdansky	Sainato	Speaker

NAYS—1

Reber

NOT VOTING—4

Horsey

Perzel

Semmel

Snyder, D. W.

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to packet No. 12 of 17. Amendment 1105 has been withdrawn by the gentleman, Mr. Evans.

On that cover page, amendment 1113 by the gentleman, Mr. Thomas, that has been done, right? The Chair is in error, Mr. Thomas. Mr. Thomas, just wait. We will wait until we get to it and straighten it out then.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. WILT offered the following amendment No. A1106:

Amend Sec. 219, page 90, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 37,352,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 97, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 257,562,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

Mr. WILT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the question.

Mr. WILT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Amendment 1106 decreases the Department of Public Welfare's general government operations appropriation by \$630,000 and increases the cash-grant appropriation by the same amount.

This \$630,000 is a \$50 increase for those poor Pennsylvanians who are legally blind and receive the State blind pension, and this increase would mean the average payout on the monthly pension to go from about \$97 to about \$147.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.



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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas
Casorio	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Chadwick	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Civera	Hess	Pesci	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Corpora	Kaiser	Raymond	Wagh
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Coy	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dally	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dent	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—1

Carone

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Ms. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment No. A1107:

Amend Sec. 212, page 60, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 37,289,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 61, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of said lines

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady.

Ms. WILLIAMS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

My amendment simply combines the additional funding that Governor Ridge has so generously put into the budget for computer and technological services for libraries and combines it into the general line item for libraries in this State.

As you know, Representative Stevenson and I and a number of people on the Education Committee, along with the Pennsylvania Library Association, have been working very hard to figure out what to do about helping Pennsylvania libraries. At this point, by combining this, I think we should let the libraries in this State decide whether or not they need new technology or they need new roofs. So I hope that you will vote for including the total funds so that the local libraries can decide what they want. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, just for the information of the members, the amendment basically reallocates money within the library system. Under the Governor's proposal, the money was specifically allocated for computers and high-tech or, you know, modern technology. This amendment would reallocate, I believe it is \$7 million, and take the \$7 million and basically put it into library services and personnel, what I guess we would consider to be traditional library services and not necessarily the high tech.

So it is a situation of where I wanted members to be clear what the amendment is doing, and I guess vote your preferences as to how you feel concerning the technology and the level of technology in our libraries.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Donatucci	Lloyd	Rubley
Allen	Druce	Lucyk	Sainato
Argall	Eachus	Lynch	Santoni
Armstrong	Egolf	Maher	Sather
Baker	Evans	Maitland	Schroder
Bard	Fairchild	Major	Schuler
Barley	Fargo	Manderino	Scrimenti

Barrar	Feese	Markosek	Semmel
Battisto	Fichter	Marsico	Serafini
Belardi	Fleagle	Masland	Seyfert
Belfanti	Flick	Mayernik	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gannon	McCall	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Geist	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	George	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Gigliotti	McIlhattan	Staback
Boscola	Gladeck	McIlhinney	Stairs
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Brown	Gordner	Melio	Steil
Browne	Gruitza	Michlovic	Stern
Bunt	Gruppo	Micozzie	Stetler
Butkovitz	Habay	Miller	Stevenson
Buxton	Haluska	Mundy	Strittmatter
Caltagirone	Hanna	Myers	Sturla
Cappabianca	Harhai	Nailor	Surra
Cam	Harhart	Nickol	Tangretti
Casorio	Hasay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cawley	Hennessey	Olasz	Thomas
Chadwick	Herman	Oliver	Tigue
Civera	Hershey	Orie	Travaglio
Clark	Hess	Perzel	Trello
Clymer	Horsey	Pesci	Trich
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Petrone	True
Cohen, M.	Itkin	Phillips	Tulli
Colafrella	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Colaizzo	James	Pistella	Veon
Cornell	Jarolin	Platts	Vitali
Corpora	Josephs	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Kaiser	Ramos	Washington
Cowell	Keller	Raymond	Waugh
Coy	Kenney	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Kirkland	Reber	Williams, C.
Daley	Krebs	Reinard	Wilt
Dally	LaGrotta	Rieger	Wogan
DeLuca	Laughlin	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dempsey	Lawless	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dent	Lederer	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rohrer	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Rooney	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Levdansky	Ross	Zug

## NAYS-2

Saylor  
Ryan,  
Speaker

## NOT VOTING-1

Carone

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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

The SPEAKER. I am the modern man.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. THOMAS offered the following amendment No. A1108:

Amend Sec. 209, page 43, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,000,000

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 858,034,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes at this time the gentleman, Mr. Thomas, on the question of the adoption of amendment 1108.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we have already put additional moneys in for small business development centers. So therefore, I withdraw this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Thomas, withdraws amendment 1108. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas, you have 1109, 10, 11. You have a whole string of amendments. Are you withdrawing any other amendments?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. Yes.

Mr. THOMAS. —many, if not all, of these amendments will be withdrawn as the record is corrected with respect to them. So if we can just go through them, I think—

The SPEAKER. All right. The gentleman is recognized in connection with 1109.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, with respect to 1109, which deals with job training in Philadelphia County, my understanding is we are in the process of working that out, so I am going to withdraw that amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

1110?

Mr. THOMAS. 1110; the budget already provides for that, so we are going to withdraw that amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

1111?

Mr. THOMAS. On 1111, we are in the process of taking care of that, so that is withdrawn.

The SPEAKER. 1112?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, this was probably my priority interest, providing choices for kids from K through 12. This legislative body has been extremely receptive to this issue, and I do not see any reason why we would not be able to continue the kind of support that has been provided for kids K through 12 around the area of school-to-work academies, so I am withdrawing the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.  
1113 we voted on yesterday.

Mr. THOMAS. We have resolved, and there are moneys in there for teenage parents.

The SPEAKER. 1114?

Mr. THOMAS. 1114 has been resolved. I am withdrawing that.

The SPEAKER. 1115?

Mr. THOMAS. 1115 has been addressed.

The SPEAKER. 1116?

Mr. THOMAS. Withdrawn.

The SPEAKER. 1117?

Mr. THOMAS. We have increased funding in science education programs, and as I made a point on the record, I am extremely interested in the George Washington Carver School of Engineering and Science receiving part of that assistance, and I have been provided with some assurances that that will happen.

The SPEAKER. 1117?

Mr. THOMAS. That was 1117.

The SPEAKER. I am sorry; forgive me. 1118?

Mr. THOMAS. Withdrawn.

The SPEAKER. 1119?

Mr. THOMAS. 1119 has been provided for.

The SPEAKER. I would like to give you some more numbers, but your name is not next to them.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I want to thank you and thank both sides of the aisle—

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Mr. THOMAS.—for your willingness to step up to the plate on some of these very important issues. And I say that I know as we move forward on this whole issue of child care and the whole issue of after-school programs, I know we will be dealing with that once we get past this process, and so I thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. HARHAI offered the following amendment No. A1129:

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 19 and 20

For payments to financially distressed school districts. Payments shall be made during the 1998-1999 fiscal year to any district eligible for payments under the provisions of section 2502.30 of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949.

State appropriation ..... 2,000,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Harhai, does not appear to be on the floor at the moment, so that amendment will go over temporarily.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. TRELLO offered the following amendment No. A1130:

Amend Sec. 212, page 56, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For payments to school districts with above average enrollments in special education programs. Payments shall be made to school districts whose percentage of students enrolled in special education programs exceeds the assumed Statewide average of 16% by at least 30%. A school district shall receive a per pupil payment for each student above the Statewide average determined by dividing the total number of such students by the amount appropriated. Pro rata payments shall be made in the event that insufficient funds are appropriated.

State appropriation ..... 6,000,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 68, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 64,093,000

Amend Sec. 283, page 163, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 54,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Trello, is recognized.

Mr. TRELLO. Mr. Speaker, earlier in the day Representative Stairs offered an amendment that took care of my situation, so I will be withdrawing this amendment. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. BROWNE offered the following amendment No. A1133:

Amend Sec. 209, page 38, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 12,558,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 40, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 33,000,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 42, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 9,996,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh.

Mr. BROWNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the value of our enterprise zone programs in communities in the Commonwealth, as we all know, is very significant and can provide significant incentives for private investment in distressed communities and equal the playing field between our more vibrant communities and communities in our inner cities. However, as many members are aware, because limited resources are spread over 60 enterprise zones, the administrators of these programs have enough problems not only keeping them alive never mind providing incentives, so they turn kind of into paper tigers and just areas on a map. Amendment A1133 would provide additional resources to our enterprise zone program so that our enterprise zone administrators can offer the low-interest loans, planning for tax credits that are the substance of this program, so they can attract more private capital into these communities.

It is revenue neutral by offsetting the general operation line in DCED (Department of Community and Economic Development) and the Opportunity Grant Program. I think it is very important to the viability of these enterprise zone programs to keep them going, and I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—196

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Masland	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Micozzie	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Miller	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Hess	Petrone	True
Clark	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Platts	Vitali
Colaella	James	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Josephs	Raymond	Waugh
Corpora	Kaiser	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Keller	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kenney	Reinard	Wilt

Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	Krebs	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Laughlin	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lawless	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lederer	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Lescovitz	Rubley	
DeWeese	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
Donatucci	Lynch		

#### NAYS—1

Lloyd

#### NOT VOTING—2

Carone

Tangretti

#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

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State appropriation . . . . . 2,000,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Harhai.

Mr. HARHAI. Mr. Speaker, I am adding \$2 million from the surplus funds to continue payments to the school districts currently receiving State funds to replace the loss of local funds due to severe reductions in assessed property valuations.

#### AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. Mr. Harhai, I am sorry, that amendment is out of order. There is, at the moment, no surplus from which you can take that \$2 million. Accordingly, I have to say that the amendment is out of order and cannot be considered.

Mr. HARHAI. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Sorry.

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

The SPEAKER. Turn now to packet No. 13.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Stevenson, amendment 1134. The gentleman, Mr. Stevenson, withdraws that amendment.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Nailor, amendment 1137.

Mr. NAILOR. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman, Mr. Nailor, offering that amendment?

Mr. NAILOR. I am going to withdraw both of my amendments. The issue was dealt with yesterday on increasing the minimum amount of subsidy for basic education. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The next three amendments are to be offered, according to my book, by the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen. Are you withdrawing your three amendments, Mr. Cohen?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cohen, who offers amendment 1146, which will be read by the clerk.

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

Mr. COHEN offered the following amendment No. A1146:

Amend Sec. 202, page 21, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	7,900,000
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Amend Sec. 202, page 27, by inserting between 12 and 13

For community-oriented policing services. This appropriation shall be distributed to the various municipalities based on the following formula: 50% shall be based on population and 50% shall be based on the number of Part I offenses under the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program for the preceding calendar year.

State appropriation . . . . .	20,000,000
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Amend Sec. 220, page 114, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	113,956,000
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, if this amendment passes, it will not be necessary to do the remainder of them.

This amendment seeks to allocate \$20 million to the Commission on Crime and Delinquency to provide statewide funding to aid communities in hiring additional policemen or providing additional man-hours for policemen to deter crime in our communities throughout the State of Pennsylvania.

Under this amendment, every municipality in the State will receive additional funds for community-oriented policing services.

The formula for this is, you take the \$20 million appropriated here — half the money is based solely on population, half is based on the number of serious crimes reported in each municipality. By serious crimes, I mean those crimes reported in Part I of the Uniform Crime Report, including the crimes of murder, manslaughter, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, larceny, vehicular homicide, and arson.

Part 1 of the formula, which distributes money on population, recognizes the political realities of this Commonwealth that all communities in some measure feel threatened by crime either in their own community or in neighboring communities. Part 2 of the formula, which distributes money on the number of serious crimes, recognizes that we must more intensively fight crime where it occurs most. We must begin to put our resources where the problem is greatest.

Mr. Speaker, many in this House have been advocates of putting more cops on the beat or what is better known as community policing. The public supports these efforts to provide for more police in our communities. This amendment offers the House an opportunity to support our many neighborhoods in their efforts to provide a safe and secure environment to live and to raise families. This amendment provides the opportunity to place the equivalent of over 500 more policemen on the streets and in our neighborhoods, assuming it would cost an average of about \$40,000 per policeman. Each member has been sent a House printout which delineates how much money will be available to Pennsylvania's counties should this amendment pass.

Mr. Speaker, my community policing amendments take money away from various agencies and programs to fund additional crime prevention efforts. I believe the Senate and the House conference committee can make a rational decision of where the funds can come from to fund this amendment if there is a dispute about the particular agencies where this money comes from.

The real question is, will the House support additional police protection to deter crime in our neighborhoods throughout the State of Pennsylvania? I believe the answer is yes, and I urge your support of this amendment.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I have stood at this podium several times in the last day and a half and advocated for additional support for law enforcement. I advocated against taking funds from our corrections system, which I believe would create situations in our communities that would be less than safe. This amendment does provide 20 million additional dollars for the law enforcement agencies throughout our counties.

Each and every county in Pennsylvania will receive some additional money. The gentleman that sponsored the amendment indicated that he provided basically the information that shows the percentage that each county would receive. I would just like to point out a few examples so members will be familiar as they prepare to vote on what the amendment does.

For instance, the county of Philadelphia, with, I believe, 12 percent of the State's population, in this particular instance would receive 20 percent of the funding. Carbon County, by way of contrast, would receive four-tenths of a percent. Montour County would receive one-tenth of a percent. And we could go on. Westmoreland County, by way of example — it has, I believe,

roughly 3½ percent of the State's population — would receive 2½ percent of the funding.

So it is important that we understand as we prepare to vote that, yes, each county does receive some additional dollars, but it certainly is not appropriated in direct proportion to our population, and I just ask the members to be mindful of that as they prepare to vote.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—111

Battisto	Eachus	Manderino	Santoni
Belardi	Evans	Markosek	Saylor
Belfanti	George	Mayernik	Scrimenti
Bishop	Gigliotti	McCall	Shaner
Blaum	Gordner	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Boscola	Gruitza	McNaughton	Staback
Browne	Gruppo	Melio	Steelman
Butkovitz	Habay	Michlovic	Stetler
Buxton	Haluska	Mundy	Stevenson
Caltagirone	Hanna	Myers	Sturla
Cappabianca	Harhai	Olasz	Surra
Carn	Harhart	Oliver	Tangretti
Casorio	Horseley	Orie	Thomas
Cawley	Itkin	Perzel	Tigue
Cohen, M.	James	Pesci	Travaglio
Colafella	Jarolin	Petrone	Trello
Colaizzo	Josephs	Pippy	Trich
Corpora	Kaiser	Pistella	Veon
Corrigan	Keller	Platts	Vitali
Cowell	Kirkland	Preston	Walko
Coy	LaGrotta	Ramos	Washington
Curry	Laughlin	Readshaw	Waugh
Daley	Lawless	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
DeLuca	Lederer	Roberts	Williams, C.
Dent	Lescovitz	Robinson	Wojnarowski
Dermody	Levdansky	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeWeese	Lloyd	Rooney	Youngblood
Donatucci	Lucyk	Sainato	

#### NAYS—87

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Schuler
Allen	Fairchild	Maitland	Semmel
Argall	Fargo	Major	Serafini
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Smith, S. H.
Bard	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Barley	Flick	Mclhattan	Stairs
Barrar	Gannon	Mclhinney	Steil
Benninghoff	Geist	Micozzie	Stem
Birmelin	Gladeck	Miller	Strittmatter
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Brown	Hasay	Nickol	True
Bunt	Hennessey	O'Brien	Tulli
Chadwick	Herman	Phillips	Vance
Civera	Hershey	Raymond	Wilt
Clark	Hess	Reber	Wogan
Clymer	Hutchinson	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Cornell	Kenney	Ross	Zug
Dally	Krebs	Rublely	
Dempsey	Leh	Sather	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Schroder	Speaker
Druce			

#### NOT VOTING—1

Carone

#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cohen, withdraws his next two amendments.

The gentleman, Mr. Cowell's 1153 is withdrawn.  
1162, 63, are withdrawn. 1164 is withdrawn.

Mr. LLOYD offered the following amendment No. A1166:

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

This appropriation includes sufficient funds for day care services to children from working families whose income does not exceed 235% of Federal poverty level and to continue to provide subsidized day care using the parent fee schedule in effect on January 1, 1998.

Federal appropriation . . . . .	109,280,000
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, this amendment would transfer additional funds from the TANF block grant in order to complete the job on day-care funding which the Williams amendment started earlier today.

The Williams amendment was intended to try to reduce the waiting list. This amendment will eliminate the waiting list and will maintain the eligibility for day-care funding at today's requirements; specifically, the requirements as they were in effect on January 1 of 1998, which are still in effect today. That is 235 percent of the poverty level as far as income.

The second major piece of this amendment is to continue the copay requirement which is in effect today. Without this amendment, what is going to happen is that there is going to be an increase in copay for people who need day-care services, whether they get that service by taking their child to a home in which there are two or three children cared for or whether they take their child to a day-care center. But the increase is greater if they take their child to a center and get what is euphemistically referred to as "quality day care." I do not think that is appropriate. I think that discriminates against the working poor. I think that is a way to make sure that the working poor, who are paying taxes, who have not been on welfare, are shortchanged. I do not think we ought to

shortchange them, and we certainly should not shortchange them when the Federal government has given us the money for this program; we have the money to fund this program.

I urge an affirmative vote on the amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS--198

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feece	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas
Casorio	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Chadwick	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Civera	Hess	Pesci	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Colaella	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Corpora	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Coy	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dally	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dent	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS--0

## NOT VOTING--1

Carone

## EXCUSED--4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Lloyd, withdraws his second amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. LaGROTTA offered the following amendment No. A1168:

Amend Sec. 219, page 92, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 26,962,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 95, line 26, by inserting after "improvements." This appropriation includes an increase of \$100,000 to enhance the family support services in Butler County.

Amend Sec. 219, page 95, line 30, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 579,439,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. LaGrotta.

Mr. LaGROTTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, what this does is increases the family support services money in Butler County by \$100,000, and it reduces the Department of Public Welfare information system budget by the same amount.

The need for this, Mr. Speaker, comes from the fact that Butler County is growing at a rate that is much more rampant than most of the rest of the Commonwealth, and I have been approached by a number of people in the county that have pointed out this need, and I would ask the House to adopt this amendment.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is another amendment, and we have seen a few of these, not many, but we have seen a few of these over the last day and a half, that is drafted in a way that it specifically supports only one very narrow program in one county of Pennsylvania. Now, this is a direct appropriation of \$100,000 that would go to Butler County, and it is from a program within the Department of Public Welfare that benefits all counties in Pennsylvania. So what we are doing, we are taking this money from the fund that benefits all of our counties, this portion of it, and allocating it for a specific purpose in just this one county, which happens to be Butler County.

I am sure it is a fine program for Butler County, but again I remind the members, it is at the expense of the 66 other counties in Pennsylvania.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-93

Belardi	Donatucci	Levdansky	Roebuck
Belfanti	Eachus	Lucyk	Rooney
Bishop	Evans	Maher	Sainato
Blaum	George	Manderino	Santoni
Boyes	Gigliotti	Markosek	Saylor
Butkovitz	Gordner	Mayernik	Shaner
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Caltagirone	Habay	McGeehan	Steelman
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Casorio	Harhai	Mundy	Surra
Cawley	Horsey	Myers	Tangretti
Cohen, M.	Itkin	Olasz	Thomas
Colaella	James	Oliver	Tigue
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Pesci	Travaglio
Corpora	Josephs	Petrone	Trello
Corrigan	Kaiser	Pistella	Trich
Cowell	Keller	Preston	Veon
Coy	Kirkland	Ramos	Walko
Curry	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Washington
Daley	Laughlin	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
DeLuca	Lederer	Roberts	Wojnarowski
Dermody	Lescovitz	Robinson	Youngblood
DeWeese			

## NAYS-104

Adolph	Fairchild	Masland	Serafini
Allen	Fargo	McGill	Seyfert
Argall	Feece	McIlhattan	Smith, B.
Armstrong	Fichter	McIlhinney	Smith, S. H.
Baker	Fleagle	McNaughton	Snyder, D. W.
Bard	Flick	Micozzie	Stairs
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Barrar	Geist	Nailor	Stern
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Cohen, L. I.	Krebs	Ross	Wright, M. N.
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Dally	Leh	Sather	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Schroder	Zug
Dent	Lynch	Schuler	
DiGirolamo	Maitland	Scrimenti	Ryan,
Druce	Major	Semmel	Speaker
Egolf	Marsico		

## NOT VOTING-2

Carone      Godshall

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Ms. STEELMAN offered the following amendment No. A1169:

Amend Sec. 202, page 21, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 20,700,000

Amend Sec. 227, page 121, by inserting between lines 29 and 30

For distance learning-related activities.

These funds shall be used for the following activities: enhancement of the Wide Area Network, faculty training and matching funds on local campuses for interactive distance learning activities.

State appropriation . . . . . 2,200,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment would appropriate \$2.2 million to the State System of Higher Education for the specific purpose of assisting the system in upgrading and expanding distance learning capabilities.

Many of us have heard from our constituents about the problems of students in rural areas, and many of us have been intrigued by the potential of distance learning to improve educational opportunities in the Commonwealth. The State System, which has worked in the past to develop its capacities, wants to expand, wants to improve its ability, particularly to work with local educational networks and to coordinate with Link to Learn programs across the Commonwealth.

They are asking for \$2.2 million, part of it for hardware, part of it for teacher training and for coordinating efforts, and one of the things that makes this a little different from a lot of the appropriations that we are looking at in this process is that the State System has also committed itself to raising a dollar and a half from private sources for every dollar that is appropriated by the legislature. So our \$2.2-million appropriation will be matched by \$3½ million in private money in order to bring that \$2.2 million down.

The money is scheduled to come from us by a diversion from the Year 2000 computer program. I have to admit, though, that when I looked at the description and saw that somehow disruption of computer facilities had come out in the printout as "disruption," I was beginning to wonder, I do not know, maybe we actually do need more money for computer supplies and software right here since the system does not seem to be working perfectly.

However, on the whole, I think that our best investment will be to put this into higher education and particularly into coordinated



higher education distance learning facilities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I urge your support for this amendment.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Schuler.

Mr. SCHULER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of this amendment.

This would be for the Prometheus Project, which is a very worthwhile project that has been in existence for quite a while with the State System, and I would hope that the members could see fit to vote in favor of this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Coy.

Mr. COY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support the amendment. The Prometheus Project has been a successful project in the State System of Higher Education, and if we are talking about enhancing and adding to the knowledge of computer technology and computers, what better place to put it than in the universities and colleges across the Commonwealth that will be teaching our potential teachers?

It is obvious that the age of computers and the technology related thereto is upon us, and to put dollars into the hands of the State System where our teachers are being taught is the most appropriate place for it. I support the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Dent.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Would the maker of the amendment please stand for interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Steelman, indicates she will stand for interrogation. You may begin.

Mr. DENT. It is my understanding that this appropriation for distance learning would only go to the State System schools?

Ms. STEELMAN. Yes.

Mr. DENT. May I ask why you have only included the State System schools and not the State-relateds and the independent institutions as well?

Ms. STEELMAN. Because it is the State System schools that are working on this particular network project. As a couple of the intervening speakers have pointed out, this is a continuation of the Prometheus Project which we funded last year.

The SPEAKER. Will the lady yield, please; will the lady yield.

I am watching the gentleman, Mr. Dent, struggle to hear Ms. Steelman, and that is understandable, because there are too many conversations going on at the same time.

Ms. STEELMAN. Just as—

The SPEAKER. The lady will yield.

Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. This is in fact analogous to an amendment that we put into the budget yesterday to fund the housing research institute which is located at Penn State. We did not put money in to fund any possible number of housing research institutes at colleges and universities across the Commonwealth; we voted to do something that was specifically located at Penn State, because that is where that particular work is being done.

As far as I know, this project at the State System, this is what is happening at the State System. If other colleges and universities are trying to create this kind of distance learning infrastructure,

then they have every right to come to the legislature and ask if they can get some assistance with it. But I think we should move ahead to support those institutions that are currently trying to promote distance learning in the best way possible.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Can I comment on the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. DENT. I am not going to speak against this amendment. The intent is clearly a good one. I just wish it had been more expansive to include the independent-sector institutions, which are all very much involved with distance learning activities.

But again, I will not speak against the amendment. The intent is good, and again, I just wish it were more inclusive. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—194

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Allen	Druce	Maher	Saylor
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Barrar	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fichter	Mayemik	Shaner
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Belfanti	Flick	McGeenan	Smith, S. H.
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Daley	Krebs	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Dally	LaGrotta	Robinson	Yewcic
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Dermody	Levdansky	Ruble	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan, Speaker

## NAYS-3

Lawless                  Ross                  Steil

## NOT VOTING-2

Carone                  Lederer

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones          Petrarca          Taylor, J.          Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. **BROWNE** offered the following amendment No. A1171:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	5,420,000
For a program to market Pennsylvania's intellectual capital to developing countries.	
State appropriation . . . . .	150,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh County.

Mr. **BROWNE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment A1171 appropriates \$150,000 to finance the development of an agile technology mediated export business initiative through the Center of Agile Pennsylvania Education, based on its members' huge education, training, and intellectual capital.

Over the last several years, this chamber has committed itself to improving our private sector's manufacturing and service business presence in foreign markets. However, it is my belief we have yet to commit enough in our effort of exporting some of our most valuable assets in Pennsylvania, and that is our huge intellectual capacity in our higher ed institutions.

With this appropriation, CAPE will develop a program to blend the resources in our export offices with member institutions' international contacts and the federally and institutionally financed distance learning infrastructure that is available to these institutions to export Pennsylvania's knowledge and training industry.

Drawing on our academic resources of member institutions, CAPE will offer courses on market economy of Western businesses in Eastern Europe and in Russia in collaboration with a distance learning company in Germany.

Exporting our intellectual resources through member institutions will eventually have tremendous benefits on our small business economy in the Commonwealth, and it will allow our economy to grow in an area where we can see tremendous benefits to small

businesses since every \$1 billion invested overseas can create 7,000 new Commonwealth jobs.

I ask for an affirmative vote.

The **SPEAKER**. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. **STURLA**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this amendment. Earlier today I tried to get some money to promote some of the people that produced some of this intellectual capital, and we opted for Hollywood stars instead, and I would just hope that in supporting this, that when this does go through, that when we actually do the promotion, that we actually use some of those people, the scientists and the intellects in this State that produce this capital, instead of Pee-Wee Herman, Rocky Balboa, and Beavis and Butt-head. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-198

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Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
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Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
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Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
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Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dally	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
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Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	

DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—1

Carone

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. **BROWNE** offered the following amendment No. A1172:

Amend Sec. 209, page 40, by inserting between lines 7 and 8

For transfer to the Small Business First

Fund for preexport and postexport financing initiatives.

State appropriation . . . . .	1,000,000
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Amend Sec. 209, page 40, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	22,000,000
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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. On the question, the Chair recognizes Mr. Browne.

Mr. **BROWNE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 1172 also has to do with exporting.

The opportunities for our small businesses overseas are tremendous, but the barriers are also tremendous, not only in finding suppliers but also financing. The Small Business First Fund does have a category for pre- and post-export financing. However, as indicated in prior amendments, this fund is totally oversubscribed. I think the financing was taken up in 6 months. If we are going to provide our small businesses with incentives to look for opportunities overseas, I think we have to invest more heavily in this fund for export-related initiatives.

The amendment is revenue neutral. It takes \$1 million out of infrastructure development, which I also think is an important program, but in terms of providing this incentive in an area where we can see tremendous growth, I think the amendment has merit, and I ask for an affirmative vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—1

Carone

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. KIRKLAND offered the following amendment No. A1173:

Amend Sec. 209, page 41, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,800,000

Amend Sec. 215, page 77, lines 9 through 11, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Federal appropriation . . . . . 7,800,000

For AIDS Programs. At least \$1,000,000 of this appropriation shall be used to provide community-based HIV prevention programs targeted to high-risk populations.

State appropriation . . . . . 7,528,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Kirkland, who offers amendment 1173, which in the distributed form may carry the name of Ms. Josephs.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Kirkland.

Mr. KIRKLAND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Pennsylvania has the seventh greatest reported incidents of AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) in the country. However, according to the latest national study on HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) and AIDS spending, Pennsylvania spends less than half of the national average per capita.

Over the years, Mr. Speaker, State AIDS funding has fallen. Spending per capita totaled about \$1,877 per case in the 1992-93 fiscal year. The current budget includes only per capita spending for \$891. This represents a 52.5-percent decrease in per capita spending in just 5 years, this even though diagnosed AIDS cases have more than tripled.

Mr. Speaker, AIDS is now reported in every county in our Commonwealth, and the Health Department predicts AIDS cases will continue to rise as we approach the year 2000. Sadly, the two high-risk groups in Pennsylvania being infected at the fastest pace are women and children — women and children, Mr. Speaker. That is disturbing news when added to the facts that we already have.

AIDS funding remains woefully inadequate when compared to the number of new cases diagnosed each year. My amendment would simply shift \$1 million from the Department of Community and Economic Development's Team Pennsylvania line item to the Health Department for its AIDS programs.

I urge the members' support on this amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—2

Carone Maitland

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Home

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1174:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 850,788,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 54, line 28, by inserting after "open."

A school district with a market value income aid ratio equal to or greater than

.5000 and with a population per square mile of 80 or less and not already qualified under any other small district assistance formula contained within this appropriation shall be eligible for payments at the rate of \$75 per average daily membership.

Amend Sec. 212, page 54, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 3,578,734,000

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

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the George amendment, the Chair recognizes the distinguished gentleman from Clearfield, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, because the Assembly was in agreement with 1176 and it was passed, I am removing from consideration 1174.

And this will make you happy, Mr. Speaker: I will also remove 1175. And this is not the end of your joy; I will remove 1177. And if they pass the next three, I will remove 10 or 12 more.

The SPEAKER. We are on a roll.

Is it my understanding, Mr. George, from packet 14 we will now begin with 1178? The clerk will read 1178.

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1178:

Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 16,333,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 27,838,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 69, by inserting between lines 23 and 24  
For abandoned surface mine  
reclamation.

State appropriation . . . . . 10,000,000

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

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. George, is recognized in connection with that amendment.

Mr. GEORGE. Now, Mr. Speaker, I would not want anyone to take me out of context. The Governor stood up several times and joyously he talked about our priority ought to be tending to abandoned mine and we should do something for reclamation. He did this on several occasions. I join him, as I did when he first started. I want to join with him now, and hopefully you will join with me. This amendment takes \$5 million each from the Department of Environmental Protection in general government operations and the environmental program management line items

and adds a new line item that will utilize that \$10 million for surface mine reclamation of abandoned mines.

This was on a list of administrative priorities, as I said earlier, and he said — the Governor — and these are his words, we have to take a long view and take this problem on; quit ignoring it, and we are asking you to pass this amendment.

Remember, Mr. Speaker, this is only 3.1 percent of the entire general administration budget for DEP. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
Druce	Lynch	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—2

Battisto Carone

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Hone

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1179:

Amend Sec. 213, page 69, by inserting between lines 23 and 24  
For abandoned surface mine  
reclamation.  
State appropriation . . . . . 10,000,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Again, I ask that we remove this from consideration in that the prior bill handled what this does. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Amendment 1179 is withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1180:

Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 27, by removing the colon after "Protection" and inserting  
, provided that no funds in this appropriation may be used for departmental activities relating to public outreach or marketing of sewage sludge or biosolids.

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, line 13, by inserting after "Management"  
, provided that no funds in this appropriation may be used for departmental activities relating to public outreach or marketing of sewage sludge or biosolids

Amend Sec. 213, page 68, line 16, by inserting after "operations"  
, provided that no funds in this appropriation may be used for departmental activities relating to public outreach or marketing of sewage sludge or biosolids

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, not to get anybody excited, this was the sludge amendment that would prohibit the administration from using moneys out of either the departments of DEP or the Department of Commerce to try to sell the idea where sludge makes money. What I would like to do is basically go over this and remove it, but I would like to run 1181.

The SPEAKER. Mr. George, are you suggesting that this amendment be withdrawn or that it go over temporarily?

Mr. GEORGE. No; I am suggesting, Mr. Speaker, that it be withdrawn.

The SPEAKER. That is fine.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1181:

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	32,800,000
For the listing on the Internet of the physical locations where sewage sludge is being land applied in this Commonwealth.	
State appropriation . . . . .	38,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George, in connection with the offering of amendment 1181.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, some time ago DEP placed across the tubes on their Net Link the fact that all types of waste sites would be monitored and shown on their Web page. They felt that this was the answer to letting people become informed. We all agree with them. We think that more like this ought to be done so that we and our constituents are informed.

This should not cause any panic to anyone. All this says is that we are asking for \$38,000, and I would like to see that money used on the Internet for reporting to the public on compliance with environmental requirements. We believe that a fundamental element of all our programs should be initiated, and that is the words of the Secretary of DEP.

DEP has, as I said, that Internet page, and all we are saying is that if you have the ability to list sites on the Internet, why not list your sites that have sludge on them. All we are asking is that we inform the people, not to do anything about the sites but just simply inform the people, and that is all we are asking to do, what DEP says they want done, and I ask that you accept that.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I support the gentleman on the amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1182:

Amend Sec. 1801, page 189, line 10, by striking out "section 253" and inserting

sections 253 and 1811

Amend Bill, page 192, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

Section 1811. Disclosure of certain ATM fees.—Any bank or financial institution that is a depository of funds appropriated under this act shall publish in its offices the amount of moneys it collected during the month preceding the effective date of this act from third-party transaction fees at its automatic teller machines located in this Commonwealth.

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, I think most people know that this is an ATM (automatic teller machine) amendment. I am told that the Parliamentarian, if I have not been advised improperly, might feel that there is substantive language that is placed in this amendment. Because of the late date and the fact that I have amendments already on bills, I will remove this amendment and tend to the others that are on the calendar, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1183:

Amend Sec. 1801, page 189, line 10, by striking out "section 253" and inserting

sections 253 and 1811

Amend Bill, page 192, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

Section 1811. Limitation on deposit of appropriated funds.—No funds appropriated under this act may be deposited by the State Treasurer in a bank or financial institution that charges an amount in excess of fifty cents per transaction to a consumer for third-party use of the bank or financial institution's automatic teller machine. This section shall not be construed to impair or impede any contract between the State Treasurer and any bank or financial institution that is in effect on the effective date of this act.

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George, in connection with amendment 1183.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, I will remove this amendment also.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. George, withdraws 1183 and offers 1184, which the clerk will read.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A1184:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 4,250,000

For the promotion of continued and expanded use of Pennsylvania coal in a deregulated electricity generation marketplace and for other coal promotion efforts.

State appropriation . . . . . 250,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Mr. Speaker, we have been in session a couple of days, working diligently, trying to understand amendments that everyone, including myself, believe are most needed by our constituents and the State of Pennsylvania. I have one here that I think is just as important as being able to use any other dollar for any other purpose. What it does, Mr. Speaker, is it takes \$250,000 and it gives that department a chance and a very, very unusual and yet needed opportunity to sell Pennsylvania coal. What I am concerned about with deregulation is that when we lose our Shawville plant in Clearfield and we lose the one in Williamsport and other plants, we may not be selling the coal we are selling now. Those are the only jobs that some of the rural areas have that have any significance and are more than minimum-wage jobs.

I ask that we adopt this amendment.

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the George amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is an industry in Pennsylvania that has had some very challenging times, the coal industry, and it is an industry that has been really a bedrock industry of the State over the years, a flagship industry, if you will, and what the gentleman is proposing to do, he is taking the \$250,000 within the Department of Community and Economic Development and creating a separate program, a specific program, to help this industry that is going through, as I have indicated, these challenging times.

So I think it is something that is very positive that we can do for the industry, and I would urge the members to support the initiative.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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Bebko-Jones

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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 recurring,

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



Mr. **GEORGE** offered the following amendment No. **A1185**:

Amend Sec. 212, page 55, line 4, by inserting after "schools" to promote Internet and non-Internet based learning

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

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George.

Mr. **GEORGE**. Mr. Speaker, 2 years ago the Assembly, with the urging of the Governor, put into effect a very important program, the Link to Learn. We all stood here during the Governor's budget address, and we watched how proud he was and how proud most of us were in that my kids were over in the Governor's foyer and they were bringing to us a Net Link program on the Link to Learn. Just last week I had another group from Harmony, in Clearfield County, go to Arizona to represent the State of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, this does not take any money out of a program. It merely insists that another use be applied with the \$3 million that is going into the vo-tech funding, that just says for technology. I found out just last week where the third highest vocation in demand is drafting and drafting studies. These cannot be done just with the Net Link. They need computers. One year the Link to Learn said we could buy computers; the next year it said we could only buy the ancillary. I am saying the computers are necessary. They build cars on computers. It is the new approach to the technology we are waiting to put into effect. No way could we do better than to take our vo-tech students and give them an opportunity to learn the computer and the drafting methods.

I urge that we adopt this amendment.

The **SPEAKER**. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. **BARLEY**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I support the gentleman on the amendment and urge an affirmative vote.

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

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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 recurring,  
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

Mr. **TRELLO** offered the following amendment No. **A1186**:

Amend Sec. 210, page 45, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 11,145,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 19 and 20

For payments for temporary special aid to school districts suffering reductions in assessed valuation of taxable property. Payments shall be made to school districts experiencing a severe reduction in local revenue due to a decline in the assessed value of taxable properties. The allocation to these districts shall be determined by multiplying the reduction in assessed value between 1985 and 1995 by the 1995-1996 real estate millage rate. Pro rata payment shall be made in the event that insufficient funds are appropriated.

State appropriation . . . . . 5,000,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 19,697,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 30,925,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the amendment, the Chair recognizes Mr. Trello.

Mr. TRELLO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, about a month ago, I helped arrange a meeting with a number of superintendents from school districts in western Pennsylvania along with their legislators and Senators from those particular school districts, and what the meeting was about, it was about school districts that have suffered reduction in the assessed value of their taxable property, and they came under the guise of needy school districts.

Earlier today Representative Harhai introduced amendment A1032 that helped initiate this program to help those needy school districts that have lost their assessed value of their taxable property. There was a flaw in that amendment that excluded one of the school districts. Now, Harhai's amendment was an agreed-to amendment, but it excluded one school district, and this amendment just adds that school district.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I support the gentleman's amendment and would urge an affirmative vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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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 recurring,

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

Mr. PISTELLA offered the following amendment No. A1192:

Amend Sec. 209, page 40, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 21,000,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 40, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 20,075,000

Amend Sec. 209, page 41, lines 10 and 11, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Pistella.

Mr. PISTELLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to turn your attention, please, to pages 40 and 41 of the budget. This amendment, A1192, is being offered to do the following two things. The first thing it will do is change the amount of money that is being appropriated to the

Department of Community and Economic Development for housing and redevelopment assistance by \$4 million. I am attempting to change this \$16,075,000 figure to \$20,075,000.

I would like to draw your attention also to two other line items: a line item on page 40, line 14, which is the appropriation for infrastructure development, and on page 41, lines 10 and 11, for a community development bank. The amendment will do the following: It will cut by \$2 million the \$23 million for infrastructure development, and it will completely eliminate the community development bank.

Just to take a moment to explain to you the justification for these changes.

During the course of the last two administrations, the Casey administration and the last or current Ridge administration, housing and urban redevelopment money once stood in a line item over and above \$20 million, the purpose of which was to assist and to help out small projects in inner cities all across the State — to attract small businesses and new businesses; to fix up blighted commercial buildings; to fix up smaller apartments, usually 10 units or less; and oftentimes to provide matching grants for storefront improvements. But during the latter part of the Casey administration and through the Ridge administration, there has been more of a concern and an effort to look at larger projects. This line item was continually whittled down to what the Governor is currently proposing at the \$16 million.

What I would like to do is to increase by \$4 million that line item for these small projects in inner-city communities all across the State. Now, I am doing that to one line item which is looking at a \$3-million increase, as proposed by the Governor, for infrastructure development, from \$20 million last year to \$23 million this year, so we are only going to be taking away \$2 million there. The remaining \$2 million from the community development bank is for a project that we have not adopted by enabling legislation. In the current fiscal year, 1997-98 budget, there was a line item for \$15 million for this project, but the enabling legislation died in its respective committees in both the House and the Senate. What I would like to do is use the \$2 million that the Governor is proposing for that particular project, to be used to go back into the housing and urban redevelopment line item to help those inner-city projects.

I believe, by this method, we can accommodate both the small projects in inner cities and the high-impact projects that we are concerned about and we have talked about to nurture and increase economic development by finding funds for malls, large developments of housing in our cities, and I think that this amendment attempts to make room for both in the current budget by living within our means, and I would encourage the members to adopt this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the amendment.

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

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Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Laughlin	Robinson	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lawless	Roebuck	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lederer	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Dent	Leh	Rooney	Zug
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rublely	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Speaker
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—2

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## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Ms. MUNDY offered the following amendment No. A1193:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,478,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 100, line 15, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 10,224,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the lady, Ms. Mundy, is recognized.

Ms. MUNDY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment proposes to increase the line item called expanded medical services for women by \$6 million. These are women who will be served with various services who are not poor enough to qualify for Medicaid. At a time when we are asking women, poor women, to be responsible, to go to work, to find and pay for child care, it seems logical to me that we should be doing more in State government to help them control the size of their families. Specifically, this line item deals with, among other things, it deals with family planning.

I would like to bring to your attention a statement made to each of us by the Physician General, Wanda Filer, in a letter that she wrote to us as she resigned from her position, and you will recall that in that letter she outlined numerous problems that she had with public policy in Pennsylvania as it applies to health issues.

And on page 4 of her letter, she specifically refers to "Reproductive Health." She says, "This is perhaps the most contentious, politicized and misconstrued area that I have witnessed...."

"Currently it is estimated that 57 percent of ALL pregnancies are unplanned in a country where sexual messages greet us at every turn. I have expressed my concerns to this Administration that the pursuit of abstinence-based programs not detract from the funding for clinical services to prevent these pregnancies, treatment of sexually transmitted diseases and education of patients. As the mother of two young daughters and as a physician who has provided health care to many Pennsylvania adolescents, I hope that the dollars committed to abstinence-only programs can, indeed, foster the development of effective programs that withstand objective, scientific review. Please be advised, however, that there is a paucity of data to support abstinence only programs' effectiveness at this time, based on public health models. There are, however, many reproductive health care delivery sites with compromised delivery of care — including a center in Harrisburg that closed for the summer due to lack of funds.

"I am referring to the issue of basic reproductive health care. If this situation continues, I ask you not to blame Pennsylvania's extraordinarily high chlamydia sexually transmitted disease rates on any one group. It will be a reflection on all of us."

I could not agree more with our former Physician General. I hope that you will agree with me that we should do more in Pennsylvania to provide services for women who seek to control the size of their families and to be responsible. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Godshall.

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I totally agree with the adversary, with my colleague on the other side of the aisle, that the moneys that are being taken, the \$6 million, would be for valuable services to the State. At the same time, what we are doing here is we are absolutely, totally devastating the advertising budget of the tourism industry in the State of Pennsylvania.

Again I would like to call to your attention, the tourism industry is a \$23-billion industry and advertising is its lifeblood. Advertising is the lifeblood of this industry. It employs 424,000 people who depend on this industry for their very subsistence. Taking \$6 million out of a \$13.4-million line item puts us back to the 1990s; it puts us all the way back to that time and place.

Right now, as I mentioned earlier, the State of Pennsylvania ranks 40th in the country in the number of personnel that are located in our tourism office here in Harrisburg. We rank 23d in the nation, 23d in the nation, in the advertising budget for the State. These moneys here, the very moneys we are talking about, are moneys that we use to produce our advertising programs; they are used to purchase the advertising on television. Last year was the first year that we went into the New York market. These are moneys to run our State tourism office; moneys to produce and distribute our tourism booklet; moneys to fund our 1-800-VISIT PA call-in center in Erie, Pennsylvania, the 1-800 call-in center. This is where the \$6 million is going to hit. It is going to hit these programs and hit them hard. We have obligations, we have commitments that are in place at this time, and a \$6-million removal from this budget would absolutely mean that the State of Pennsylvania would be doing no out-of-State advertising in the coming year.

I would absolutely, totally ask and I think most of the members in my committee would ask for a negative vote on this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Kaiser.

Mr. KAISER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I know the prime sponsor of this amendment is very sincere regarding this issue, but as the Representative from Montgomery County said, this will basically gut the tourism industry, the dollars spent here in Pennsylvania, and we all know within 5 years tourism will be the number one industry in Pennsylvania.

Not to repeat what Representative Godshall said, but these dollars are very important to the tourism industry. Many of the people in the tourism industry take the money out of their own pocket and make investments into their facilities to serve their visitors.

So, Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for a "no" on this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the maker of the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Mundy, indicates she will stand for interrogation. You may begin.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I just want to understand how this money is going to be used, because what I see is that the total amount of the appropriation is being increased but there is no change being made in the language of the appropriation which divides that money. The way the bill reads now, there is a total of

\$4,224,000, which is divided: 50 percent goes for grants to nonprofit agencies whose primary function is to assist pregnant women seeking alternatives to abortion, and the other 50 percent goes for women's medical services, including contraception supplies. That language and those dollar figures are not changed by this amendment, but the total amount of the appropriation is increased. Could you explain how that additional \$5.7 million would be divided?

Ms. MUNDY. Mr. Speaker, it would be divided exactly as the current appropriation is divided. It would be divided equally between the women's medical service programs and alternatives to abortion service programs.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Horsey.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, in Philadelphia there are two primary industries. One is shipping, and the second is the tourism industry, Mr. Speaker. We had one of the largest crowds in Philadelphia about 2 weeks ago for the Flower Show, one of the largest crowds the city has ever seen. To take money from this industry would hurt Philadelphia, Mr. Speaker.

I am vigorously, vigorously opposed to the Mundy amendment and would ask my colleagues not to vote for this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Dent.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of this amendment.

I know there have been some misconceptions about what this amendment intends to do. Let me clarify one thing. There have been some comments that people thought this had to do with abortion. This amendment has absolutely nothing to do with abortion services; nothing at all. What it will provide, though, is medical services for breast cancer screenings. It will provide for medical tests for anemia, Pap smears, diabetes, STDs (sexually transmitted diseases), and other services; food and clothing pantries and housing assistance for pregnant women; and for noninvasive contraceptive supplies.

Again, this cannot be used for abortions or abortion referral services. I want to be very clear about that. I know some people had questions.

Again, I think this is a very good amendment, and it is worthy of our support, and this amendment is consistent with policies of both Governor Casey and Governor Ridge for the past several years. It is worthy of your support. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Battisto.

Mr. BATTISTO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, may I please interrogate the maker of the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The lady indicates she will stand for interrogation. You may begin.

Mr. BATTISTO. Mr. Speaker, could you please tell me why—I realize you had to choose some area, but you put us in a difficult position, simply because, first of all, as was said, your efforts are laudable; however, your intent here is to take \$6½ million away from a very, very vital industry in Pennsylvania, and certainly, in the Poconos, in fact going as far as the northeast, in your district almost, in Montage and beyond, it is difficult for me to fathom why you would choose this area. Could you please answer that?

Ms. MUNDY. Mr. Speaker, we had to take the money from somewhere. As with every amendment that has been offered the entire day, there is no good place to take \$6 million from.

I would just like to point out, however, that the tourism line item for marketing has had a total increase of 125 percent in 4 years. That is an average annual increase of 22 percent. At the same time—

The SPEAKER. Will the lady yield.

The lady is debating the bill, not responding to interrogation now.

Ms. MUNDY. He asked me why we took the money from tourism, and I am trying to respond.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again, there is no good place to take \$6 million from. It just seems to me that if you want to say that this is important, that family planning is important and worthy of support, perhaps the message to the conference committee is that we support money for family planning; take it from wherever you want to.

Mr. BATTISTO. That is my very, very point. We are sending messages. On one hand, you are sending a message that you support women's services. I do, too. However, you are sending the same message that you could easily take 50 percent away from the tourism budget. That is a negative message. So I would like to send a message for both. However, I cannot do it this way, simply because you have told us to send a message that would deplete almost the tourism part of the budget, and frankly, to answer your question further, you indicated, you talked about the increase in tourism budgets over the years, but still we are behind many States, because we are competing vigorously with other States to attract foreign visitors and other kinds of people to Pennsylvania, and frankly, this depletes the budget tremendously. I wish you had chosen general government spending or other areas. That would have sent a message, too.

This is the wrong message. Therefore, unfortunately, I cannot support this amendment. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Nailor.

Mr. NAILOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to echo the sentiments of the previous speaker, the gentleman from Monroe County. As a member of the Tourism Committee, we know the potential that the tourism industry has in Pennsylvania. The potential is that it produces taxes; it increases jobs. The taxes we receive can be used to provide services like are being asked for here.

Now, I am not standing here as someone who does not support these services. I put my name on the line last year on the letter that was sent to the Governor asking for money for these services, but I do not think you supply money for these services by absolutely wiping out the second largest industry in Pennsylvania. What we are doing here is killing the goose that laid the golden egg, and the golden egg is in the form of taxes. It is what gives us the opportunity to provide the services that government should be providing, and yes, this is one of those services. I am just afraid that we are going to destroy an industry to do it.

You put us in a very, very uncomfortable position here, because there are other areas of the budget. We have passed amendments all afternoon today and yesterday that attached other areas of the budget. Tourism is a bad area. Tourism is an industry that needs our attention, and many of the amendments that took money from tourism have been shot down just for that reason.

This is a good cause, the health services need to be provided, but I do not think we have to wipe out an industry to do it, and for that reason, Mr. Speaker, I am going to vote against this amendment.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Ms. Carone.

Ms. CARONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I realize we are having this academic argument today as to what it means to put something into the budget amended today, this afternoon, and then sent to the Senate for their consideration and then eventually returned to us for nonconcurrency and then go to conference. I believe that the prime sponsor of this amendment is quite accurate in her statement that if we take the money from this particular line item, which is very important to the Governor and to all of us, we will surely find a place to find that money to go back into the tourist portion and then also additional dollars to demonstrate that the majority of the House believes that helping women in this way is important to Pennsylvania, to our families, to our children, and quite frankly, to Pennsylvania's women. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the lady, Ms. Mundy.

Ms. MUNDY. We all know what is happening here, and the truth is that no matter where I took the money from, we would be having the same discussion. It is an artificial rule that has been imposed upon us that we have to take money from one line item if we are going to offer an additional increase to another line item. There would be an excuse not to vote for this amendment no matter where the money came from, and you all know that.

Let us send a message to the conference committee that family planning is important; that we want to help poor women control the size of their families so that they can be responsible citizens, so that they can provide for the children that they want.

Let us prevent unintended pregnancies, let us reduce sexually transmitted diseases, let us make sure that poor women get the reproductive health services they need, and the only way to do that is to vote for this amendment that takes money out of a certain line item, which can be corrected by those who will ultimately make this decision. I urge your support of this very important women's issue.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question, Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. I have a lot of respect for my colleague, Ms. Mundy, but I beg to differ—

The SPEAKER. Will the lady yield; will the lady yield.

The conference in the back of the House will please break up.

Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. I really do differ with her, though, on her latest argument that no matter what area of the budget she would have taken the money from, that we would have been against this type of amendment, which is not true. I am definitely for expanding medical services for women. I always have been. I have talked about it for 3 years. However, she is taking this money from a tourism budget that is very important to a lot of economies and cities and townships and boroughs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Lehigh Valley relies on this. The Pocono area tremendously relies on this type of tourism line item to bring business and people into the area. But if you would have taken the money from the prison training camp or whatever you wanted to do, I would have supported that, but you cannot take it from

tourism, because it is vital, it is vital to the economy of Pennsylvania.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Ms. Bard.

Ms. BARD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I think that it is difficult that this amendment takes from the tourism budget, and particularly, as a member of that committee, I am disappointed to see that. On the other hand, some of the recent activities in the Health Department with regard to the health-care agenda and with the resignation of Dr. Wanda Filer, it has called to our attention the difficult problems that we have with women's health, and I think this is an important area that we do need to focus some attention on, and despite the fact that it is coming from the tourism budget, I will be voting in favor of the amendment just in order to make the point that this is a very important area that needs attention. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—76

Bard	Eachus	Melio	Stairs
Belardi	Evans	Mundy	Steelman
Browne	Feese	Nickol	Steil
Buxton	George	Pesci	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gladeck	Petrone	Sturla
Carone	Gordner	Pistella	Surra
Casorio	Gruitza	Platts	Tangretti
Cohen, L. I.	Harhart	Preston	Thomas
Cohen, M.	Hennessey	Reber	Trello
Corpora	Hershey	Reinard	Trich
Corrigan	Itkin	Rieger	Tulli
Cowell	Jarolin	Robinson	Vance
Coy	Josephs	Roebuck	Veon
Curry	Krebs	Rooney	Vitali
Dent	Levdansky	Ross	Walko
Dermody	Lloyd	Rubley	Waugh
DeWeese	Maitland	Santoni	Williams, C.
DiGirolamo	Manderino	Scrimenti	Wojnarowski
Druce	McIlhinney	Smith, B.	Wright, M. N.

#### NAYS—123

Adolph	Donatucci	Leh	Rohrer
Allen	Egolf	Lescovitz	Sainato
Argall	Fairchild	Lucyk	Sather
Armstrong	Fargo	Lynch	Saylor
Baker	Fichter	Maher	Schroder
Barley	Fleagle	Major	Schuler
Barrar	Flick	Markosek	Semmel
Battisto	Gannon	Marsico	Serafini
Belfanti	Geist	Masland	Seyfert
Benninghoff	Gigliotti	Mayernik	Shaner
Birmelin	Godshall	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Gruppo	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Habay	McGill	Staback
Boscola	Haluska	McIlhattan	Stern
Boyes	Hanna	McNaughton	Stevenson
Brown	Harhai	Michlovic	Strittmatter
Bunt	Hasay	Micozzie	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Herman	Miller	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hess	Myers	Travaglio
Carn	Horsey	Nailor	True
Cawley	Hutchinson	O'Brien	Washington
Chadwick	Jadlowiec	Olasz	Williams, A. H.
Civera	James	Oliver	Wilt
Clark	Kaiser	Orie	Wogan
Clymer	Keller	Perzel	Yewcic

Colafella	Kenney	Phillips	Youngblood
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Pippy	Zimmerman
Cornell	LaGrotta	Ramos	Zug
Daley	Laughlin	Raymond	
Dally	Lawless	Readshaw	Ryan,
DeLuca	Lederer	Roberts	Speaker
Dempsey			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Home
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Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Chair requests the gentleman, Mr. Chadwick, to temporarily preside.

### THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (J. SCOT CHADWICK) PRESIDING

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. DENT offered the following amendment No. A1198:

Amend Sec. 1201, page 182, line 29, by striking out "95%" and inserting

98%

Amend Sec. 1201, page 183, line 3, by striking out "5%" and inserting 2%

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Dent.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

My amendment, 1198, is very simple. We amended the State budget with this language last year as it moved through the House, and I am asking that the House again concur with this amendment, which will simply change the way we fund the Ben Franklin/IRC (industrial resource center) Partnership in Pennsylvania.

This amendment is revenue neutral. The amendment simply says that the Ben Franklin/IRC Board will not be able to set aside more than 2 percent of the funds for board-designated projects. The gentleman from Columbia County and I serve on that board, and we believe and I believe that this money for the Ben Franklin/IRC Partnership should be directed back to the four Ben Franklin centers and the nine IRCs throughout the State. The strength of this program is that it is one that is decentralized; it is not run from Harrisburg but run by the people in our communities. By adopting this amendment, we will make sure there will be more available for each of the centers located back within our districts and regions.

So again, I would respectfully ask that the House adopt the amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Lloyd, on the amendment.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the maker of the amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Dent, indicates that he is willing to stand for interrogation. You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, I am unclear how the process works for the money which is set aside to be allocated by the Ben Franklin Board. If a project in my county is to be considered and we want to submit an application, under what circumstances would we send that application to our regional Ben Franklin center up in State College, and under what circumstances would we send that application to the State board?

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, in response to that question, applications for, say, challenge grants at a Ben Franklin center would be filed through the regional center — in this case, State College or Lehigh University or Carnegie Mellon. Those applications are channeled through the regional boards. The State board's role in all of this is to allocate the money that the General Assembly appropriates, and there has been a practice in the past where the State board would set aside a percentage of the funds appropriated by this General Assembly. The balance of those funds not set aside would then be directed equally to each of the four Ben Franklin centers and to the nine IRCs. So your constituents or your business back in Somerset County would still apply through the regional board. What we are doing is making sure there is more money available for that regional board to distribute to the firms like the one you just mentioned.

Mr. LLOYD. I am lost, Mr. Speaker. What you are saying is that under the current procedure, 5 percent, and under your amendment, 2 percent, would go to the State board, and the State board would then allocate that equally? They are required to allocate that equally?

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, what I am saying is that the State board should not be able to set aside more than 2 percent of the funds appropriated by the General Assembly.

Mr. LLOYD. I understand the argument. I just want to understand how it works today. What happens to the 2 percent or 5 percent which the State board gets directly today?

Mr. DENT. That money is used for board-designated projects, and I could provide you with a list, which I do not have before me today, but it can be used for any number of things, perhaps for projects like Technology 21, an administration initiative, or other things that the board finds necessary that are consistent with the mission of the Ben Franklin/IRC Partnership. But the money is not going back to the regional centers for challenge grants and for other consulting arrangements.

Mr. LLOYD. All right. My point is, I have been very, very, very unhappy with the way this program has worked over the years. I believe my county has been consistently shortchanged. I do not want to take away the discretion of my county to be able to go to the State board. If what you are telling me is that the State board is not going to help my county anyway and that we have got to continue to have a war with the people in State College, that is the answer — I mean, I accept that answer, if that is the answer.

All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On the amendment, Mr. Gordner.

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Dent amendment.

Two years ago we were able to successfully get in the final budget the 98-percent provision. Last year at this time, under the leadership of Representative Dent, we were able to get in the 98-percent provision, only to see at the time we passed the final budget that it was 95 percent.

I would like to again impress upon the leadership on the Republican side, both here in the House and Senate, that it should be 98 percent once we get to the final budget. I would rather see the moneys go out to the regional boards so that they can use them as is best needed and not spent in Harrisburg for administrative purposes or other sort of administrative purposes. I would rather them go back to the district, where the districts know and the regional boards know what best suits their community needs. So I support this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. James, from Philadelphia is recognized on the amendment.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

May I have your indulgence, please?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman repeat that? The Chair did not hear the gentleman's remarks.

Mr. JAMES. Mr. Speaker, did you call on me?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognized you. You indicated you wanted to speak on this amendment, and the Chair recognized you.

Mr. JAMES. I am sorry. That was an incorrect movement of my hand, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—196

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stetter
Brown	Gruitza	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Carone	Hennessey	Orie	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trich

Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	True
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Itkin	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Platts	Vitali
Cohen, M.	James	Preston	Walko
Colaella	Jarolin	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Josephs	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Kaiser	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Keller	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kenney	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	Kirkland	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Krebs	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dalty	Lawless	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Leh	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Lescovitz	Sainato	
Dermody	Levdansky	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lucyk		

#### NAYS—1

Donatucci

#### NOT VOTING—2

Micozzie

Ramos

#### EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. CURRY offered the following amendment No. A1030:

Amend Sec. 206, page 32, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 559,928,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 60, lines 22 and 23, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

otherwise disabled, including \$500,000 for recorded and computerized books at all academic levels to people who can not read standard print because of a visual, perceptual or other physical disability.

State appropriation . . . . . 2,952,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Curry.

Mr. CURRY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment applies \$500,000 for 186 specially trained volunteers who convert classroom textbooks and translate them for the blind and dyslexic into recorded and computerized books. Over 4,000 individuals are served through this program.



In order to continue the Federal- and State-mandated programs, some State assistance is necessary, and I move the adoption of this amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas
Carone	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Cbadwick	Hess	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaella	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Rubley	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS—1

Donatucci

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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

## BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. HB 2281 will be over temporarily.

## RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. JAMES called up HR 384, PN 3239, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating K. Leroy Irvis on being chosen as the first recipient of the Pennsylvania Founder's Award and recognizing his achievements and his contributions to this Commonwealth.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. James.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend? This is important, and I would like to get some order.

The House is taking up a resolution honoring a former Speaker. Members will please take their seats. Conversations will be taken outside the hall.

Go ahead, Mr. James. You are in order.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I just would encourage all the members to vote in favor of the resolution that is honoring K. Leroy Irvis, who was the first African-American Speaker here in Pennsylvania and for being the first recipient, and which we and the Speaker of the House here were all at the Governor's House last week in having him receive this award.

And I just would encourage the members to vote in favor of the resolution. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson

Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas
Carone	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Corpora	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Coy	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dally	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dent	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-1

Cohen, M.

EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones    Petrarca    Taylor, J.    Van Home

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

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Returning to consideration of HB 2281, packet 15.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. MYERS offered the following amendment No. A1071:

Amend Sec. 219, page 113, line 7, by striking out all of said line and inserting

For acute care hospitals. This appropriation includes funding for the department to prepare a report by July 1, 1999, analyzing the impact on Commonwealth hospitals of the Medical Assistance cuts sets forth in the act of May 16, 1996 (P.L.175, No.35), entitled "An act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled 'An act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify

the public welfare laws of the Commonwealth,' further providing for legislative intent, for definitions, for uniform administration of assistance, for community work and training regulations, for work registration and for administrative duties and personal obligations; providing for grant diversion; further providing for special needs and self-sufficiency, for eligibility, for voluntary termination of employment, for identification and proof of residence, for limits on property holdings, for support from legally responsible relatives, for paternity determinations and support enforcement, for protective payments, for determination of need and for eligibility verification; providing for aliens and for diminished welfare payments; further providing for medical eligibility; providing for medical assistance deductibles and for medical assistance pharmacy services; further providing for penalties; making appropriations; imposing duties upon the Department of Public Welfare; and making repeals," including the impact on levels of uncompensated care, Medicaid admissions and Medicaid days, Medicaid percentage of patient revenues, hospital operating margins, hospital capacity and hospital debt.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Myers.

Mr. MYERS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my amendment was an agreed-to amendment the last time we did the budget, and I hope that it will be agreed to again.

My amendment simply deals with us conducting business here in the legislature in a business manner, that the decisions that we make are based on information, statistics, data, impact studies, and tracking systems, and that the decisions we make are not made just on emotionalism or what we think.

What my amendment proposes is that the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council study the impact of medical assistance cuts as a result of Act 35. Now, of course, there are people that believe that Act 35 and the medical assistance was the right thing to do and there are some that believe that Act 35 and the medical assistance cuts was not the right thing to do. However, whatever side or whatever camp you fall into, there has not been conducted a fiscal analysis of Act 35, and it is difficult to determine the total impact the law has had on Philadelphia residents.

This amendment requires the department to report to the House of Representatives what impact Act 35 has had on uncompensated care, Medicaid admissions, Medicaid patient revenue percentages, hospital operating margins, hospital capacity, and hospital debt.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask that my colleagues on both sides of the aisle agree that we need to have more information to determine

which path we ought to take in the future to ensure that the hospital industry here in Pennsylvania is strong, that it is vibrant, and that our hospitals are situated so that they can survive and provide the type of quality medical care that we all need as well as every resident here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I ask for a "yes" vote, and I hope that both sides agree as you did the last time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I support the gentleman's amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the Myers amendment.

If there is one thing— I mean, these last 2 days have crystallized some issues for us and really have been able to say to the people of Pennsylvania that there are some real concerns in this General Assembly. We know what the feelings are about education; we also know that health care is at the top of our list, and to that end we need to look at this industry and get a handle on what is going on.

The Health Care Cost Containment Council is one place that we can start by looking at the impact of medical assistance cuts, and I wish my colleague had been able to expand it to also look at these hostile and favorable acquisitions of one hospital against another, these mergers of hospitals, these over 2,000 people that are now unemployed as a result of acquisitions and mergers.

So I wish my colleague would have expanded his amendment to include an eye towards that part of the health-care industry, but I support this, and I hope we could team up to begin to look at the industry in toto, because it is creating real problems for Pennsylvanians out there in the larger community. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—199

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
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Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
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Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
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Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
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Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas

Carone	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
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Chadwick	Hess	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaafella	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
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Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Rubley	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
Donatucci			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones      Petrarca      Taylor, J.      Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. TIGUE offered the following amendment No. A1063:

Amend Bill, page 192, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

Section 1811. Unappropriated surplus.—Any money in excess of the spending levels contained in the appropriations in this act, as of June 30, 1998, is hereby appropriated, for the fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999, as follows:

(1) A sum equal to 15% of such money to the Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund.

(2) A sum equal to 85% of such money to be spent on a per-pupil basis in each school district in order to reduce property taxes.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Tigue.

Mr. TIGUE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, last year when we went through this exercise, we passed a budget that said that the beginning balance for the year would be \$269 million. As it turned out, it was \$576 million. So we had a little over \$300 million of unappropriated funds.

The single biggest complaint I hear about taxes is on property tax. What my amendment would do, it would take any

unappropriated surplus— And everyone here this afternoon I think agrees that the surplus, the beginning balance as of June 30, will be more than what we are dealing with today. That has been mentioned a number of times. What my amendment would do would be take that unappropriated surplus — in other words, the difference between what we put in the budget today and what would be the difference on June 30 — and use that money for a property tax reduction to all school districts on a per-pupil basis. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman, Mr. Tigue, come to the podium, please.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

#### AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. It is the opinion of the Chair that amendment 1063 violates the temporary rule in that it appropriates more money than is available under HB 2281. That is the case, even though the excess appropriation is contingent upon excess money being available; it is still in violation of the temporary rule.

#### RULING OF CHAIR APPEALED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Tigue.

Mr. TIGUE. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the members to pay attention to this a little bit, please.

I would have to appeal the ruling of the Chair, because this amendment, I am not appropriating any money unless there is money left over on June 30. Now, I do not know what is going to happen on June 30 and I do not think anyone else here does. I am not taking money; I am not spending money. All I am saying is that if there is money available on June 30 that is not appropriated, not money that exists, and in fact, who knows? Is it possible that we have less money than we will have when we pass the budget finally? I do not know.

So I would appeal the ruling of the Chair by saying, I am not spending money. I do not know what is going to happen, but in case, just in case, as an insurance policy, if there is money that is unappropriated, it should go back to the taxpayers in the form of a property tax reduction. So I would challenge the ruling of the Chair, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. When an appeal is taken, the Speaker should clearly state the decision which is being appealed. I believe I have done that. And then when the debate is concluded, the question will be stated as follows: Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

On the question,

Will the House sustain the ruling of the Chair?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that you have ruled properly, and the reason that I believe you have ruled properly, the gentleman's amendment would appropriate money that would exceed the limits that we have already agreed upon under our resolution, HR 357. And therefore, the amendment is clearly out of order because —

yes, it is out of order — because it clearly violates that in the way that it appropriates the money.

So I would urge all members to uphold the ruling of the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House? Those in favor of sustaining—

Mr. TIGUE. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend.

We are trying to determine whether you can speak twice on this. I will let you know in a second.

The gentleman is in order for the second time.

Mr. TIGUE. Mr. Speaker, I am reading the temporary rule that was adopted, and it says about any amendment offered on the floor of the House to any bill, et cetera. I am not appropriating any money whatsoever. All I am saying is that if we are going to pass the 1998-99 budget, we must have a balanced budget. If we pass today or tomorrow or whenever we are going to do the final budget and the money that has been talked about as what will be appropriate is allocated, we do not spend any money. But if someone— Obviously, we are going to have more than what we are appropriating. How that money will be spent instead of leaving it unappropriated, I am not spending beyond that. Only if, on June 30 — I do not care what we do today — but on June 30 that money should go back to the taxpayers in the form of a property tax reduction. I am not spending any more money; I am not taking money from anybody; I am not increasing funding; I am not increasing revenue; I am not doing anything, just saying, if, if on June 30, 1998, there is a beginning balance greater than what we are saying, that money has to be appropriated. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Mr. Speaker, this is incredible; this is absolutely incredible. Your decision, your decision is unfathomable.

The deal was, is, and always should be revenue neutrality. All the gentleman from Luzerne is doing is saying, if we have some money left over — and Tom Ridge, Mr. Speaker, is going to have a lot of money left over on midnight June 30, a lot of money — all we are saying is it is going to go to property tax relief. That does not violate or vitiate this agreement, Mr. Speaker. Your decision is not based upon parliamentary, ratiocinative processes; it is based upon politics, Mr. Speaker.

I support the gentleman, and I also appeal the ruling of the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question recurs, shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

Those in favor of sustaining the Chair's decision will vote "aye"; those opposed, "no."

On the question recurring,

Will the House sustain the ruling of the Chair?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—100

Adolph	Fairchild	Marsico	Schroder
Allen	Fargo	Masland	Schuler
Argall	Feese	McGill	Semmel
Armstrong	Fichter	McIlhattan	Seyfert

Baker	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Smith, B.
Bard	Flick	McNaughton	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Gannon	Micozzie	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Geist	Miller	Stairs
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Nailor	Steil
Birmelin	Godshall	Nickol	Stern
Boyes	Gruppo	O'Brien	Stevenson
Brown	Habay	Orie	Strittmatter
Browne	Harhart	Perzel	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Hennessey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Herman	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hershey	Platts	Vance
Clark	Hess	Preston	Waugh
Clymer	Hutchinson	Raymond	Wilt
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Reber	Wogan
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Krebs	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lynch	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Maher	Sather	Ryan,
Druce	Maitland	Saylor	Speaker
Egolf	Major		

## NAYS-99

Battisto	DeWeese	Levdansky	Santoni
Belardi	Donatucci	Lloyd	Scrimenti
Belfanti	Eachus	Lucyk	Serafini
Bishop	Evans	Manderino	Shaner
Blaum	George	Markosek	Staback
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mayernik	Steelman
Butkovitz	Gordner	McCall	Stetler
Buxton	Gruitza	McGeehan	Sturla
Caltagirone	Haluska	Melio	Surra
Cappabianca	Hanna	Michlovic	Tangretti
Carn	Harhai	Mundy	Thomas
Carone	Hasay	Myers	Tigue
Casorio	Horsey	Olasz	Travaglio
Cawley	Itkin	Oliver	Trello
Cohen, M.	James	Pesci	Trich
Colafrella	Jarolin	Petrone	Veon
Colaizzo	Josephs	Pistella	Vitali
Corpora	Kaiser	Ramos	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Readshaw	Washington
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Sainato	

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the ruling of the Chair was sustained.

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. STEELMAN offered the following amendment No. A1072:

Amend Sec. 206, page 32, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 543,719,000

Amend Sec. 215, page 76, by inserting between lines 2 and 3

For targeted outreach to at-risk women with information on pregnancy prevention.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,948,000

For community education services provided to low-income adults. This appropriation includes prenatal education; osteoporosis prevention education; adoption education; parenting education for single parents, two-parent households and other adult caregivers; and abuse prevention education.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,959,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 110, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

For Keeping Women Healthy. To fund services provided to low-income uninsured women, 20 years of age and older, including cancer screening, hypertension screening, anemia screening, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, physical examinations and the provision of all methods of birth control. Providers receiving such funds shall provide follow-up one month after a visit if a woman has chosen a new method of birth control to determine compliance with method and answer any subsequent questions or concerns.

State appropriation . . . . . 12,802,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the lady from Indiana County, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment as presented to you proposes three initiatives, one of which would—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the lady suspend.

It is a little noisy in here.

Ms. STEELMAN. Indeed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The House will come to order. Let us settle down. Conversations in the aisle will please break up; conversations in the aisle, please break up. Please, members, take your conversations outside the hall of the House.

## AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask that this amendment be passed over temporarily.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Over temporarily?

Ms. STEELMAN. Temporarily.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. DALEY offered the following amendment No. A1078:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 27,525,000

Amend Sec. 227, page 121, by inserting between lines 29 and 30

For firefighter training at California

University of Pennsylvania.

State appropriation . . . . . \$475,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Daley.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise and ask the House to support an amendment, amendment No. 1078, that will appropriate money for the creation of a burn building in California University of Pennsylvania.

As sure as I stand here on this floor and my daughters, Delia and Talia, will watch TV in western Pennsylvania today as we stand here, I am sure that this building is absolutely necessary for the firemen in the Southwestern Pennsylvania Fire Chiefs Association. It is a program that will be very vital and necessary, and I ask for a positive, affirmative vote on this. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Barley, do you seek recognition on this? The gentleman is in order.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, what we have with this amendment, we have an amendment that takes from the community revitalization assistance program an appropriation of \$475,000 and then allocates it specifically to one area of Pennsylvania — California, Pennsylvania.

We have a program in place, the Community Revitalization Program. It is a program that has been fair, it has been open, and it has been competitive throughout Pennsylvania. It has provided many grants and it has served communities large and small. It has served communities in Luzerne County; it has provided for the Alliance to Revitalize Center-City Hazleton. That is one of the examples of a program. In Shippensburg Borough, it provided \$10,000 for a community swimming pool. In Ferguson Township, Clearfield County, it provided for some fire hydrants at \$5,000, and I can go on many, many, many, many other areas in Pennsylvania. Through this open process, this process that has been fair, we have all benefited.

Now, what this amendment does, this amendment takes nearly a half a million dollars from the program for one specific project. The programs that have been supported through the project are projects that have been very unique; they have each taken on their own personality, have benefited the communities that they serve.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is unfair and inappropriate for this amendment to pass and only one community be allowed to benefit, and I oppose the amendment and encourage the members to do the same.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Daley for the second time.

Mr. DALEY. I think the former speaker, if what he is saying, that it affects one community and it is not unique, I would not be for this amendment either. But this burn building affects 10 legislative districts. The Southwestern Pennsylvania Fire Chiefs Association, the fire chiefs of southwestern Pennsylvania use the university for fire training. It is not one community, not California, Pennsylvania; it is a number of communities, 10 legislative districts.

And the former speaker talked about unique, its own personality. Building a swimming pool in one community is so unique, not any more unique than building a burn building at California University that is going to be used to train to protect the lives of the citizens of 10 legislative districts? I think not. I think the former speaker ought to vote for this because it is unique and it also has its own personality, and it affects more than one legislative district, one community, one purpose.

I ask for a "yes" vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Vitali, on the amendment.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I was not going to speak on this amendment, but when the Representative from Lancaster County called the Community Revitalization Program open and fair, I could not resist a comment.

Open? You cannot get— The Governor's Office will not give you the 5,000 applications that people filed that were turned down. There is nothing open about this program. This program has been shrouded in secrecy. Open? This is a program where legislators secretly hand out applications to others. There is nothing open about the Community Revitalization Program.

When you say fair, Mr. Speaker, fair to whom? Not fair to the some 5,000 community groups whose applications were never even considered—

## POINT OF ORDER

Mr. LAWLESS. Point of order, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, point of order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend.

Will the gentleman state the point.

Mr. LAWLESS. Mr. Speaker, is the gentleman speaking on the amendment or is he speaking on something other than the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has been listening to the gentleman from Delaware County very carefully. It is the Chair's considered opinion that thus far he has been responding to the gentleman from Lancaster, although the Chair would suggest that he not go much farther down that road.

The gentleman is in order and may continue.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This program has not been fair to those applicants, those community groups, those municipalities who did not have an in with a legislator and wanted fair consideration.

Mr. Speaker, there is nothing fair and there is nothing open about this program, and I can think of no better program to take funds out of to fund legitimate programs than this one. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—80

Battisto	Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni
Belardi	DeWeese	Lucyk	Scrimenti
Bishop	Evans	Maher	Shaner
Blaum	George	Manderino	Steelman
Butkovitz	Gigliotti	McGeehan	Stevenson
Buxton	Gruitza	Melio	Sturla
Caltagirone	Habay	Michlovic	Surra
Carn	Hanna	Olasz	Tangretti
Carone	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Casorio	Horsey	Orie	Tigue
Cawley	Itkin	Pesci	Travaglio
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Petrone	Trello
Colafrella	Josephs	Pippy	Trich
Colaizzo	Keller	Pistella	Veon
Corrigan	Kirkland	Preston	Vitali
Cowell	LaGrotta	Ramos	Walko
Coy	Laughlin	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Lederer	Robinson	Wojnarowski
Daley	Lescovitz	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rooney	Youngblood

## NAYS—113

Adolph	Egolf	Major	Schroder
Allen	Fairchild	Markosek	Schuler
Argall	Fargo	Marsico	Semmel
Armstrong	Feese	Masland	Serafini
Baker	Fichter	Mayernik	Seyfert
Bard	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Barley	Flick	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Gannon	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Geist	McIlhinney	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	McNaughton	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Micozzie	Steil
Boscola	Gordner	Miller	Stern
Boyes	Gruppo	Mundy	Stetler
Brown	Haluska	Nailor	Strittmatter
Browne	Harhart	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Hasay	O'Brien	True
Cappabianca	Hennessey	Perzel	Tulli
Chadwick	Herman	Phillips	Vance
Civera	Hershey	Platts	Waugh
Clark	Hess	Raymond	Williams, C.
Clymer	Hutchinson	Readshaw	Wilt
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Reber	Wogan
Cornell	Kaiser	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Kenney	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Krebs	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lawless	Rubley	
DiGirolamo	Leh	Sainato	Ryan,
Druce	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Eachus	Maitland	Saylor	

## NOT VOTING—6

Corpora	James	Rieger	Washington
Donatucci	Myers		

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
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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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. TRAVAGLIO offered the following amendment No. A1088:

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,353,000

Amend Sec. 215, page 75, lines 16 and 17, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

For the State health care centers, at least \$50,000 of which shall be used to transfer public health services from expired pilot program sites to State-run facilities.

State appropriation . . . . . 16,414,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Butler County, Mr. Travaglio.

Mr. TRAVAGLIO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Two years ago the Governor proposed a pilot program to close three State-run health centers, including the one in my Butler County district, and to privatize this service. I opposed the idea then and I oppose it today.

When they were run by the State, these health centers provided low-cost, timely services to residents across Pennsylvania. Since they have been privatized, costs have risen and long waits are common. The movement towards privatization was insensitive to the health center employees who lost their jobs and to those who cannot afford health insurance who relied on the health centers.

My amendment would provide \$50,000 for transition costs to move the pilot projects back to State-run facilities. The amendment would decrease by the same amount the line item for the executive offices, Office of Administration.

I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Barley, on the amendment.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am not going to oppose this amendment as it is today, but I would like to point out, however, for the members, the report that will be resulting from the study that was authorized under this program has not been issued, and I believe that what the gentleman is doing is somewhat premature. I personally think it would be better if we would reserve our final judgment until such a time that the report is issued. However, the amendment is before us today, and it will be necessary to make our decisions individually based on that fact.

Mr. TRAVAGLIO. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman seek recognition for the second time?

Mr. TRAVAGLIO. Yes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. TRAVAGLIO. This pilot program had expired in 1997, even though it was recommended by the Department of Health to continue these programs for another year. The program has been running, for all intents and purposes, about 18 months. In that

18-month time, you mean to tell me you could not tell whether or not it was making money or costing money?

It seems that the three pilot programs — Berks, Dauphin, and Butler Counties — the prices of so many of these things, and we can take just one example: Butler Hospital charges for X rays were \$40; Berks VNA (Visiting Nurse Association) charges, \$91; Harrisburg VNA charges, \$42.50. Now, that may not seem like a lot of money to you, but when it was run by the State, the cost was \$19. That is an exorbitant amount of money. That means that if any of the other services became just as expensive, it could cost anywhere from \$100,000 to \$200,000 per site.

I think they have had enough time to decide about it. It is time, I think, that we give the citizens of Pennsylvania a break and give me an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—196

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Schuler
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Feece	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Stell
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Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
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Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lescovitz	Rubley	

Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lucyk		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—3

Donatucci	Rieger	Washington
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EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. JAMES offered the following amendment No. A1089:

Amend Bill, page 192, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

Section 1811. Transfers from Minority Business Development Fund.—Transfers from the Minority Business Development Fund created by the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.598, No.206), known as the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority Act, to the Small Business First Fund created by the act of June 29, 1996 (P.L.434, No.67), known as the Job Enhancement Act, are prohibited.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. James.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my amendment would preserve the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority by prohibiting its transfer into the Small Business First Fund. I believe that any proposal to transfer the authority would have a serious negative impact on small minority-owned businesses, given the State's current lackluster support of these firms.

Throughout its two decades of service, the PMBDA has played a vital role in the success of many of Pennsylvania's minority businesses. More than 600 minority-owned businesses that experienced difficulty obtaining funds from traditional sources have been approved for loans through the authority, and the authority has provided more than \$60 million of low-interest loans and guarantees to economically challenged minority firms in 33 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties, helping these businesses create and retain jobs.

Mr. Speaker, we need to strengthen the programs operated by the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, not abolish them, and the small business owners in my district and in other counties across Pennsylvania need this help.

The income gap between the rich and the poor is growing faster in Pennsylvania than in most any other States. Nonetheless, the spending priorities of this administration remain typical, with big businesses receiving most of the breaks and overtaxed working



people, families, especially African-Americans, continuing to struggle.

The Governor's \$17.8-billion spending plan for the 1998-99 fiscal year includes a number of additional tax cuts for large corporations, bringing the total big business tax reduction to nearly \$3 billion during the Governor's term. I do not understand that, Mr. Speaker. If business is so important to this administration, then why does the Governor want to turn his back on the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority and dismantle a valuable job-creating program? Entrepreneur spirit should not be deterred because of race.

The Governor and his administration have extended a helping hand to big businesses. It is time for them to do the same thing for those small, struggling businesses owned and operated by African-Americans and other minorities. It is time to remove the barriers that unfairly hinder the ability of minorities to enjoy the same opportunity for success. Dismantling the PMBDA only creates more hurdles.

So I ask the members to support African-Americans and other minorities by approving this amendment, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-197

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Scrimanti
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, S. H.
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Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Staback
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Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lescovitz	Rubley	
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather	

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-2

Donatucci Rieger

EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Hone

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. STETLER offered the following amendment No. A1121:

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 13, by removing the period after "adjustment" and inserting and \$1,000,000 for special child care initiatives in the western, central and eastern portions of the State.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Stetler.

Mr. STETLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment A1121 does not increase or decrease any line items but specifies that \$1 million in the State appropriation for day-care services be designated for special day-care initiatives across the State. The Department of Public Welfare has recommended that the State support day-care initiatives in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh involving business leaders, educators, legislators, parents, and community leaders. However, similar local initiatives have been developing across our State and should also benefit from any State funds available to support these community projects.

This amendment directs that the \$1 million for special day-care initiatives be in the western, central, and eastern parts of our State. The department can fund as many projects as it feels would fit some criteria as a special initiative. It is my hope that many counties, not just Philadelphia and Allegheny, will be included in these projects.

I ask for your support for this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Saylor, on the amendment.

Mr. SAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of Representative Stetler's amendment.

I think this gives the Department of Public Welfare ability to spread the money throughout the Commonwealth where they see fit that will best benefit the children of this Commonwealth.

I ask for the caucus's support in this amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fichter	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	George	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Gigliotti	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gladeck	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Godshall	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gruitza	Micozzie	Stetler
Browne	Gruppo	Miller	Stevenson
Bunt	Habay	Mundy	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Thomas
Carone	Hennessey	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
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Civera	Horsey	Petrone	True
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Clymer	Itkin	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Vitali
Colafrilla	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
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Dent	Lescovitz	Rublely	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather	
Druce	Lynch		

## NAYS—1

Birmelin

## NOT VOTING—2

Donatucci

Rieger

## EXCUSED—4

Bebko-Jones

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. STURLA offered the following amendment No. A1122:

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 13, by inserting after "adjustment." Up to \$6,874,000 of this appropriation shall be used for services to children whose parents are transitioning from welfare to work.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment earmarks \$6,874,000 out of the State appropriation for day-care services to go specifically for day-care services to children whose parents are transitioning from welfare to work. This amount is exactly what DPW has requested in State funds out of this particular appropriation. DPW has estimated that these funds can serve anywhere from 2,200 to 3,253 children.

The amendment has the effect of leaving the remaining State appropriation to address the needs of low-income working families who are not transitioning from welfare to work, many of whom are on waiting lists for subsidized day-care services. It is my intent to clarify for the department this particular appropriation and that it primarily funds day-care services that assist the working poor.

This is the followup and supplement to the amendments that have been offered by Representative Williams and Representative Lloyd.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am rising to support the Sturla amendment, but I also wanted to say that throughout this process today, I have heard a lot of putting money into day care, welfare to work, special child-care initiatives, child care, child care, child care, but I think that this legislative body should also consider some incentives for those women who stay at home with their children. I mean, we talk a lot about day care, but a lot of families are making sacrifices — sometimes their incomes are cut in half — for women who stay home and take care of their children.

The best child care is parental child care, and I think we ought to consider those families. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-197

Adolph	Druce	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maher	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Markosek	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McCall	Smith, S. H.
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Benninghoff	Geist	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhattan	Stairs
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Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather	

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-2

Donatucci Rieger

## EXCUSED-4

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Horne

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 third consideration as amended?

# MOTION TO RECONSIDER APPEAL OF RULING OF CHAIR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is in receipt of a reconsideration motion filed to the question of whether or not to uphold the ruling of the order of the Speaker that amendment A1063 was out of order.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

## MOTION WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair understands the motion to reconsider is withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# THE SPEAKER (MATTHEW J. RYAN) PRESIDING

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. BLAUM offered the following amendment No. A1123:

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, line 13, by inserting after "adjustment." Up to \$500,000 of this appropriation shall be used to fund integrated, regional resource and referral programs and expand management information systems. The department shall submit a report to the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives no later than July 1, 1999, on costs and services related to subsidized day care, including, but not limited to, the number of children served, types of child care utilized, administration of local management agencies, inspections of day care programs, resource and referral programs, training of providers and data collection.

Amend Sec. 219, page 108, by inserting between lines 18 and 19 Up to \$500,000 of this appropriation shall be used to fund integrated, regional resource and referral programs and expand management information systems. The department shall submit a report to the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives no later than July 1, 1999, on costs and services related to subsidized day care, including, but not limited to, the number of children served, types of child care utilized, administration of local management agencies, inspections of day care programs, resource and referral programs, training of providers and data collection.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Blaum.

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 1123, currently the Department of Welfare has for day care \$7.2 million set aside for regional resource and referral programs. We already have that on a local level, and what this amendment would do would be to provide up to \$1 million in State and Federal money for this research and referral system and switch the other \$6.2 million, allow that money to be used for subsidized day care for low-income working families.

Currently with 10,000 children of low-income working families in Pennsylvania on a waiting list, unable to get this service, this \$6.2 million would go a long way towards reducing that waiting list by about 25 percent so that we can provide additional day-care slots for these kids who desperately need it, and I would ask that the amendment be adopted.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—199

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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 recurring,  
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

Mrs. LAUGHLIN offered the following amendment No. A1127:

Amend Sec. 212, page 56, lines 8 and 9, by striking out all of said lines and inserting  
program components. This appropriation contains sufficient funding so that payments to school districts for severely impaired students shall be equal to an amount determined by multiplying \$14,400 by 1% of its average daily membership.

State appropriation . . . . .	663,439,000
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady.

Mrs. LAUGHLIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Aliquippa School District is one of the distressed seven school districts. They had a loss of revenue from the LTV plant—

The SPEAKER. Mrs. Laughlin, I am afraid your amendment is out of order in that it violates the rule that we have adopted for this budget in that it does not—

Mrs. LAUGHLIN. I know that.

The SPEAKER. It appropriates money but it does not take from a source.

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

Mrs. LAUGHLIN. Well, my intention is to withdraw this amendment, but I would like to say a few words.

The SPEAKER. The lady is recognized.

Mrs. LAUGHLIN. As I was saying, the LTV plant closed down a few years ago, and they have had a financial crisis with a loss of revenue.

They have 1,800 students, and almost 300 of those students are special-needs students, sometimes costing \$40,000 to \$50,000 for

those special-needs students. The State subsidy is only \$500,000 per year when Aliquippa actually needs \$1,500,000. So they are a truly troubled district.

So I am very, very happy that we did pass some amendments over the last 2 years to cover the funding for special ed, although I do not think it is going to be enough money. So that is why I am withdrawing my amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

Mrs. **LAUGHLIN** offered the following amendment No. **A1131**:

Amend Sec. 202, page 21, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 17,315,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 54, by inserting between lines 15 and 16

For class reduction grants. School districts which provide for kindergarten classes with no more than 20 students per classroom shall be reimbursed for all costs associated with their class size reduction efforts.

State appropriation . . . . . 20,000,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 54, line 30; page 55, line 1, by striking out all of said lines on said pages

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, lines 7 through 9, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes the lady, Mrs. Laughlin. Mrs. **LAUGHLIN**. Again, since we passed funding for reducing kindergarten classes, I am withdrawing that amendment also.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **STETLER** offered the following amendment No. **A1132**:

Amend Sec. 209, page 39, lines 22 through 24, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Sec. 209, page 42, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 46,696,000

Amend Sec. 1201, page 182, lines 21 through 30; page 183, lines 1 through 17, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

For grants for housing and redevelopment assistance as authorized by the Housing and Redevelopment Assistance Law in areas designated as enterprise zones. No funds from this appropriation shall be distributed to any organization or agency other than a municipal government or a certified

redevelopment authority created by a municipal government or governments under the provisions of the Urban Redevelopment Law, unless specifically authorized by such government or redevelopment authority.

State appropriation . . . . . 2,750,000

The following Federal amounts are appropriated to the Ben Franklin/IRC Partnership:

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER**. On the question, Mr. Stetler.

The gentleman withdraws his amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Tigie, who offers, on behalf of the gentleman, Mr. Cawley, amendment 1136.

Mr. **TIGUE** offered the following amendment No. **A1136**:

Amend Sec. 209, page 44, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 24,000,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 69, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 5,005,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair returns to leaves of absence. The gentleman, Mr. Coy, requests that the gentleman, Mr. **ITKIN**, be placed on leave for the balance of today's session. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears none.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Tigie, on the amendment.

Mr. **TIGUE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 1136, Mr. Cawley's amendment, what would it do? It would provide an additional \$4 million for flood control and it would take that out of the Department of Community and Economic Development.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barley	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
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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 recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Veon, who withdraws amendment 1141.

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. STEELMAN reoffered the following amendment No. A1072:

Amend Sec. 206, page 32, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 543,719,000

Amend Sec. 215, page 76, by inserting between lines 2 and 3

For targeted outreach to at-risk women with information on pregnancy prevention.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,948,000

For community education services provided to low-income adults. This appropriation includes prenatal education; osteoporosis prevention education; adoption education; parenting education for single parents, two-parent households and other adult caregivers; and abuse prevention education.

State appropriation . . . . . 1,959,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 110, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

For Keeping Women Healthy: To fund services provided to low-income uninsured women, 20 years of age and older, including cancer screening, hypertension screening, anemia screening, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, physical examinations and the provision of all methods of birth control. Providers receiving such funds shall provide follow-up one month after a visit if a woman has chosen a new method of birth control to determine compliance with method and answer any subsequent questions or concerns.

State appropriation . . . . . 12,802,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Steelman, on the amendment.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment comprises three parts. The first part is funding for targeted outreach with information on pregnancy prevention to at-risk women. The second part is community education services for low-income adults, including prenatal, adoption, and parenting education; osteoporosis prevention education, and abuse prevention education. And the third and largest part of the appropriation would fund medical services provided to low-income uninsured women 20 years of age and over, including cancer and hypertension screening, anemia screening, testing and treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, physical examination, and the provision of birth control.

This would be funded by an appropriation taken from the money in the budget line item for debt service.

### POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I raise a point of order on this particular amendment.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman state his point of order.

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, this amendment would pull from the line for reduction of debt service \$545 million, and it would have an effect of bringing that line below what is required to service the debt obligation for the upcoming fiscal year, and that debt, of course, has already been incurred; we already committed to that.

Therefore, I raise the point of order on the issue that it would be in violation of HR 357 because it creates an imbalance the way the amendment is constructed.

The SPEAKER. See if I understand what the gentleman said.

Ms. Steelman, I would like you to listen to what I say in case I misstate it.

The gentleman seems to be saying that your amendment causes moneys that are appropriated for debt service to be reduced in sum amount to be used for some other purpose, which you set forth in your amendment. Is that accurate?

Ms. STEELMAN. It is correct that my amendment would draw money from the line item to be appropriated for debt service.

The SPEAKER. And your point, Mr. Barley, is that by reducing the amount of money that is now appropriated for debt service and using it for some other purpose, the constitutional requirement that debt service is a priority item that requires all areas — and I do not have the Constitution open — just let me — Article VIII, section 7(d) — Mr. Lloyd knows this one by heart — “If sufficient funds are not appropriated for the timely payment of the interest...and installments of principal of all debt, the State Treasurer shall set apart from the first revenues thereafter received applicable to the appropriate fund a sum sufficient to pay such interest and installments of principal, and shall so apply the money so set apart.”

My reading of the Constitution is that other appropriations that we make in the appropriations bill would suffer because they would be reduced to take care of debt service, debt service being a priority item under the Constitution. That being the case, I suggest it would be violative of the temporary rule.

### PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

What you read from the Constitution says that if we do not appropriate enough money in that line item, the State Treasurer automatically sets aside funds. That means that the State Treasurer would make reductions in other line items, which means that you may not like the policy but that the budget would be in balance, and therefore, the effect of the amendment would be revenue neutral and therefore not violative of the rule.

The SPEAKER. But she is not making a deduction. It is the first revenues received by the Commonwealth that would be used to make up for this reduction caused by her amendment.

Mr. LLOYD. Well, Mr. Speaker, could you tell me, I know that we have voted on numerous amendments which attempted to fund spending out of this line item. I do not know if any of them passed or not, and I do not know if there was padding in this line item and we now have used up that padding.

The SPEAKER. I am going to yield to the majority Appropriations Committee chairman, who has these figures from his staff.

Mr. Barley, would you submit to interrogation on the questions raised by the gentleman, Mr. Lloyd?

Mr. BARLEY. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

By way of explanation, we have allowed some cuts heretofore in this line, and the cuts that we allowed did not bring us below the obligation that we have, which is \$545 million, \$545 million; that is the obligation we have. The first \$545 million that comes into the State Treasury must be used for retiring debt service, and if we incur no additional debt, that is the obligation we have today. We have a line in the budget for \$545 million. It may have even been a little more than that. Anyhow, what has happened, this is the first amendment that pulls it down below that, and this amendment would actually take us an additional, I believe it is — it would be \$557,628. So we are now in an imbalance, which, under the rule, we are required to have a direct offset.

This amendment would have been able to take a portion of it out of that line where the sponsor of the amendment fell short. She did not take the other, the additional money or the excess from another line, and therefore, it is in violation of HR 357.

Mr. LLOYD. So in other words, what we have spent up to now was money which was an increase over and above. This was for new bond issues—

Mr. BARLEY. That is correct.

Mr. LLOYD. —which have not yet been floated.

Mr. BARLEY. That is correct.

Mr. LLOYD. The \$545 million is what we need to pay the interest and repay principal on bonds which have already been sold.

Mr. BARLEY. That is correct.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. And for that reason the amendment is out of order.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. May I present some evidence that tends to contradict the figures stated by the Appropriations chairman?

The SPEAKER. If you would like to interrogate the majority Appropriations Committee chairman on some figure that he has used that you disagree with, I think that would be proper.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am not sure that interrogation would be the proper procedure, because I have heard you say a number of times that it is not appropriate for one member to ask another a question to which the first member already knows the answer. I have—

The SPEAKER. Well, then your— Then you have— Just a minute; please yield.

The lady, Ms. Steelman, for the purpose of permitting me to have sufficient information to determine whether this is or is not out of order, is permitted to interrogate briefly the gentleman, Mr. Barley. You may begin.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, how did you calculate the \$545-million figure that you just presented under interrogation by the Representative from Somerset?

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, the \$545-million calculation was a number that we arrived at working with the Governor's Budget Office and working through the numbers to determine whether our obligation is based on the indebtedness that we have to date. In other words, this was from past indebtedness. This is not calculating anything into the future. We have already spent this money many, many years ago, and our obligation to retire it is coming due in the upcoming fiscal year. So it is a number that when you are dealing with the budget analysts, the technical folks that work with it, it is relatively, I do not want to say simple, but in their line of work, it is a rather routine calculation. They made the calculation, and I believe the \$545 million to be an accurate calculation.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, the numbers that I have from the Governor's director of revenue, cash flow, and debt are that for bonds issued as of December 31, 1997, our indebtedness is \$528,028,000; for bonds issued March 10, 1998, our indebtedness is \$24,055,000; and augmentations, interest, and miscellaneous revenue to the bureau total \$7,880,000. The total cost of outstanding debt based on those figures provided within the last 2 hours I make for \$544,203,000. Does that conform to the numbers that you have?

Mr. BARLEY. I was not running a calculator, but I was attempting to follow through your calculations and relying upon my executive director, but as we calculate the numbers you put forth and then also consider the, I believe it is \$16 million in your amendment, we come up with a calculation that would still reduce the number \$3 million below what we are obligated, using your numbers.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, at this point I am just trying to make sure that we are in fact working off the same spread sheet. Are the numbers that I was provided by the budget director the same as the numbers that you have?

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, I have not seen your numbers, so I cannot absolutely say that they are, but based on what the numbers are that you have given to me, again, I would just come back to say, we are certainly not miles apart, and I would say that they do continue to bring us below the number that would be in balance.

Ms. STEELMAN. At this point, however, if you are not disputing the actual numbers that I was given by Governor Ridge's budget director, what we have is a number, when not rounded up, that is only about \$500,000 above the amount that my amendment appropriates.

Did you also discuss with the Governor's budget director the fact that some of these outstanding obligations, which you very rightly say we are required to pay, are in fact financed at the extraordinarily high rate of 12 percent and that there is a very good possibility that the administration will refinance those bonds at the far more favorable rate of 6 percent?

Mr. BARLEY. Yes, Mr. Speaker. One of the other issues that we have not addressed, and without getting into—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will yield.

I am speaking from the standpoint of a person that has to rule on this. We are dealing with the here and now as opposed to what

the bond market might be over the next year. I am not going to take that into consideration.

Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. And, Mr. Speaker, to get more directly to that point and to the point, what I consider in business the bottom line, we have already obligated ourselves through previous amendments to \$2.8 million. So I am not certain that you are taking the earlier obligations into consideration. That is what is pulling us below the line. You indicated \$500,000, I believe, and that is correct, but you must come back in and add the \$2.8 million. I am saying we are something over \$3 million under. That is how I am arriving at my number, and that is the bottom line the way I calculate it. I stand by that number.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am doing my best—

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, sir.

I am doing my best to work within the fiscal framework that we have imposed on ourselves and at the same time put some money into our budget that will save women's lives.

The SPEAKER. Ms. Steelman, I have recognized you for the purpose of interrogating the gentleman, Mr. Barley, on the question of whether or not I had sufficient information to make a ruling on whether your amendment was or was not in order, not on the worth of the amendment, which is not in order. We have not reached that point, and I really would appreciate it if you do not push into that point.

## PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

### REQUEST TO DIVIDE AMENDMENT

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Could we bring the amendment into line by dividing it so as to remove the two smaller initiatives in the amendment which total almost \$4 million? If we are out of line by a little more than \$3 million, that should bring us back into balance.

The SPEAKER. Where do you suggest it be divided?

Ms. STEELMAN. I would suggest that we divide the amendment between lines 3 and 4 and between lines 18 and 19 and appropriate only the money that would be necessary to fund the keeping-women-healthy part of the initiative; that is, the section that would provide for cancer, hypertension, and anemia screening, for testing for sexually transmitted diseases and treatment, and for birth-control provisions.

The SPEAKER. The lady will yield; the lady will yield.

I am advised that that cannot be done— We will let the staff meet.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. For the purpose of the record, the difficulty we are having, no matter how salutary your effort is, you are unable to increase the appropriation on line 3 by dividing out the numbers on lines 7 and 18.

Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, would it be possible to declare the amendment over long enough to provide a corrected form?

The SPEAKER. A new amendment will require a two-thirds vote.



Ms. STEELMAN. Mr. Speaker, we can, as you have just reminded us, really do anything that we want to—

The SPEAKER. Ms. Steelman—

Ms. STEELMAN. —in this House.

The SPEAKER. —that is true.

Ms. STEELMAN. We are not actually bound by the fantasy fiscal framework—

The SPEAKER. Ms. Steelman—

Ms. STEELMAN. —that we have imposed on ourselves.

#### AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. Ms. Steelman, as a matter of courtesy I gave you the privilege of the floor. Now as a matter of courtesy I would ask that you recognize that you have used up your time to interrogate the gentleman, Mr. Barley, and let us continue. Your amendment just is not able to be offered tonight. If you want to order another one and attempt to suspend the rules, that is perfectly all right and within our rules. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Walko, who offers amendment 1142. The gentleman, Mr. Walko, do I understand you are withdrawing that amendment?

Mr. WALKO. I wanted to make a statement first, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. WALKO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In Pennsylvania we have an unfunded mandate. This amendment would set up a fund which would help municipalities bear the cost of the unfunded mandate which this body has imposed upon them. The unfunded mandate of which I speak is the mother of all unfunded mandates. That is the exemption from real estate taxation of public bodies.

This amendment would fund the tax-exempt-property grant program, which would provide some relief to municipalities like Bethlehem, Allentown, Erie, Pittsburgh, Washington, Lancaster, Philadelphia, Scranton, and many others who bear the burdens of real estate which is exempt from taxation; for example, State office buildings, armories, prisons, and the like. They must provide services to them; however, those municipalities are not reimbursed for the costs of rendering those services.

But as the hour is becoming late and as this issue is very complex, I will withdraw this amendment in the hopes that we will recognize the need to address this important mother of all unfunded mandates. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

It is my understanding that amendments 1144, 1156, and 1160 have all been withdrawn.

It is my further understanding that a number of members have in conference with one another and some of the leaders agreed to accept a voice vote on the offering of amendments. Are there any objections to that?

Mr. LLOYD. I object.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. LLOYD. I mean, I am willing to have an explanation of what that means, a voice vote on amendments, but there have been amendments which some people have wanted to vote against, and I certainly do not—

The SPEAKER. What it means in brief is that the amendments would be agreed-to amendments. I think that is the only interpretation you can put on it.

Mr. LLOYD. I object.

On the question recurring,

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

Ms. MANDERINO offered the following amendment No. A1161:

Amend Sec. 216, page 82, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Federal appropriation . . . . . 115,000,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes Ms. Manderino.

Ms. MANDERINO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment focuses on the issue of children's health insurance.

In Pennsylvania, we have approximately 283,000 children without health insurance. Of that number, almost a third of them, 102,000 of those children, are estimated to be eligible for coverage under Pennsylvania's current child health insurance program or potentially eligible under the new Federal/State child health insurance program.

I know this is an issue that concerns all the members of the House. As recently as a week or two ago, we passed an amendment which I had offered which transferred surplus money from the State Store Fund to the State line item for children's health care. What this amendment does is it draws down the full amount of the Federal line item that is available to us in Pennsylvania, that the Governor's request did not appropriate the full amount.

So what I am doing by the offering of this amendment is giving the legislative authority to spend the full amount available to us through the Federal health-care dollars so that we can begin to chip away at the waiting list — no pun intended — we can begin to decrease the waiting list and to increase the coverage of those 102,000 uninsured children, and I would ask for an affirmative vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Rubleby	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
Itkin			

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. At this time we will break for dinner. Arrangements have been made, and dinner is served in both caucus rooms.

## GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Prior to that, though, I would like to welcome to the hall of the House Frank Gorgone of Springfield, Delaware County, seated in the balcony, here as the guest of Representative Bill Adolph. Frank, would you please rise or wave.

Now, Frank, have Bill Adolph take you out to dinner.

Members of the staff, dinner is served in 60 East. We will come back at 7 o'clock.

Now, please, may I have your attention? I am going to read the members whose amendments are going to be called and the order in which they are going to be called starting at 7 o'clock, and if you are not here, you are going to the back of the list and you will be called on Saturday: James, Tighe, Melio, Myers, O'Brien, Trich, Belfanti, Clymer, and — now wait — Roebuck, Vitali, Geist, Ramos, and Anthony Williams.

## VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER. Any announcements prior to the declaration of the recess?

Mr. Ramos.

Mr. RAMOS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to correct the record.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. RAMOS. I was not recorded as voting on amendment A1198. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

## PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. Mr. James.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker — this is a parliamentary inquiry — can I submit remarks now for amendment 1165?

The SPEAKER. That is the first amendment we are going to do when we come back.

Mr. JAMES. I know. I was wondering if I could submit the remarks now.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will submit his remarks for the record.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

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

Mr. Speaker, this amendment would shift \$100,000 from the Office of Administration to monitor the awarding of contracts to minorities and women in our Commonwealth.

Pennsylvania's strength is found in its diversity. And that is something we all share.

The contributions of women and minorities in our Commonwealth cannot be measured. Nevertheless, however, it seems as though some of

the most prominent employment opportunities are occupied by white men — not just here in Pennsylvania, but across the nation.

My amendment would help us determine whether Pennsylvania is fulfilling its role to help all of its citizens — regardless of race or gender or even disability. The amendment would make sure the same opportunities are offered to all Pennsylvanians — whether they are minorities or women.

Everyone deserves the opportunity to perform and succeed.

Earlier during this debate, the men and women of this chamber proclaimed the importance of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority. As chairman of the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus, I hope you will do the same here and take a stand for women, African-Americans, and other minorities in our great Commonwealth.

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

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

On amendment A1193 to HB 2281, I was incorrectly recorded today as voting in the affirmative. I wish to be recorded in the negative on the amendment.

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

On amendment A1193 to HB 2281, I was incorrectly recorded today as voting in the affirmative. I wish to be recorded in the negative on the amendment.

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. The lady, Mrs. Miller.

Mrs. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

For a correction of the record.

On amendment 1103 I wish to have been recorded in the affirmative. My switch was malfunctioning.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the lady will be spread upon the record.

The gentleman, Mr. Semmel.

Mr. SEMMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Evidently my switch was not functioning on amendment 1104, and I want to be recorded in the affirmative. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

Any further corrections? Mr. Corpora.

Mr. CORPORA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

With regard to amendment 1078, I wish to be recorded in the affirmative. I was not recorded as voting. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

## RECESS

The SPEAKER. Anything further?

Hearing none, this House will stand in recess until 7 o'clock, unless sooner recalled or extended by the Speaker.

## AFTER RECESS

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

## SENATE MESSAGE

### HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1828, PN 2300**, 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 1828, PN 2300

An Act repealing the act of April 8, 1851 (P.L.353, No.227), entitled "An act relating to County Prisons, to the Foster Home Association, and Cawanesque Plank Road Company, to apportion the rent of wharves and docks in the port of Philadelphia, and relative to the service of process on foreign insurance companies and other corporations."

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

## BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. On the tabled bill calendar, the Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be taken from the table:

HB 332;

HB 2258;

HB 2268;

SB 5; and

SB 133.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

## BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 332;  
HB 2258;  
HB 2268;  
SB 5; and  
SB 133.

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

### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

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

Mr. JAMES offered the following amendment No. A1165:

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	7,303,000
For monitoring the number of minority and women contracts and dollar amounts awarded in the Commonwealth.	
State appropriation . . . . .	100,000

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—197

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhatten	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Micozzie	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Hess	Petrone	True
Clark	Horse	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Vitali
Colafella	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh

Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
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DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
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Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Rubley	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
Donatucci	Lynch	Sather	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—1

Carone

EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Petrarca	Taylor, J.	Van Horne
Itkin			

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. TIGUE offered the following amendment No. A1187:

Amend Sec. 212, page 62, line 8, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	8,828,000
Amend Sec. 212, page 64, lines 7 through 9, by striking out all of said lines	

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—195

Adolph	Druce	Maitland	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Major	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Manderino	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Markosek	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Marsico	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Masland	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Mayernik	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	McCall	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McIlhatten	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhinney	Staback
Birmelin	George	McNaughton	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	Melio	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Michlovic	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Micozzie	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Surra

Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Carn	Hennessey	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colafella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lucyk	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Maher	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

## NAYS-1

Lloyd

## NOT VOTING-2

Carone Hasay

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones Petrarca Taylor, J. Van Horne  
Itkin

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

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who requests the gentleman, Mr. MICOZZIE, be added to the leave of absence list temporarily. The Chair hears no objection. Leave will be granted.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. TIGUE offered the following amendment No. A1188:

Amend Sec. 202, page 21, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 22,550,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 19 and 20

For teaching Asian languages in elementary and secondary schools.

State appropriation ..... 350,000

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

## VOTE STRICKEN

The SPEAKER. The clerk will strike the vote.

## LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Snyder.

Mr. SNYDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, will you please put on leave the gentlemen, Representative HENNESSEY from Chester and Representative McNAUGHTON from Dauphin.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. McNaughton, and the gentleman, Mr. Hennessey, will be placed on leave. The Chair hears no objection.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The question before the House is the adoption or rejection of amendment 1188.

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The clerk will open Mr. McNaughton's switch. The gentleman is on the floor of the House. He is removed from leave.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-161

Adolph	Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato
Allen	DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni
Argall	DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather
Baker	Donatucci	Maher	Saylor
Bard	Druce	Major	Schroder
Barley	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Battisto	Evans	Markosek	Sermel
Belardi	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Belfanti	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Benninghoff	Feese	Mayermik	Shaner
Birmelin	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Bishop	Flick	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Gannon	McGill	Staback
Boscola	Geist	McIlhattan	Stairs
Browne	George	McIlhinney	Steelman
Bunt	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steil
Butkovitz	Gladeck	Melio	Stern
Buxton	Godshall	Michlovic	Stetler

Caltagirone	Gruitza	Miller	Sturla
Cappabianca	Gruppo	Mundy	Surra
Cam	Habay	Myers	Tangretti
Casorio	Haluska	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Cawley	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Chadwick	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Civera	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Clymer	Hess	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Horsey	Phillips	Vance
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Colafrella	James	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Josephs	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
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Corrigan	Keller	Reinard	Wojnaroski
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wright, M. N.
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Yewcic
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Youngblood
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Ryan,
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Speaker
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	

## NAYS—31

Armstrong	Hutchinson	Platts	True
Barrar	Krebs	Raymond	Vitali
Boyes	Leh	Rohrer	Waugh
Brown	Maitland	Schuler	Wilt
Dally	Nailor	Smith, S. H.	Wogan
Egolf	O'Brien	Stevenson	Zimmerman
Fleagle	Oric	Strittmatter	Zug
Harhart	Pippy	Travaglio	

## NOT VOTING—4

Carone	Gordner	Hanna	Kenney
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## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. It is the understanding of the Chair that amendments 1189 and 1190 are withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. MELIO offered the following amendment No. A1288:

Amend Sec. 219, page 90, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 33,758,000

Amend Sec. 219, page 102, line 15, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 124,881,000

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

## VOTE STRICKEN

The SPEAKER. The clerk will strike the vote.

The gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of amendment 1288. We had discussed this earlier, and what this amendment would do is to help alleviate the financial pain that will be passed on to seniors if the current proposal goes through whereby seniors and disabled persons receiving SSI would be charged an additional \$2.60 for receiving their checks.

So I stand firmly in support of amendment 1288 and urge members on both sides of the aisle to do likewise. Thank you.

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Mr. Melio, on the amendment.

Mr. MELIO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to submit these remarks for the record.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order. Submit your remarks to the desk.

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

This amendment increases the Department of Public Welfare supplemental grant by \$4,224,000, which is sufficient to fund the increase in the Federal fee for processing checks.

The amendment will decrease the Department of Public Welfare's general government operations by \$4,224,000.

We currently show a budget surplus, so it is only right that we assure our State's poor, disabled, aged, and blind people receive their full checks each month. A proposal by the administration would have charged these people \$2.60 per month to process their Federal supplemental security income checks.

This additional charge, if implemented, would increase the total deduction to \$7.60 per month, which means the State would keep nearly one-fourth of the \$32.40 monthly State SSI supplement.

There are 270,000 SSI recipients in the State, all of whom are poor and many of whom are disabled. The remainder are either blind or elderly.

Let us assure that these people, who need this money the most, receive as much of the Federal SSI checks as is available.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—195

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini

Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Cam	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colafella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnarowski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
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DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
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Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-1

Carone

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Home
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. MYERS offered the following amendment No. A1317:

Amend Sec. 237, page 127, line 1, by inserting after "Council."

The council shall prepare a report by July 1, 1999, which analyzes the impact on individuals and hospitals of the medical assistance cuts set forth in the act of

May 16, 1996 (P.L.175, No.35), entitled "An act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled 'An act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public welfare laws of the Commonwealth,' further providing for legislative intent, for definitions, for uniform administration of assistance, for community work and training regulations, for work registration and for administrative duties and personal obligations; providing for grant diversion; further providing for special needs and self-sufficiency, for eligibility, for voluntary termination of employment, for identification and proof of residence, for limits on property holdings, for support from legally responsible relatives, for paternity determinations and support enforcement, for protective payments, for determination of need and for eligibility verification; providing for aliens and for diminished welfare payments; further providing for medical eligibility; providing for medical assistance deductibles and for medical assistance pharmacy services; further providing for penalties; making appropriations; imposing duties upon the Department of Public Welfare; and making repeals," including the impact on individual access to care, individual health outcomes, uncompensated hospital care, utilization of hospital emergency room services and availability of specialized hospital services.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Cam	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio

Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horsley	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
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Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-1

Carone

EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. O'BRIEN offered the following amendment No. A1413:

Amend Sec. 215, page 72, line 22, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . .	19,586,000
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Amend Sec. 215, page 81, by inserting between lines 15 and 16

For hepatitis B and C public education and screening.

State appropriation . . . . .	500,000
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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-195

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
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Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
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Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
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Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
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Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
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Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. We turn now to packet 17.

On the question recurring,

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



Mr. TRICH offered the following amendment No. A0868:

Amend Sec. 228, page 123, by inserting between lines 4 and 5  
For agricultural loan forgiveness.  
Preference shall be given to renewal  
applicants.  
State appropriation ..... 245,000  
Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 15, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting  
State appropriation ..... 11,721,000

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

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Trich.

Mr. TRICH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to inform the Speaker that because this issue was  
dealt with yesterday, I am withdrawing that amendment.

The SPEAKER. Very good.

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

Mr. TRICH offered the following amendment No. A0869:

Amend Sec. 228, page 123, by inserting between lines 4 and 5  
For child care loan forgiveness.  
State appropriation ..... 1,150,000  
Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 15, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting  
State appropriation ..... 10,816,000

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Trich.

Mr. TRICH. Very quickly, Mr. Speaker.

This provides \$1.1 million for a child-care loan forgiveness  
program. All of us on both sides of the aisle know the importance  
of getting people who normally were on welfare, to get them back  
to work, but we need to make certain that their children are cared  
for. This is one way we can help do that.

I certainly urge that we support this legislation.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
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Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
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Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
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Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
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Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
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Colaella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
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Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
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Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Home
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as  
amended?

Mr. TRICH offered the following amendment No. A0870:

Amend Sec. 228, page 123, by inserting between lines 4 and 5  
For child care loan forgiveness.  
State appropriation ..... 100,000  
Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 15, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting  
State appropriation ..... 11,866,000

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

### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. TRICH. Mr. Speaker, in light of the last vote, I can withdraw this amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Belfanti? Amendment 1325 is over temporarily.

It is the understanding of the Chair that amendments 1159, 0974, and 0984 are all withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. CLYMER offered the following amendment No. A1017:

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, by inserting between lines 11 and 12

For payments of grants to assist in the  
cleanup of contaminated soil.

State appropriation . . . . . 150,000

Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 2,709,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. CLYMER offered the following amendment No. A1018:

Amend Sec. 212, page 62, by inserting between lines 24 and 25

For aviation maintenance training  
programs at vocational-technical schools.

State appropriation . . . . . 50,000

Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 2,809,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. CLYMER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment provides \$50,000 in financial assistance for vo-tech schools that provide a course on aviation maintenance. This type of course allows enrollment from the community at large.

Recent Federal budget cuts have increased the tuition rates, making enrollment more prohibitive. This funding will assist these vo-tech schools in keeping the tuition rates at a level that will continue to attract students into the program. It is interesting to

note that 90 percent of the students who graduate from these aviation maintenance programs are employed.

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

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

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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 recurring,  
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair now returns to packet No. 6.

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

Mr. ROEBUCK offered the following amendment No. A0866:

Amend Sec. 227, page 121, line 19, by inserting after "Government."  
This appropriation is conditional upon a zero increase in tuition for Pennsylvania resident students for the 1998-1999 school year.

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Roebuck.

Mr. ROEBUCK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment would provide for a zero increase in tuition at the State System of Higher Education universities.

I would appreciate the support of the members of the House.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Vitali, on packet No. 7, amendment A0941. The clerk will read the amendment.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. VITALI offered the following amendment No. A0941:

Amend Sec. 1806, page 191, lines 12 and 13, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), all unexpended and unencumbered appropriations made to any entity classified under the Legislative Department for any prior fiscal year shall lapse into the General Fund at the end of fiscal year July 1, 1997, to June 30, 1998.

(2) Notwithstanding the lapsing requirements under paragraph (1), one-quarter of the total appropriations made to any entity classified under the Legislative Department for the fiscal year July 1, 1997, to June 30, 1998, shall be a continuing appropriation until the close of the fiscal year July 1, 1998, to June 30, 1999.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

By way of background, Mr. Speaker, with regard to the appropriations for the executive branch in this budget and the judicial branch, pursuant to the terms of this budget, any unexpended funds that were appropriated last year will lapse and go into the General Fund. That is not the case with appropriations to the legislative branch.

Mr. Speaker, what this amendment would do would be, with regard to all unused past appropriations to the legislative branch, they would lapse and go into the General Fund as of June 30 of this year with one exception, and that would be one-quarter of that appropriated for fiscal year 1997-98, one-quarter of that appropriation would not lapse. So the legislature would be able to retain a cushion to shield itself against the highly unlikely circumstance where we would need those funds to carry us on during some sort of protracted battle with the Governor's Office.

Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this is to return unused moneys to the proper place, which is the citizens of Pennsylvania. Although we do not have current numbers for the current unused funds, we can say as of this time this year, there was an extra \$112 million in unused funds; that is, funds that simply have no purpose for them. That amounts roughly to \$10 for every woman, man, and child in Pennsylvania. There is really no reason for the legislature to be holding these funds.

I want to be very clear, Mr. Speaker, that this will not affect what we spend in the current year. This will not affect anyone's staffing salaries, postage, or any of the other things. This simply applies to past funds that were appropriated but not used, and properly our branch, the legislative branch, should be treated like the executive branch and the judicial branch, and those funds should go back into the General Fund.

So I ask for an affirmative vote.

### CONSTITUTIONAL POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I raise a point of order on this issue.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, this proposal, this amendment, amendment 941, is out of order.

The author of the amendment is using the general appropriations bill as a vehicle, he is attempting to use the general appropriations bill as a vehicle to put substantive language in, which is just simply inappropriate. You are not able to use a general appropriations bill as a bill for substantive language.

Now, this issue came up a year ago when we had this same debate. The author of the amendment attempted the identical process or the identical amendment, and the Legislative Journal from last year when we had this debate indicates that it was ruled out of order at that time.

So I would move that we rule this amendment out of order as it was ruled out a year ago.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley, has raised a constitutional point of order rather than a simple point of order.

That being the case, the question of constitutionality is determined by the House.

The gentleman, Mr. Barley, raises the point of order that amendment No. 0941 is unconstitutional. The Speaker, under rule 4, is required to submit questions affecting the constitutionality of an amendment to the House for decision, which the Chair now does.

On the question,

Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am going to quote from the Journal of the budget process, the budget debate, a year ago, and this identical issue was raised and found by the members to be unconstitutional: "...the test to determine whether the language is substantive and unconstitutional or conditional and constitutional is as follows,..." and I cited at that time and I will cite again:

"The first condition is that the language be germane to the appropriation; once the germaneness is determined,

"The second condition is that the language not repeal or amend a current statute; and finally

"The third condition is that the provision not extend beyond the life of the Appropriation Act." That is what I had cited initially in the debate a year ago, and that is specifically what I believe this does. "If the provision attempts to do something permanent, then it is an act of substantive legislation and is unconstitutional."

I believe that argument that stood a year ago should stand again this evening, and we should declare this amendment unconstitutional.

The SPEAKER. On the point of constitutionality, Mr. Pistella.

Mr. PISTELLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I listened attentively to the majority Appropriations Committee chairman's explanation or rationale as to why he felt this was unconstitutional, but my understanding, Mr. Speaker, is that the Chair has ruled in the past that any member that raises an issue of constitutionality on the floor must cite with specificity that section of the Pennsylvania Constitution or the United States Constitution that they deem the proposed amendment or legislation is in violation of, and I would respectfully request that the gentleman, the majority chairman of the Appropriations Committee, so cite that. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The section that I cited — and by the way, this was in the record of a year ago — Article III, section 11, and that is the section that I am citing. And there is also, by the way, in addition, an official opinion on this by the Attorney General, and that official opinion is No. 78-16. So in addition to the constitutionality in that section, we have the Attorney General's opinion, and that also was sustained by the courts, that opinion of the Attorney General.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will yield.

Mr. Vitali, I assume you would prefer to be the final speaker or close to the final speaker. In that case, if you will yield for a moment, I will recognize the gentleman, Mr. Gordner.

## POINT OF ORDER

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Point of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. GORDNER. On page 191 of HB 2281, section 1806, it speaks about lapsing of unused funds, and there—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman give me an opportunity to get to that page.

Mr. GORDNER. It is the next to the last page, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Would you give us a line number on that?

Mr. GORDNER. Yes; I am referring to line 6.

The SPEAKER. Go ahead.

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There is a section there dealing with lapsing of unused funds: "Except as otherwise provided by law or by this section, that part of all appropriations..." and then it lists various parts, "unexpended, uncommitted or unencumbered as of June 30, 1999, shall automatically lapse as of that date." I am wondering if that section is in violation of the Constitution. I am asking that as a point of order.

The SPEAKER. No; you are lapsing those funds within that fiscal year, the very last day of the fiscal year in fact.

Mr. GORDNER. Then, as an additional point of order, how is the amendment of Mr. Vitali any different than what is contained in that section, because Mr. Vitali's amendment deals with funds as of June 30, 1999, as well.

The SPEAKER. He is apparently taking prior years' appropriations and, through what I will call substantive language, lapsing it. The previous year it said it did not lapse, and now he is taking more than 1 year's budgetary items and attempting to lapse them.

Mr. GORDNER. Okay. Mr. Speaker, are you indicating then that in section 1806 this is referring to only sections that have begun with zero at the beginning of the budget year?

The SPEAKER. I do not understand your question, and I do not intend to engage in a debate. I think the person you should be debating with is the Appropriations Committee chairman.

Mr. GORDNER. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the motion of constitutionality.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am going to support the motion that this is a constitutional amendment. I would refer to you the section 1806 on page 191. It talks about lapsing of unused funds. I think if you read the amendment of Mr. Vitali along with that section, you will see that he is doing something that is appropriate within this bill and would support his constitutionality motion.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Many times in this House we use procedural maneuvers to avoid voting on a substantive issue we prefer to duck, and I think

that is the case here. Clearly, as the previous speaker has said, the issue of lapse is clearly covered in substantive language in the bill, so if you subscribe to the gentleman from Lancaster County's argument that that language is unconstitutional, then it would fall from that that the budget itself is unconstitutional, which clearly is not a conclusion we wish to reach.

This, unlike what the gentleman from Lancaster County has said, does not extend beyond the time period covered in the budget. The amendment itself clearly does not go beyond June 30, 1999. That is the time when this budget also expires, so there is nothing in this language that would control things beyond the budget.

Clearly, this is constitutional. Let us deal with it on its merits, and I would ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just to follow up on Representative Gordner's observations about section 1806 on page 191, if you go to line 12 on page 191, item No. (b) says, "The appropriations in Part II to the Legislative Department shall be continuing appropriations." That in fact refers to the very same funds that Representative Vitali is referring to which we are told we cannot talk about. If in fact you cannot deal with those funds that are continuing from one year to the next, then we cannot deal with them in lines 12 and 13 either.

Now, I do not necessarily support the idea of lapsing these funds, but I think from a constitutional standpoint you have to agree that if we can talk about it in the bill itself, we should be able to talk about it in an amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, those in favor will vote "aye"; opposed, "no."

On the question recurring,

Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-73

Battisto	Dermody	Lucyk	Scrimenti
Belardi	Donatucci	Manderino	Staback
Belfanti	Eachus	McCall	Steelman
Bishop	George	McGeehan	Stetler
Butkovitz	Gordner	Melio	Sturla
Buxton	Gruitza	Michlovic	Surra
Caltagirone	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Hanna	Myers	Thomas
Carn	James	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Jarolin	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Josephs	Petrone	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Keller	Pistella	Walko
Colafrilla	Kirkland	Ramos	Washington
Colaizzo	Laughlin	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Lederer	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Lescovitz	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Cowell	Levdansky	Rooney	Yewcic
Curry	Lloyd	Santoni	Youngblood
Daley			

#### NAYS-118

Adolph	Evans	Major	Saylor
Allen	Fairchild	Markosek	Schroder
Argall	Fargo	Marsico	Schuler

Armstrong	Feese	Masland	Semmel
Baker	Fichter	Mayernik	Serafini
Bard	Flick	McGill	Seyfert
Barley	Gannon	McIlhattan	Shaner
Barrar	Geist	McIlhinney	Smith, B.
Benninghoff	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Gladeck	Miller	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	Godshall	Nailor	Stairs
Boyes	Gruppo	Nickol	Steil
Brown	Habay	O'Brien	Stern
Browne	Harhai	Olasz	Stevenson
Bunt	Harhart	Orie	Strittmatter
Chadwick	Hasay	Perzel	Taylor, E. Z.
Civera	Herman	Phillips	Trello
Clark	Hershey	Pippy	True
Clymer	Hess	Platts	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Preston	Vance
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Raymond	Veon
Coy	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Dally	Kenney	Reber	Wilt
DeLuca	Krebs	Reinard	Wogan
Dempsey	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dent	Lawless	Rohrer	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Leh	Ross	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Rubley	
Druce	Maher	Sainato	Ryan,
Egolf	Maitland	Sather	Speaker

#### NOT VOTING-5

Boscola	Fleagle	Horsey	Travaglio
Carone			

#### EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Home
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the constitutionality of the amendment was not sustained.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. GEIST offered the following amendment No. A0967:

Amend Sec. 222, page 116, line 22, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 298,000

Amend Sec. 222, page 117, by inserting between lines 22 and 23

For Statewide comprehensive rail  
passenger strategic planning study.  
State appropriation . . . . . 350,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-194

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Serafini

Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Stairs
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steil
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stetler
Brown	Gordner	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Gruitza	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruppo	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Habay	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Haluska	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hanna	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Carn	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Casorio	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Civera	Hess	Petrone	True
Clark	Horse	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	James	Platts	Vitali
Colaella	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Cowell	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dent	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dermody	Levdansky	Rubley	
DeWeese	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-2

Carone                      Schroder

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

Mr. RAMOS offered the following amendment No. A1076:

Amend Sec. 217, page 82, line 12, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 10,381,000

Amend Sec. 217, page 84, by inserting between lines 15 and 16

For job training program for the trades sector in southeast Pennsylvania.

State appropriation . . . . . 100,000

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horse	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-1

Carone

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. We have completed all— No; do not applaud yet. We have completed all of the amendments. There are a number of reconsiderations, and there may be amendments that require a suspension of the rules. But all the amendments that were covered in these packets, the 17 packets, have now been disposed of.

Mr. Perzel, Mr. Barley, come to the desk, please.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. It is the intention of the Chair to take up, I believe, four reconsideration votes. After we have completed those votes, we will move into the three or four or five amendments that members would like to offer that require a suspension of the rules.

#### AMENDMENT A1146 RECONSIDERED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Wogan, who moves that the vote by which amendment 1146 passed to HB 2281, PN 3013, on the 24th day of March be reconsidered.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—195

Adolph	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmellin	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington

Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
Donatucci			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—1

Carone

EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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

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

The clerk read the following amendment No. A1146:

Amend Sec. 202, page 21, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 7,900,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 27, by inserting between 12 and 13

For community-oriented policing services. This appropriation shall be distributed to the various municipalities based on the following formula: 50% shall be based on population and 50% shall be based on the number of Part I offenses under the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program for the preceding calendar year.

State appropriation . . . . . 20,000,000

Amend Sec. 220, page 114, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 113,956,000

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Wogan.

Mr. WOGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is the Cohen amendment on extra funds for community policing, and I would ask for support from members of the House.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.



Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is an amendment that we voted earlier in the afternoon, and I stood before the members and explained that this is money that is driven out on a formula that provides some funding for every county. Now, it does not provide an equal amount of funding based on population or other means that we would believe to be acceptable in many counties. For instance, the county of Philadelphia has 12 percent of the people and receives 20 percent of the funding. Eighty-seven members of the General Assembly voted "no." The amendment passed before, but 87 members voted "no." This is the amendment that I indicated, for instance, Montour County received one-tenth of 1 percent, and so goes the formula.

Representative Cohen, I believe, provided the formula for the members, so just be aware of the way you voted previously.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, all problems are not the same everywhere. When I was first elected, I had a single farm in my district; other people had much greater farms. We have a lot of crime in Philadelphia; there is a lot of crime elsewhere in the State of Pennsylvania. Some areas are very fortunate and they have very little crime. I think those areas that have very little crime probably spend very little money on police, and if we look at the percentage of local budgets spent for police, this probably gives in almost all cases a far greater percentage increase in local police budgets in the smaller counties than it does in the larger counties.

For many years, Mr. Speaker, we have been paralyzed on the question of how would we allot money for police if we were to spend money for police, and so we have done what we do best. When there is a difficult problem, we do nothing. So decade after decade, throughout a period of great crime increase, we have given no money at all to local police, and while we have been giving no money at all to local police, the population, our prison population, keeps rising. When I was first elected, we had 10,000 people in State prisons; now we have 60,000 people in State prisons. Obviously those numbers are going to continue to go up. We do not have any quota on the number of people in prisons from Philadelphia or Allegheny or Montgomery or other relatively high-crime counties.

This will save the Commonwealth money by giving money to counties that need money to fight crime. For many years, ordinary people throughout this Commonwealth have believed that police serve a deterrent role, and it has been hard for budget analysts to see that. But now there has been a major increase in police effectiveness throughout the State. The great computer revolution, the increase in technological knowledge, has led in many cases to massive declines in crime. It is now more obvious than it ever was before that money for police can reduce crime by deterring people, and when police deter crime, all the taxpayers of Pennsylvania save money.

I think this can be a tremendous money-saving amendment all across the State of Pennsylvania if we have more police and deter crime, and this formula is the first rough draft. You can change the formula in the conference committee if you do not like it and we can change the formula in subsequent years, but let us not continue the, quote, unquote, "compromise" of, well, we cannot agree on a fair formula because we know crime is not equally divided among all the counties, and therefore, year after year, decade after decade,

nobody gets a dime for local police. That is not fair. That does not make any sense. That aids crime, not deters it. The way to fight crime, Mr. Speaker, is to deter it, and the way to deter it is to have more money for police.

I strongly urge support of this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. Horsey.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, may I interrogate the maker of this amendment?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cohen, is the maker of the amendment.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, are these funds going directly to the police force? I mean, what is it being used for?

Mr. COHEN. This money goes to the Commission on Crime and Delinquency, and they give it out to local police forces according to the formula. Half of the money is appropriated on the basis of population, and half of the money is appropriated on the basis of crime.

Mr. HORSEY. But, Mr. Speaker, I am trying to find out, what are these funds going to be used for? Are they going to be used to hire additional police?

Mr. COHEN. It is for community police services, and that would include hiring additional police, yes, or it would include more overtime for existing police.

Mr. HORSEY. Would that include prevention programs?

Mr. COHEN. Yes.

Mr. HORSEY. It would include prevention programs?

Mr. COHEN. Yes; yes. Yes; this is a way to give money to various police departments, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

May I comment on the amendment, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Yes, you may.

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

I am not going to take a position at this time. I will let my leader take a position.

But about 6 or 8 months ago, the Philadelphia police provided UCR (Uniform Crime Report) statistics, and the FBI (Federal Bureau of Investigation) said that they were calculated incorrectly, and those statistics showed that Philadelphia crime had fallen drastically. The FBI made them recalculate them, and the FBI sat with the Philadelphia police in their recalculation, and their statistics reflected, their national statistics reflected, that Philadelphia has the third lowest. San Diego — and I cannot think of the other city — had a crime rate that was just a little bit — San Diego, New York, and then Philadelphia.

Now, the allocation, I think, is \$20 million. There is \$20 million that will be divided up into different counties. I am going to rethink this when I sit down here and make a decision with my button, but I am not sure, I am not sure if we need this. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question of the adoption of the amendment, the gentleman, Mr. Wogan.

Mr. WOGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Very briefly, Representative Cohen's formula is as fair a formula as we are going to get. It gives weight to population, and it gives weight to Part I offenses under the Pennsylvania Uniform Crime Reporting.

Just to elucidate, there are statistics on, for example, inmates in our State prison system. We have almost 35,000 inmates in our State prison system. Forty percent of those inmates are from Philadelphia, which only has 12 percent of the population of this State. One has to take some consideration of where the crimes are being committed in the State, and I think this amendment does that, and it deserves the support of every member in this chamber.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Tangretti.

Mr. TANGRETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, 3 years ago the Democratic Policy Committee held hearings across the State on the issue of local police, and we determined as a result of those hearings and came back and reported to this House that there is a crying need for help for municipal governments to fund their local police departments. No longer can they afford all of the technological advances and the needs that they have relative to the police salaries and benefits and overtime and court time that they have to spend by virtue of the property tax, and it is a State responsibility, we believe, in helping them, and we came up with three or four or five different funding solutions, some of which have passed this House on a number of occasions. Unfortunately, they have not been successful, because the Senate and the Ridge administration have declined to be supportive in that effort. In 3 years it has become a national issue that the more police that you have on the street, the more community policing that you have available in your municipal communities, helps reduce crime.

I applaud Representative Cohen for what he is doing. We have come up with a formula. Let us quit fooling around. Let us pass something that gives money to local police departments, gives money to help reduce crime, and this will do it. I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the Cohen amendment.

You know, each year we pass a budget around here that has got about \$300 million to support the State Police throughout the State — more than that, actually — and all of us vote for that because we believe it is good for the entire State. Spending this \$20 million, whether it gets spent in my district or Mr. Cohen's district or some other person's district, is still helping prevent crime in Pennsylvania, and I would urge an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—126

Allen	DeWeese	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Donatucci	Markosck	Santoni
Bard	Eachus	Marsico	Scrimenti
Battisto	Evans	Mayernik	Serafini
Belardi	Fichter	McCall	Shaner
Belfanti	Geist	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Bishop	George	McGill	Staback
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Stairs
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Steelman
Browne	Godshall	Michlovic	Stetler
Bunt	Gordner	Mundy	Stevenson
Butkovitz	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Buxton	Gruppo	O'Brien	Surra

Caltagirone	Habay	Olasz	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Haluska	Oliver	Thomas
Carn	Hanna	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Harhai	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Harhart	Pesci	Trello
Cohen, L. I.	James	Petrone	Trich
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Pippy	Veon
Colaella	Josephs	Pistella	Vitali
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Corpora	Kenney	Readshaw	Waugh
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Cowell	LaGrotta	Reinard	Williams, C.
Coy	Laughlin	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	Lederer	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lescovitz	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Levdansky	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dent	Lloyd	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lucyk		

#### NAYS—69

Adolph	Egolf	Maitland	Semmel
Armstrong	Fairchild	Major	Seyfert
Baker	Fargo	Masland	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Feese	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Steil
Benninghoff	Flick	Miller	Stern
Birmelin	Gannon	Nailor	Strittmatter
Boyes	Hasay	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Brown	Herman	Phillips	True
Carone	Hershey	Platts	Tulli
Chadwick	Hess	Raymond	Vance
Civera	Hutchinson	Rohrer	Wilt
Clark	Jadlowiec	Ross	Zimmerman
Clymer	Krebs	Rublely	Zug
Dally	Lawless	Sather	
Dempsey	Leh	Saylor	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Schroder	Speaker
Druce	Maher	Schuler	

#### NOT VOTING—1

Horsey

#### EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

#### AMENDMENT A1092 RECONSIDERED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Manderino, who moves that the vote by which amendment 1092 was defeated to HB 2281, PN 3013, on the 24th day of March be reconsidered.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-191

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Stairs
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Cam	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colafrella	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Raymond	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnarowski
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	
Dermoddy	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-3

Hershey	McIlhinney	Steil
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## NOT VOTING-2

Clark	Serafini
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## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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

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

The clerk read the following amendment No. A1092:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 820,984,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 64, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

For the purpose of providing for a full-day kindergarten incentive. No incentives shall be awarded by the Department of Education until the enactment of legislation authorizing the expenditure.

State appropriation . . . . . 38,350,000

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady from Philadelphia County, Ms. Manderino.

Ms. MANDERINO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do not want to redebate the issue. I just want my vote to be properly recorded, as I wish to vote in the affirmative. But for those following, this is the Cowell amendment that would have provided funding for full-day kindergarten, and the appropriation was taken from Corrections.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I will not reiterate all the arguments made earlier. I would remind members that this amendment failed by a margin of one vote when it was considered earlier today, and so I would strongly ask, encourage you to recall how you voted then, and especially if you voted for it, vote "yes" again. If you chose to vote in the negative earlier, you might reconsider that issue, given the arguments that were made earlier.

Again, this is a proposal that would add \$38 million to enable about 35,000 kindergarten students or students across the Commonwealth to have the benefit of full-day kindergarten. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. Barley, desire recognition? The Chair recognizes the gentleman.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is an amendment that we defeated before, and I just urge the members to vote "no" once again, as we did before, and defeat this amendment for a second time.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-97

Bard	DeWeese	Manderino	Rubley
Battisto	Donatucci	Markosek	Sainato
Belardi	Eachus	Mayernik	Santoni
Belfanti	Evans	McCall	Serafini
Bishop	George	McGeehan	Shaner
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Staback
Boscola	Gordner	Michlovic	Stairs
Butkovitz	Gruitza	Mundy	Steelman
Buxton	Haluska	Myers	Stetler
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Sturla

Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Surra
Carn	Horsey	Pesci	Thomas
Carone	James	Petrone	Tigue
Cawley	Jarolin	Pippy	Travaglio
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Pistella	Trello
Colaafella	Kaiser	Platts	Trich
Colaizzo	Keller	Preston	Veon
Corpora	Kirkland	Ramos	Vitali
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Walko
Cowell	Laughlin	Rieger	Washington
Coy	Lederer	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Curry	Lescovitz	Robinson	Williams, C.
Daley	Levdansky	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Lucyk	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody			

## NAYS—98

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Scrimenti
Allen	Fairchild	Maher	Semmel
Argall	Fargo	Maitland	Seyfert
Armstrong	Feese	Major	Smith, B.
Baker	Fichter	Marsico	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fleagle	Masland	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Flick	McGill	Steil
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stern
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	McNaughton	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Miller	Tangretti
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	True
Casorio	Harhart	Orie	Tulli
Chadwick	Hasay	Perzel	Vance
Civera	Herman	Phillips	Waugh
Clark	Hershey	Raymond	Wilt
Clymer	Hess	Reber	Wogan
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Kenney	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Krebs	Sather	Zug
Dent	Lawless	Saylor	
DiGirolamo	Leh	Schroder	Ryan,
Druce	Lloyd	Schuler	Speaker

## NOT VOTING—1

O'Brien

## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

## AMENDMENT A0931 RECONSIDERED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Coy, who moves that the vote by which amendment 0931 was defeated to HB 2281, PN 3013, on the 23d day of March be reconsidered.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—195

Adolph	Donatucci	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Druce	Maher	Saylor
Argall	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Armstrong	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Baker	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steeleman
Boscola	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Brown	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Browne	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Carone	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Casorio	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Cawley	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Civera	Horsey	Phillips	True
Clark	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Platts	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Preston	Walko
Colaafella	Josephs	Ramos	Washington
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Cornell	Keller	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reber	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reinard	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—1

Vance

## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The clerk read the following amendment No. A0931:

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 851,634,000

Amend Sec. 227, page 121, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 432,587,000

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is the amendment that would allocate \$7.7 million to the State System of Higher Education to ensure that we do not have a tuition increase in the State System this year. The \$7.7 million would come from the Department of Corrections.

A couple items that I would point out.

Earlier today we voted almost unanimously for amendment A0866, which would prohibit a tuition increase for the State System of Higher Education. Now I am asking you to vote for the amendment that makes it possible to avoid that tuition increase by providing the \$7.7 million that is necessary.

In addition, it was raised yesterday when this amendment was considered that the Department of Corrections line item was being seriously depleted by a number of amendments. In fact, that has not happened. To this point, my records show that only \$5 million has been deleted from the Department of Corrections, which means that less than 1½ percent of their 5½-percent increase, less than 1½ percent of that has been taken away from them, including if you vote for this amendment.

So clearly the money is there. We can afford this amendment. It will be good for the State System, and it is a vote to ensure that there is not a tuition increase. So I would urge your affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Cowell.

Mr. COWELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, just to underscore what the maker of the amendment said, only 10 minutes ago we enthusiastically, unanimously voted for Jim Roebuck's amendment that said no tuition increase. Nobody got up and argued against it. Nobody challenged it. Everybody said, that is a good idea. Well, now is the opportunity to put up the money to make that good idea reality. We ought to support the Hanna amendment. It is a good idea, but we have got to provide the dollars. Otherwise, our vote for the Roebuck amendment, again, was a lie. Let us make it a promise that will be fulfilled by providing the dollars. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Lawless.

Mr. LAWLESS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, once again, this is an amendment to add \$7.7 million to the State System of Higher Education.

Mr. Speaker, it should be noted that just recently the State System of Higher Education board has elected to lower tuition for out-of-State students, lower tuition for out-of-State students, and

yet want more and more Pennsylvania tax dollars going to this State System.

As I said yesterday, the State System of Education is out of control. I am a graduate of that State System; I am proud of that State System. However, the spending that continues to occur is out of control. As I noted yesterday, the more money that we give this system, the more they will spend. How much money is enough?

In fact, Mr. Speaker, I would like to interrogate the maker of this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Hanna, indicates he will stand for interrogation.

Mr. LAWLESS. Mr. Speaker, \$7.7 million takes away another 500 prisoners, on what it costs to put 500 prisoners in jail. Okay? We have already taken in this budget, through the amendment process, we have already kicked out 1,000 prisoners in what we can afford. This will be another 500.

Mr. Speaker, how much money do you want to give the State System? Seven-point-seven million, is that enough? Will you stop continuing to ever give amendments, or will we continue year after year to want more and more money for the State System of Higher Education?

Mr. HANNA. On an annual basis, we will have to look at the State System's needs to determine what dollars they need from us.

Mr. LAWLESS. Mr. Speaker, will we need more next year?

Mr. HANNA. That is impossible for me to predict, but I would hope that with the continued efforts of yourself and others, we will continue to work with the State System to have them control costs so that their needs are not as great as they have been in the past.

Mr. LAWLESS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. LAWLESS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we should note that the gentleman from Lock Haven, who wants to add \$7.7 million— And again, I respect the gentleman. He represents a State System college town. He should be doing what he is doing, and I respect what he is doing. The fact of the matter is, most Pennsylvania taxpayers are tired of a system, again, that over the last 7 years, in the nineties, tuition has been raised over 50 percent, student fees have risen to nearly \$700 on average— student fees; that is not tuition, that is in excess—and yet we continue to want more and more money. The State System—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman yield.

The conferences in the first section will please cease; the conferences in the first section will please cease.

Mr. Lawless.

Mr. LAWLESS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the point that needs to be made here—and it is late, and I want to summarize this—the point that needs to be made: We will hear from different speakers tonight and we have in the past about Pennsylvania is 47th in allocating money to our higher education. We do not, as legislators, we do not control the spending in these State universities. We happen to be one of the highest States who give the most money to higher education, but we do not control their budgets, so if they continue to spend and spend, tuitions will continue to increase, as they have in the nineties, 50 percent, while the rest of us live with a cost-of-living increase, a Consumer Price Index, of 18 percent, yet student fees are going up 150 percent or \$700.

Mr. Speaker, I want to support this State System, and I want us to continue to support higher education, but for the parents and students of this Commonwealth and the taxpayers, we have got to get this under control. Again, over the last 2 years, we have spent \$660,000 each for six different homes to be renovated, presidents' homes, on campuses. That is \$600,000 in renovations for one home.

Mr. Speaker, the people at Lock Haven University, they have Astroturf on their football field. Need we be spending this kind of money, an additional, and let prisoners out on the street? I say no, and I suggest that we vote against this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Daley.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to correct the record of the last speaker.

I also, as Mr. Hanna, live in a State college/university community — California — and I rise to support this amendment. But Pennsylvania ranks 47th in appropriation for higher education per capita basis and spends \$136 per capita below the national average.

And about out-of-State students, we are lowering, we are lowering the cost for out-of-State students, because it is much higher than what Pennsylvanians are paying, to bring more students into Pennsylvania.

And let us correct the record: What Pennsylvanians are tired of is \$22,000 a year being spent on prisoners that are in prisons that are air-conditioned, that have cable television, that have meals three times a day. It is time we have hard time in prisons.

I rise to support this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. George.

Will the gentleman yield.

If we are to get out of here by midnight, we must cooperate.

Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. I will not be very long, Mr. Speaker. I will not be as colorful as the last speaker but just as factual.

The truth of the matter is that the State System has been cut more than \$7 million. We talk about percentages. We forget many times what the dollar amount is, what that transcends into. The truth of the matter is that unfortunately tonight we have heard a lot of arguments that if we take money away from Corrections, they will open the doors and our homes and families will be inundated with visitors. The truth of the matter is, if we do not fund these universities, their doors will close, because the students with an increase in tuition will not be able to afford them much less entertain that type of education.

I believe with what we have done today, we would not be very far along if we turned our backs and turned this amendment down. I think we ought to vote for this amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—107

Baker	Eachus	Markosek	Schuler
Battisto	Evans	Mayernik	Scrimenti
Belardi	Fargo	McCall	Shaner

Belfanti	Feese	McGeehan	Staback
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stetler
Boscola	Gordner	Michlovic	Sturla
Boyes	Gruitza	Mundy	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Myers	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Horsey	Oliver	Tigue
Cam	James	Pesci	Travaglio
Cawley	Jarolin	Petrone	Trich
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Pippy	Veon
Colafella	Kaiser	Pistella	Vitali
Colaizzo	Keller	Platts	Walko
Corpora	Kirkland	Preston	Washington
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Ramos	Waugh
Cowell	Laughlin	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Coy	Lederer	Reinard	Williams, C.
Curry	Lescovitz	Rieger	Wogan
Daley	Levdansky	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Dermody	Lloyd	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeWeese	Lucyk	Roebuck	Yewcic
DiGirolamo	Maher	Sainato	Youngblood
Donatucci	Manderino	Santoni	

## NAYS—87

Adolph	Dent	Leh	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Lynch	Schroder
Argall	Egolf	Maitland	Semmel
Armstrong	Fairchild	Major	Serafini
Bard	Fichter	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fleagle	Masland	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stairs
Brown	Gladeck	Miller	Steil
Browne	Godshall	Nailor	Stern
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Stevenson
Carone	Harhart	Orie	Strittmatter
Casorio	Hasay	Perzel	True
Chadwick	Herman	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hershey	Raymond	Vance
Clark	Hess	Reber	Wilt
Clymer	Hutchinson	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Rooney	Zug
Cornell	Kenney	Ross	
Dally	Krebs	Rubley	Ryan,
DeLuca	Lawless	Sather	Speaker
Dempsey			

## NOT VOTING—2

Haluska	Trello
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## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Home
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

## AMENDMENT A1037 RECONSIDERED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Serafini, who moves that the vote by which amendment 1037 passed to HB 2281, PN 3013, on March 24 be reconsidered.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—193

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimanti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	George	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Godshall	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Habay	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Carn	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	True
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clark	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vance
Clymer	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Maher	Saylor	

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—3

Boscola Haluska Hershey

## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Van Horne  
Hennessey Micozzie Taylor, J.

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

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

The clerk read the following amendment No. A1037:

Amend Sec. 801, page 174, lines 23 and 24, by striking out all of said lines and inserting distributed based on vehicle miles traveled.

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

The SPEAKER. This is the Sturla amendment A1037, which passed 137 to 61:

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—134

Adolph	DiGirolamo	McGill	Schuler
Argall	Donatucci	McIlhinney	Semmel
Armstrong	Druce	McNaughton	Serafini
Bard	Eachus	Melio	Snyder, D. W.
Barley	Evans	Michlovic	Staback
Barrar	Fichter	Miller	Stairs
Battisto	Flick	Mundy	Steil
Belardi	Gannon	Myers	Stetler
Belfanti	Gigliotti	Nailor	Stevenson
Bishop	Gladeck	O'Brien	Strittmatter
Boscola	Godshall	Olasz	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Oliver	Tangretti
Bunt	Habay	Orie	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Harhart	Perzel	Thomas
Buxton	Hasay	Pesci	Tigue
Caltagirone	Horsey	Petrone	Travaglio
Carn	James	Pippy	Trello
Carone	Jarolin	Pistella	True
Casorio	Josephs	Platts	Tulli
Cawley	Kaiser	Preston	Vance
Civera	Keller	Ramos	Vitali
Clymer	Kenney	Raymond	Walko
Cohen, L. I.	Kirkland	Readshaw	Washington
Cohen, M.	Lawless	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Lederer	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Leh	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Levdansky	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	Maher	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Manderino	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Markosek	Ross	Youngblood
Dally	Marsico	Rubley	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Masland	Santoni	
Dent	Mayernik	Saylor	Ryan,
Dermody	McGeehan	Schroder	Speaker

## NAYS—61

Allen	Fairchild	Krebs	Sainato
Baker	Fargo	LaGrotta	Sather
Benninghoff	Feese	Laughlin	Scrimenti
Birmelin	Fleagle	Lescovitz	Seyfert
Blaum	Geist	Lloyd	Shaner
Boyes	George	Lucyk	Smith, B.
Brown	Gordner	Lynch	Smith, S. H.
Cappabianca	Gruitza	Maitland	Steelman
Chadwick	Haluska	Major	Stern
Clark	Hanna	McCall	Surra
Colaella	Harhai	McIlhattan	Trich
Colaizzo	Herman	Nickol	Veon
Dailey	Hess	Phillips	Wilt
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Robinson	Yewcic
DeWeese	Jadlowiec	Rohrer	Zug
Egolf			

## NOT VOTING—1

Hershey

## EXCUSED—7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. There is one amendment in packet 17 titled in the name of Mr. Belfanti being offered by the gentleman, Mr. Surra, being numbered 1325, which the clerk will now read.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. SURRA offered the following amendment No. A1325:

Amend Sec. 201, page 20, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,565,000

Amend Sec. 202, page 20, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 6,903,000

Amend Sec. 211, page 49, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 856,282,000

Amend Sec. 220, page 114, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 117,956,000

Amend Sec. 232, page 125, lines 13 and 14, by striking out all of said lines and inserting  
probation services. Supervision fees may not be used to supplant or replace the obligation of the Commonwealth to reimburse counties for 80% of total eligible salary costs of 1,016 incumbent adult probation positions.

State appropriation . . . . . 26,179,000

Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 9,216,000

Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 2,359,000

Amend Sec. 281, page 160, line 15, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 11,466,000

Amend Sec. 283, page 162, line 30, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 11,565,000

Amend Sec. 284, page 163, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 52,285,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Surra.

Mr. SURRA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Briefly, amendment A1325 increases the appropriation for the improvement of our adult probation services within the Board of Probation and Parole.

Basically, this is an unfunded mandate on our counties. It will allow the Board of Probation and Parole to reimburse our counties to the 80-percent level for eligible salary costs for our adult probation officers, and I appreciate the members' support.

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have no objection to this amendment.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—194

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Sather
Allen	Donatucci	Lynch	Saylor
Argall	Druce	Maher	Schroder
Armstrong	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Baker	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Bard	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Barley	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Barrar	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Battisto	Feese	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Bishop	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Blaum	George	McNaughton	Steelman
Boscola	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Brown	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Browne	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Buxton	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Hanna	Olasz	Thomas
Carn	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Carone	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio



Casorio	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Cawley	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Chadwick	Hershey	Petrone	True
Civera	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
Clark	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Platts	Vitali
Cohen, M.	James	Preston	Walko
Colaella	Jarolin	Ramos	Washington
Colaizzo	Josephs	Raymond	Waugh
Cornell	Kaiser	Readshaw	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Keller	Reber	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kenney	Reinard	Wilt
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Coy	Krebs	Roberts	Wojnarowski
Curry	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Laughlin	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dally	Lawless	Rohrer	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lederer	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Leh	Ross	Zug
Dent	Lescovitz	Rubley	
Dermody	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker

## NAYS-2

Maitland      Steil

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

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 third consideration as amended?

The SPEAKER. I am about to announce the order, the order of the suspensions, the amendments requiring suspension: Mark Cohen, Roberts, Roberts, Wojnarowski, Stetler, Steelman, and Gruitza.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. I will be brief, Mr. Speaker.

We intend to oppose all motions to suspend the rules, Mr. Speaker. So all the motions can be made, but we are going to oppose them.

The SPEAKER. Under our rules, a two-thirds vote is necessary to suspend the rules.

## MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I move that the House suspend the temporary rules so this House can consider amendment 1525.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment was redrafted after complaints as to where the money came from in my original amendment to

provide money for school textbooks for school districts all around the State. Both Mr. Barley and Mr. DeWeese objected to where the money came from. We did not introduce that amendment that was objected to. I redrafted that to provide \$20 million in funds for school textbooks all around the State. The House has twice passed this money for school textbooks all around the State. I would strongly urge that we vote to suspend the rules this time so we can vote to send a message again to the conference committee. This is strongly in everyone's interest.

This budget, as we now stand, provides some extra money for school districts. It does not, as we now stand, provide any specific money for school textbooks. School textbooks tend to be placed at the very bottom of everybody's priorities.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman restrict his remarks to suspension and a brief description of his amendment.

Mr. COHEN. Okay. You are getting the brief description, and so far, only a little over 30 seconds have elapsed.

In order that we can consider this amendment, providing for more money for school textbooks, I urge that we suspend the rules.

The SPEAKER. Very good.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. On the question of suspension of the rules, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this process that we have been participating in for the past day and a half has been very fair, has been very open. We have worked in a bipartisan fashion, and we considered each and every amendment that was filed timely and that was filed properly. Every member, Republican and Democrat alike, was given the same type of fair, professional consideration, and I cannot see any reason why we should continue to give additional time to file additional amendments or to suspend the rules to consider additional amendments when the process has worked so well the last day and a half, and I oppose this motion to suspend the rules.

The SPEAKER. On the question of suspension, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, the bottom line in how well the process works is how well it serves the people of Pennsylvania. The bottom line is not how many hours it takes, how many amendments were considered; the bottom line is how well the people were served. The people will be served better if there is money available in this budget for school textbooks. People who do not have school textbooks are not going to be particularly interested in Mr. Barley's procedural arguments.

I would urge support for suspension of the rules.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-95

Battisto	DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni
Belardi	Donatucci	Manderino	Scrimenti
Belfanti	Eachus	Markosek	Shaner
Bishop	Evans	Mayernik	Staback

Blaum	George	McCall	Steelman
Boscola	Gigliotti	McGeehan	Stetler
Butkovitz	Gordner	Melio	Sturla
Buxton	Gruitza	Michlovic	Surra
Caltagirone	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Hanna	Myers	Thomas
Carn	Harhai	Olasz	Tigue
Casorio	Horsev	Oliver	Travaglio
Cawley	James	Pesci	Trello
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Petrone	Trich
Colafella	Josephs	Pistella	Veon
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Preston	Vitali
Corpora	Keller	Ramos	Walko
Corrigan	Kirkland	Readshaw	Washington
Cowell	LaGrotta	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Coy	Laughlin	Roberts	Williams, C.
Curry	Lederer	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lescovitz	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Levdanský	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	

## NAYS-101

Adolph	Egolf	Maitland	Schuler
Allen	Fairchild	Major	Semmel
Argall	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Armstrong	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Baker	Fichter	McGill	Smith, B.
Bard	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Flick	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Gannon	McNaughton	Stairs
Benninghoff	Geist	Miller	Steil
Birmelin	Gladeck	Nailor	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Nickol	Stevenson
Brown	Gruppo	O'Brien	Strittmatter
Browne	Habay	Oric	Taylor, E. Z.
Bunt	Harhart	Perzel	True
Carone	Hasay	Phillips	Tulli
Chadwick	Herman	Pippy	Vance
Civera	Hershey	Platts	Waugh
Clark	Hess	Raymond	Wilt
Clymer	Hutchinson	Reber	Wogan
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Reinard	Wright, M. N.
Cornell	Kenney	Rohrer	Zimmerman
Dally	Krebs	Ross	Zug
Dempsey	Lawless	Rubley	
Dent	Leh	Sather	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Saylor	Speaker
Druce	Maher	Schroder	

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Roberts, who waives off. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Wojnaroski.

Mr. WOJNAROSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, at this time I would like to pull my amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. WOJNAROSKI. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Stetler. The gentleman waives off.

## MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Steelman.

Ms. STEELMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am asking for a suspension of the rules in order to consider a revised version of the amendment that we discussed earlier in the evening. This amendment would provide funding for education, for diagnosis, and for treatment of health conditions that affect women across the Commonwealth. It would provide diagnosis and treatment of cancer, of hypertension, of anemia, of sexually transmitted diseases. It would also provide education on pregnancy, on prenatal care, on osteoporosis prevention, on the prevention of abuse, and it would provide contraceptive supplies for women.

The amendment has been revised to reduce the amount of money that would be appropriated. The appropriation currently is within the parameters of the line item that apply to debt service in the Commonwealth.

This is an issue that has to do with saving women's lives, and I ask for your serious consideration. Please vote to suspend the rules, and please vote to support this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The lady, Ms. Steelman, moves that the rules of the House be suspended to permit her to offer amendment A1576.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just simply oppose the suspension of the rules for the same identical reasons I stated on the previous motion to suspend the rules and would request that all members vote "no" on the suspension of the rules.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-99

Battisto	Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni
Belardi	DeWeese	Lucyk	Scrimenti
Belfanti	Donatucci	Manderino	Shaner
Bishop	Eachus	Markosek	Smith, B.
Blaum	Evans	Mayernik	Staback
Boscola	George	McCall	Steelman
Butkovitz	Gigliotti	McGeehan	Stetler
Buxton	Gordner	Melio	Sturla
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Michlovic	Surra
Cappabianca	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Carn	Hanna	Myers	Thomas
Carone	Harhai	Olasz	Tigue
Casorio	Horsev	Oliver	Travaglio

Cawley	James	Pesci	Trello
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Petrone	Trich
Colaella	Josephs	Pistella	Veon
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Preston	Vitali
Corpora	Keller	Ramos	Walko
Corrigan	Kirkland	Readshaw	Washington
Cowell	Krebs	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lederer	Roebuck	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rooney	Youngblood
Dent	Levdansky	Sainato	

## NAYS-94

Adolph	Fairchild	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Fargo	Major	Schuler
Argall	Feese	Marsico	Semmel
Armstrong	Fichter	Masland	Serafini
Baker	Fleagle	McGill	Seyfert
Bard	Flick	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Geist	McNaughton	Stairs
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Miller	Steil
Birmelin	Godshall	Nailor	Stern
Boyes	Gruppo	Nickol	Stevenson
Brown	Habay	O'Brien	Strittmatter
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Bunt	Hasay	Perzel	True
Chadwick	Herman	Phillips	Vance
Civera	Hershey	Pippy	Waugh
Clark	Hess	Platts	Wilt
Clymer	Hutchinson	Raymond	Wogan
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Reber	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Kenney	Reinard	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lawless	Rohrer	Zug
DiGirolamo	Leh	Ross	
Druce	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
Egolf	Maher	Saylor	Speaker

## NOT VOTING-3

Cohen, L. I.	Rublely	Tulli
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## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Van Horne
Hennessey	Micozzie	Taylor, J.	

Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

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

## APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley, for the purpose of calling a meeting.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is necessary to have a very, very brief meeting of the House Appropriations Committee. We would like to call that for the conference room at the rear of the House, the Appropriations Committee conference room, immediately. It should be a very brief meeting.

The SPEAKER. The House will stand at ease.

The Appropriations Committee will retire to the Appropriations Committee room.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Wogan, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. WOGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The meeting of the House Consumer Affairs Committee originally called for 10 o'clock tomorrow morning will be moved to the recess tomorrow, whenever the recess will occur; the same room, 39E.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Any further announcements while we have this break?

## VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. May I correct the record at this point?

The SPEAKER. Yes.

Ms. BOSCOLA. Okay.

On the motion to reconsider amendment 1037, the Sturla amendment, I would like to be voted in the affirmative. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the lady will be spread upon the record.

Mr. Maitland.

Mr. MAITLAND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On amendment 1193 I was voted in the affirmative. I would like my vote to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

Any other announcements?

Mr. Schroder.

Mr. SCHRODER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On amendment A0967 my switch failed to record a vote, and that vote should have been in the affirmative, a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

The lady, Ms. Seyfert.

Ms. SEYFERT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to correct my vote on amendment 931 and register me in a "yes."

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the lady will be spread upon the record.

The House will stand at ease.

The House will come to order.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS  
COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate meeting of the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee in the rear of the hall of the House.

## VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Preston.

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

To be able to correct the record.

On the motion by Mr. Tigue, in question of the Chair, my switch malfunctioned. I would like to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

The House will be at ease for a period of less than 5 minutes to give the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs the opportunity to conclude their business.

The House will come to order.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, in accordance with the special rule, the Appropriations Committee met and they certified the accuracy of amendment A1578.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. GRUITZA offered the following amendment No. A1578:

Amend Sec. 201, page 22, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 25,571,000

Amend Sec. 210, page 45, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 11,596,000

Amend Sec. 212, page 54, by inserting between lines 29 and 30

For temporary special aid to school districts suffering severe reductions in assessed valuation of taxable property between 1985 and 1996.

State appropriation . . . . . 7,538,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 64, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 20,333,000

Amend Sec. 213, page 65, line 14, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 31,300,000

Amend Sec. 214, page 71, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation . . . . . 55,236,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Gruitza.

Mr. GRUITZA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the consideration and everything that has been worked out with this.

This appropriation is actually an add-on to what Representative Harhai did the other day. It is to provide aid for the stressed 10 school districts throughout the State, without which they are going to have a hard time operating in the upcoming year.

I would appreciate your support of the amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Coy, who asks that the Chair return to leaves of absence and take the gentleman, Mr. Van Horne, from leave and add him to the master roll call.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to the Gruitza amendment A1578.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—196

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	George	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Oliver	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	Orie	Tigue
Carn	Harhart	Perzel	Travaglio
Carone	Hasay	Pesci	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hess	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Horsey	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Hutchinson	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Robinson	Wogan

Coy	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Santoni	
Dermody	Lloyd	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lynch		

## NAYS-1

Maher

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

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 third consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

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?

## BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. HB 2281 is over temporarily.

## HR 384 RECONSIDERED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Cohen, who moves that the vote by which HR 384, PN 3239, was passed on the 24th day of March be reconsidered.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-197

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Major	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Barrar	Feece	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Steelman
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steil

Blum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
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Clark	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
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Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
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Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Saylor	

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-197

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Major	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Barrar	Feece	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Steelman
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steil
Blum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler

Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colafella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	Krebs	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Saylor	

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

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

## BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

## BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to page 2 of today's calendar. HB 2358 is over temporarily.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2359, PN 3082**, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3), known as the University of Pittsburgh-Commonwealth Act, making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George, who offers the following amendment to HB 2359. We are doing the nonpreferreds. The gentleman withdraws his amendment.

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

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.

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlthinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	George	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Carn	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Carone	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colafella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Krebs	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-2

Haluska	Lawless
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## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones      Itkin                      Petrarca              Taylor, J.  
Hennessy          Micozzie

The two-thirds 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 2360, PN 3083**, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of November 30, 1965 (P.L.843, No.355), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Temple University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Temple University," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

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

The SPEAKER. Mr. George, I have you marked down for an amendment on everything. They are all withdrawn. Thank you.

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

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?

## MOTION TO TABLE

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas, on the Temple bill.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to move that this bill be tabled until such time that we have some affirmative information with respect to Temple's acquisition of the College of Podiatric Medicine.

Mr. Speaker, through a resolution that you introduced several years ago that made appointments from this body to the board of the College of Podiatric Medicine, Temple has acquired the college, has taken down the board. The board is no more than an advisory council. We have not looked at the impact of this acquisition on the surrounding and larger community, and until we

get some of these questions answered, Mr. Speaker, I would like to move that we table this appropriation until such time that we have some answers.

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, we are, I believe, set to consider the appropriation for Temple this evening. This bill has been before us in the appropriate timeframe, and I would urge that we would defeat the motion to table and then move to adoption of the nonpreferred for Temple.

The SPEAKER. On the question, the gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I do not want to vote against this appropriation, but it is imperative that we not sign off on this until we have some specific answers to some specific questions, which I have been trying to get for some time now, and I ask members on both sides to table this for a specific period of time, and then we can come back and vote on this.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-53

Belfanti	Donatucci	Lucyk	Robinson
Bishop	Eachus	Manderino	Roebuck
Butkovitz	George	McCall	Saylor
Cappabianca	Gruitza	McGeehan	Steelman
Carn	Harhai	McIlhinney	Steil
Casorio	Jarolin	Melio	Tangretti
Cohen, M.	Keller	Myers	Thomas
Colafella	Laughlin	Oliver	Trich
Corpora	Lawless	Pesci	Van Horne
Corrigan	Lederer	Pistella	Washington
Curry	Leh	Preston	Williams, A. H.
Daley	Lescovitz	Rieger	Wright, M. N.
Dermody	Levdansky	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese			

## NAYS-142

Adolph	Egolf	Major	Semmel
Allen	Evans	Markosek	Serafini
Argall	Fairchild	Marsico	Seyfert
Armstrong	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Baker	Feese	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Bard	Fichter	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Flick	McNaughton	Staback
Battisto	Gannon	Michlovic	Stairs
Belardi	Geist	Miller	Stern
Benninghoff	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stetler
Birmelin	Gladeck	Nailor	Stevenson
Blaum	Godshall	Nickol	Strittmatter
Boscola	Gordner	O'Brien	Sturla
Boyes	Gruppo	Olasz	Surra
Brown	Habay	Orie	Taylor, E. Z.
Browne	Haluska	Perzel	Tigue
Bunt	Hanna	Petrone	Travaglio
Buxton	Harhart	Phillips	Trello
Caltagirone	Hasay	Pippy	True
Carone	Herman	Platts	Tulli
Cawley	Hershey	Ramos	Vance

Chadwick	Hess	Raymond	Veon
Civera	Horsey	Readshaw	Vitali
Clark	Hutchinson	Reber	Walko
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Reinard	Waugh
Cohen, L. I.	Josephs	Rohrer	Williams, C.
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Rooney	Wilt
Cornell	Kenney	Ross	Wogan
Coy	Kirkland	Rubley	Wojnaroski
Dally	Krebs	Sainato	Yewcic
DeLuca	LaGrotta	Santoni	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sather	Zug
Dent	Lynch	Schroder	
DiGirolamo	Maher	Schuler	Ryan,
Druce	Maitland	Scrimenti	Speaker

## NOT VOTING-2

Cowell	James
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## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

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

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.

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reber	Williams, A. H.

Corpora	Kirkland	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-2

Haluska	Thomas
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## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2361, PN 3084**, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of July 7, 1972 (P.L.743, No.176), known as the Lincoln University-Commonwealth Act, making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

## YEAS-194

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	Geist	McNaughton	Steelman



Blaum	George	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Godshall	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Habay	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hanna	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Cam	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Carone	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Cawley	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Chadwick	Hess	Phillips	True
Civera	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Clark	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Cowell	Krebs	Roberts	Wilt
Coy	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Curry	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Maier	Saylor	Speaker

## NAYS-2

Haluska Lawless

## NOT VOTING-1

Benninghoff

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.  
Hennessey Micozzie

The two-thirds 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 2366, PN 3089**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Burn Foundation, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gordner	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maier	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-6

Carone Hanna Pesci Steelman  
Haluska Krebs

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones Itkin Petrarca Taylor, J.  
Hennessey Micozzie

The two-thirds 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 2367, PN 3090**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania for cardiovascular studies.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS-189

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stern
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Travaglio
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Trello
Carn	Herman	Perzel	Trich
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	True
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	Tulli
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Vance
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Home
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Clymer	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	

Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	

#### NAYS-8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	Tigue

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2368, PN 3091**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Central Penn Oncology Group.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS-189

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Major	Schuler
Allen	Donatucci	Manderino	Scrimenti
Argall	Druce	Markosek	Semmel
Armstrong	Eachus	Marsico	Serafini
Baker	Egolf	Masland	Seyfert
Bard	Evans	Mayernik	Shaner
Barley	Fairchild	McCall	Smith, B.
Barrar	Fargo	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Feese	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fichter	McIlhattan	Staback
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Stairs
Benninghoff	Flick	McNaughton	Steil
Birmelin	Gannon	Melio	Stern
Bishop	Geist	Michlovic	Stetler
Blaum	George	Miller	Stevenson
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mundy	Strittmatter
Boyes	Gladeck	Myers	Sturla
Brown	Godshall	Nailor	Surra
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Tangretti
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Thomas
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Caltagirone	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Carn	Herman	Petrone	Trich

Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	True
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	Tulli
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Vance
Civera	Hutchinson	Platts	Van Home
Clark	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Clymer	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaella	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Colaizzo	Keller	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kirkland	Roberts	Wilt
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lawless	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic
Daley	Leh	Ross	Youngblood
Dally	Lescovitz	Rublely	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Levdansky	Sainato	Zug
Dempsey	Lloyd	Santoni	
Dent	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
Dermody	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DeWeese	Maitland	Schroder	

## NAYS-8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Itkin	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and notices the gentleman, Mr. Itkin, on the floor of the House and asks that his name be taken from the leave list and added to the master roll call.

## BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2369, PN 3092**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Fox Chase Institute for Cancer Research, Philadelphia, for the operation and maintenance of the cancer research program.

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

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.

## YEAS-191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Feece	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Olasz	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Orie	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Perzel	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Pistella	Van Home
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rublely	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-6

Carone	Hanna	Pesci	Steelman
Haluska	Krebs		

## NOT VOTING-1

Thomas

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2370, PN 3093**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Lancaster Cleft Palate.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS—191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Wagh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	

Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

#### NAYS—7

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2371, PN 3094**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Cleft Palate.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS—191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich

Cawley	Horsey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS—7

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2372, PN 3095**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to The Children's Institute, Pittsburgh.

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

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.

## YEAS—191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini

Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS—7

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2373, PN 3096**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to St. Christopher's Hospital, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Cam	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-7

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2374, PN 3097**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh.

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

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.

## YEAS-190

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stern
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	

Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker

## NAYS-7

Carone	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman
Haluska	Krebs	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING-1

Gordner

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2375, PN 3098**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Jefferson Medical College and Hospital of Philadelphia for a comprehensive program relating to Tay-Sachs disease.

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

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.

## YEAS-191

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhatten	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue

Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Santoni	
Dermody	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGrolamo			

## NAYS-7

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Steelman
Gordner	Hanna	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2376, PN 3099**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to the Wistar Institute-Research, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-190

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stern
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Home
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker

## NAYS-8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2377, PN 3100**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Drexel University, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-190

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schuler
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Scrimenti
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Semmel
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Serafini
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Seyfert
Bard	Evans	Masland	Shaner
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Smith, B.
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Staback
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Stairs
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Steelman
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stern
Blaum	George	Miller	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Tulli
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Clark	Itkin	Preston	Van Home
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Readshaw	Walko
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Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Robinson	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Sainato	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sather	
Dermody	Lucyk	Saylor	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Schroder	Speaker



## NAYS-8

Carone  
GordnerHaluska  
HannaKrebs  
LynchMichlovic  
Pesci

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones  
Hennessey

Micozzie

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

The two-thirds 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 2378, PN 3101**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to the Allegheny University of the Health Sciences.

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

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?

## MOTION TO TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, again I rise to move to table this appropriation for the following reasons: Number one, it is very clear to each and every one of us that Allegheny Health Care System is going through a major transition, a transition which has resulted in the layoff, the termination of 1,700 people from their jobs as of today, and we do not know how many more people are going to be separated from their employment.

Secondly, the media and newspapers just reported last week that several of Allegheny Health Care System hospitals will be sold to Vanguard — about six of those hospitals will be sold — to Vanguard investment company, which is not a Pennsylvania-based corporation. We do not know what impact that is going to have on the myriad of hospitals that are currently owned by the Allegheny Health Care System.

Mr. Speaker, the time has come where intervention by this body is imperative. We need to know what is going to be the financial and other net effect of these drastic changes on the people that we represent from one end of Pennsylvania to the other.

And I do not, once again, I do not want to vote against this appropriation, but time is needed to raise some very serious questions. I have sent letters, I have asked questions, and I have

not been able to get any answers. Will any more people at Allegheny be laid off or terminated as a result of rising debt? Secondly, what is the net effect of selling off six of Allegheny's hospitals to Vanguard? Who is Vanguard investment company? Is this company involved in the delivery of quality health care or is it just an investment house? We need to know some answers, some specific answers, to those questions, Mr. Speaker.

So I move to table this appropriation until we get some answers. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Thomas, moves that the bill be placed on the table.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I oppose the motion to table the bill.

We have, as I have indicated earlier, we have had these bills before us and have had adequate time to do the research on the various bills and have questions answered that we may have.

Now, I understand the gentleman may have some continuing questions that have not been answered, and I am very willing to commit to him this evening to work jointly, cooperatively, to get answers to his questions, but I do not believe that it is necessary to table the bill this evening in order to get the answers, and I would request that the members would oppose the motion to table and then vote for the bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I have raised these questions with the majority chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee; I have raised these questions with the minority chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee; I have raised these questions with the president of Allegheny Health Care System; I have raised these questions with other people, and I have not been able to get any answers other than, it is what we need to do and therefore we are going to move forward on doing it. I respect, I respect the majority chair of the Appropriations Committee and I respect his commitment to provide cooperation in helping to secure these answers.

But, Mr. Speaker, before I withdraw my motion to table, let me say the time is now. We cannot wait any longer before we get some specific answers to these accelerating acquisitions, mergers, consolidations, and there are drastic things going on within the health-care industry, and before a crisis hits, we need, on behalf of the people that we represent, to have some specific answers to some specific questions.

And so I accept the chairman's commitment to try and get some answers, and I also point out that I have a bill in the Health and Human Services Committee that would call for an impact study on many of these acquisitions, mergers, consolidations, because the net effect to me, in my district, is people telling me that they have gone to this hospital or gone to that hospital and they had to be taken someplace else because the hospital was no longer in a position to provide care or to provide services. We have to deal with this, and I apologize—

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas?

Mr. THOMAS. Yes.

The SPEAKER. This is a nondebatable motion. I have given you a great deal of leeway thinking that your remarks were going to be brief, but now I am going to tell you it is a nondebatable motion.

### MOTION WITHDRAWN

Mr. THOMAS. Yes, you have given me a great deal of latitude. I withdraw the motion, and I accept the majority chairman's commitment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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.

### YEAS-167

Adolph	DeWeese	Maher	Schuler
Allen	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Scrimanti
Argall	Donatucci	Major	Semmel
Armstrong	Eachus	Manderino	Serafini
Baker	Egolf	Markosek	Seyfert
Barley	Evans	Marsico	Shaner
Barrar	Fairchild	Masland	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fargo	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Feese	McCall	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fichter	McGill	Staback
Benninghoff	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Stairs
Birmelin	Flick	McIlhinney	Stern
Bishop	Gannon	McNaughton	Stetler
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Dally	Lescovitz	Santoni	Zug
DeLuca	Levdansk	Sather	
Dempsey	Lloyd	Saylor	Ryan,
Dent	Lucyk	Schroder	Speaker

### NAYS-28

Bard	James	McGeehan	Rubley
Butkovitz	Keller	Mundy	Stelman
Carone	Kirkland	Myers	Steil
Cohen, M.	Krebs	Oliver	Thomas
Gordner	Lawless	Pesci	Wilt
Haluska	Lederer	Ramos	Wright, M. N.
Hanna	Lynch	Rooney	Youngblood

### NOT VOTING-3

Carn	Druce	Roebuck
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### EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2379, PN 3102**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia.

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

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.

### YEAS-189

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Schuler
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Scrimanti
Argall	Eachus	Major	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Serafini
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Seyfert
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Shaner
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Smith, B.
Barrar	Feese	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Staback
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Stairs
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stelman
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Steil
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Strittmatter
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Thomas
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Cappabianca	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
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Colaizzo	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Cornell	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
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Corrigan	Kenney	Reinard	Wilt
Cowell	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Curry	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Schroder	

## NAYS-5

Carone	Hanna	Krebs	Pesci
Haluska			

## NOT VOTING-4

Cam	Roebuck	Saylor	Williams, A. H.
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## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2380, PN 3103**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-187

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGechan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McIlhattan	Staback

Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Herman	Orie	Travaglio
Casorio	Hershey	Perzel	Trello
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	True
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
Clark	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Van Home
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING-3

Cam	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
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## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2381, PN 3104**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine, Philadelphia.

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

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?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am not going to move to table this appropriation to the College of Podiatric Medicine.

I only ask the majority chair and people from both sides of the aisle to join me in trying to get some answers. One basic answer that is needed is now that Temple owns the College of Podiatric Medicine, does this \$1,275,000 go into Temple's general budget or does it go to the College of Podiatric Medicine? I think the students of the college need to know whether they are going to continue to have the benefit of this appropriation, along with some other questions. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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.

#### YEAS-187

Adolph	Donatucci	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Druce	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steelman
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Olasz	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
Casorio	Herman	Orie	Trello
Cawley	Hershey	Perzel	Trich
Chadwick	Hess	Petrone	True
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Coy	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wojnaroski
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Dempsey	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Levdansky	Sainato	

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DeWeese  
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Lloyd  
Lucyk

Santoni  
Sather

Ryan,  
Speaker

#### NAYS-8

Carone  
Haluska

Hanna  
Krebs

Lynch  
Pesci

Steil  
Thomas

#### NOT VOTING-3

Carn

Roebuck

Williams, A. H.

#### EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones  
Hennessey

Micozzie

Petrarca

Taylor, J.

The two-thirds 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 2382, PN 3105**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to the Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS-187

Adolph	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Druce	Major	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
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Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	George	Melio	Stern
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Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Ross	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rublely	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING-3

Cam	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
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## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2383, PN 3106**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the University of the Arts, Philadelphia.

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

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.

## YEAS-184

Adolph	Donatucci	Manderino	Schuler
Allen	Druce	Markosek	Scrimenti
Argall	Eachus	Marsico	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Masland	Serafini
Baker	Evans	Mayernik	Seyfert
Bard	Fairchild	McCall	Shaner
Barley	Fargo	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barrar	Feese	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback
Belfanti	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Benninghoff	Gannon	Melio	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Stern
Bishop	George	Miller	Stetler
Blauum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Brown	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Browne	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Bunt	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Buxton	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Caltagirone	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Cappabianca	Herman	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Platts	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Preston	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Readshaw	Walko
Colafella	Kaiser	Reber	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kirkland	Roberts	Wilt
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lederer	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Leh	Ross	Yewcic
Dally	Lescovitz	Rublely	Youngblood
DeLuca	Levdansky	Sainato	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Lloyd	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Lucyk	Sather	
Dermody	Maher	Saylor	Ryan,
DeWeese	Maitland	Schroder	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Major		

## NAYS-10

Carone	Hanna	Lawless	Pesci
Gordner	Hutchinson	Lynch	Steelman
Haluska	Krebs		

## NOT VOTING-4

Cam	Curry	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
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## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2384, PN 3107**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

## YEAS—191

Adolph	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Argall	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fichter	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Boscola	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boyes	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Hasay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Herman	Oliver	Thomas
Casorio	Hershey	Orie	Tigue
Cawley	Hess	Perzel	Travaglio
Chadwick	Horsey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hutchinson	Petrone	Trich
Clark	Itkin	Phillips	True
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	James	Pistella	Vance
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Platts	Van Horne
Colaella	Josephs	Preston	Veon
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Ramos	Vitali
Cornell	Keller	Raymond	Walko
Corpora	Kenney	Readshaw	Washington
Corrigan	Kirkland	Reber	Waugh
Cowell	Krebs	Reinard	Williams, C.
Coy	LaGrotta	Rieger	Wilt
Curry	Laughlin	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Lawless	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daly	Lederer	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Youngblood
Dent	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lloyd	Sainato	Zug
DeWeese	Lucyk	Santoni	
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather	Ryan,
Donatucci	Maher	Saylor	Speaker
Druce			

## NAYS—4

Blaum	Carone	Haluska	Hanna
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## NOT VOTING—3

Carn	Roebuck	Williams, A. H.
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## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2385, PN 3108**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to the Trustees of the Berean Training and Industrial School at Philadelphia.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

## YEAS—189

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stern
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli

Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colaifella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Wilt
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dally	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubleby	Zug
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	

## NAYS—8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING—1

Williams, A. H.

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2386, PN 3109**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnson Technical Institute of Scranton.

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

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.

## YEAS—189

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Evans	Masland	Seyfert

Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stem
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carm	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colaifella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Wilt
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dally	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubleby	Zug
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DeWeese	Maher	Saylor	

## NAYS—8

Carone	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Gordner	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman

## NOT VOTING—1

Williams, A. H.

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2387, PN 3110**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades in Delaware County.

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

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.

## YEAS—188

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maitland	Saylor
Allen	Donatucci	Major	Schroder
Argall	Druce	Manderino	Schuler
Armstrong	Eachus	Markosek	Scrimenti
Baker	Egolf	Marsico	Semmel
Bard	Evans	Masland	Serafini
Barley	Fairchild	Mayernik	Seyfert
Barrar	Fargo	McCall	Shaner
Battisto	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fichter	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Flick	McIlhinney	Staback
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Stairs
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Steil
Blaum	George	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stetler
Boyes	Gladeck	Mundy	Stevenson
Brown	Godshall	Myers	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	O'Brien	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Raymond	Walko
Colafrella	Josephs	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Wilt
Corrigan	Kirkland	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Coy	Laughlin	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lawless	Rohrer	Yewcic
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dally	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DeWeese	Maher		

## NAYS—9

Carone	Hanna	Lynch	Steelman
Gordner	Krebs	Pesci	Tigue
Haluska			

## NOT VOTING—1

Williams, A. H.

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2388, PN 3111**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations to The Carnegie for the Carnegie Museum of Natural History and the Carnegie Science Center.

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

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.

## YEAS—180

Adolph	Donatucci	Markosek	Schuler
Allen	Druce	Marsico	Scrimenti
Argall	Eachus	Masland	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Mayernik	Serafini
Baker	Evans	McCall	Shaner
Bard	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barley	Fargo	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Battisto	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Steelman
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Steil
Bishop	George	Miller	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Cam	Herman	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Platts	Vance
Clark	James	Preston	Van Horne
Clymer	Jarolin	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Josephs	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Readshaw	Walko
Colafrella	Keller	Reber	Washington
Colaizzo	Kenney	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lederer	Rooney	Wright, M. N.



Curry	Lescovitz	Ross	Yewcic
Daley	Levdansky	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Lloyd	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lucyk	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Maher	Sather	
Dermody	Maitland	Saylor	Ryan,
DeWeese	Major	Schroder	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Manderino		

## NAYS-17

Benninghoff	Gordner	Jadlowiec	Pesci
Brown	Haluska	Krebs	Rohrer
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Seyfert
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Lynch	Wilt
Feese			

## NOT VOTING-1

Thomas

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2389, PN 3112**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Everhart Museum in Scranton.

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

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.

## YEAS-178

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Manderino	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Markosek	Schuler
Argall	Druce	Marsico	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Eachus	Masland	Semmel
Baker	Egolf	Mayernik	Serafini
Bard	Evans	McCall	Shaner
Barley	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barrar	Fargo	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback
Belfanti	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	Melio	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Michlovic	Stern
Blaum	George	Miller	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter

Browne	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Bunt	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Butkovitz	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Buxton	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Oliver	Tigue
Cappabianca	Harhart	Orie	Travaglio
Carn	Hasay	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Herman	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Hershey	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hess	Pippy	Tulli
Civera	Horsey	Pistella	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Platts	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Preston	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Ramos	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Raymond	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Reber	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Cowell	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lederer	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lescovitz	Rooney	Yewcic
Daley	Levdansky	Ross	Youngblood
Dally	Lloyd	Rubley	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lucyk	Sainato	Zug
Dent	Maher	Santoni	
Dermody	Maitland	Sather	Ryan,
DeWeese	Major	Saylor	Speaker

## NAYS-19

Benninghoff	Gordner	Krebs	Rohrer
Brown	Haluska	Lawless	Seyfert
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Steelman
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Lynch	Wilt
Feese	Jadlowiec	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING-1

Thomas

## EXCUSED-5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2390, PN 3113**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Afro-American Historical and Cultural Museum for operating expenses.

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

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.

## YEAS—179

Adolph	Donatucci	Marsico	Scrimenti
Allen	Druce	Masland	Semmel
Argall	Eachus	Mayernik	Serafini
Armstrong	Egolf	McCall	Shaner
Baker	Evans	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Bard	Fairchild	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fargo	McIlhatten	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhinney	Staback
Battisto	Fleagle	McNaughton	Stairs
Belardi	Flick	Melio	Steelman
Belfanti	Gannon	Michlovic	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	Miller	Stern
Bishop	George	Mundy	Stetler
Blaum	Gigliotti	Myers	Stevenson
Boscola	Gladeck	Nailor	Strittmatter
Boyes	Godshall	Nickol	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	O'Brien	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Olasz	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Orie	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Perzel	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Petrone	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Phillips	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Pippy	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Pistella	True
Chadwick	Itkin	Platts	Tulli
Civera	James	Preston	Vance
Clark	Jarolin	Ramos	Van Horne
Clymer	Josephs	Raymond	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Kaiser	Readshaw	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Keller	Reber	Walko
Colaella	Kenney	Reinard	Washington
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Rieger	Waugh
Cornell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Laughlin	Robinson	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Lederer	Roebuck	Wogan
Cowell	Lescovitz	Rooney	Wojnaroski
Coy	Levdansky	Ross	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lloyd	Rubley	Yewcic
Daley	Lucyk	Sainato	Youngblood
Dally	Maher	Santoni	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Maitland	Sather	Zug
Dent	Major	Saylor	
Dermody	Manderino	Schroder	Ryan,
DeWeese	Markosek	Schuler	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS—19

Benninghoff	Gordner	Jadlowiec	Pesci
Brown	Haluska	Krebs	Rohrer
Carone	Hanna	Lawless	Seyfert
Dempsey	Hess	Leh	Wilt
Feece	Hutchinson	Lynch	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Hennessey			

The two-thirds 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 2391, PN 3114**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Academy of Natural Sciences.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

## YEAS—181

Adolph	Donatucci	Markosek	Scrimenti
Allen	Druce	Marsico	Semmel
Argall	Eachus	Masland	Serafini
Armstrong	Egolf	Mayernik	Shaner
Baker	Evans	McCall	Smith, B.
Bard	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fargo	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhatten	Staback
Battisto	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Stairs
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Steelman
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Stern
Bishop	George	Miller	Stetler
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Platts	Vance
Clark	James	Preston	Van Horne
Clymer	Jarolin	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Josephs	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Readshaw	Walko
Colaella	Keller	Reber	Washington
Colaizzo	Kenney	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lederer	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lescovitz	Ross	Yewcic
Daley	Levdansky	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Lloyd	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lucyk	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Maher	Sather	
Dermody	Maitland	Saylor	Ryan,
DeWeese	Major	Schroder	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Manderino	Schuler	

## NAYS—17

Benninghoff	Gordner	Jadlowiec	Pesci
Brown	Haluska	Krebs	Rohrer
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Seyfert

Dempsey Feese	Hutchinson	Lynch	Wilt
NOT VOTING—0			
EXCUSED—5			
Bebko-Jones Hennessey	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.

The two-thirds 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 2392, PN 3115**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania for the general maintenance and operation of the University of Pennsylvania Museum.

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

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.

#### YEAS—180

Adolph	Donatucci	Markosek	Schuler
Allen	Druce	Marsico	Serimenti
Argall	Eachus	Masland	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Mayernik	Serafini
Baker	Evans	McCall	Shaner
Bard	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barley	Fargo	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Battisto	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Steelman
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Steil
Bishop	George	Miller	Stern
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stetler
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Stevenson
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Orie	Thomas
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Pistella	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Platts	Vance
Clark	James	Preston	Van Horne
Clymer	Jarolin	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Josephs	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Kaiser	Readshaw	Walko

Colafella	Keller	Reber	Washington
Colaizzo	Kenney	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Laughlin	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Lawless	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lederer	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lescovitz	Ross	Yewcic
Daley	Levdansky	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Lloyd	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lucyk	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Maher	Sather	
Dermody	Maitland	Saylor	Ryan, Speaker
DeWeese	Major	Schroder	
DiGirolamo	Manderino		

#### NAYS—18

Benninghoff	Gordner	Krebs	Rohrer
Brown	Haluska	Leh	Seyfert
Carone	Hanna	Lynch	Tigue
Dempsey	Hutchinson	Pesci	Wilt
Feese	Jadlowiec		

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—5

Bebko-Jones Hennessey	Micozzie	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
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The two-thirds 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.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who requests that the gentleman from Bucks, Mr. DRUCE, be placed on leave for the balance of today's session. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears none, and the gentleman, Mr. Druce, will be on leave.

#### BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2393, PN 3116**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Franklin Institute Science Museum.

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

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.

## YEAS-179

Adolph	Donatucci	Masland	Scrimenti
Allen	Eachus	Mayernik	Semmel
Argall	Egolf	McCall	Serafini
Armstrong	Evans	McGeehan	Shaner
Baker	Fairchild	McGill	Smith, B.
Bard	Fargo	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fichter	McIlhinney	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Fleagle	McNaughton	Staback
Battisto	Flick	Melio	Stairs
Belardi	Gannon	Michlovic	Steelman
Belfanti	Geist	Miller	Steil
Birmelin	George	Mundy	Stern
Bishop	Gigliotti	Myers	Stetler
Blaum	Gladeck	Nailor	Stevenson
Boscola	Godshall	Nickol	Strittmatter
Boyes	Gruitza	O'Brien	Sturla
Browne	Gruppo	Olasz	Surra
Bunt	Habay	Oliver	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Harhai	Orie	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhart	Perzel	Thomas
Caltagirone	Hasay	Petrone	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hershey	Phillips	Travaglio
Carn	Horsely	Pippy	Trello
Casorio	Itkin	Pistella	Trich
Cawley	James	Platts	True
Chadwick	Jarolin	Preston	Tulli
Civera	Josephs	Ramos	Vance
Clark	Kaiser	Raymond	Van Horne
Clymer	Keller	Readshaw	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Kenney	Reber	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Kirkland	Reinard	Walko
Colaella	LaGrotta	Rieger	Washington
Colaizzo	Laughlin	Roberts	Waugh
Cornell	Lawless	Robinson	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Lederer	Roebuck	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Wogan
Cowell	Levdansky	Rooney	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lloyd	Ross	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lucyk	Rubley	Yewcic
Daley	Maher	Sainato	Youngblood
Dally	Maitland	Santoni	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Major	Sather	Zug
Dent	Manderino	Saylor	
Dermody	Markosek	Schroder	Ryan,
DeWeese	Marsico	Schuler	Speaker
DiGirolamo			

## NAYS-18

Benninghoff	Gordner	Hutchinson	Lynch
Brown	Haluska	Jadlowiec	Pesci
Carone	Hanna	Krebs	Seyfert
Dempsey	Herman	Leh	Wilt
Feese	Hess		

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2394, PN 3117**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercer Museum in Doylestown, Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

## YEAS-178

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Markosek	Scrimenti
Allen	Donatucci	Marsico	Semmel
Argall	Eachus	Masland	Serafini
Armstrong	Egolf	Mayernik	Shaner
Baker	Evans	McCall	Smith, B.
Bard	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Barley	Fargo	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhattan	Staback
Battisto	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Stairs
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Steil
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Stern
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Stetler
Bishop	George	Miller	Stevenson
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Strittmatter
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Sturla
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Surra
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Tangretti
Bunt	Gruppo	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Habay	Oliver	Thomas
Buxton	Harhai	Orie	Tigue
Caltagirone	Harhart	Perzel	Travaglio
Cappabianca	Hasay	Petrone	Trello
Carn	Hershey	Phillips	Trich
Casorio	Hess	Pippy	True
Cawley	Horsely	Pistella	Tulli
Chadwick	Itkin	Platts	Vance
Civera	James	Preston	Van Horne
Clark	Jarolin	Ramos	Veon
Clymer	Josephs	Raymond	Vitali
Cohen, L. I.	Kaiser	Readshaw	Walko
Cohen, M.	Keller	Reber	Washington
Colaella	Kenney	Reinard	Waugh
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corpora	Laughlin	Robinson	Wilt
Corrigan	Lawless	Roebuck	Wogan
Cowell	Lederer	Rooney	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lescovitz	Ross	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Levdansky	Rubley	Yewcic
Daley	Lloyd	Sainato	Youngblood
Dally	Lucyk	Santoni	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Maher	Sather	Zug
Dent	Maitland	Saylor	
Dermody	Major	Schroder	Ryan,
DeWeese	Manderino	Schuler	Speaker

## NAYS-18

Benninghoff	Gordner	Jadlowiec	Pesci
Brown	Haluska	Krebs	Rohrer
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Seyfert

Dempsey	Herman	Lynch	Steelman
Feese	Hutchinson		

## NOT VOTING-1

O'Brien

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2395, PN 3118**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Museum of Scientific Discovery in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

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

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.

## YEAS-178

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Markosek	Schuler
Allen	Donatucci	Marsico	Scrimenti
Argall	Eachus	Masland	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Mayernik	Serafini
Baker	Evans	McCall	Shaner
Bard	Fairchild	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barley	Fargo	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Barrar	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Battisto	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	Michlovic	Stern
Bishop	George	Miller	Stetler
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boscola	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter
Boyes	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Oliver	Thomas
Calitagirone	Harhart	Orie	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Perzel	Travaglio
Cam	Hershey	Petrone	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Phillips	Trich
Cawley	Horsey	Pippy	True
Chadwick	Itkin	Pistella	Tulli
Civera	James	Platts	Vance
Clark	Jarolin	Preston	Van Home
Clymer	Josephs	Ramos	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Kaiser	Raymond	Vitali

Cohen, M.	Keller	Readshaw	Walko
Colaella	Kenney	Reber	Washington
Colaizzo	Kirkland	Reinard	Waugh
Cornell	LaGrotta	Rieger	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Laughlin	Roberts	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Lawless	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	Lederer	Roebuck	Wojnarowski
Coy	Lescovitz	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Levdansky	Ross	Yewcic
Daley	Lloyd	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Lucyk	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Maher	Santoni	Zug
Dent	Maitland	Sather	
Dermody	Major	Saylor	Ryan,
DeWeese	Manderino	Schroder	Speaker

## NAYS-19

Benninghoff	Gordner	Jadlowiec	Rohrer
Brown	Haluska	Krebs	Seyfert
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Steelman
Dempsey	Herman	Lynch	Wilt
Feese	Hutchinson	Pesci	

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2396, PN 3119**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Arsenal Family and Children's Center.

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

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.

## YEAS-184

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Manderino	Schuler
Allen	Donatucci	Markosek	Scrimenti
Argall	Eachus	Marsico	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Masland	Serafini
Baker	Evans	Mayernik	Seyfert
Bard	Fairchild	McCall	Shaner
Barley	Fargo	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Barrar	Feese	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Fichter	McIlhattan	Snyder, D. W.
Belardi	Fleagle	McIlhinney	Staback

Belfanti	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Birmelin	Gannon	Melio	Steil
Bishop	Geist	Michlovic	Stern
Blaum	George	Miller	Stetler
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mundy	Stevenson
Boyes	Gladeck	Myers	Strittmatter
Brown	Godshall	Nailor	Sturla
Browne	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Bunt	Gruppo	Olasz	Tangretti
Butkovitz	Habay	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
Buxton	Harhai	Orie	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Perzel	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Petrone	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Phillips	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Pippy	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Pistella	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Platts	Tulli
Civera	Itkin	Preston	Vance
Clark	Jadlowiec	Ramos	Van Horne
Clymer	James	Raymond	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	Jarolin	Readshaw	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Reber	Walko
Colaella	Kaiser	Reinard	Washington
Colaizzo	Keller	Rieger	Waugh
Cornell	Kenney	Roberts	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kirkland	Robinson	Williams, C.
Corrigan	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wogan
Cowell	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wojnaroski
Coy	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Daley	Lescovitz	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Levdansky	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lloyd	Santoni	Zug
Dempsey	Lucyk	Sather	
Dent	Maher	Saylor	Ryan,
Dermody	Maitland	Schroder	Speaker
DeWeese	Major		

## NAYS-11

Benninghoff	Haluska	Krebs	Pesci
Carone	Hanna	Leh	Wilt
Gordner	Hutchinson	Lynch	

## NOT VOTING-2

O'Brien	Steelman
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## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2397, PN 3120**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Beacon Lodge Camp.

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

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.

## YEAS-190

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Donatucci	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Eachus	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Seyfert
Barrar	Feese	Mayernik	Shaner
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Stairs
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Olasz	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Oliver	Travaglio
Carn	Herman	Orie	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Perzel	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Pistella	Van Horne
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Platts	Veon
Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wilt
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Coy	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Curry	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Daley	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dally	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Ross	Zimmerman
Dempsey	Levdansky	Rubley	Zug
Dent	Lloyd	Sainato	
Dermody	Lucyk	Santoni	Ryan,
DeWeese	Lynch	Sather	Speaker

## NAYS-6

Carone	Hanna	Pesci	Steelman
Haluska	Krebs		

## NOT VOTING-1

Thomas

## EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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 2358, PN 3081**, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of April 1, 1863 (P.L.213, No.227), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. George, have an amendment to this bill? The gentleman waives off.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS-193

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Maher	Schroder
Allen	Donatucci	Maitland	Schuler
Argall	Eachus	Major	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Egolf	Manderino	Semmel
Baker	Evans	Markosek	Serafini
Bard	Fairchild	Marsico	Seyfert
Barley	Fargo	Masland	Shaner
Barrar	Feese	Mayermik	Smith, B.
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Fleagle	McGeehan	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Flick	McGill	Staback
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhattan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McIlhinney	Steelman
Bishop	George	McNaughton	Steil
Blaum	Gigliotti	Melio	Stern
Boscola	Gladeck	Michlovic	Stetler
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stevenson
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Sturla
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Surra
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Caftagirone	Harhai	Olasz	Thomas
Cappabianca	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Travaglio
Carone	Herman	Perzel	Trello
Casorio	Hershey	Pesci	Trich
Cawley	Hess	Petrone	True
Chadwick	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Civera	Hutchinson	Pippy	Vance
Clark	Itkin	Pistella	Van Home
Clymer	Jadowiec	Platts	Veon

Cohen, L. I.	James	Preston	Vitali
Cohen, M.	Jarolin	Ramos	Waiko
Colaella	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Colaizzo	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Cornell	Keller	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Corpora	Kenney	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corrigan	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Cowell	Krebs	Roberts	Wojnaroski
Coy	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Laughlin	Rohrer	Yewcic
Daley	Lederer	Rooney	Youngblood
Dally	Leh	Ross	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
Dempsey	Levdansky	Sainato	
Dent	Lloyd	Santoni	Ryan,
Dermody	Lucyk	Sather	Speaker
DeWeese	Lynch	Saylor	

#### NAYS-4

Haluska	Lawless	Robinson	Wilt
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#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-6

Bebko-Jones	Hennessey	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Druce	Micozzie		

The two-thirds 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.

#### CONSIDERATION OF HB 2281 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

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.

#### YEAS-196

Adolph	Eachus	Maitland	Schroder
Allen	Egolf	Major	Schuler
Argall	Evans	Manderino	Scrimenti
Armstrong	Fairchild	Markosek	Semmel
Baker	Fargo	Marsico	Serafini
Bard	Feese	Masland	Seyfert
Barley	Fichter	Mayermik	Shaner
Barrar	Fleagle	McCall	Smith, B.
Battisto	Flick	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belardi	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Belfanti	Geist	McIlhattan	Staback
Benninghoff	George	McIlhinney	Stairs
Birmelin	Gigliotti	McNaughton	Steelman
Bishop	Gladeck	Melio	Steil
Blaum	Godshall	Michlovic	Stern
Boscola	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Boyes	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Brown	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter

Browne	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Bunt	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Butkovitz	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Buxton	Harhai	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Thomas
Cappabianca	Hasay	Orie	Tigue
Carn	Herman	Perzel	Travaglio
Carone	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Casorio	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Cawley	Horse	Phillips	True
Chadwick	Hutchinson	Pippy	Tulli
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Dermody	Lloyd	Santoni	
DeWeese	Lucyk	Sather	Ryan,
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Saylor	Speaker
Donatucci	Maher		

## NAYS-1

Cohen, M.

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-6

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Druce	Micozzie		

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

### CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. I have four announcements to make.

The gentleman, Mr. Wogan, is now recognized.

Mr. WOGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In view of the schedule change, the House Consumer Affairs Committee meeting, which was scheduled to take place tomorrow, will now take place Tuesday at 10 o'clock. We will supply the room tomorrow to your Harrisburg offices. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

### URBAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Reinard.

Mr. REINARD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the House Urban Affairs Committee meeting that was scheduled for Thursday has been changed to tomorrow. The meeting will be at 11 o'clock in the Appropriations Committee conference room in room 245.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Boyes.

Mr. BOYES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Finance Committee meeting that was scheduled for 9:30 on Thursday is being rescheduled until tomorrow at 11 a.m. in room 140, the majority caucus room; that is at 11 a.m. I ask the members to be prompt because there will be a dozen bills to be considered by the House Finance Committee tomorrow at 11 a.m. Thank you.

### JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Gannon.

Mr. GANNON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the House Judiciary Committee meeting scheduled for tomorrow at 9 a.m. is changed to 10 a.m.; that is 10 a.m., Mr. Speaker.

### VOTE CORRECTION

Mr. GANNON. And I would also like to correct the record.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Gannon.

Mr. GANNON. To correct the record, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Gannon.

Mr. GANNON. Mr. Speaker, on amendment A1033 to HB 2281, my switch did not function. I would like to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

### STATEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. Just very briefly, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank the members for their cooperation. I would like to congratulate Representative Barley and Representative Evans on the fabulous job that they did in coordinating the budget, the staffs on both sides of the aisle for their time and patience in putting these booklets together, and I believe that the budget so far and the process so far, Mr. Speaker, has been good for Pennsylvania.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Flick.

Mr. FLICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.



The meeting that was going to have been held tomorrow with the Intergovernmental Affairs Committee has been canceled due to our meeting this evening in the rear of the House. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Everybody stay on the floor, please.

The gentleman, Mr. Itkin, moves that HB 2281, PN 3013, which passed here moments ago, be reconsidered.

Mr. Itkin, the bill is out of here. It is gone; it is gone.

Mr. Itkin, come to the desk.

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

#### STATEMENT BY MR. THOMAS

The SPEAKER. Mr. Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, two items.

One, my button malfunctioned on HB 2388 and HB 2389. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative on both bills.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

Mr. THOMAS. The second concern, Mr. Speaker, has to do with my desire to extend my personal thanks and appreciation to the minority chair of the caucus, to the minority chair of the Appropriations Committee, to the majority chair, the majority leader, and to you, Mr. Speaker, for the manner in which this process has been conducted and the way that we have been able to accomplish what we set out to do in what appears to be a long period of time, but against history, it really happened in a very proficient period of time, and so I want to extend my personal thanks and appreciation.

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Wogan.

Mr. WOGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

To correct the record.

On HB 2281, amendment 1039, my switch failed to function. I would have wanted to be recorded in the affirmative had it functioned properly. And also on HB 2281, amendment 1525, I would like to be recorded in the affirmative, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman, Mr. Wogan.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Gordner.

Mr. GORDNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

To correct the record.

On HB 2374 my vote was not recorded. I would like to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of both gentlemen will be spread upon the record.

The gentleman, Mr. Blaum.

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just a correction of the record.

On the reconsideration of amendment 1037, my switch malfunctioned. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The majority leader, Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I wanted, for the information of the members, to mention that tomorrow would be a nonvoting session. I would hope that you would reiterate that.

The SPEAKER. I suspect the members heard you. Tomorrow will be a nonvoting session.

### VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Serafini.

Mr. SERAFINI. Mr. Speaker, on amendment 1041 I incorrectly recorded in the affirmative. I would like to be recorded in the negative. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

The gentleman, Mr. Itkin.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Speaker, on final passage of HB 2281, PN 3013, I was inadvertently recorded in the affirmative. I wish to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

Are there any further corrections to the record? Any announcements? Does the majority leader have any further business?

### STATEMENT BY MR. BARLEY

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just simply for the record in closing today, I would just like to commend the members for their cooperation and for their indulgence.

I think we are positioned to pass, if not the earliest budget, certainly one of the earliest budgets ever here in Pennsylvania. And I think what we saw in the last day and a half was, in the State Capitol, government was working. Representative Evans and I had an opportunity to work through the hearings; we worked very well together. It ran very smoothly, and I think the evidence of that was certainly true here on the floor.

And again, I just wanted to say thank you very much. I have enjoyed the time and the process and look forward to the continuing budget process. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### BILLS PASSED OVER

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

The SPEAKER. Do the majority leaders or any of them have any further announcements? Do the Democratic leaders have any announcements?

Hearing none, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester County, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Wednesday, March 25, 1998, at 11 a.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 10:05 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.