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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. JULIANN PUGH, Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord. Lord of the nations, grant us Your blessing here. We give hearty thanks for our nation, our Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and for all that in State and nation which has been good. We are humbly grateful for those who have unselfishly given their lives, their skills, their devotion, both recently and in the past, to the causes of freedom, justice, liberty, and security for all. For those families who have recently lost loved ones in Operation Enduring Freedom, we pause and offer our silent prayers.

(A moment of silent prayer was observed.)

If we have grown prideful in our freedoms – to choose, to speak, to initiate our causes – help us to understand, O Lord, that in being free of the domination of others, the responsibility for ourselves is strong upon us. When we are haunted by our own fears and struggling with our own compulsions, save us from weak resignation and put iron in our spines that we may be adequate to our tasks.

Save us all from the freedom of mere independence. Enable us to employ responsibility in our every decision. Keep us from every secret prejudice and guide us away from narrow loyalties, that when we stand before this body, we may stand behind our cause. In a time when some still surrender easily, give us the convictions worthy of the courage we profess. Make us able to bear rule, to wear the name “Representative” not as a cloak of power but as the seamless robe of integrity, knowing that while all fail, yet it remains so that our first call is to our own selves that we must be true. We would ask that we may dare to challenge injustice, to champion unpopular causes, and to buck the status quo.

For this day, this place, our life, strength and health, we praise You, O God. For good fellowship and honest disagreement in freedom, and for those who make it possible, we give thanks.

Praise be to You, O God, now and forevermore. 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 16, 2002, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 2500** By Representatives LEVDANSKY, B. SMITH, STEELMAN, STEIL, FREEMAN, LYNCH, TANGRETTI, CURRY, WILT, STABACK, McNAUGHTON, VEON, HESS, SURRA, M. COHEN, DAILEY, WANSACZ, STURLA, J. TAYLOR, THOMAS, HALUSKA, CREIGHTON, DeWEESE, GRUCELA, WASHINGTON, BASTIAN, MANDERINO, SCRIMENTI, YOUNGBLOOD, CORRIGAN, T. STEVENSON, PRESTON, MELIO, YUDICHAK, BEBKO-JONES, McILHATTAN, McCALL, G. WRIGHT, PALLONE, JOSEPHS, COSTA, TRAVAGLIO, EACHUS, PISTELLA, HANNA, SANTONI, VITALI, CRUZ, RUFFING, HARHAI, HORSEY, McGEEHAN, PETRONE, TRICH, J. WILLIAMS, WOJNAROSKI, CAWLEY, KIRKLAND, DALLY and MAJOR

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, providing for purpose of act, for recycling fee and for the Recycling Fund; and establishing the Community Renewal Account and the Conservation Heritage Account.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2573** By Representatives ZUG, FEESE, ALLEN, ARMSTRONG, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLARK, L. I. COHEN, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DALEY, DeLUCA, FICHTER, FORCIER, FREEMAN, GEIST, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HANNA, HARHAI, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, HORSEY, KIRKLAND, LEWIS, LUCYK, MAHER, MAITLAND, MAJOR, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McCALL, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, METCALFE, S. MILLER, PETRARCA, PIPPY, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SATHER, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TRELLO, TURZAI, WASHINGTON, WATSON, WILT, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER and J. TAYLOR

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 certain inheritance tax rates.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2574** By Representatives DONATUCCI, REINARD, LEDERER, MANDERINO, SATHER, THOMAS, CLYMER, MELIO, KELLER, JAMES, PISTELLA, CASORIO, SCRIMENTI, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, WASHINGTON, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, J. WILLIAMS, CRUZ, HORSEY, JOSEPHS and ROEBUCK

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, providing for the entering into agreements by the board and license applicants regarding the pending application.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2575** By Representatives GANNON, BARRAR, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, CAPPELLI, L. I. COHEN, COSTA, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DONATUCCI, FRANKEL, HORSEY, KIRKLAND, McGEEHAN, MICOZZIE, PERZEL, RAYMOND, READSHAW, ROBINSON, SANTONI, SCHRODER, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STERN, THOMAS, TRELLO, WALKO, WASHINGTON, ADOLPH, MACKERETH, SAINATO and J. TAYLOR

An Act establishing a loan program to install safety devices and improve safety at convenience stores; providing for additional duties of the Attorney General; establishing the Community Convenience Store Protection Fund; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2576** By Representatives PRESTON, E. Z. TAYLOR, BARRAR, BENNINGHOFF, CAPPELLI, M. COHEN, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, DALEY, DIVEN, HARHAI, HORSEY, KIRKLAND, LEH, McCALL, ROBINSON, RUFFING, STABACK, THOMAS, WALKO, WASHINGTON, J. WILLIAMS and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of June 22, 1964 (Sp.Sess., P.L.84, No.6), known as the Eminent Domain Code, further providing for measure of damages.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2577** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GEORGE, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, HORSEY, JAMES, KELLER, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McILHATTAN, MELIO, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEELMAN, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WATERS, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK and J. TAYLOR

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1972 (P.L.1280, No.284), known as the Pennsylvania Securities Act of 1972, further providing for criminal penalties.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2578** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, HARHAI, HORSEY, KELLER, McGEEHAN, MUNDY, READSHAW, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEELMAN, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WATERS, WOJNAROSKI, GEORGE, HENNESSEY, JAMES, McCALL, MELIO, PISTELLA, RUBLEY and J. TAYLOR

An Act amending the act of May 26, 1947 (P.L.318, No.140), known as the CPA Law, further providing for discipline.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2579** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GEORGE, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, HORSEY, JAMES, KELLER, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McILHATTAN, MELIO, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WATERS, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK and J. TAYLOR

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1972 (P.L.1280, No.284), known as the Pennsylvania Securities Act of 1972, further providing for sales and purchases.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2580** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GEORGE, HENNESSEY, HORSEY, JAMES, KELLER, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McILHATTAN, MELIO, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WATERS, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK, J. TAYLOR and HARHAI

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1972 (P.L.1280, No.284), known as the Pennsylvania Securities Act of 1972, further providing for assessments.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2581** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GEORGE, HARHAI, HORSEY, KELLER, McGEEHAN, MELIO, PISTELLA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEELMAN, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WALKO,

WANSACZ, WASHINGTON, WATERS, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK, HENNESSEY, JAMES, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MUNDY and J. TAYLOR

An Act amending the act of May 26, 1947 (P.L.318, No.140), known as the CPA Law, further providing for privileged communications; and providing for obligation to report wrongdoing, for protection of certified public accountants and accountants, for enforcement and for penalties.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 17, 2002.

**No. 2583** By Representatives COLAFELLA, DeWEESE, THOMAS, CURRY, GRUCELA, MUNDY, ROEBUCK, SCHULER, STEELMAN, BEBKO-JONES, BUNT, DALEY, DeLUCA, DIVEN, GEORGE, HARHART, HORSEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, LAUGHLIN, LESCOVITZ, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, NICKOL, SAINATO, SATHER, SHANER, SURRA, TIGUE, TRELLO, WANSACZ, J. WILLIAMS and YOUNGBLOOD

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 the tax credit scholarship program.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 17, 2002.

### HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 510** By Representatives O'BRIEN, PERZEL, ADOLPH, M. BAKER, BARD, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BISHOP, BOYES, BUTKOVITZ, CAPPELLI, COLEMAN, CORNELL, CORRIGAN, COSTA, COY, CREIGHTON, CRUZ, CURRY, DAILEY, DeWEESE, DIGIROLAMO, D. EVANS, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, FLICK, GABIG, GODSHALL, GORDNER, GRUCELA, GRUITZA, HABAY, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KENNEY, LAUGHLIN, LESCOVITZ, LEVDANSKY, MAHER, MANDERINO, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McNAUGHTON, MELIO, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, MUNDY, NAILOR, OLIVER, PICKETT, PIPPY, READSHAW, ROEBUCK, RUBLEY, SAMUELSON, SANTONI, SATHER, SCHRODER, SCHULER, SCRIMENTI, SHANER, STABACK, STEELMAN, STERN, T. STEVENSON, STURLA, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR, TIGUE, TRAVAGLIO, TURZAI, VITALI, WASHINGTON, WATSON, WILT, WOJNAROSKI, G. WRIGHT, YOUNGBLOOD, ZIMMERMAN, R. STEVENSON, PETRARCA, BASTIAN, FEESE, BROWNE, FREEMAN, CLYMER, SAINATO, GEIST, CLARK and ALLEN

A Resolution memorializing the Governor to support maintenance of the current eligibility rules for medical assistance for children with disabilities including the disregard of parental income.

Referred to Committee on RULES, April 17, 2002.

**No. 539** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, COLAFELLA, COY, CURRY, J. EVANS, FREEMAN, HARHAI, HORSEY, KELLER, McGEEHAN, MELIO, PISTELLA, RUBLEY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, WANSACZ, WOJNAROSKI, YUDICHAK, SEMMEL,

SHANER, SOLOBAY, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, HENNESSEY, JAMES, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MUNDY, READSHAW, SANTONI, STEELMAN, WALKO, WASHINGTON, YOUNGBLOOD and J. TAYLOR

A Resolution urging the Attorney General to take appropriate legal action on behalf of the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions.

Referred to Committee on RULES, April 17, 2002.

**No. 540** By Representatives G. WRIGHT, THOMAS, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, COLAFELLA, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, TANGRETTI, WALKO, WASHINGTON, WOJNAROSKI, YUDICHAK, FAIRCHILD, GEORGE, HENNESSEY, JAMES, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MUNDY, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SATHER, SEMMEL, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEELMAN, COY, CURRY, SURRA, TIGUE, WANSACZ, WATERS, YOUNGBLOOD, J. EVANS, FREEMAN, HARHAI, HORSEY, KELLER, McGEEHAN, MELIO, PISTELLA and J. TAYLOR

A Resolution requesting the Joint State Government Commission to create a task force to review Pennsylvania law governing pension fund investments.

Referred to Committee on RULES, April 17, 2002.

### SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 2048, PN 2698**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

### SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE AMENDMENTS  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the Senate amendments to **HB 1289, PN 3678**.

### SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 2087, PN 3684**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

**SENATE MESSAGE****HOUSE AMENDMENTS  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to **SB 705, PN 1860**.

**BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

**HB 1289, PN 3678**

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for approval of unfunded debt in certain distressed school districts, for educational assessment centers and for notification of pesticide treatments at schools.

**HB 2048, PN 2698**

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1999 (P.L.205, No.27), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to East Allen Township, Northampton County, certain land situate in East Allen Township, Northampton County, and to convey to the trustees of the University of Pittsburgh certain land situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County; authorizing and directing the State Armory Board of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey to the Historical and Genealogical Society of Indiana County a tract of land situate in the Borough of Indiana, County of Indiana, Pennsylvania; authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor and Department of Transportation, to sell and convey to the Borough of Hollidaysburg certain land situate in the Borough of Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to convey a tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County, to the Eastern Snyder County Regional Authority in exchange for another tract of land in the Borough of Selinsgrove, Snyder County; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Snyder County certain lands situate in Penn Township," further providing for reversion of property.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 8 be taken from the table.

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I now move that HB 8 be placed back upon the table.

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

**GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today, as the guests of Merle Phillips, John Moore and his aunt, Beth Tessier, and his uncle, Ray Tessier. They are from Tampa, Florida. They are up visiting, apparently with Mr. Phillips. Would the guests please rise.

**REPORT OF  
COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES**

The SPEAKER. Supplemental report of the Committee on Committees, which the clerk will now read.

The following report was read:

April 17, 2002

**SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF  
COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES****APPROPRIATIONS**

Representative John Maher is appointed to fill the vacancy on the House Standing Committee on Appropriations created by the resignation of Representative John Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,  
George C. Hasay, Chairman  
Committee on Committees

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?  
Resolution was adopted.

**COMMUNICATION FROM  
PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON  
CRIME AND DELINQUENCY**

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of the sixth annual report of the Constables' Education and Training Board of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

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

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to leaves of absence.

The Republican whip requests no leaves.

The gentleman, Mr. Veon, requests a leave for the gentleman, Mr. YUDICHAK, for today's session. Without objection, the leave will be granted. The Chair hears no objection.

### MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take today's master roll call. Members will proceed to vote. Members, report to the floor for the master roll call.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### PRESENT—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horse	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

ADDITIONS—0  
NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky Myers Yudichak Zimmerman

#### LEAVES ADDED—4

Harper Kirkland Roberts Washington

### CALENDAR

#### RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mrs. HARHART called up **HR 531, PN 3685**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 18 and 19, 2002, as "Military Appreciation Weekend" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horse	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug

DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

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Mr. PETRONE called up **HR 533, PN 3686**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring Carol Spizzirri on her accomplishments with the Save A Life Foundation and supporting the expansion of the Save A Life Foundation in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsley	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson

Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

#### RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. SURRA called up **HR 535, PN 3705**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 1, 2002, as "School Bus Drivers Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich

Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
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Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

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Mr. McCALL called up **HR 536, PN 3706**, entitled:

A Resolution proclaiming May 18, 2002, as “James Francis Thorpe Day” in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
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Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
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DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Dally.

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
(CRAIG A. DALLY) PRESIDING**

**CALENDAR CONTINUED**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2296, PN 3317**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43, as the Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

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

Mr. **MICHLOVIC** offered the following amendment No. **A1330**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after “Highway” and inserting  
; and designating the Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange connecting to Commonwealth Avenue and State Route 837 in the City of Duquesne as the First Sergeant Leonard Funk, Jr., Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out “Section 2.” and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. First Sergeant Leonard Funk, Jr. Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) First Sergeant Leonard Funk, born in Braddock Hills, distinguished himself by gallant, intrepid actions against the enemy at Holzheim, Belgium, on January 29, 1945.

(2) After advancing 15 miles in a driving snowstorm, the American force prepared to attack through waist-deep drifts. The company executive officer became a casualty, and Sergeant Funk immediately assumed his duties, forming headquarters soldiers into a combat unit for an assault in the face of direct artillery shelling and harassing fire from the right flank.

(3) Under his skillful and courageous leadership, this miscellaneous group and the Third Platoon attacked 15 houses, cleared them and took 30 prisoners without suffering a casualty.

(4) Sergeant Funk’s bold action and heroic disregard for his own safety were directly responsible for the recapture of a vastly superior enemy force, which, if allowed to remain free, could have taken the widespread units of Company C by surprise and endangered the entire attack plan.

(5) For his heroic efforts Sergeant Funk received the Medal of Honor from President Harry Truman at the White House.

(b) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange connecting to Commonwealth Avenue and State Route 837 in the City of Duquesne is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the First Sergeant Leonard Funk, Jr., Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. MICHLOVIC. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman yield for a second?

The House will come to order, please.

Now the Chair recognizes Mr. Michlovic.

Mr. MICHLOVIC. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This legislation was offered by my colleague, Dave Levdansky, who had to take leave for purposes of a funeral this morning. He asked me to briefly describe or to put on the record that the purpose of the legislation is to name a short section of what was heretofore known as the Mon/Fayette Expressway, that section between the Washington County line, below which is now called the Barry Stout Highway, and Route 51, beyond which is called

the Medal of Honor Highway, to name that small section of about a mile or 2 miles the “Yohogania Courthouse Highway,” and the historical society in that portion of Allegheny County has asked that this name be preserved on the road, because Yohogania was the name that this area and region were called when it was a part of the State of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, the legislation does that.

The amendment that I am about to offer is an important one, and it is in keeping with the amendments that we approved when we passed legislation naming the highway “Barry Stout” and the upper end of the highway the “Medal of Honor Highway.” If you recall, we named the interchanges after Medal of Honor recipients, and we decided in this legislation to continue that process and name the interchanges in Allegheny County on the Medal of Honor Highway after Medal of Honor recipients in keeping with that tradition.

Mr. Speaker, those recipients are very few in number. There were only 3,427 Medals of Honor awarded in our nation’s history. Of that number, I am pleased to say 13 of those recipients were born or lived in the Mon Valley. There are a whole other group that also were native to the city of Pittsburgh, and by naming this highway the “Medal of Honor Highway,” we have really emblazoned in history their honor and what they did for this nation.

The interchange that I am going to offer an amendment to name is an interchange between Commonwealth Avenue and State Route 837 in the city of Duquesne near the town of Braddock where 1st Sgt. Leonard Funk lived, and his military citation reads, and I would hope that the members of the House listen with some attention to this citation. It is a citation for somebody who really risked all so that we could live in freedom.

“Findings.—

“...First Sergeant Leonard Funk, born in Braddock Hills, distinguished himself by gallant, intrepid actions against the enemy at Holzheim, Belgium, on January 29, 1945.

“...After advancing 15 miles in a driving snowstorm, the American force prepared to attack through waist-deep drifts. The company executive officer became a casualty, and Sergeant Funk immediately assumed his duties, forming headquarters soldiers into a combat unit for an assault in the face of direct artillery shelling and harassing fire from the right flank.

“...Under his skillful and courageous leadership, this miscellaneous group and the Third Platoon attacked 15 houses, cleared them and took 30 prisoners without suffering a casualty.

“...Sergeant Funk’s bold action and heroic—” Mr. Speaker, may we have some order?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The House will please come to order. Members, please take your seats.

Representative Michlovic.

Mr. MICHLOVIC. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

“...Sergeant Funk’s bold action and heroic disregard for his own safety were directly responsible for the recapture of a vastly superior enemy force, which, if allowed to remain free, could have taken the widespread units of Company C by surprise and endangered the entire attack plan.

“...For his heroic efforts Sergeant Funk received the Medal of Honor from President Harry Truman at the White House.”

Mr. Speaker, I knew Leonard Funk before he passed away 4 or 5 years ago, and I want to tell you, he was one of the most unassuming gentlemen that you would ever have the honor to meet, and the people in his own neighborhood did not even know that this was the 82d Airborne’s most distinguished soldier. He is



the most honored soldier in the history of the 82d Airborne Division. His neighbors did not even know that. That is why we are naming this interchange after him, so forever people will pass that highway, see that name on that intersection, and know that Leonard Funk is truly one of this nation's greatest heroes.

I ask for support of the amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Representative Walko on the amendment.

Mr. WALKO. Thank you. I have another amend— Oh, I am sorry, Mr. Speaker.

I am sorry, Mr. Speaker. I have another amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

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Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
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Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
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Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
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Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
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Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
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DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky      Myers      Yudichak      Zimmerman

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

On the question,

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

Mr. **MARKOSEK** offered the following amendment No. **A1322**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting

; and designating the interchange with Business Route 22 in Wilkins Township, Allegheny County, as the Staff Sergeant John Minick Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Staff Sergeant John Minick Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Staff Sergeant John Minick displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his own life above and beyond the call of duty, in action involving combat with the enemy on November 21, 1944.

(2) Staff Sergeant Minick's battalion was halted in its advance by extensive minefields, exposing troops to heavy concentrations of enemy artillery and mortar fire. Further delay in the advance would result in numerous casualties and a movement through the minefield was essential.

(3) Voluntarily, Staff Sergeant Minick led four men through hazardous barbed wire and debris, finally making his way through the minefield. When an enemy machine gun opened fire, he signaled his men to take cover and he edged his way toward the flank of the weapon and opened fire, killing two, and capturing three others.

(4) Moving forward again, he encountered and engaged single-handedly an entire company, killing 20 Germans and capturing 20.

(5) Again moving ahead and spearheading his battalion's advance, he again encountered machine gun fire. Crawling forward he reached a point from which he knocked the weapon out of action.

(6) While advancing forward a third time under constant enemy fire, Staff Sergeant Minick detonated a land mine and was instantly killed.

(7) Staff Sergeant John Minick was posthumously awarded the last Medal of Honor for World War II.

(b) Designation authorized.—The interchange with Business Route 22 in Wilkins Township, Allegheny County, is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Staff Sergeant John Minick

Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to offer this amendment which would name the interchange connecting the so-called Mon Valley Expressway, the Medal of Honor Highway, with the Business Route 22, Wilkins Township area, of Allegheny County the “Sergeant John Minick Interchange.”

Sergeant Minick, of Wall, Pennsylvania, which is now soon to be in my legislative district, displayed gallantry and risked his own life when his battalion came under heavy artillery and mortar fire near Hurtgen, Germany, on November 21, 1944. Sergeant Minick led four troop members through a barbed wire and debris-filled minefield when an enemy machine gun opened fire. Sergeant Minick signaled his men to take cover. He moved forward, killing two members of the guncrew and capturing three others. He then encountered and engaged an entire company of German soldiers, capturing 20 of them and killing 20 other ones.

The bravery Sergeant Minick displayed on that day in November is a demonstration of selflessness and patriotism. It is only fitting that we should recognize such a brave man and a Medal of Honor winner by naming the interchange on the Medal of Honor Highway located in Monroeville the “Sergeant Minick Interchange.”

I will also mention that Sergeant Minick was offered and awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor, and he was as such the last United States military personnel to be awarded the Medal of Honor for World War II.

I would request the members to support the amendment. Thank you, 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—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
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Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
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Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. COSTA offered the following amendment No. A1323:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after “Highway” and inserting ; and designating the Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with East Pittsburgh-McKeesport Boulevard in North Versailles as the Captain Michael John Estocin Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Bill, page 1, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting

(b) Signs.—Appropriate signs shall be posted and maintained

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Captain Michael John Estocin Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Born April 27, 1931 in Turtle Creek, Captain Estocin graduated from the State Teachers College, Slippy Rock, and entered the naval service as an aviation cadet in June 1954.

(2) Captain Estocin, leading a three-plane group of aircraft in support of a coordinated strike against two thermal power plants in Haiphong, North Vietnam on April 20, 1967, provided continuous warnings to the strike group leaders of the surface-to-air threats, and personally neutralized three SAM sites.

(3) On April 26, 1967, in the support of a coordinated strike against the vital fuel facilities in Haiphong, he led an attack on a threatening SAM site, during which an exploding SAM seriously damaged his aircraft. Nevertheless, he regained control of his burning aircraft and courageously launched his STRIKE missiles before departing the area.

(4) Captain Michael John Estocin is the only Navy jet pilot to receive the Medal of Honor for a combat role. While the Medal of Honor was not normally given for a combination of missions, an exception was made for this very intense two-day STRIKE mission and, according to those who flew with Estocin, the honor was well-deserved.

(b) Designation authorized.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with East Pittsburgh-McKeesport Boulevard in North Versailles, is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Captain Michael John Estocin Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Representative Costa.

Mr. COSTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am asking with this amendment that the Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with East Pittsburgh-McKeesport Boulevard in North Versailles be hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the “Captain Michael John Estocin Interchange” in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Costa, would you please yield, please?

Mr. COSTA. Sure.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the House please come to order? Please show some respect to Representative Costa.

Mr. COSTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Capt. Michael John Estocin, born on April 27, 1931, in Turtle Creek, graduated from the State Teachers College, Slippy Rock, and entered the naval service as an aviation cadet in June of 1954.

Captain Estocin, leading a three-plane group of aircraft in support of a coordinated strike against two thermal powerplants in Haiphong, North Vietnam, on April 20, 1967, provided continuous warnings to the strike group leaders of the surface-to-air threats and personally neutralized three SAM (surface-to-air missile) sites.

On April 26, 1967, in support of the coordinated strike against the vital fuel facilities in Haiphong, he led an attack on a threatening SAM site, during which an exploding SAM seriously damaged his aircraft. Nevertheless, he regained control of his burning aircraft and courageously launched his strike missiles before departing the area.

Capt. Michael John Estocin is the only Navy jet pilot to receive the Medal of Honor for a combat role. While the Medal of Honor was not normally given for a combination of missions, an exception was made for this very intense 2-day strike mission, and according to those who flew with Estocin, the honor was well deserved.

Mr. Speaker, as a personal friend of the Estocin family, it gives me great pleasure and honor to offer this amendment, and I ask that all members support this amendment. Thank you.

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:

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Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rublely	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky Myers Yudichak Zimmerman

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. **PRESTON** offered the following amendment No. **A1324**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after “Highway” and inserting

; and designating an interchange of the Mon/Fayette Expressway with I-376 in Monroeville, Westmoreland County, as the Captain James A. Graham Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43, Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out “Section 2.” and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Captain James A. Graham Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) On June 2, 1967, in the Republic of Vietnam, Captain James A. Graham, Wilkinsburg, displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty.

(2) As the leader of 2nd Platoon of Company F, Captain Graham was leading his platoon across a paddy area 1,000 meters wide, when it came under fire from mortars and small arms that immediately inflicted a large number of casualties.

(3) Forming an assault unit, Captain Graham assaulted one machine gun nest, relieving pressure on his platoon, allowing the wounded to be evacuated. Despite being twice wounded, Captain Graham accounted for 15 enemy kills.

(4) With the enemy position remaining invincible, Captain Graham chose to remain at the side of a wounded comrade, rather than withdraw. Captain Graham died while protecting himself and the wounded man he chose not to abandon.

(5) Captain Graham’s outstanding courage, superb leadership and indomitable fighting spirit undoubtedly saved the 2nd Platoon from annihilation and reflected the great credit upon himself, the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.

(b) Designation authorized.—The interchange with I-376 in Monroeville is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Captain James A. Graham Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. Could we have some order, please.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Mr. Preston.

Mr. **PRESTON**. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

I am deeply honored today to offer this amendment to provide a permanent tribute to one of Wilkinsburg’s fallen heroes, Capt. James A. Graham, who served in the United States Marine Corps, Company F, 2d Battalion, 5th Marines, 1st Marine Division.

Captain Graham, who was born in Wilkinsburg in 1940, displayed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty.

On June 2, 1967, in the Republic of Vietnam, as leader of the 2d Platoon of Company F, Graham was leading his platoon across a paddy area 1,000 meters wide when it came under fire from mortars and small arms that immediately inflicted a large number of casualties. Forming an assault unit, Captain Graham assaulted one machine gun nest, relieving pressure on his platoon, allowing the wounded to be evacuated. Despite being twice wounded, Captain Graham accounted for 15 enemy kills.

With the enemy position remaining invincible, Captain Graham chose to remain at the side of a wounded comrade rather than to withdraw. Captain Graham died while protecting himself and the wounded man he chose not to abandon.

Captain Graham’s outstanding courage, superb leadership, and indomitable fighting spirit undoubtedly saved the 2d Platoon from annihilation and reflected the great credit placed upon himself, the Marine Corps, and the United States Naval Service.

Mr. Speaker, I ask for the support of this amendment that would designate the interchange with I-376 in Monroeville as the “Captain James A. Graham Interchange” in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

I would entertain a motion for approval.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. **HABAY** offered the following amendment No. **A1325**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting ; and designating the half interchange, including only the westbound Mon/Fayette Expressway to I-376 and eastbound I-376 to Mon/Fayette in the City of Pittsburgh as the Lance Corporal William R. Prom Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Lance Corporal William R. Prom Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) On February 9, 1969, near An Hoa, Republic of Vietnam, while returning from a reconnaissance operation during Operation TAYLOR COMMON, two platoons of Company One

came under an intense automatic weapons fire and grenade attack.

(2) Lance Corporal Prom immediately assumed control of one of his machine guns and began to deliver return fire disregarding his own safety.

(3) Realizing that the enemy would have to be destroyed before the injured marines could be evacuated, Lance Corporal Prom moved forward and delivered a heavy volume of fire permitting his men to regroup and resume their march.

(4) Shortly thereafter, the platoon again came under heavy fire in which one man was critically wounded. Reacting instantly, Lance Corporal Prom moved forward to protect his injured comrade.

(5) Unable to continue his fire because of his severe wounds, he continued to advance to within a few yards to the enemy positions. There, standing in full view of the enemy, he directed the fire of his support elements until he was mortally wounded. Inspired by his heroic actions, the marines launched an assault that destroyed the enemy.

(6) Lance Corporal Prom's indomitable courage, inspiring initiative and selfless devotion to duty upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the U.S. Naval Service.

(b) Designation authorized.—The half interchange, including only westbound Mon/Fayette to I-376 and eastbound I-376 to Mon/Fayette, in the City of Pittsburgh is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Lance Corporal William R. Prom Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. HABAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to offer amendment 1325 to designate a portion of the Mon Valley Expressway the "Lance Corporal William R. Prom Interchange."

On February 9, 1969, near An Hoa, Republic of Vietnam, while returning from a reconnaissance operation during Operation TAYLOR COMMON, two platoons of Company 1 came under intense automatic weapons fire and grenade attack.

Lance Corporal Prom immediately assumed control of one of his machine guns and began to deliver return fire, disregarding his own safety.

Realizing that the enemy would have to be destroyed before the injured marines could be evacuated, Lance Corporal Prom moved forward and delivered a heavy volume of fire, permitting his men to regroup and resume their march.

Shortly thereafter, the platoon again came under heavy fire in which one man was critically wounded. Reacting instantly, Lance Corporal Prom moved forward to protect his injured comrade.

Unable to continue his fire because of his severe wounds, he continued to advance to within a few yards of the enemy positions. There, standing in full view of the enemy, he directed the fire of his support elements until he was mortally wounded. Inspired by his heroic actions, the marines launched an assault and destroyed the enemy.

Lance Corporal Prom's indomitable courage, inspiring

initiative, and selfless devotion to duty upheld the highest traditions in the Marine Corps and the U.S. Naval Service. Therefore, Lance Corporal Prom served his country with outstanding bravery and courage, and it is only appropriate that we name this interchange in the Mon Valley Expressway the "William Prom Interchange."

Thank you, 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:

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky Myers Yudichak Zimmerman

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. A1326:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting ; and designating the half interchange with access road connecting to Thompson Run Road in Penn Hills Township as the Chief Warrant Officer Michael J. Novosel Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 10 and 11

Section 2. Chief Warrant Officer Michael J. Novosel Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) On October 2, 1969, in the Kien Tuong Province, Republic of Vietnam, Chief Warrant Officer Michael J. Novosel, with conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty, distinguished himself while serving as commander of a medical evacuation helicopter.

(2) Chief Warrant Officer Novosel unhesitatingly maneuvered his helicopter into a heavily fortified and defended enemy training area where a group of wounded Vietnamese soldiers were pinned down by a large enemy force.

(3) On six occasions, while flying without gunship or other cover and exposed to intense machine gun fire, Chief Warrant Officer Novosel returned to the area in order to extract friendly troops.

(4) Near the end of the mission, a wounded soldier was spotted close to an enemy bunker. Fully realizing that he would attract enemy fire, Chief Warrant Officer Novosel attempted and extracted the soldier while being injured himself.

(5) In all, 15 extractions were performed in order to remove wounded personnel. As a direct result of his selfless conduct, the lives of 29 soldiers were saved.

(6) The extraordinary heroism displayed by Chief Warrant Officer Novosel was an inspiration to his comrades in arms and reflect great credit on him, his unit and the United States Army.

(b) Designation authorized.—The half interchange with access road connecting to Thompson Run Road in Penn Hills Township, including only the northbound off and southbound on movements, is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Chief Warrant Officer Michael J. Novosel interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

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

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

Mr. PISTELLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure and honor to offer amendment A1326 to honor the memory of a son of Etna Borough, a small industrial community that sits on the northern shore of the Allegheny River in Allegheny County. But it was far from there on October 2, 1969, in the Kien Tuong Province, Republic of Vietnam, that CWO Michael J. Novosel, with conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action, at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty, distinguished himself while serving as commander of a medical evacuation helicopter.

Chief Warrant Officer Novosel unhesitatingly maneuvered his helicopter into a heavily fortified and defended enemy training area, where a group of wounded South Vietnamese soldiers were pinned down by a large enemy force.

On six occasions, while flying without gunship or other cover and exposed to intense machine gun fire, Chief Warrant Officer Novosel returned to the area in order to extract these friendly troops.

Toward the end of the mission, a wounded soldier was spotted close to an enemy bunker. Fully realizing that he would attract enemy fire, Chief Warrant Officer Novosel attempted and extracted the soldier while himself being injured.

In all, 15 extractions were performed in order to remove wounded personnel. As a direct result of his selfless conduct, the lives of 29 soldiers were saved.

The extraordinary heroism displayed by Chief Warrant Officer Novosel was an inspiration to his comrades in arms and reflect great credit on him, his unit, and the United States Army.

Mr. Speaker, it is for this reason that I offer this amendment to name the Thompson Run Road in Penn Hills Township interchange on behalf of CWO Michael J. Novosel. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. READSHAW offered the following amendment No. A1327:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting ; and designating the interchange with Second Avenue at the north end of Glenwood Bridge in the City of Pittsburgh as the Private First Class John "Jack" Kelly Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting  
Section 2. Private First Class John "Jack" Kelly Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) "Jack" Kelly was born July 8, 1928, and graduated from Homestead High School in 1947. He enlisted in the

United States Marine Corps after the start of the Korean War, and served with Company C, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division (Reinforced).

(2) On May 28, 1952, in Korea, PFC Kelly showed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a radio operator in action against enemy aggressor forces.

(3) With his platoon pinned down by a numerically superior enemy force employing intense mortar, artillery, small-arms and grenade fire, PFC Kelly left his radio in the care of another man and participated in an assault on enemy key positions.

(4) Fearlessly charging forward in the face of a murderous hail of machine gun fire and hand grenades, he initiated a daring attack against a hostile strong point and personally neutralized the position, killing two of the enemy.

(5) Although painfully wounded, PFC Kelly bravely charged a machine gun bunker. Mortally wounded by enemy fire while carrying out this heroic action, PFC Kelly, by his great personal valor, inspired his comrades to sweep on, overrun and secure the objective.

(6) Private First Class Kelly was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously.

(b) Designation authorized.—The interchange with Second Avenue at the north end of the Glenwood Bridge in the City of Pittsburgh is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Private First Class John “Jack” Kelly Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. READSHAW. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment designates the interchange with Second Avenue at the north end of the Glenwood Bridge in the city of Pittsburgh as the “Private First Class John ‘Jack’ Kelly Interchange.”

Pfc. John “Jack” Kelly was born July 8, 1928, and graduated from Homestead High School in 1947. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps after the start of the Korean War and served with Company C, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division.

On May 28, 1952, in Korea, Pfc. Kelly showed conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty while serving as a radio operator in action against enemy aggressor forces.

With his platoon pinned down by a numerically superior enemy force employing intense mortar, artillery, and small arms and

grenade fire, Pfc. Kelly left his radio in the care of another man and participated in an assault on enemy key positions.

Fearlessly charging forward in the face of a murderous hail of machine gun fire and hand grenades, he initiated a daring attack against a hostile strongpoint and personally neutralized the position, killing two of the enemy.

Although painfully wounded, Pfc. Kelly bravely charged a machine gun bunker. Mortally wounded by enemy fire while carrying out this heroic action, Pfc. Kelly, by his great personal

valor, inspired his comrades to sweep on, overrun, and secure the objective.

Private First Class Kelly was awarded the Medal of Honor posthumously.

To Private First Class Kelly, semper fi, and I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

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:

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Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pickett	Vance
Colafrilla	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rublely	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

#### NAYS—0

#### NOT VOTING—0



## EXCUSED—4

Levdansky Myers Yudichak Zimmerman

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. **PETRONE** offered the following amendment No. **A1328**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting

; and designating the Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with Sixth Street in Braddock as the Ensign Henry Clay Drexler Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Court House Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Ensign Henry Clay Drexler Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Born in Braddock, on August 7, 1901, he graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1924.

(2) At 3:35 on the afternoon of October 20, 1924, while the USS Trenton was preparing to fire trial installation shots from the two six-inch guns in the forward twin mount of the vessel, two charges of powder ignited, trapping 20 men in the twin mount.

(3) Ensign Drexler, without thought for his own safety, on seeing that the charge of powder for the left gun was ignited, jumped for the right charge and endeavored to put it in the immersion tank. The left charge burst into flames and ignited the right charge before Ensign Drexler could accomplish his purpose. He fell on the spot where he was making a supreme effort to save his shipmates.

(4) Ensign Drexler was awarded the Medal of Honor by a Special Act of Congress on February 3, 1933, one of the few Medals of Honor ever bestowed on an individual not in a combat theater.

(b) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with Sixth Street in Braddock is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Ensign Henry Clay Drexler Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. **PETRONE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Before I read my remarks about Ensign Drexler, I would just like to comment that I had the pleasure of being on board the USS Estocin the year before last when we honored the family of

this Medal of Honor winner, and just Sunday I had the distinct pleasure of being in the company of two true heroes of our country's history at the Medal of Honor dinner that was hosted by Representative Michlovic. These two men were Col. Mitchell Paige, a hero of the Battle of Guadalcanal, and Col. Walter Marm, a hero of one of the major battles of the Vietnam war. What a thrill to be in the personal company of these two true heroes of our country's history.

Ens. Henry Clay Drexler, born in Braddock on August 7, 1901, graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1924.

At 3:35 on the afternoon of October 20, 1924, while the USS Trenton was preparing to fire trial installation shots from two 6-inch guns in the forward twin mount of the vessel, two charges of powder ignited, trapping 20 men in the twin mount.

Ensign Drexler, without thought for his own safety, on seeing that the charge of powder for the left gun was ignited, jumped for the right charge and endeavored to put it in the immersion tank. The left charge burst into flames and ignited the right charge before Ensign Drexler could accomplish his purpose. He fell on the spot where he was making a supreme effort to save his shipmates.

Ensign Drexler was awarded the Medal of Honor by a special act of Congress on February 3, 1933, one of the few Medals of Honor ever bestowed on an individual not in a combat theater.

The Mon/Fayette Expressway interchange with Sixth Street in Braddock is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the "Ensign Henry Clay Drexler Interchange" in recognition of this Medal of Honor recipient. And let us keep in mind that as we speak, our Armed Forces are doing these very same things to protect our freedom.

Thank you, 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:

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Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Bastian	Forcier	McCall	Solobay
Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gannon	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Geist	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Gordner	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Grucela	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Gruitza	Miller, R.	Sturla
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Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Dally	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
DeLuca	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
Dermody	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. WALKO offered the following amendment No. A1331:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting ; and designating the half interchange of the Mon/Fayette Expressway, including only westbound off and eastbound on movements, with Second Avenue in the City of Pittsburgh as the Corporal Charles E. Kelly Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Corporal Charles E. Kelly Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) On September 13, 1943, near Altavilla, Italy, Corporal Kelly voluntarily joined a patrol that located and neutralized enemy machine gun positions.

(2) Later, Corporal Kelly again voluntarily traversed more than a mile through enemy held territory to gather information about enemy placements.

(3) The following day, Corporal Kelly positioned himself

in a storehouse window and rained effective fire on the enemy throughout the day. When the position was about to be overrun, Corporal Kelly voluntarily maintained his position, using mortars to hold the enemy at bay, while the remainder of his detachment withdrew.

(4) As the detachment moved out, Corporal Kelly was observed deliberately loading and firing a rocket launcher from the window. He was successful in covering the withdrawal of the unit, and later in joining his own organization.

(5) Corporal Kelly's fighting determination and intrepidity in battle exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces.

(6) The United States Army Base at Oakdale is named for Kelly and he is buried in the Highwood Cemetery on Brighton Road in Pittsburgh.

(b) Designation authorized.—The half interchange, including only westbound off and eastbound on movements, with Second Avenue in the City of Pittsburgh is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Corporal Charles E. Kelly Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Before I recognize Mr. Walko, could we have some order, please. I do not want to break the gavel on my first appearance up here.

The gentleman, Mr. Walko.

Mr. WALKO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to name a portion of the Mon Valley, an interchange on the Mon/Fayette Expressway, after a native North Sider, Commando Charles E. Kelly.

On September 13, 1943, near Altavilla, Italy, Corporal Kelly voluntarily joined a patrol that located and neutralized enemy machine gun positions.

Later, Corporal Kelly again voluntarily traversed more than a mile through enemy-held territory to gather information about enemy placements.

The following day, Corporal Kelly positioned himself in a storehouse window and rained effective fire on the enemy throughout the day. When the position was about to be overrun, Corporal Kelly voluntarily maintained his position, using mortars to hold the enemy at bay, while the remainder of his detachment withdrew.

As the detachment moved out, Corporal Kelly was observed deliberately loading and firing a rocket launcher from the window. He was successful in covering the withdrawal of the unit and later in joining his own organization.

Corporal Kelly's fighting determination and intrepidity in battle exemplify the highest traditions of the United States Armed Forces.

The United States Army Base at Oakdale is named for Kelly, and he is buried back at his North Side home in Highwood Cemetery.

I deeply appreciate your positive vote on this amendment. Thank you, 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:

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Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
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Barrar	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
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Bishop	George	Melio	Stetler
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Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
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Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
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Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
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DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. RUFFING offered the following amendment No. A1332:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after “Highway” and inserting  
; and designating the interchange connecting Camp Hollow Road in West Mifflin and Pittsburgh McKeesport Boulevard (Richland Avenue) in Dravosburg as the Private Franklin J. Phillips Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out “Section 2.” and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Private Franklin J. Phillips Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) Franklin Phillips enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on May 19, 1899, and was assigned to The Battleship Oregon, which was transporting marines to the Boxer Rebellion in Peking, China.

(2) Phillips’ unit was part of the American Legation Guard that was charged with protecting American citizens in Peking. It was while serving with the detachment ashore that Private Phillips was killed on July 16, 1900, the last day of the uprising.

(3) For distinguished conduct in the presence of the enemy under heavy fire in Peking, China, on July 16, 1900, Franklin Phillips was awarded the Medal of Honor by John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, on July 19, 1901.

(b) Designation authorized.—The interchange connecting Camp Hollow Road in West Mifflin and Pittsburgh McKeesport Boulevard (Richland Avenue) in Dravosburg is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Private Franklin J. Phillips Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. RUFFING. Mr. Speaker, my amendment is similar to the other ones sent off before. It is going to name the interchange between Camp Hollow Road in West Mifflin and Pittsburgh McKeesport Boulevard in Dravosburg after Pvt. Franklin Phillips.

Franklin Phillips enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on May 19, 1899, and was assigned to the Battleship Oregon, which was transporting marines to the Boxer Rebellion in Peking, China.

Phillips’ unit was part of the American Legation Guard that was charged with protecting American citizens in Peking. It was while serving with the detachment ashore that Private Phillips was killed on July 16, 1900, the last day of the uprising.

For distinguished conduct in the presence of the enemy under heavy fire in Peking, China, on July 16, 1900, Franklin Phillips was awarded the Medal of Honor by John D. Long, Secretary of the Navy, on July 19, 1901.

Designation authorized: The interchange connecting Camp Hollow Road in West Mifflin and Pittsburgh McKeesport Boulevard in Dravosburg is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the "Private Franklin J. Phillips Interchange" in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

Thank you, and I would ask for an affirmative vote. 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-197

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS-197', including Adolph, Allen, Argall, Armstrong, Baker, J., Baker, M., Bard, Barrar, Bastian, Bebko-Jones, Belardi, Belfanti, Benninghoff, Birmelin, Bishop, Blaum, Boyes, Brooks, Browne, Bunt, Butkovitz, Buxton, Caltagirone, Cappelli, Casorio, Cawley, Civera, Clark, Clymer, Cohen, L. I., Cohen, M., Colafella, Coleman, Cornell, Corrigan, Costa, Coy, Creighton, Cruz, Curry, Dailey, Daley, Dally, DeLuca, Dermody, DeWeese, DiGiroloam, Diven, Donatucci, Eachus, Egolf, Evans, D., Evans, J., Fairchild, Feese, Fichter, Fleagle, Flick, Forcier, Frankel, Freeman, Gabig, Gannon, Geist, George, Godshall, Gordner, Grucela, Gruitza, Habay, Haluska, Hanna, Harhai, Harhart, Harper, Hasay, Hennessey, Herman, Hershey, Hess, Horsey, Hutchinson, Jadlowiec, James, Josephs, Kaiser, Keller, Kenney, Kirkland, Krebs, LaGrotta, Laughlin, Lawless, Lederer, Leh, Lescovitz, Lewis, Lucyk, Lynch, Mackereth, Maher, Maitland, Major, Manderino, Mann, Markosek, Marsico, Mayernik, McCall, McGeehan, McGill, McIlhattan, McIlhinney, McNaughton, Melio, Metcalfe, Michlovic, Micozzie, Miller, R., Miller, S., Mundy, Nailor, Nickol, O'Brien, Oliver, Pallone, Perzel, Petrarca, Petrone, Phillips, Pickett, Pippy, Pistella, Preston, Raymond, Readshaw, Reinard, Rieger, Roberts, Robinson, Roebuck, Rohrer, Rooney, Ross, Rubley, Ruffing, Sainato, Samuelson, Santoni, Sather, Saylor, Schroder, Schuler, Scrimenti, Semmel, Shaner, Smith, B., Smith, S. H., Solobay, Staback, Stairs, Steelman, Steil, Stern, Stetler, Stevenson, R., Stevenson, T., Strittmatter, Sturla, Surra, Tangretti, Taylor, E. Z., Taylor, J., Thomas, Tigue, Travaglio, Trello, Trich, Tulli, Turzai, Vance, Veon, Vitali, Walko, Wansacz, Washington, Waters, Watson, Williams, J., Wilt, Wojnaroski, Wright, G., Wright, M., Yewcic, Youngblood, Zug, Ryan, Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Table listing names of members who were 'EXCUSED-4': Levdansky, Myers, Yudichak, Zimmerman

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. SURRA offered the following amendment No. A1416:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting and a section of State Route 1011 in Clearfield, Cameron and Elk Counties as the Quehanna Highway.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43, Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 and 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 2. Quehanna Highway.

(a) Designation.—The section of State Route 1011 that runs from Route 879 near Karthaus, in Clearfield County through the Quehanna Wild Area in Cameron and Elk Counties and ends at State Route 555 at Medix Run in Elk County, is designated and shall be known as the Quehanna Highway.

(b) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs at each end of the section of highway identifying the portion of road described in subsection (a) as the Quehanna Highway.

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

Table listing names of members who voted 'YEAS-197', including Adolph, Allen, Argall, Armstrong, Baker, J., Baker, M., Bard, Barrar, Bastian, Bebko-Jones, Belardi, Belfanti, Benninghoff, Birmelin, Bishop, Blaum, Boyes, Brooks, Browne, Egolf, Evans, D., Evans, J., Fairchild, Feese, Fichter, Fleagle, Flick, Forcier, Frankel, Freeman, Gabig, Gannon, Geist, George, Godshall, Gordner, Grucela, Gruitza, Maher, Maitland, Major, Manderino, Mann, Markosek, Marsico, Mayernik, McCall, McGeehan, McGill, McIlhattan, McIlhinney, McNaughton, Melio, Metcalfe, Michlovic, Micozzie, Miller, R., Saylor, Schroder, Schuler, Scrimenti, Semmel, Shaner, Smith, B., Smith, S. H., Solobay, Staback, Stairs, Steelman, Steil, Stern, Stetler, Stevenson, R., Stevenson, T., Strittmatter, Sturla

Bunt	Habay	Miller, S.	Surra
Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nickol	Taylor, J.
Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
Curry	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Dailey	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Daley	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
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DiGirolamo	Lewis	Sainato	
Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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. **LESCOVITZ** offered the following amendment No. **A1450**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 2, by removing the period after "Highway" and inserting ; and designating the interchange, Exit 44, at Route 136 and Dry Run Road in Washington County as the Staff Sergeant Karl Gorman Taylor, Sr., Interchange.

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting Section 1. Yohogania County Courthouse Highway.

(a) Designation authorized.—The Mon/Fayette Expressway, State Route 43,

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Section 2." and inserting

(b) Signs.—

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 10 and 11 Section 2. Staff Sergeant Karl Gorman Taylor, Sr., Interchange.

(a) Findings.—

(1) On December 8, 1968, in the Republic of Vietnam,

Staff Sergeant Taylor, while serving at night as a company gunnery sergeant during Operation Meade River, exhibited conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty.

(2) Staff Sergeant Taylor, when informed that the commander of the lead platoon had been mortally wounded, crawled forward to the beleaguered unit through a hail of hostile fire, shouted encouragement and instructions to the men and deployed them to covered positions.

(3) Staff Sergeant Taylor repeatedly maneuvered across an open area to rescue those marines who were too seriously wounded to move themselves.

(4) When confronted with devastating fire, Staff Sergeant Taylor took his grenade launcher and in full view of the enemy, charged across the open rice paddy toward the machine gun position, firing his weapon as he ran.

(5) Although wounded several times, Staff Sergeant Taylor succeeded in reaching the machine gun bunker and silenced the fire moments before he was mortally wounded.

(6) Directly instrumental in saving the lives of several of his fellow marines, Staff Sergeant Taylor, by his indomitable courage, inspiring leadership and selfless dedication, upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service.

(b) Designation authorized.—The interchange, Exit 44, at Route 136 and Dry Run Road in Washington County is hereby designated and shall hereafter be known as the Staff Sergeant Karl Gorman Taylor, Sr., Interchange in recognition of the Medal of Honor recipient.

(c) Signs.—The Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission shall erect appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the designation under subsection (b).

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Mr. Lescovitz.

Mr. **LESCOVITZ**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, last Friday afternoon at the dedication of part of the Mon/Fayette Expressway in Washington County and Allegheny County, I had the pleasure of presenting a citation and meeting with the family of S. Sgt. Karl Gorman Taylor to designate an interchange, No. 44 on that highway, in his name.

Mr. Taylor was a Vietnam veteran and died on December 8, 1968, helping to save the lives of many of the men in his company.

I would appreciate an affirmative vote in recognition of Staff Sergeant Taylor in designating this intersection in his name. Thank you.

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—197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
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Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
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Butkovitz	Haluska	Mundy	Tangretti
Buxton	Hanna	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
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Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
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Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
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Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Donatucci	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Eachus	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Levdansky	Myers	Yudichak	Zimmerman
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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?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On the question of final passage, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Daley.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want at this time for all the members to publicly acknowledge the efforts of Representative Tom Michlovic.

Last Friday when we dedicated the Mon/Fayette Expressway

in both Washington County and the Allegheny County and Washington County line, Tom had set up a program for 10 Congressional Medal of Honor winners. Tom was the emcee of that program. He had prepared our scripts, and he then on Sunday had a dinner for the families.

I think it is a wonderful thing that Representative Michlovic has done. Tom Michlovic is our hero from Vietnam in the House, even though he does not like to acknowledge the fact of his efforts, that he was decorated during the Vietnam war, and I wanted to make those comments on the record, Mr. Speaker, as part of the final passage of HB 2296, and I think the House owes Tom Michlovic a round of applause.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

Adolph	Egolf	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Evans, D.	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, J.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fairchild	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Feese	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Fichter	Markosek	Shaner
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Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Washington
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Waters
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Watson
Cruz	Kirkland	Roberts	Williams, J.
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

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

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

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

**HB 2402, PN 3721** (Amended) By Rep. STAIRS

An Act amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for certain employment by annuitants.

EDUCATION.

### **REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the caucus chairman, Representative Feese.

Mr. FEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Republicans will caucus this afternoon. We are not sure of the exact time. We expect it will be around 2 o'clock. However, we will announce it over the intercom system as well as through e-mail. We are waiting for some legislation from the Senate, and we also anticipate that we will have a late afternoon or possibly into the early evening hours.

### **DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Any other announcements? The Chair recognizes Representative Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, the Democrats will caucus immediately upon the call of recess. We will have one or two bills to go over plus informal discussions.

### **RECESS**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This House will stand in recess until the call of the Chair, but we do not anticipate coming back until 4 or 5 o'clock this afternoon.

### **AFTER RECESS**

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

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

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, who requests that the lady, Ms. HARPER, be placed on leave for the balance of today's session.

The minority whip is recognized. He requests that Representative WASHINGTON and Representative ROBERTS be placed on leave for the balance of the day's session.

Without objection, leaves will be granted. The Chair hears none.

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM GOVERNOR**

### **APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILLS**

The Speaker laid before the House communications in writing from the office of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following House bills had been approved and signed by the Governor:

**HB 1536, HB 1923, and HB 2129.**

### **ACTUARIAL NOTE**

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of an actuarial note for amendment 1770 to HB 27, PN 616.

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

### **SENATE MESSAGE**

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1935, PN 3725**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

### **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 907, PN 1907**.

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

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence. The minority whip requests the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. KIRKLAND, be placed on leave for the balance of today's session. Without objection, the leave is granted. The Chair hears no objection.

### 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:

#### SB 705, PN 1860

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for integrated pest management programs in schools.

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

### SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 2545, PN 3726**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

### RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who calls for an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee.

### BILLS ON CONCURRENCE REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

#### HB 1935, PN 3725

By Rep. PERZEL

An Act providing for a commercial downtown enhancement program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development.

RULES.

#### HB 2545, PN 3726

By Rep. PERZEL

An Act apportioning this Commonwealth into congressional districts in conformity with constitutional requirements; providing for the nomination and election of Congressmen; requiring publication of notice of the establishment of congressional districts following the Federal decennial census; imposing duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Legislative Reference Bureau; and making repeals.

RULES.

#### SB 907, PN 1907

By Rep. PERZEL

An Act designating a portion of SR 11 in Salem Township, Luzerne County, as Salem Boulevard; a portion of US Route 119 in Indiana County as the Patrick J. Stapleton Memorial Highway; a portion of State Route 413 between its intersection with State Route 13 and US Route 1 in Middletown Township, Bucks County, as Veterans Highway; a section of SR 1011 in Clearfield, Cameron and Elk Counties as the Quehanna Highway; the North George Street Bridge in the City of York, York County, as the Governor George M. Leader Bridge; and the ramp from the I-279S HOV lane to Anderson Street in Allegheny County as Cigna's Way.

RULES.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR D

### BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 2545, PN 3726**, entitled:

An Act apportioning this Commonwealth into congressional districts in conformity with constitutional requirements; providing for the nomination and election of Congressmen; requiring publication of notice of the establishment of congressional districts following the Federal decennial census; imposing duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Legislative Reference Bureau; and making repeals.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

### PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. On the question, Mr. Vitali, do you desire recognition?

Mr. VITALI. Parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER. State your parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. VITALI. The length of time the rules require for the House to consider a bill which has come over from the Senate on concurrence, is that an hour?

The SPEAKER. It is 1 hour, and the hour is up in 15 minutes, and I thought there would be 15 minutes' worth of debate before we run it on final roll call. If there is not and you request it, I will move to suspend the rules, or we will go in recess for 5 or 10 minutes.

Mr. VITALI. My concern is, I do not know when it— I would suspect around 10 o'clock the Senate passed this, and I have no problems with waiting. I do not need to wait the full hour. I have an amendment drafted to the previous printer's number. I just want to make sure I have enough time for it to come down to this printer's number so I can make argument on that. That is my only real concern here.

The SPEAKER. That is a concern that is worth having.

Mr. Vitali, would you come to the desk.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. On the question of concurrence, Mr. DeWeese, on concurrence. There is no one standing up but you, and— Oh, I am sorry. Ms. Josephs. Forgive me. Ms. Josephs.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Mr. Speaker, when I stand up, I am practically the same height as when I sit down, so you are forgiven.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.



Ms. JOSEPHS. You are welcome.

I am standing up here, Mr. Speaker, at this late hour to urge a “no” vote from all of us on the concurrence of HB 2545.

I am speaking because I have urged this before upon the members of the State Government Committee and before you as well. The days have now all merged together. I do not remember when the last time it was that I stood up here and urged a “no” vote, but I remember doing it.

The SPEAKER. Ms. Josephs, please suspend for a moment.

There are entirely too many conversations going on on the floor. Ms. Josephs has the floor. The conversations taking place between the third and fourth section, please cease.

Ms. Josephs.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As I have been saying, as I was saying, I have urged a “no” vote before when I spoke to the full House yesterday, whatever day it was, and I am doing that again for the same reasons.

I believe that this bill, the contents of this bill, the districts as they were drawn, even with this amendment, continue to be unconstitutional, under the district court ruling, and that as members, we have sworn to uphold the Constitution not only of our Commonwealth but of our country, and that we will be violating our oath if we vote for this bill. That is my first point.

My second point is, I read the decision or at least the majority decision that was issued by the district court, and I hope it is only the majority decision. It is only 11 pages long, and it is not in legalese. It is quite easy to read for a person who, like all of us, whether or not we are lawyers, has some experience with the legislative process and has looked, either directly or indirectly, at court decisions. And if we were meeting at 4 or 5 in the afternoon, maybe I would read the whole thing out, because it is really interesting, but never fear, I have no intention of doing anything like that.

I hope that this decision is on the record, and if not, I would like to submit it. I do not know what the procedure is, but I would appreciate the Speaker enlightening me.

The SPEAKER. The lady, at the conclusion of her remarks, should give the record that you want to one of the pages. They will bring it up, and the reporter will see to it that it is annexed to the Journal.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Thank you.

Not only do I believe that this is an unconstitutional bill which we should not support and not violate our oaths, but I also believe that what we are passing here is going to go back to that court and that court is going to declare it also unconstitutional, and I get that

feeling from reading the decision, which I said is very simple to read.

There is a sentence in this decision that says, “The evidence conclusively demonstrates that this population deviation” – referring to the 19-person deviation – “was avoidable.” Federal courts do not make decisions, do not say things lightly.

The same Federal court says, “Nor can the deviation contained in Act 1” – which, as we all know, was SB 1200 – “nor can the deviation...be excused based upon the good faith of the Defendants” – the Republicans. “Indeed, we find that the testimony of defense witness Dr. John Memmi satisfies the Plaintiff’s burden...” – the Democrats. The witness called by the defendant Republicans, evidence was used against them and in favor of the plaintiff Democrats. That is fairly unusual, in my experience.

“Dr. Memmi testified that he was in charge of drawing up the map that became Act 1. He further stated that he drew the map under the direct supervision of the Republican leadership. He began manipulating the map...to get the deviations lower. However, once he reached the point of a nineteen-person deviation, he was told to stop manipulating the map....” Now, here I am skipping some text, in the interest of time.

“No other witnesses,” the court goes on, “no other witnesses were called by the Defendants” – Republicans – “to explain why Dr. Memmi was told to stop manipulating the map.

“We find this testimony to be in clear violation of the Supreme Court’s” – U.S. Supreme Court’s – “express goal of getting as close as possible to zero deviation when drawing congressional districts,” and follow some authority, as legal briefs do.

On another page, the court said, “We find...the Defendants’ arguments” – the Republicans’ arguments – “on this point” – and the point they are talking about is the splitting of precincts – “we find...the Defendants’ arguments...are a mere pretext.”

And in another point, “The logical inconsistency” – and what they were referring to at that stage was using census blocks rather than precincts, because, of course, census blocks are smaller, and if you use them, you end up with split precincts – “the logical inconsistency” – of using census blocks – “is so deep that it causes us to pause and consider the sincerity of such proffer” – the sincerity of the defendant Republicans.

“In summation,” they say, the opinion says, “it has been conclusively proven” – by the plaintiff’s witnesses and by the defendant’s witnesses – “that it is possible to draw a congressional district map with zero population deviation amongst districts without splitting any precincts.”

I would not say this about the people who serve with me in this great General Assembly. I do not think anybody else would characterize their motives and their actions in this way, who serves in this government, but some observers might say, looking at this opinion and considering the evidence, that the Federal court, three judges, two to one, two of the Federal judges, said the Republicans lied.

The court goes on also to say, based on a Supreme Court decision called Karcher, “However, it is on Karcher’s final endorsed neutral criteria – the avoidance of contests between incumbents – that Act 1 fails most miserably.”

This Federal court has said that the Republican defendants were not truthful, that they purposely misled, that they drew a map that they knew would violate the Constitution, and that it failed miserably in being fair. I do not think, I am sure, that if we send them back something that does not repair those very serious accusations, those very serious findings, Federal courts do not write down words that they do not mean.

The SPEAKER. Ms. Josephs.

Ms. JOSEPHS. I am almost finished, sir.

The SPEAKER. Ms. Josephs, well, let me make a comment for the benefit of not only you as a speaker but others who are speaking.

What we have before us is a bill on concurrence, so under the rules of the House, the debate is restricted to the differences between the House version that went over and the Senate version that came back, rather than reinventing the wheel and going back into Act 1, which really has nothing to do with this.

Ms. JOSEPHS. The differences between the bill as it went over to the Senate and as it came back, according to the Federal court,

are going to be zero, and they are going to declare this again unconstitutional, and I do not think anybody ought to be voting for it. I do not think our voters want to put up with this kind of nonsense, and if you think anything about your oath of office, you will vote “no” on this.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

### OPINION AND ORDER OF THE COURT SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

Ms. JOSEPHS submitted the Opinion and Order of the Court for the Legislative Journal.

(For Opinion and Order of the Court, see Appendix.)

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Cohen, on concurrence.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This bill as amended has good news and bad news. The good news is that with the passage of this bill, our State will not be held in contempt of court. This amendment is in narrow technical compliance with the court order but only the most narrow and most technical compliance. The question is, is narrow technical compliance good enough? Is it good enough for our constituents? Is it good enough for us? Is it good enough for the district court, the Third Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court? I think it is not good enough.

The district court has indicated that we have erred in needlessly merging the districts of incumbent members. The district court has indicated that we have erred by putting the districts together in a manner that seriously disadvantages the rights of Democratic Party members and Democratic Party incumbents.

The one thing that is good about this bill is that by so narrowly changing the original bill, by limiting the changes to a tiny fraction of the electorate in only 4 of the 19 congressional districts and leaving 15 congressional districts totally unchanged, this bill totally undermines the arguments for having another primary sometime after May 21. I do not see how anybody in the Republican Party or anywhere else can argue that we need to move the primary back after passing this bill.

But this bill is not good enough. It is at best extremely technical compliance. It is at best only borderline constitutional. This bill will only entrench us in litigation for the rest of this year. It may entrench us in litigation throughout the entire 10-year cycle that this reapportionment plan is in effect.

I strongly urge that we vote “no” on concurrence in HB 2545.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to move to suspend the House rules for the consideration of amendment A1806. What this amendment would do would be that if—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman yield one moment.

Mr. DeWeese, I assume you are yielding to the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, on the question of suspension.

Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

What this amendment would do would be, if the congressional election were required to be held beyond May 21, that that election would be held by mail. The amendment is modeled after the Oregon statute, which has been very successful.

The beauty of this amendment is, it solves a very difficult problem we have. What it would do would be allow us to keep all of the elections as is with the exception of the congressional race but also would allow that congressional race to be conducted, one, in a low-cost manner and, two, with a voter turnout higher than would be expected by a conventional election. Three, it also solves the problem of, if we need to have an election other than May 21, finding polling places, which might not be available.

Mr. Speaker, the Oregon experience and the experience of other States have shown that voting by mail results in higher turnout and it is also done at a fraction of the cost, because you save the cost of paying these polling workers. What this amendment would do would be allow the counties, the individual counties, to administer the process. The counties would print the ballots, mail the ballots out, and count these ballots.

I think beyond this narrow issue, it would allow us – and I am just about finished – it would allow us, in a very controlled and limited fashion, to test an experiment, an experiment that is very progressive in its nature and, if successful, might move Pennsylvania forward into that group of other States who have successfully executed a vote-by-mail program.

So I would for that reason ask for a rules suspension to allow this amendment to be considered. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. Mr. Perzel, on the question of suspension of the rules.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I realize that the gentleman is trying to do something that probably has merit, but at this late date, I do not think it would be very fair to expect the members of the House of Representatives here, the State Senators here, the gentlemen that are running for Governor, to be elected in one election by electors that go to the polls and then have our Congress people elected by a second set of electors who would do it by mail. And I do not know, unless the postage rates have gone down, I do not know how much cheaper it would be.

So, Mr. Speaker, for those reasons I would respectfully ask the members to please vote “no” on the suspension of the rules.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—82

Belardi	Frankel	McCall	Solobay
Belfanti	Freeman	McGeehan	Staback
Bishop	George	Melio	Steelman
Blaum	Grucela	Michlovic	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Mundy	Sturla
Casorio	Haluska	Oliver	Surra
Cohen, M.	Hanna	Pallone	Tangretti
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Diven	Lucyk	Samuelson	Wojnarowski
Donatucci	Manderino	Santoni	Wright, G.
Eachus	Mann	Shaner	Youngblood
Evans, D.	Markosek		

## NAYS—108

Adolph	DiGirolamo	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Egolf	Mackereth	Saylor
Argall	Evans, J.	Maher	Schroder
Armstrong	Fairchild	Maitland	Schuler
Baker, J.	Feese	Major	Scrimenti
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Dally	Lewis		Speaker

## NOT VOTING—3

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## EXCUSED—8

Harper	Levdansky	Roberts	Yudichak
Kirkland	Myers	Washington	Zimmerman

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 concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. I see no members seeking recognition other than the two floor leaders. Mr. DeWeese.

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

This malevolent map is a marvel of idiosyncratic fullness. The clever and cavalier cartography of our Republican confederates have given us a loathsome expedient. There is not one atomic particle of fairness. This is a shameless and brazen hatchet job. It has the taint of sordid greed.

I am not the only one, Mr. Speaker, that has these profoundly passionate perspectives upon this proposal. The Bucks County

Courier Times offered a paean of praise to our jurisprudential colleagues on the Federal bench when it said that, quote, a panel of Federal judges "...did the right thing..."

That clarion call from the United States court should have been a manifesto for the Republicans in this building to stop, to cease, to desist. But yet, as my colleague, the gentlelady from Philadelphia, who spoke so eloquently a few moments ago, has asserted, the changes that we are about to concur or nonconcur upon have been gossamer thin. Like a diaphanous nightgown on a demimondaine, you can see right through them.

I cannot fathom, I cannot fathom, the lack of rigorous constitutional scrutiny by my Republican schismatics. I cannot fathom how casual, how nonchalant, how shambolic, all of you have been in regard to your duty, your constitutional duty, to be fair. That is a monosyllabic that I happen to be quite fond of—fair. You continue to tear and trample and demolish your constitutional obligation.

Mr. Speaker, somewhere in the writings of St. Augustine in the fourth century of the Christian era, when he was admonishing the Roman church as to its most lofty goal, he said, and I quote, "We are to teach kings how to rule for the benefit of their people." The words of St. Augustine, Mr. Speaker, have been gainsaid tonight if this measure is concurred in—not only the United States Constitution but the words of St. Augustine.

I thought you would have all known better, but I have to believe that you are continually flawed by a fatal self-indulgence. Nobody is fooling anybody. There is a sterling chance that this proposal will be rejected by the United States courts, that echelon of government that supersedes our Commonwealth.

Bill Greenlee and Stan Rapp's well-read, local little gazette offered this morning that the State Senate today is expected to make some minor alterations. The Capitol Wire offered today from Senator David Brightbill, my honorable colleague from Lebanon County, as they say over there, the proposal will be tweaked. Minor alterations; tweaking. But then the Honorable Brightbill had the opportunity to be even more disingenuous when he said, we are doing the best we can. No one embraces those observations as being credible. This is a baldly partisan maneuver, and hopefully it will run into the proverbial roadblock in the United States courts.

Now, obviously, we would have had someone to parry and halt these aggressions. As I have said on this floor before and I will say again, on the night that Governor Ridge was chosen by our esteemed President to be the Director of Homeland Security, Mr. Veon and I both received calls from Governor Schweiker, now no longer Lieutenant Governor but His Excellency, the chief superintendent of our Commonwealth, and he said, "Bill, Mike, we're not Democrats or Republicans anymore; we're Pennsylvanians." But when his palsied hand puts his signature on this proposal, it will be a preeminently Republican signature. His imprimatur will stink in the nostrils of heaven, and we will no longer be just Pennsylvanians; he will shine, he will shine as a Republican stalwart when he signs that bill on his big mahogany desk.

The Republican Party in Pennsylvania, in case no one has been noticing—I think Mr. Travaglio certainly has noticed—but we have two United States Senators, an Attorney General, a Treasurer, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, State Senate, and State House, whose hegemony is in the quixotic embrace of the GOP. So when young Casper here decides to craft our map, at our own advice and asking, we gave you gentlemen and ladies a majority;

21 congressional seats go to 19, and we say – and this is what we are thinking about concurring for or against – we say, okay, the Republicans are running the show in Harrisburg; the Honorable Mr. Ryan from Delaware County is at the dais, in charge of the House; Mr. Jubelirer, Mr. Brightbill, et al., are in charge of the Senate. So we back up and say, okay; 19 U.S. congressional Representatives, down by the broad-bosomed banks of the Potomac, 19; we will give the Republicans 10; we will take 9. You lose one; we lose one. That was not good enough.

I had a DI (drill instructor) at boot camp in the Marine Corps whose favorite phrase was, “Good enough ain’t good enough.” And although I do not remember seeing some of you folks down there, you have taken that advice. This is political rapine. This is not fair play, and the United States courts and Federal case law sustain our position, and we are going to be right back where we started from. The gentledady from Philadelphia offered that, and I am only trying to inculcate one more time, Mr. Speaker, the feeling that she is correct.

This proposal will segregate voters. Republicans are trying to advance the interests of one party. This proposal fragments Democratic votes around the State, and it ensures that their votes are worth less than Republican votes.

A red flag should go up to our brethren and sisters in the court when they look at Mercer County. Only one precinct was titillated and molested, and that was the precinct of Mr. Gruitza, our own colleague here in the House, to make sure that he would not be involved in that congressional district.

People are losing interest in our governance. Only one-half of Pennsylvania’s citizenry are registered to vote. Only one-half of those that are registered vote with regularity. People are slipping away.

Yogi Berra, someone we have all heard of and someone we all admire, said that if people do not want to come out to the ball park, how are we going to stop them? If people do not want to vote, how are we going to stop them?

This chicanery, this maneuvering, this terpsichorean fandango, that you folks have foisted upon your fellow citizenry is an embarrassment of the first magnitude, but, Mr. Speaker, we are wakefully alert and we will confute this false argument. Democratic howls of indignation are justified, because we are clad in the armor of a righteous cause.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, in the wonderfully evocative phrase of Charles Baudelaire, a talented French writer of long ago, this proposal that I will ask for a nonconurrence vote in – and this is one of the more piquant phrases in my repertoire – is the phosphorescence of putrescence. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Perzel.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, thank you.

I will try to be brief.

Our plan – and I am going to state this again, Mr. Speaker – has seven districts with GOP registration majorities, seven districts with Democrat registration majorities, five districts where neither party has a majority of the registered voters – three with GOP plurality, two with Democrat plurality. I guess what the gentleman is saying, Mr. Speaker, is that they cannot win competitive districts, because we have made it as competitive as we possibly can – seven R, seven D; three majority GOP, two majority Democrat Party. That is what the gentleman said he would have accepted; that is what we did with this map, Mr. Speaker.

We told you before that Gore carried 10 of these districts and Bush carried 9 of these congressional districts, Mr. Speaker. The only major change that we made from the last map to this map is we did try to help out the senior Congressman from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Congressman Murtha, and we made his district a little bit more Democrat, Mr. Speaker, so that was the major change.

So I am asking the members to please vote in the affirmative on this concurrence, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—121

Adolph	Eachus	Lewis	Ruffing
Allen	Egolf	Mackereth	Sainato
Argall	Evans, D.	Maher	Sather
Armstrong	Evans, J.	Maitland	Saylor
Baker, J.	Fairchild	Major	Schroder
Baker, M.	Feese	Mann	Schuler
Bard	Fichter	Markosek	Semmel
Barrar	Fleagle	Marsico	Smith, B.
Bastian	Flick	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Forcier	McGill	Stairs
Birmelin	Gabig	McIlhattan	Steil
Blaum	Gannon	McIlhinney	Stern
Boyes	Geist	McNaughton	Stetler
Brooks	Godshall	Melio	Stevenson, R.
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Bunt	Habay	Micozzie	Strittmatter
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Cappelli	Hasay	Nailor	Taylor, J.
Civera	Hennessey	Nickol	Thomas
Clark	Herman	O’Brien	Tulli
Clymer	Hershey	Perzel	Turzai
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Petrarca	Vance
Coleman	Horsey	Phillips	Watson
Cornell	Jadlowiec	Pickett	Wilt
Costa	James	Pippy	Wright, M.
Creighton	Kaiser	Pistella	Youngblood
Cruz	Keller	Raymond	Zug
Dailey	Kenney	Reinard	
Dally	Krebs	Rieger	
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Ross	Ryan,
Diven	Lederer	Rubley	Speaker

#### NAYS—72

Bebko-Jones	Frankel	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Freeman	Michlovic	Steelman
Belfanti	George	Miller, S.	Sturla
Bishop	Grucela	Mundy	Surra
Buxton	Gruitza	Oliver	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Haluska	Pallone	Tigue
Casorio	Hanna	Petrone	Travaglio
Cawley	Harhai	Preston	Trello
Cohen, M.	Hutchinson	Readshaw	Trich
Colafella	Josephs	Robinson	Veon
Corrigan	Laughlin	Roebuck	Vitali
Coy	Lawless	Rohrer	Walko
Curry	Leh	Rooney	Wansacz
Daley	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Waters
DeLuca	Lucyk	Santoni	Williams, J.
Dermody	Lynch	Scrimenti	Wojnaroski
DeWeese	Manderino	Shaner	Wright, G.

Donatucci            McCall            Solobay            Yewcic

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Harper            Levdansky        Roberts            Yudichak  
Kirkland        Myers            Washington        Zimmerman

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

### SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 27, PN 3727**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

### RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Mr. Perzel, who calls for an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee.

#### BILL ON CONCURRENCE REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HB 27, PN 3727**

By Rep. PERZEL

An Act amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for creditable nonschool service, for election to become a Class T-D member, for actuarial cost method and for termination of annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003; further providing for payment of benefits, for annuity reserve account and for the definitions of "creditable nonstate service," "State employees," "State service" and "total accumulated deductions"; providing for notice to members; further providing for mandatory and optional membership, for credited State service and for retention and reinstatement of service credits; providing for election to convert school service to State service; further providing for creditable nonstate service, for classes of service, for contributions by the Commonwealth and other employers and for actuarial cost method; providing for transfer of accumulated deductions; further providing for disability annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003 and for special supplemental postretirement adjustment of 2002; further providing for duties of the board to advise and report to heads of departments and members, for duties of the board to report to the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, for rights and duties of annuitants, for members' savings account, for State accumulation account and for supplemental annuity account; and making technical corrections.

RULES.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR E

#### BILL ON CONCURRENCE

### IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 27, PN 3727**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for creditable nonschool service, for election to become a Class T-D member, for actuarial cost method and for termination of annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003; further providing for payment of benefits, for annuity reserve account and for the definitions of "creditable nonstate service," "State employees," "State service" and "total accumulated deductions"; providing for notice to members; further providing for mandatory and optional membership, for credited State service and for retention and reinstatement of service credits; providing for election to convert school service to State service; further providing for creditable nonstate service, for classes of service, for contributions by the Commonwealth and other employers and for actuarial cost method; providing for transfer of accumulated deductions; further providing for disability annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003 and for special supplemental postretirement adjustment of 2002; further providing for duties of the board to advise and report to heads of departments and members, for duties of the board to report to the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, for rights and duties of annuitants, for members' savings account, for State accumulation account and for supplemental annuity account; and making technical corrections.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. On the question of concurrence, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Mr. Speaker, could I just have a brief explanation of the amendment by its maker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Nickol, do you desire to stand for interrogation?

Mr. NICKOL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

What the Senate inserted in HB 27 includes a COLA (cost-of-living adjustment) for the retired school and retired State employees. It is a split COLA, the first half which would be given on July 1, 2002, to retirees who retired on or before July 1 of 1990. A second phase of the COLA would be delivered on July 1, 2003, to those retirees who retired on July 2 or thereafter, 1990. The COLA would be paid for commencing the year after which it is initiated.

It would also change the way the retirement calculations are calculated for the Public School Employees' Retirement System, to use the exact same method they use in the State Employees' Retirement System, and that is, a 5-year smoothing method instead of the 3-year smoothing method that they use currently. In addition to that, it changes the way that the gains and losses are realized for that system, to match those in SERS.

In addition, it imposes an employer contribution rate floor from here on out of 1 percent from employers for the Public School Employees' Retirement System commencing this year; a 1-percent floor commencing July 1, 2004, for the State Employees' Retirement System.

In addition to that floor, the employer contribution rate in this current fiscal year, it is requiring a recertification by the Public School Employees' Retirement System of the contribution rate, which had been set back in December at 5.64. It is going to be recalculated, and the legislation would set a floor at 1.15 percent for this upcoming fiscal year.

In addition to that, it requires school districts that have increased taxes for reason of the increased employer contribution

to roll back those taxes commensurate with what the reduced contribution will be, and for those school districts who have not locked in the tax increase, it requires those school districts to take this reduction into account in determining any tax increase in that school district.

In addition to that, it makes a number of minor technical corrections that pick up some changes from Act 9 that had been passed in 2001. It increases minimum death benefits eligible for annuity from \$5,000 to \$10,000 for both systems.

For the State Employees' Retirement System only, it makes some changes. There were 13 employees of the Juvenile Court Justice Commission who worked at Shippensburg University, who used to be on the payroll at Shippensburg University. Nine of those members, because they were employees of the university, participated in an alternate retirement plan offered under TIAA-CREF (Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association College Retirement Equities Fund). They were shifted to the State payroll. State employees are not allowed to participate in an alternate retirement plan. This allows the nine members who were members of that plan to continue membership in TIAA-CREF.

It also makes some corrections with regard to the transfer of certain employees from the Department of Education to the Department of Corrections. Department of Corrections employees have a retirement age of 50. Department of Education employees have a retirement age of 60. It makes certain corrections to adjust for that in retirement calculations.

That essentially covers most of the points, I believe, in the bill.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the gentleman from York rise for brief interrogation?

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

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, when word of this type of legislation first appeared in the newspaper, I got a call from a teacher who was concerned that in that smoothing effect that you talked about, that we were going to take their salaries that we calculate their pensions off of and use 5 years for that, and I tried to assure them that it was simply the performance of the fund that we were smoothing over a 5-year period, not their pay calculation; that that would still remain over 3 years. Is that correct? Can you elaborate on that a little bit so that all of us do not get thousands of calls from teachers tomorrow?

Mr. NICKOL. Yes; you are exactly correct. What they are confusing it with is the determination of the final average salary for retirement purposes, where you use the best salary they have had over a 3-year period and average that. What we are talking about here is only for the calculation of the employer contribution rate.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. That will end my interrogation.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Mr. Daley, from Washington County.

Mr. DALEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In mid-January I wrote a letter to the majority leader expressing my concern over rumors and speculation that we would be backing away from last year's promise for a COLA for retirees. I am glad to see that is not the case and today we are addressing that issue. As I said at the time, I know the majority leader better than that, and I believed that he would not forsake those that he promised to

bring along last fall.

Over the last 4 or 5 years, we have breathed confidence into corporate Pennsylvania with over \$3 billion in tax cuts. Yet another cut has been proposed for 2002-2003 in the capital stock and franchise tax. This is money that can be used to fund the State's share of the COLA for retirees. Of course, we all know that.

One can easily argue that putting extra money in the hands of retirees is likely to stimulate economic recovery, as is further cutting of corporate business taxes. In fact, Governor Ridge's \$100 tax rebate last year and President Bush's \$300 rebate both relied on this argument of consumer-driven stimulus to the economy. It is time to defer further business benefits for a year or two in favor of fulfilling our promise to those in greater need.

The plan proposed—half this year and half next year—is not all we had hoped for, but it is a reasonable compromise. Within the space of 14 months, it will get all our retirees up to where they need to be. The pension fund accounting changes proposed as well will lessen, but not offset, the dramatic pension assessment increases owed by local school districts. We will still need to do more on that front, but on this issue, we have got a valuable improvement that deserves our support, and I ask for an affirmative vote, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

I see no other members seeking recognition. Mr. DeWeese, the Democratic floor leader, do you wish to be recognized on this? Mr. Perzel, do you wish to be recognized on this?

Mr. DeWEESE. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Mr. DeWeese. I am sorry.

Mr. DeWEESE. I would just ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

The question before the House is, will the House concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate? On that question, those voting to concur will vote "aye"—

### PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. Mr. Belfanti, do you desire recognition on concurrence?

Mr. BELFANTI. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

Point of parliamentary inquiry. It relates, to a degree, to what the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, asked some time ago.

The printer's number on this legislation is active for about 15 minutes now. I have worked on an amendment which I did not expect would pass, and I knew it would require a suspension of the rules, but I did intend to offer it, and I have ordered it, and I assumed that there would be a bit more debate than we have had here today.

So I am asking whether or not I can at least check with the Reference Bureau to see if it is going to be down momentarily. If that is not the case, I will make some remarks on final passage.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Belfanti, may I make a suggestion?

Mr. BELFANTI. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Vitali had the same problem, and we met with Mr. Vitali at the desk and explained that it would be necessary to suspend the rules. We suggested to him and he concurred that he would move to suspend the rules at this time, briefly describe his amendment, and if you are successful on suspending the rules, then we will address the issue of the Legislative Reference Bureau's having the amendment available.

Mr. BELFANTI. I will agree to that, Mr. Speaker. I agree to

that, Mr. Speaker.

### MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belfanti, who moves that the rules of the House be suspended to permit him—

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just received a call that the amendment is en route, but to save time, I will explain it.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman wait until I have put the question.

The gentleman, Mr. Belfanti, moves that the rules of the House be suspended to permit him to offer amendment— What number? Do we have a number on it?

Mr. BELFANTI. I am sure they do, but—

The SPEAKER. To offer the following amendment, which he is about to describe.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. Mr. Belfanti.

Mr. BELFANTI. Well, actually, Mr. Speaker, may I speak on final passage and then move to make that motion?

The SPEAKER. No. The motion has been made to suspend the rules. Mr. DeWeese yields to you on the question of suspension of the rules, and if you would like to describe the amendment that you will offer if the rules are suspended, this would be the appropriate time to do that.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, for many, many years, many members of this General Assembly have been—

### MOTION RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. Mr. Belfanti, I am sorry; I have bad news.

I forgot; I was reminded that to offer an amendment to this bill, you need an actuarial note, under the law. It is not a rule of the House. It is a statutory provision that an actuarial note be made available, and I assume you do not have that, and if that is the case, it would be out of order to suspend the rules to offer the amendment.

### PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. BELFANTI. Mr. Speaker, another point of parliamentary inquiry.

I do not know if it was reasonable to assume that arriving on the Hill today, finding out for the first time this morning that we were going to be doing a COLA bill, knowing that we would not see the COLA bill until 10 minutes ago, and that it would be a conference committee report, not having the language, not having either a bill number or a printer's number, that there would be any mechanism whatsoever for any member to get an actuarial note prepared 15 minutes after the bill arrived here.

The SPEAKER. I cannot pass judgment on whether it is reasonable or not. I can say that we are all bound by statutory provisions of our law.

Mr. BELFANTI. Mr. Speaker, I will withdraw my motion to

suspend the rules, and I would like to speak on final passage.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order, on concurrence.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to applaud the makers of the legislation, HB 27, as it arrived here on concurrence. What it contains is language that is fair. It takes care of the class of retirees that needs it the most, and again, I applaud the makers of the legislation and those who have worked on it.

The one problem that I have with the legislation is that for years we have talked about Pennsylvania as being one of the few States that does not allow for an automatic annual cost-of-living adjustment. Mr. Speaker, the effect of not having that, I understand— First of all, I understand that it is very expensive to expect that every year. My amendment, had I been allowed to offer it, would have remedied that to this degree: It contained language that effective in the year 2005, there would be an annual COLA. That annual COLA could be reduced or eliminated by the SERS or the PSERS boards in years of a bad economy and would only take effect in years where the fund showed a surplus greater than the payout. It would have also set a floor so that our contribution rate would not go below 2 percent, to help keep that annual cost-of-living adjustment an ongoing matter.

Again, it did allow for the actuaries and a board prospectively to supersede the effects of the statute and reduce or eliminate that COLA, but it would not have to have been done here on the floor of the House and in the Senate. Had there been enough money, as we saw in the midnineties where the surpluses far exceeded the contributions, those COLAs would have been automatic. That was what I attempted to do.

Again, I believe that this is far better than nothing, and it is long overdue. So I am asking for an affirmative vote on HB 27, and I will ask at some future date that I be given some time to prepare an amendment to another germane bill.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

### YEAS—193

Adolph	Eachus	Maher	Saylor
Allen	Egolf	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Evans, D.	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Evans, J.	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker, J.	Fairchild	Mann	Semmel
Baker, M.	Feese	Markosek	Shaner
Bard	Fichter	Marsico	Smith, B.
Barrar	Fleagle	Mayernik	Smith, S. H.
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Bebko-Jones	Forcier	McGeehan	Staback
Belardi	Frankel	McGill	Stairs
Belfanti	Freeman	McIlhattan	Steelman
Benninghoff	Gabig	McIlhinney	Steil
Birmelin	Gannon	McNaughton	Stern
Bishop	Geist	Melio	Stetler
Blaum	George	Metcalfe	Stevenson, R.
Boyes	Godshall	Michlovic	Stevenson, T.
Brooks	Gordner	Micozzie	Strittmatter
Browne	Grucela	Miller, R.	Sturla
Bunt	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Surra

Butkovitz	Habay	Mundy	Tangretti
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Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waters
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Watson
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, J.
Cruz	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Curry	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Dailey	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Daley	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
Dally	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DeWeese	Lewis	Sainato	
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Diven	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Donatucci	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-8

Harper	Levdansky	Roberts	Yudichak
Kirkland	Myers	Washington	Zimmerman

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B**

**BILL ON CONCURRENCE  
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS**

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 1935, PN 3725**, entitled:

An Act providing for a commercial downtown enhancement program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-193

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Buxton	Haluska	Nailor	Taylor, E. Z.
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Cappelli	Harhai	O'Brien	Thomas
Casorio	Harhart	Oliver	Tigue
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Travaglio
Civera	Hennessey	Perzel	Trello
Clark	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hershey	Petrone	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hess	Phillips	Turzai
Cohen, M.	Horsey	Pickett	Vance
Colafella	Hutchinson	Pippy	Veon
Coleman	Jadlowiec	Pistella	Vitali
Cornell	James	Preston	Walko
Corrigan	Josephs	Raymond	Wansacz
Costa	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waters
Coy	Keller	Reinard	Watson
Creighton	Kenney	Rieger	Williams, J.
Cruz	Krebs	Robinson	Wilt
Curry	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Dailey	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, G.
Daley	Lawless	Rooney	Wright, M.
Dally	Lederer	Ross	Yewcic
DeLuca	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
Dermody	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Zug
DeWeese	Lewis	Sainato	
DiGirolamo	Lucyk	Samuelson	
Diven	Lynch	Santoni	Ryan,
Donatucci	Mackereth	Sather	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-8

Harper	Levdansky	Roberts	Yudichak
Kirkland	Myers	Washington	Zimmerman

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.



**ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER**

The SPEAKER. May I have your attention, please; may I have your attention.

Tomorrow will be a nonvoting day, a token session day.

Your schedule shows that we are not in session next week. However, there is a distinct, emphasis added, there is a distinct possibility that you will be called back into session on Tuesday. I am saying Tuesday or Wednesday of next week would be my guess, if I had to make a guess, but plan on the possibility, almost probability, of being back here next week, but we will get in touch with you just as soon as we know.

There will be no further votes.

**BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

**HB 27, PN 3727**

An Act amending Titles 24 (Education) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for creditable nonschool service, for election to become a Class T-D member, for actuarial cost method and for termination of annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003; further providing for payment of benefits, for annuity reserve account and for the definitions of "creditable nonstate service," "State employees," "State service" and "total accumulated deductions"; providing for notice to members; further providing for mandatory and optional membership, for credited State service and for retention and reinstatement of service credits; providing for election to convert school service to State service; further providing for creditable nonstate service, for classes of service, for contributions by the Commonwealth and other employers and for actuarial cost method; providing for transfer of accumulated deductions; further providing for disability annuities; providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2002 and 2003 and for special supplemental postretirement adjustment of 2002; further providing for duties of the board to advise and report to heads of departments and members, for duties of the board to report to the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, for rights and duties of annuitants, for members' savings account, for State accumulation account and for supplemental annuity account; and making technical corrections.

**HB 1935, PN 3725**

An Act providing for a commercial downtown enhancement program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development.

**HB 2545, PN 3726**

An Act apportioning this Commonwealth into congressional districts in conformity with constitutional requirements; providing for the nomination and election of Congressmen; requiring publication of notice of the establishment of congressional districts following the Federal decennial census; imposing duties on the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Legislative Reference Bureau; and making repeals.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER**

The SPEAKER. Members, I neglected to mention that Monday, as it stands right now, Monday will be a token session day. So we will open on Monday, but at the moment it looks like it will be a token session day. There may be some bills that will have to be moved back and forth, but you will know if it is going to be a voting session. We will be in touch with you.

**STATEMENT BY DEMOCRATIC LEADER**

The SPEAKER. Does the majority leader or minority leader have any further business?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. DeWeese.

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

Just a reaffirmation of my enthusiasm to discuss campaign finance reform when we come back into session.

As I have said many times from this microphone over the past several months, the budget season does allow a substantial flexibility. Campaign finance reform is becoming a more severe challenge in our Commonwealth. Two days ago Eddie Rendell and Bob Casey, Jr., had raised \$24.7 million to spend in a primary campaign. That is an obscene amount of money for us as a Commonwealth to put up with. And the Republican Party, under the leadership of the whip from Jefferson County, Mr. Smith, has given me and this chamber their word that we would come back here and deal with serious campaign finance reform.

So I politely request that when we do come back into session in the next several weeks, in late April and early May, we address campaign finance reform. It has never in the history of this Commonwealth been more important.

In conclusion, when Bob Casey, Sr., participated in his campaign for Governor, he spent \$8 million, which was \$5 million more than Dick Thornburgh spent in the 1970s; he spent \$3 million. It went from \$3 million to \$8 million to Tom Ridge spending \$14 million, and right now in a primary, with just one party and we are still a month out, we have spent \$24.7 million.

Something must be done on campaign finance reform, and if the Republican whip and his team are not forthcoming with some aggressive efforts for campaign finance reform, I think it would be a serious dereliction and worthy of castigation.

Thank you very much.

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE,  
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED****HB 2117, PN 3728 (Amended)**

By Rep. KENNEY

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, further providing for payments to counties for services to children.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.****HB 2347, PN 3259**

By Rep. KENNEY

An Act directing the Department of Public Welfare to resolve the shortage of appropriate accessible dental care services for individuals with mental retardation residing in the community.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

The SPEAKER. Does the majority leader or minority leader have any further business?

Oh, I am so sorry. I did know that tomorrow is the birthday of the gentleman, Mr. DeWeese; the lady, Mrs. Taylor; and the gentleman, Mr. Birmelin, and I apologize. I intended to call that to the attention of the House so that Mr. DeWeese could take everyone out for a treat after the session adjourned today.

**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. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Thursday, April 18, 2002, at 11 a.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 11:29 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.