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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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

PRAYER

REV. ROBERT GRAYBILL, Chaplain of the House of Representatives and pastor of Baughman Memorial United Methodist Church, New Cumberland, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, You are the creator and sustainer of all people; and we, just a small part of Your creation, pause now to sense Your spirit among this body of Representatives.

You have created another day of living for each of us, a part of the day to work and a part of the day to experience the rest from our labors. You have blessed us with Your divine love. You have inspired us to share the goodness of our Commonwealth with the people of this good land. You have been the Creator who cares by the sharing of Your spirit with each of us in many ways.

O God, You have also sustained us through many days, and we confess that some days we wonder if we are going to survive; will our passion for a cause die before the remedy is found; will we be able to convince others to help before it is too late?

I ask of You, O God, please keep the passion alive within these men and women so they can push onward in the midst of challenges and critics. Oh, how eager are some persons to offer their limited reviews, to freely pass their quick judgments, and to evaluate unfairly the accomplishments of us. O God, undergird these fine people with Your spirit so they shall be sustained by a passion to help their neighbors within this great land that You have created.

Please do hear our prayer, O God, this day, we ask. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, April 11, 2000, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS OF SPONSORS

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of additions and deletions for sponsorships of bills, which the clerk will file.

(Copy of list is on file with the Journal clerk.)

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 2461 By Representatives SAYLOR, SCHULER, ARMSTRONG, BARLEY, STRITTMATTER, BAKER, BUNT, CLARK, CLYMER, DALEY, DEMPSEY, EGOLF, FARGO, FLEAGLE, FLICK, GEIST, GODSHALL, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, LEH, LYNCH, McNAUGHTON, MELIO, R. MILLER, MYERS, NICKOL, PESCI, PETRARCA, SATHER, SEMMEL, STABACK, STERN, E. Z. TAYLOR, TRELLO, TRUE, TULLI, WILT, ZIMMERMAN, PHILLIPS, ROHRER, DAILEY and YOUNGBLOOD

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

Referred to Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, April 12, 2000.

No. 2462 By Representatives DALLY, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, ROSS, CORRIGAN and SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of April 8, 1982 (P.L.310, No.87), referred to as the Recorder of Deeds Fee Law, providing for additional fees.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 12, 2000.

No. 2463 By Representatives L. I. COHEN, GLADECK and MCGILL

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to William Peter R. Cross and/or his assigns a certain tract of land situated in Whitemarsh Township, Montgomery County, in exchange for a certain tract of land.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 12, 2000.

No. 2464 By Representatives GLADECK, ARGALL, BARD, BROWNE, CAPPABIANCA, CLARK, L. I. COHEN, M. COHEN, COSTA, CURRY, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GIGLIOTTI, GODSHALL, GRUCELA, HALUSKA, HERMAN, HESS, KENNEY, KIRKLAND, MANDERINO, MARSICO, McCALL, MICOZZIE, NAILOR, RAMOS, ROEBUCK, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAMUELSON, SAYLOR, SEMMEL, SHANER, STABACK, STEELMAN, STURLA, TIGUE, TRELLO, TRICH, WILLIAMS and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act establishing a State grant program to further assist those school districts wishing to reduce class sizes in primary grades; and imposing powers and duties on the Department of Education and the Secretary of Education.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 12, 2000.

No. 2465 By Representatives BAKER, MAITLAND, RUBLEY, STERN, BELFANTI, BARRAR, BASTIAN, BATTISTO, BELARDI, BROWNE, CLARK, L. I. COHEN, M. COHEN, DALEY, DeWEESE, FAIRCHILD, FLICK, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GODSHALL, HALUSKA, HANNA, HARHAI, HARHART, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, KAISER, KIRKLAND, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, MELIO, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, MUNDY, NAILOR, ORIE, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, RAMOS, READSHAW, ROSS, SATHER, SCRIMENTI, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEELMAN, STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, TRELLO, TULLI, WALKO, WILLIAMS, WILT, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1234, No.204), known as the Family Caregiver Support Act, further providing for reimbursements.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, April 12, 2000.

No. 2466 By Representatives BUNT, BELFANTI, CLARK, FICHTER, FLICK, HALUSKA, HARHAI, LAUGHLIN, LEH, PETRONE, RAMOS, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SEYFERT, SOLOBAY, STEVENSON, TIGUE, WALKO, WILT, WOJNAROSKI, SHANER, TRELLO, L. I. COHEN, R. MILLER and SCRIMENTI

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for gambling devices.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 12, 2000.

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 453 By Representatives McCALL, PETRONE, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, CALTAGIRONE, M. COHEN, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, FREEMAN, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HALUSKA, HARHART, LAUGHLIN, MANDERINO, MELIO, PETRARCA, READSHAW, SCRIMENTI, SEYFERT, SHANER, STURLA, SURRA,

TANGRETTI, J. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, JOSEPHS, BATTISTO and YOUNGBLOOD

A Resolution urging Congress to enact legislation requiring the labeling of genetically engineered foods.

Referred to Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, April 12, 2000.

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 1047, PN 1858**.

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

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
April 11, 2000

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate adjourns this week, it reconvene on Monday, May 1, 2000, 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, April 17, 2000, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, That when the House of Representatives adjourns the week of April 17, 2000, it reconvene on Monday, May 1, 2000, 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.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be taken from the table:

HB 712;
HB 1759; and
HB 1989.

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

BILLS TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be placed upon the table:

HB 712;
HB 1759; and
HB 1989.

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

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The majority leader requests an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee at the majority leader's desk.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 661, PN 699 By Rep. HERMAN

An Act repealing the act of March 17, 1925 (P.L.38, No.24), entitled "An act for the promotion of the safety of the traveling public by authorizing counties and townships to purchase or condemn, by the right of eminent domain, property and lands along highways, so as to eliminate dangerous curves and widen narrow highways."

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1752, PN 3347 (Amended) By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, further providing for the definition of "application for development," for contents of subdivision and land development ordinance, for approval of plats, for establishment and administration of impact fees, for functions of the zoning hearing board with regard to variances, for time limitations for filing proceedings with the zoning hearing board, for stay of proceedings pending before the zoning hearing board and for procedure to obtain preliminary opinion regarding compliance with ordinances and maps.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 708, PN 1405 By Rep. HERMAN

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), entitled, as reenacted and amended, The Second Class Township Code, providing for compensation of auditors for attendance at conferences, institutes, schools and conventions.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 976, PN 1132

By Rep. HERMAN

An Act requiring the Department of Community and Economic Development to require a certification that a developer has no delinquent municipal taxes within certain taxing districts or outstanding utility bills as part of a grant or loan from the department.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 1183, PN 1882 (Amended)

By Rep. CLYMER

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey oil, gas and mineral rights, including coal, that the Commonwealth possesses in a certain parcel of land situate in Canaan Township, Wayne County, Pennsylvania, to the United States of America and releasing certain restrictions on that land.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the gentleman from Bucks County, Mr. REINARD, for today, and the lady from Chester County, Mrs. TAYLOR, for today. Without objection, leaves will be granted. The Chair hears no objection.

The gentleman, Mr. Veon, the Democratic whip, requests leave of absence for the gentleman, Mr. TRAVAGLIO, for today's session. Without objection, leave will be granted. The Chair hears no objection.

Messrs. Van Horne, Gigliotti, and Cappabianca remain on leave for the week.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 819, PN 877

By Rep. STAIRS

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1927 (P.L.465, No.299), referred to as the Fire and Panic Act, further providing for school tobacco control.

EDUCATION.

HB 2329, PN 3107

By Rep. STAIRS

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

EDUCATION.

MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—196

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor

Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Shaner
Bastian	Frankel	McGill	Smith, B.
Battisto	Freeman	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder
Belardi	Geist	McNaughton	Solobay
Belfanti	George	Melio	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Metcalfe	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Micozzie	Steil
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, R.	Stern
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
Browne	Habay	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Haluska	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Thomas
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Costa	Kenney	Raymond	Waters
Coy	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan,
Egolf	Major		Speaker

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today— Members, may I have the attention of the House? The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today visitors from the Butler Chamber of Commerce, here today in the gallery as guests of Representatives Fargo, LaGrotta, Travaglio, and Metcalfe. Would these guests please rise.

Here today as the guests of Representatives Scrimenti and Tigue are Rita Simalchik, president; Bernard Golubiewski, the secretary-treasurer of the Pennsylvania Fraternal Congress; and David Blazek, the first vice president. Would these guests please rise. They are to the left of the Speaker.

As the guests of Representative Freeman of Northampton County, seated to the left of the Speaker, Chris Colley and Jeremy Weinstein. They are interns serving with Mr. Freeman. Chris attends Moravian College, and Jeremy attends Lafayette College. Would these guests please rise.

As the guest of Representative Ronald Miller, we welcome to the House today Luke Miller. Luke is serving as a guest page for the Representative. He is a student at the Christian School of York, and he is the nephew of Representative Miller. Would he please rise; here with the pages.

We have a number of interns who have been selected for the Harrisburg intern semester of the State System of Higher Education. They are seated in the rear of the House. I would ask them to stand as I announce their names: Jason Bertovich of California University; Carolyn Davis of West Chester University; Jason Dibble of Indiana University; Gayle Fleming of Millersville University; Jason Hunter of Clarion University; Jeremy Major of East Stroudsburg University; Helen Metts, Indiana University; Michael Plyler, Edinboro University; Susan Pottichen, Mansfield University; Andrew Taylor, Mansfield University; Colleen Tigue, East Stroudsburg University; Margaret Whiteman, Bloomsburg University; and Adria Zimmerman, Shippensburg University. Would these guests please rise. I am sure we will be seeing more of each of these interns in the coming weeks and months.

DELEGATION FROM SOUTH AFRICA PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Members, please take your seats at this time.

The Chair and Representative Evans have some guests that we would like to introduce to the House. I met these fine people here a moment ago; they are seated over in the area to the left of the Speaker.

Members, please take your seats. The conversations in the back of the House, please break up.

We have guests from South Africa. As I was over talking to these fine people a little while ago, I noticed that one of them bore a remarkable resemblance although somewhat in better shape than the Democratic Appropriations Committee chairman. So you probably heard me ask that Mr. Evans report to the floor, and he did so promptly — the first time he has ever followed my directions — and he came up to the rostrum and I introduced him to his long-lost cousin, I suspect, because I thought there was a great resemblance between these two fine gentlemen, both fine gentlemen. And I am not going to single out this one, but I am going to ask you to determine for yourselves if the Speaker was seeing things or if maybe he was on the right track.

Now, I am apologizing now, folks, for my ability to pronounce names. I cannot pronounce Gaelic names, so you can imagine the difficulty I will have pronouncing some of your names. I would ask you to bear with me. This delegation from South Africa is here in Harrisburg for 3 days this week. Now, let me try. First, Imelda Sizakele Nkosi. Did I get that, or was I close? I was close; that is good. Next is Phelela Zenzele Phakathi. No, stand up. Who does he look like? Maybe we could put him in that Appropriations Committee slot for another couple of weeks and get some things done. Next is Christopher Thsepo Matlhako. Next is Gladstone Dumisani Gwadiso.

This gentleman, I am told, is the spokesperson for the group. I believe two or three of you are elected officials, is that not so? Yes, and we are so happy to have you. They are accompanied by Kim Robinson from the United States Department of State.

I am going to ask at this time if Chief Gwadiso would be kind enough to come to the rostrum and address the House for a moment. We are very thrilled to have these folks here with us, and it is a great honor to introduce this gentleman to the House.

CHIEF GWADISO. Mr. Speaker, honorable members, honored officials: Mr. Speaker, allow me, first of all, to thank you for this opportunity. We feel highly honored as the delegation from South Africa to have been afforded an opportunity to visit your honorable House.

Our mission is a factfinding mission. South Africa at long last has achieved its democracy. We are indeed in a transitional stage, but of great importance is the hospitality of the people of this part of the world, the manner in which we have been received, the warmth, and if this is how things happen, we see no reason why people cannot live together. This is a lesson and also a commitment to us. We are looking forward to strengthening the international relations with other countries and states.

I do not necessarily have a prepared speech, but this was our appreciation to the staff and to the members to have allowed us to visit your House. Thank you, sir.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much, and thanks to every one of you for participating here this morning and joining with us for a short while. We enjoyed your visit; we hope you come back again, and if Dwight is missing, I would expect you, sir, to sit over there and take care of his switch for him.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today John Bevec, the county commissioner from, it appears to be Washington County. Mr. Solobay, would you please tell me the name of this gentleman? You wrote this, and I cannot read your writing. I note Terri Crawford, the administrator of Washington County Health Center, is here, and George—

Mr. SOLOBAY. Our county commissioner wrote that. That is George Krelich.

The SPEAKER. Where is George?

Mr. SOLOBAY. They are up in the gallery.

The SPEAKER. Stand up, please. Come on, Mr. Solobay, finish this off.

I apologize for not being able to read your writing, Commissioner, and I am wondering whether you sign the checks out there.

CALENDAR

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The following bill, having been called up, was considered for the second time and agreed to, and ordered transcribed for third consideration:

SB 380, PN 1867.

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Mr. Barley.

Mr. BARLEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that SB 380 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

BILLS PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. Page 2 of today's calendar. HB 2202 and SB 383 are over temporarily.

BILL ON FINAL PASSAGE POSTPONED

The House proceeded to consideration on final passage postponed of **SB 706, PN 1449**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No. 230), entitled, as amended, Second Class County Code, providing for an operating reserve fund; and further providing for the making of contracts.

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.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

Mr. Trello. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. TRELLO. Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment to this bill.

The SPEAKER. I have no notice of an amendment, do I?

This bill at this time is on final passage. In order to amend it, a reconsideration motion must be filed. Mr. Trello—

Members will continue to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Shaner
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Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder
Belardi	Geist	McNaughton	Solobay
Belfanti	George	Melio	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Metcalfe	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Micozzie	Stcil
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, R.	Stern
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
Browne	Habay	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Haluska	Myers	Stritmatter
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nailor	Sturla

Buxton	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Thomas
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
Colafrilla	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Costa	Kenney	Raymond	Waters
Coy	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan, Speaker
Egolf	Major		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

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

RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. LEDERER called up **HR 314, PN 2670**, entitled:

A Resolution memorializing the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service to consider and recommend to the United States Postal Service Board of Governors the issue of a commemorative stamp honoring veterans of the Vietnam War.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimanti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Shaner

Bastian	Frankel	McGill	Smith, B.
Battisto	Freeman	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder
Belardi	Geist	McNaughton	Solobay
Belfanti	George	Melio	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Metcalfe	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Micozzie	Steil
Blaum	Gruccela	Miller, R.	Stern
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
Browne	Habay	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Haluska	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Thomas
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
Colafrilla	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Costa	Kenney	Raymond	Waters
Coy	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan, Speaker
Egolf	Major		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

Mr. DeWEESE called up **HR 374, PN 3210**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the President and the Congress of the United States to work together to reform the financial structure of the Coal Act to ensure that retired coal miners continue to receive the health care benefits they were promised and rightly deserve.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the resolution, those in favor will vote "aye"; opposed, "no." The—Mr. George, I apologize. Do you desire recognition on this resolution?

Mr. GEORGE. Yes. I would just like to, since we are a little rowdy this morning, I would like for them to know that as resolutions go, this will be as important as any that we vote on, Mr. Speaker. This resolution simply asks the President and the Congress to honor the Federal government's promise made in 1946 to assure health and retirement benefits to retired coal miners. There have been problems with the funding mechanism that was enacted in 1992, and this resolution seeks to remediate this matter to the satisfaction of all concerned.

We ask for your support on behalf of the men and women that work in the mines in such a dangerous occupation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Shaner
Bastian	Frankel	McGill	Smith, B.
Battisto	Freeman	McIlhattan	Smith, S. H.
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder
Belardi	Geist	McNaughton	Solobay
Belfanti	George	Melio	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Metcalfe	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Micozzie	Steil
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, R.	Stem
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
Browne	Habay	Mundy	Stevenson
Bunt	Haluska	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Hennessey	Orie	Thomas
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trelo
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Costa	Kenney	Raymond	Waters
Coy	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewwic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdanskyy	Rubley	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	
Egolf	Major		Ryan, Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca Reinard Travaglio Van Horne
Gigliotti Taylor, E. Z.

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

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Mr. STABACK called up **HR 338, PN 2853**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact the Conservation and Reinvestment Act of 1999.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On the question of the adoption of the resolution, Mr. Staback. The gentleman will yield for a moment.

Members, please.

Mr. Staback.

Mr. STABACK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution simply asks Congress to approve HR 701, commonly referred to as CARA, the Conservation and Reinvestment Act. CARA, which has the support of our Governor and 317 members of Congress, is very, very important to the Commonwealth, and I would like to explain why.

Nationally, the money that is spent on protecting our wildlife resources is both inconsistent and inadequate. Over 85 percent of our nation's fish and wildlife species have been left unattended. Many end up on the endangered species list.

Year in and year out our wildlife agencies have to fight with Congress for appropriate funding. Year in and year out the hunters and anglers of this State have had to pick up the bill. They simply cannot do it anymore, Mr. Speaker. We are losing about 3 percent of this population annually, and with it, our funding base as well.

CARA, which derives revenues from outer continental shelf proceeds — that is indeed money collected annually from private companies that pay for the opportunity to extract oil and gas from offshore operations on the outer continental shelf — provides a permanent, stable funding base for wildlife, and it does not stop there, Mr. Speaker.

Because we are one of the Great Lake States, we will receive money to conserve coastal habitats and stop the invasion of nonindigenous species like the zebra mussel. DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) and the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission will benefit from this title. Local governments as well will be eligible for grants. Local governments, Mr. Speaker, will be able to apply for funding for urban parks and recreation programs. The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission will be eligible for increased grants provided by the Historic Preservation Act. Private landowners will be provided incentives to aid in the recovery of endangered and threatened species.

In total, Mr. Speaker, CARA could send about an additional 49 million new Federal dollars into the Commonwealth. Mr. Speaker, some are calling CARA the most significant environmental program ever acted on by Congress.

With that being said, Mr. Speaker, I would request an affirmative vote on the measure, and thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Shaner
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Bastian	Frankel	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Freeman	McIlhattan	Snyder
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Solobay
Belardi	Geist	McNaughton	Staback
Belfanti	George	Melio	Stairs
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Michlovic	Steelman
Birmelin	Godshall	Micozzie	Steil
Bishop	Gordner	Miller, R.	Stern
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Stetler
Boyes	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson
Browne	Habay	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Haluska	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Harhai	O'Brien	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Harhart	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Carn	Hasay	Orie	Thomas
Casorio	Hennessey	Perzel	Tigue
Cawley	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Chadwick	Hershey	Petrarca	Trich
Civera	Hess	Petrone	True
Clark	Horsey	Phillips	Tulli
Clymer	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, L. I.	James	Pistella	Veon
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
Colafella	Kaiser	Preston	Walko
Cornell	Keller	Ramos	Washington
Corrigan	Kenney	Raymond	Waters
Costa	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Coy	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Curry	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Dailey	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Daley	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
Dally	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dempsey	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
Dermody	Levdansky	Rublely	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sainato	
Donatucci	Maher	Samuelson	
Druce	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Major		Speaker

NAYS—4

Egolf	Hutchinson	Metcalfe	Seyfert
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

The majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today, in the balcony, the fourth grade class from the Blue Mountain East School, here today with their teachers, as the guests of Representatives Argall and Allen. Would the guests please wave so we know just which ones— There they are; very good.

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. HASAY called up HR 439, PN 3301, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 16 through 22, 2000, as "Community Banking Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
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Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
Bard	Fleagle	Mayernik	Semmel
Barley	Flick	McCall	Seyfert
Barrar	Forcier	McGeehan	Shaner
Bastian	Frankel	McGill	Smith, B.
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Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McIlhinney	Snyder
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Belfanti	George	Melio	Staback
Benninghoff	Gladeck	Metcalfe	Stairs
Birmelin	Godshall	Michlovic	Steelman
Bishop	Gordner	Micozzie	Steil
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, R.	Stern
Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
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Bunt	Haluska	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Hanna	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Harhai	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
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Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
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Costa	Kenney	Raymond	Waters

Coy	Kirkland	Readshaw	Williams
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wogan
Daley	Laughlin	Robinson	Wojnaroski
Dally	Lawless	Roebuck	Wright
DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rublely	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan,
Egolf	Major		Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

Mr. LUCYK called up HR 448, PN 3310, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the Borough of St. Clair on its 150th anniversary.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

Adolph	Evans	Manderino	Sather
Allen	Fairchild	Mann	Saylor
Argall	Fargo	Markosek	Schroder
Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
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Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
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Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rublely	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan,
Egolf	Major		Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

Ms. STEELMAN called up HR 449, PN 3311, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 2000 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania in an effort to bring an eventual end to this violence that plagues all Americans, celebrating the lives of those who have survived and giving special recognition to the many Pennsylvanians who volunteer in their local communities to educate others about sexual violence.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
Baker	Fichter	Masland	Scrimenti
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Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
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Caltagirone	Harhart	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cam	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
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Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Horsey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Jadlowiec	Pippy	Vance
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Veon
Colafella	Josephs	Platts	Vitali
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DeLuca	Lederer	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dempsey	Leh	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ross	Yudichak
DeWeese	Levdansky	Rublely	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug
Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan,
Egolf	Major		Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 2, PN 1868

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 4, PN 1818

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 6, PN 1872

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1188, PN 1493

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1200, PN 1803

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1202, PN 1521

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1300, PN 1730

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1328, PN 1718

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1350, PN 1795

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

SB 1358, PN 1856

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 12, 2000.

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES,
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED**

HB 2083, PN 2698

By Rep. HASAY

An Act amending the act of June 29, 1996 (P.L.434, No.67), known as the Job Enhancement Act, further providing for the Family Savings Account Program.

COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

HB 2278, PN 3348 (Amended)

By Rep. BOYES

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, imposing a tax on the sale and use of prebuilt housing.

FINANCE.

HB 2406, PN 3349 (Amended)

By Rep. BOYES

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 personal income tax definitions.

FINANCE.

SB 359, PN 1561

By Rep. HASAY

An Act establishing liens and ownership rights in dies, molds and forms used in fabrication of plastic parts under certain conditions.

COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

**RESOLUTION REPORTED
FROM COMMITTEE**

HR 397, PN 3097

By Rep. PERZEL

A Resolution directing the Committee on Education to study the effects of Act 36 of 1999 on vocational agriculture programs in school districts.

RULES.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTION

Mr. BAKER called up **HR 397, PN 3097**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Committee on Education to study the effects of Act 36 of 1999 on vocational agriculture programs in school districts.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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Armstrong	Feese	Marsico	Schuler
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Boyes	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Stetler
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DeWeese	Levdansky	Rubley	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Ruffing	Zug

Donatucci	Lynch	Sainato	
Druce	Maher	Samuelson	
Eachus	Maitland	Santoni	Ryan, Speaker
Egolf	Major		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cappabianca	Reinard	Travaglio	Van Horne
Gigliotti	Taylor, E. Z.		

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

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. FAIRCHILD

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Fairchild, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. FAIRCHILD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be a short meeting of the HR 15 task force when we break or when we terminate for today at the rear of the House. The meeting will be about the forced closing of Western Center and the events that have transpired out there the last day or two, and any member of the House who is willing can attend that meeting to get an update on that situation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie County, Mr. Boyes, for the purpose of making a committee announcement.

Mr. BOYES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am going to announce an important meeting of the Finance Committee to be held at the rear of the House upon the declaration of recess by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. COHEN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the Democratic caucus chairman, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be informal discussions in the Democratic caucus room after the recess today.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Any further announcements? Are there any corrections to the record?

There will be no further votes. The desk will be held open awaiting the report of the Finance Committee.

The Chair apologizes. There is one further vote.

Mr. Herman, would you come to the desk for a moment, please?

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. There will be no further votes. The Chair will hold the House open to take reports of committees. Other than that, the members are free to leave.

The House will be at ease.

VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Rooney, who asks that the record reflect that he was not recorded on amendment 1449 to SB 1. Had he been, the vote would have been in the negative. And the same is true on amendment A1009. He was not recorded; the machine was inoperable, and had he been recorded, it would have been in the affirmative.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

SB 2, PN 1868

By Rep. BOYES

An Act providing a rebate to homeowners and for the powers and duties of the Department of Revenue and local assessors; and imposing penalties.

FINANCE.

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that SB 2 as reported from the Finance Committee be taken from the table.

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

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that SB 2 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Are there any further announcements or business to be taken up by the House?

Mr. McGill.

Mr. McGILL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I think up in the gallery right now we have a group of students who are from the Keith Valley Middle School seventh grade, and accompanying them is a group from the Westgate School in England who are here to visit the Capitol today. I know we ended a little bit early, but I wanted to say hello and give them a little round of applause.

The SPEAKER. Welcome to Harrisburg. We are glad you stopped by.

Thank you, Mr. McGill.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Is there any further business? Any corrections to the record? Any announcements?

Hearing none, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Mr. McIlhinney.

Mr. McILHINNEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Monday, April 17, 2000, at 1 p.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to, and at 12:13 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.