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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (JOHN M. PERZEL)  
PRESIDING**

#### PRAYER

REV. JULIANN V. WHIPPLE, Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

God of grace, God of glory, God of mystery and wonder, who made what was and designs what yet shall be, desert not those who live with what is. When the good die young and the wicked live long, when truth waivers and falsehood prevails, when cancer kills a child and a drunk driver maims an innocent mother, when the poor are homeless and the rich turn away in selfishness, when war rages and famine spreads, when arsonists burn and terrorists bomb and drugs destroy, we struggle for answers, Lord. Will You not help us to find them? If we are faithful in asking, will You not help us to interpret Your silences, to discover meaning in the meaningless, to find the road toward understanding and hope?

Those that gather here in this building have greater power than most of us to make a difference in some of the matters we have mentioned. Give them wisdom as to where to place their focus and their energies. May they not feel inadequate when they make what seem to be minor changes, when they were hoping to do things on a grander scale. Remind them and us that every blazing forest fire began with a small spark.

It is not easy, Lord, to get up here day after day and speak to You and to speak to each the word most needed, not easy to speak the word most needed when not sure what needs plead most to be met. Grant now that light may shine on some darkness, balm be laid on some wound, fire be kindled in some gallant resolve.

In humble adoration we offer these our prayers to You. Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, June 23, 2003, will be postponed until printed.

### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 1496** By Representatives T. STEVENSON, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BARD, BROWNE, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, DAILEY, DALLY, DeLUCA, DERMODY, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FEESE, GABIG, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GORDNER, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HORSEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEACH, MANDERINO, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McILHATTAN, MUNDY, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PETRARCA, PETRI, PISTELLA, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SEMMEL, B. SMITH, R. STEVENSON and ZUG

An Act regulating libraries; providing for the State Librarian, for the State Library, for the State Library Commission and for library financing; establishing the Pennsylvania State Library System; providing for State aid to libraries and for the Pennsylvania Information Network (PIN); making tax exemptions and authorizing and requiring local taxation; prescribing a penalty for damaging library property; and making repeals.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1497** By Representatives SOLOBAY, YUDICHAK, GRUCELA, DeWEESE, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BIANCUCCI, BROWNE, BUNT, CAPPELLI, COY, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DALEY, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GEIST, GEORGE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HESS, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEACH, LESCOVITZ, MARKOSEK, McCALL, PAYNE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROBERTS, SAINATO, SHANER, R. STEVENSON, THOMAS, TIGUE, WASHINGTON, WOJNAROSKI and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for a special registration plate for veterans and members of United States military airborne units.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1498** By Representatives ROONEY, CRUZ, WILLIAMS, McGEEHAN, MANDERINO, KIRKLAND, WALKO, DeLUCA, WASHINGTON, HORSEY, BEBKO-JONES, MELIO, THOMAS, JAMES and MYERS

An Act providing for medical practice disclosure; imposing powers and duties on the Department of State; and providing for penalties.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1499** By Representatives ROONEY, MANN, MARKOSEK, BELARDI, MYERS, HORSEY, SOLOBAY, CREIGHTON, READSHAW, LEACH, PETRARCA, McCALL, CASORIO, YOUNGBLOOD, HERSHEY, BEBKO-JONES, DONATUCCI, FRANKEL, HARHAI, KOTIK, TANGRETTI, DeLUCA, PISTELLA, COSTA, MELIO, ROEBUCK and JAMES

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for accidents involving death or personal injury.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1501** By Representatives ROONEY, YOUNGBLOOD, BUXTON, MANN, FREEMAN, BEBKO-JONES, GRUCELA, WHEATLEY, GEIST, MYERS, WATERS, KIRKLAND, HORSEY and MELIO

An Act amending the act of July 15, 1957 (P.L.901, No.399), known as the Optional Third Class City Charter Law, further providing for form of government.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1692** By Representatives MICOZZIE, BELFANTI, BIANCUCCI, DALEY, GOODMAN, HARHAI, KIRKLAND, S. MILLER, ROSS, SEMMEL, E. Z. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, further providing for municipal certificate prior to payment of fire loss claims; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1693** By Representatives D. EVANS, CLYMER, FABRIZIO, GRUCELA, DeWEESE, CURRY, KENNEY, McCALL, FREEMAN, BIANCUCCI, TIGUE, BEBKO-JONES, PISTELLA, YOUNGBLOOD, WHEATLEY, CAWLEY, LEACH, STABACK, WASHINGTON, JAMES, KIRKLAND, SCRIMENTI, HARHAI, THOMAS, FRANKEL, McGEEHAN and BROWNE

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for exceptions to sovereign immunity.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1694** By Representatives GRUITZA, THOMAS, JAMES, MANN, BEBKO-JONES, CAWLEY, CRUZ, GEORGE, GRUCELA, HORSEY, KIRKLAND, LAUGHLIN, McCALL, PALLONE, SAINATO, SHANER, TIGUE, CAPPELLI, COY, FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, HARHAI, KELLER, KOTIK, LEDERER, MICOZZIE, PRESTON, SCRIMENTI, TANGRETTI and WALKO

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for unlawful acts relative to licensees and others interested or employed in manufacturing or sale of equipment or fixtures to certain persons.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1695** By Representatives SEMMEL, BENNINGHOFF, YOUNGBLOOD, ALLEN, BAKER, BALDWIN, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BOYD, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CORRIGAN, COY, CREIGHTON, DAILEY, DALLY, FAIRCHILD, FEESE, FICHTER, FORCIER, GABIG, GEIST, GEORGE, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHART, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, HUTCHINSON, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEH, LEWIS, MACKERETH, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McILHATTAN, METCALFE, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROBERTS, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SATHER, SAYLOR, SHANER, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STERN, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TRUE, WANSACZ, WATSON, WILT and ZUG

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 the imposition of inheritance tax, for the rate of inheritance tax and for returns.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1696** By Representatives SEMMEL, FAIRCHILD, TIGUE, ARGALL, BAKER, BALDWIN, BARD, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DALLY, DeLUCA, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, FEESE, FICHTER, FLICK, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GORDNER, HARHART, HASAY, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, HORSEY, HUTCHINSON, KELLER, KOTIK, LAUGHLIN, LEDERER, LEH, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McGILL, METCALFE, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PERZEL, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SATHER, SAYLOR, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STERN, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TRUE, WALKO, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD and ZUG

An Act amending the act of October 30, 1987 (P.L.375, No.75), entitled, "An act providing for the designation of certain trees and land on the grounds of the State Capitol in Harrisburg as 'Soldiers' Grove' in honor of war veterans; imposing duties upon the Department of General Services; and making an appropriation," providing for the placement of a certain monument in Soldiers' Grove.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1697** By Representatives CRAHALLA, FICHTER, BARD, CAPPELLI, CORNELL, FABRIZIO, GODSHALL, HENNESSEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, LEACH, MCGILL, NAILOR, PAYNE, PERZEL, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON, WEBER and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Community and Economic Development for the purpose of Tourism - Accredited Zoos.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, June 24, 2003.

**No. 1698** By Representatives CRAHALLA, FICHTER, BARD, CAPPELLI, CORNELL, FABRIZIO, GODSHALL, HENNESSEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, LEACH, MCGILL, NAILOR, PAYNE, PERZEL, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON, WEBER and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of March 20, 2003 (P.L. , No.1A), known as the General Appropriations Act of 2003, making an appropriation to the Department of Community and Economic Development for tourism and accredited zoos.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, June 24, 2003.

### HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 333** By Representatives WATERS, BISHOP, JAMES, WASHINGTON, KIRKLAND, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BROWNE, COY, CRUZ, DeWEESE, DIGIROLAMO, GEIST, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HORSEY, LEDERER, MANDERINO, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, YOUNGBLOOD, COHEN and D. EVANS

A Resolution requesting the Health and Human Services Committee to study and make legislative recommendations on the harmful effects of lead poisoning.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, June 24, 2003.

### SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

**SB 387, PN 969**

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, June 24, 2003.

### SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 113, PN 2125**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

### BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

HB 544;  
HB 700;  
HB 847; and  
HB 1126.

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

### BILLS TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be laid on the table:

HB 544;  
HB 700;  
HB 847; and  
HB 1126.

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

### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, who moves for a leave of absence for the gentlelady from Montgomery, Ms. BARD, and the gentlelady from Chester, Mrs. RUBLEY. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who moves that a leave of absence be granted for the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. ROEBUCK. Without objection, that leave will be granted.

### MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback
Bianucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causar	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

Bard	Roebuck	Rubley
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**BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE,  
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND  
RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES**

**HB 1279, PN 1589**

By Rep. RAYMOND

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for sales on Saint Patrick's Day.

LIQUOR CONTROL.

**GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair welcomes to the hall of the House Nancy Whipple and Teri Naples, who are the legislative assistants in the district office of Representative John D. Payne, and Catherine Kirby, who is working in Representative Payne's district office through the Spartan Internship Program for 6 weeks this summer. Catherine will enter her junior year in high school in the fall at the Milton Hershey School. These are the guests of Representative John Payne of Dauphin County. They are located to the left of the Speaker. Would those guests please rise and be recognized.

We have two guests here today as guests of Representative Pallone. They are in the gallery today. They are his wife, Judi, and his summer intern, Natalie Engler, who is a senior at Penn State University. Would those guests in the gallery please rise to be recognized by the members.

The Chair welcomes to the hall of the House Dennis Rousseau and Mike Welsh, who are the guests of Representative Vince Bianucci and Representative Mike Veon. They are in the rear of the hall of the House. Would those two guests please rise.

**RULES COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to recognize the majority leader for an immediate Rules Committee meeting.

**RESOLUTION REPORTED  
FROM COMMITTEE**

**HR 330, PN 2124**

By Rep. S. SMITH

A Resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to amend section 1917(b)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act by deleting May 14, 1993 as the deadline for approval by states of long-term care partnership plans.

RULES.

**BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

**HB 234, PN 263**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing a tax credit for attendance at a firearm training course.

RULES.

**HB 1359, PN 2157**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act creating the Pennsylvania State Investment Authority; providing for loans to venture capital companies, for certified capital companies and for working capital loan guarantees; and making an appropriation.

RULES.

**HB 1374, PN 1702**

By Rep. S. SMITH

A Supplement to the act of April 1, 1863 (P.L.213, No.227), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

RULES.

**HB 1375, PN 1703**

By Rep. S. SMITH

A Supplement to the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of the University of Pittsburgh as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the chancellor to make an annual report of the operations of the University of Pittsburgh," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

RULES.

**HB 1376, PN 1704**

By Rep. S. SMITH

A Supplement to the act of November 30, 1965 (P.L.843, No.355), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Temple University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Temple University," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

RULES.

**HB 1377, PN 1705**

By Rep. S. SMITH

A Supplement to the act of July 7, 1972 (P.L.743, No.176), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Lincoln University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related institution in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Lincoln University," making appropriations for carrying the same into

effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

RULES.

**HB 1378, PN 1706**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Trustees of Drexel University, Philadelphia.

RULES.

**HB 1379, PN 1707**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania.

RULES.

**HB 1380, PN 1708**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Philadelphia Health and Education Corporation for the Colleges of Medicine, Public Health, Nursing and Health Professions and for continuation of pediatric services.

RULES.

**HB 1381, PN 1709**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Thomas Jefferson University, Philadelphia.

RULES.

**HB 1382, PN 1710**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, Philadelphia.

RULES.

**HB 1383, PN 1711**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Philadelphia.

RULES.

**HB 1384, PN 1712**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the University of the Arts, Philadelphia, for instruction and student aid.

RULES.

**HB 1385, PN 1713**

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Trustees of the Berean Training and Industrial School at Philadelphia for operation and maintenance expenses and for payment of debt service.

RULES.

**HB 1386, PN 1714** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Johnson Technical Institute of Scranton for operation and maintenance expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1387, PN 1715** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades in Delaware County for operation and maintenance expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1388, PN 1716** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Fox Chase Institute for Cancer Research, Philadelphia, for the operation and maintenance of the cancer research program.

RULES.

**HB 1389, PN 1717** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Wistar Institute, Philadelphia, for operation and maintenance expenses and for research.

RULES.

**HB 1390, PN 1718** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Central Penn Oncology Group.

RULES.

**HB 1391, PN 1719** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Lancaster Cleft Palate for outpatient-inpatient treatment.

RULES.

**HB 1392, PN 1720** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Pittsburgh Cleft Palate for outpatient-inpatient treatment.

RULES.

**HB 1393, PN 1721** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Burn Foundation, Philadelphia for outpatient and inpatient treatment.

RULES.

**HB 1394, PN 1722** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to The Children's Institute, Pittsburgh for treatment and rehabilitation of certain persons with disabling diseases.

RULES.

**HB 1395, PN 1723** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for comprehensive patient care and general maintenance and operation of the hospital.

RULES.

**HB 1396, PN 1724** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Beacon Lodge Camp.

RULES.

**HB 1397, PN 1725** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Arsenal Family and Children's Center.

RULES.

**HB 1398, PN 1726** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making appropriations to the Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh for operations and maintenance expenses and the purchase of apparatus, supplies and equipment.

RULES.

**HB 1399, PN 1727** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Franklin Institute Science Museum for maintenance expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1401, PN 1728** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Academy of Natural Sciences for maintenance expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1402, PN 1729** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the African-American Museum in Philadelphia for operating expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1403, PN 1730** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Everhart Museum in Scranton for operating expenses.

RULES.

**HB 1404, PN 1731** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Mercer Museum in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, for operating expenses.

## RULES.

**HB 1405, PN 1732** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act making an appropriation to the Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for operating expenses.

## RULES.

**HB 1627, PN 2054** By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for inspection of court files and records.

## RULES.

**HB 1629, PN 2056** By Rep. S. SMITH

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 distress in school districts of the first class.

## RULES.

**HB 1630, PN 2057** By Rep. S. SMITH

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 prohibition of the possession of weapons.

## RULES.

**HB 1631, PN 2058** By Rep. S. SMITH

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 prohibition of the possession of weapons.

## RULES.

**BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

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

**HB 234, PN 263; HB 1359, PN 2157; HB 1374, PN 1702; HB 1375, PN 1703; HB 1376, PN 1704; HB 1377, PN 1705; HB 1378, PN 1706; HB 1379, PN 1707; HB 1380, PN 1708; HB 1381, PN 1709; HB 1382, PN 1710; HB 1383, PN 1711; HB 1384, PN 1712; HB 1385, PN 1713; HB 1386, PN 1714; HB 1387, PN 1715; HB 1388, PN 1716; HB 1389, PN 1717; HB 1390, PN 1718; HB 1391, PN 1719; HB 1392, PN 1720; HB 1393, PN 1721; HB 1394, PN 1722; HB 1395, PN 1723; HB 1396, PN 1724; HB 1397, PN 1725; HB 1398, PN 1726; HB 1399, PN 1727; HB 1401, PN 1728; HB 1402, PN 1729; HB 1403, PN 1730; HB 1404, PN 1731; HB 1405, PN 1732; HB 1627, PN 2054; HB 1629, PN 2056; HB 1630, PN 2057; and HB 1631, PN 2058.**

**BILLS RECOMMITTED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be recommitted to the House Appropriations Committee:

HB 234;  
HB 1359;  
HB 1627;  
HB 1629;  
HB 1630; and  
HB 1631.

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

**ODYSSEY OF THE MIND COMPETITION  
WINNERS PRESENTED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to recognize the gentleman, Mr. Wansacz, for the purpose of a citation presentation. Representative Wansacz.

Mr. WANSACZ. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Standing beside me is a distinguished team of seven students from Our Lady of Peace School in Clarks Green—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is entitled to be heard. Please keep the noise levels down.

Mr. Wansacz.

Mr. WANSACZ. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

These seven students captured first place at the State competition for Odyssey of the Mind in Altoona, Pennsylvania, on April 12, 2003. This is a remarkable achievement, since this is the first year that they competed in this competition.

After winning first place, this earned them the opportunity to compete at the world finals in May at Iowa State University against 54 other divisional winners from throughout North America as well as Australia, Asia, and Europe. They placed 18th out of 54 teams they competed against.

It is my pleasure to reward the Odyssey of the Mind team's hard work and dedication with these citations today from the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

I am pleased to introduce to you the students that make up the Odyssey of the Mind team. They are Andrew Cutillo, Carolyn Cutillo, Hayley Lenahan, Jason Mannion, Lauren McGurrian, Rima Shah, and Ryan Thomas. Today they are joined by their coaches, who are – if you would please stand – Diane Lenahan and Lauren Andreano.

This team of students won the creative problem-solving competition at the State level in Division II for their solution to "The Know It All," a challenge which required them to design and build a character that possesses artificial intelligence.

Odyssey of the Mind began with a college professor, Dr. C. Samuel Micklus, who believed that students of all ages were not being challenged mentally or rewarded for initiative or creativity. He gave assignments that encouraged the students to "color outside of the lines."

Today, Odyssey of the Mind's regional, State, and world competitions involve more than 1 million children, teenagers, and young adults from all 50 States as well as from 20 other countries.

I am sure I speak for everyone in the House when I say congratulations on your achievements and the best of luck in all your future endeavors.

Please, if I could have my colleagues join me in welcoming this distinguished team of students and recognizing them for their outstanding achievements.

**SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT AREA HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM PRESENTED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Steven Cappelli for the purposes of a citation presentation. Mr. Cappelli.

Mr. CAPPELLI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

A few weeks ago I had the privilege of honoring two high school State wrestling champions from my district. Today the privilege is equally great. Behind me are three members and the head coach of this year’s 2003 PIAA Class A State high school softball champions from the South Williamsport Area High School, the Lady Mounties.

This is the first-ever high school softball State title for South Williamsport. They finished this season 19 and 3, very much a Cinderella story, never giving up, very tenacious, and have made the entire borough of South Williamsport and the 83d District very, very proud.

Coach Mike Frey, second baseman Malissa Karney, catcher Amanda Forsburg, and center fielder Marissa Matthews are with me on the rostrum – three of the team captains and the coach. Also in the back of the hall is the balance of the Lady Mounties team. Would you please stand, ladies, for a moment. Along with the team are assistant coaches Janice Matthews, Jack Britton, and Mark Godfrey. I am not sure if Mindy Smith, the trainer, is here? Yes, she is. Welcome, Mindy. We also have in attendance the assistant high school principal, a good friend of mine, Mr. Dave Campbell, and the high school athletic director, Mr. John Stout.

How about a warm round of applause for the Class A softball girls State champions, the South Williamsport High School Lady Mounties.

**GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time would like to welcome several guest pages, who are the guests of Representative Patricia Vance. They are, from Camp Hill High School, Matt Kephart and Ben Hollinger. Would they please rise.

We have two other guest pages here today. They are the guest pages of Stan Saylor. They are Rebecca Hollinger and Josh Korb. Would they please stand. They are from the Easton York Middle School. And I apologize. Rebecca’s mother, Bonnie, is in the gallery. Would she also please rise.

The Chair welcomes today, as guests of Representative Ron Marsico, Megan Keller, Laurie Keller, and their mother, Patty, in the balcony. Would those guests please rise.

**CALENDAR**

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1329, PN 1636**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, amending provisions relating to planned communities.

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

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

**YEAS—197**

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
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Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
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Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1330, PN 1637**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for real estate cooperatives.

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

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

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Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1331, PN 1638**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for condominiums.

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

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

Bard                      Roebuck                      Rubley

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 322, PN 368**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L.1368, No.542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law, further providing for the definition of "taxing district" and for repeals; and imposing duties on the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Legislative Reference Bureau.

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

Mr. LEVDANSKY offered the following amendment No. **A1941**:

Amend Title, page 1, line 28, by striking out "further providing for the definition of" and inserting

expanding the scope of act to counties and cities of the second class; further providing for the definitions of "county" and

Amend Sec. 1 (Title), page 2, line 7, by inserting brackets before and after "and second"

Amend Sec. 1 (Title), page 2, line 22, by inserting brackets before and after "counties" and inserting immediately thereafter

a county

Amend Sec. 1 (Title), page 2, line 22, by inserting brackets before and after "and second"

Amend Sec. 2, page 3, line 3, by striking out "definition of" and inserting

definitions of "county" and

Amend Sec. 2, page 3, line 4, by striking out "is" and inserting are

Amend Sec. 2 (Sec. 102), page 3, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

"County," a county of the second, second A, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth class, including counties of these classes which have adopted or may adopt home rule charters under the former act of April 13, 1972 (P.L.184, No.62), known as the "Home Rule Charter and Optional Plans Law[.]" or 53 Pa.C.S. Pt. III Subpt. E (relating to home rule and optional plan government).

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Amend Sec. 2, page 3, line 15, by inserting brackets before and after "and second"

Amend Sec. 3 (Sec. 801), page 7, by inserting between lines 4 and 5

All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Levdansky.

Mr. LEVDANSKY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, presently, under present law, 65 counties in Pennsylvania have tax claim bureaus. The only counties that do not have a tax claim bureau to resolve the issue of payment of delinquent taxes are Allegheny and Philadelphia.

The legislation that I am amending, the sponsor of the legislation also points out, I believe, or would point out that the city of Scranton in Lackawanna County does not have a tax claim bureau, and this legislation would enable the city of Scranton to have such a tax claim bureau in place as well.

My amendment to this bill would simply permit Allegheny County, the only second-class county in the State, to avail themselves, to avail ourselves, to the same procedure to collect delinquent taxes that has served well in 65 other counties in the State.

So that is all essentially that this amendment does. It is relatively simple and straightforward. It gives Allegheny County parity and gives us availability to the same process of collecting delinquent taxes that has been in effect for the remaining 65 counties, and I would ask for your affirmative support.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.  
The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. DeLuca.

Mr. DeLUCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the Levdansky amendment for all the reasons that Mr. Levdansky alluded to, but also for the reason it will expedite some of our tax-delinquent property back in Allegheny County. A lot of the municipalities out there are sitting on a lot of property just laying vacant in the municipalities, because the fact is that it costs them too much to try to put these tax delinquents in the process. This would expedite it and would help a lot of our municipalities to clean up some of these vacant properties throughout Allegheny County.

I think this is a great bill to expedite the process for our communities and give them a chance to clean up some of this vacant property, some of this tax-delinquent property, put it back on the rolls, and also to clean up their communities. So I firmly support the Levdansky amendment.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY**

The SPEAKER. The amendment and the bill will be over temporarily.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1407, PN 1990**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, further providing for escheat of property held by insurers.

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

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

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Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

**NAYS—0**

**NOT VOTING—0**

**EXCUSED—3**

Bard	Roebuck	Rubley
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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.

**REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD**

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

HB 1407 will help the State Treasury in locating lost owners of unclaimed property, namely owners of demutualized insurance policies.

This legislation will make it easier to find owners of demutualized insurance policies. With the help of State Treasurer Barbara Hafer, I introduced this bill in May and change the amount of time insurance companies can wait before they turn in to the State the unclaimed proceeds when a company undergoes "demutualization." As such, this bill will allow insurance companies to be better able to find the shareholders with whom they may have lost touch. Many times, people who hold these unclaimed insurance policies may not realize they own them and may not realize this unclaimed property is theirs to claim.

Under current Pennsylvania law, companies currently hold abandoned demutualization proceeds for 5 years after the company demutualizes. Under my legislation, property is deemed abandoned 2 years after the date of demutualization or reorganization if the owner

has not written or communicated within that time period. This bill does not change the 5-year period for those who have communicated with the insurance company within the 2-year period from demutualization.

When a demutualization occurs, the policyholders are entitled to payment representing their ownership share of the mutual company. This requires a mutual company to convert its net worth (or equity or capital surplus), originally derived from premiums for insurance policies, into the form of stock. Conversion may also be made in the form of cash or credits for additional insurance coverage.

If the company cannot find a policyholder to make that payment, the funds become unclaimed property and are turned over to the State at a specified time.

This bill allows the process of contacting shareholders to begin earlier. Experience indicates that the sooner the process begins, the more it is likely to locate the shareholder or owner of the unclaimed property. By far, making sure that rightful owners can claim their lost property is the main focus of this legislation.

### BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 865, PN 1022**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, providing for coverage of treatment ordered by worksite-based employee assistance programs.

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

### BILL RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 865, PN 1022, be recommitted to the Rules Committee.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 866, PN 1023**, entitled:

An Act establishing annual performance standards for the provision of alcohol and drug abuse and dependency treatment.

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

### BILL RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 866, PN 1023, be recommitted to the Rules Committee.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 867, PN 1024**, entitled:

An Act requiring carriers and health plans to make certain annual reports relating to the provision of alcohol and drug abuse and dependency treatment.

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

### BILL RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 867, PN 1024, be recommitted to the Rules Committee.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 869, PN 1899**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, providing for duties of the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Programs over certain grievances; and making repeals.

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

### BILL RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 869, PN 1899, be recommitted to the Rules Committee.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 991, PN 1164**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Keystone Education Foundation; conferring powers and duties; and providing for an educational improvement tax credit and for expiration of act.

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

### BILL RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 991, PN 1164, be recommitted to the Committee on Education.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1580, PN 2063**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, providing for employment of health care practitioners.

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

Mr. **KENNEY** offered the following amendment No. **A1965**:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 817.1), page 2, lines 7 through 9, by striking out "A HEALTH CARE FACILITY SHALL NOT" in line 7 and all of lines 8 and 9

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

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Kenney.

Mr. **KENNEY**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 1965 would remove one line in this piece of legislation. It is technical in nature. The intent of the legislation is to explicitly state in law and in statute that health-care facilities licensed in Pennsylvania are able to hire physicians at their places of business. The line I am removing goes beyond the scope of the legislation, and that is why I have asked that it be removed. It goes beyond the discussion of hiring; it goes into issues such as contracts and work rules, and that is not the intent of the legislation.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. **VITALI**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the maker of the amendment stand for brief interrogation?

The **SPEAKER**. The gentleman indicates that he will.

Mr. **VITALI**. I am just reading the summary of this amendment, and it basically says it removes a provision that would prohibit a health-care facility from interfering with a health-care practitioner's professional or medical or ethical judgment. So if I am understanding it right now in the bill as amended, a health-care practitioner's medical judgment cannot be interfered with, which strikes me as a good thing. In other words, I am worried that in the bill as written, a doctor's professional judgment cannot be interfered with, but under your amendment you would be allowing a doctor's professional or ethical judgment to be interfered with. So could you just kind of explain that to me.

Mr. **KENNEY**. Yes. The intent, as I said, of the legislation was simply to allow health-care facilities to hire physicians. This language was amended in committee, the language that I am removing, and as you stated, it is almost implied that no health-care facility shall interfere with the health-care

practitioner's professional, medical, or ethical judgment, and it was thought that leaving this language in would allow hospitals to interfere, would allow physicians and the owners of the facilities, both profit and nonprofit, to start questioning work rules and contracts, and that was not the intent of the legislation.

Mr. **VITALI**. Now, does the language you are taking out deal with professional judgment or administrative decisions? I am a little confused with your comments there.

Mr. **KENNEY**. Well, the issue arose that it could lead to either. The interpretation of that line, it was believed that that could lead to both the personal and professional. So to simplify the legislation and the intent of the legislation, we are removing that language.

Mr. **VITALI**. Okay. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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NAYS-1

Vitali

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

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

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

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.  
The question is, shall the bill pass finally?  
Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 190, PN 219**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 26, 1931 (P.L.1379, No.348), referred to as the Third Class County Assessment Board Law, further providing for assessment appeals.

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

**BILL RECOMMENDED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 190, PN 219, be recommitted to the Committee on Rules.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 191, PN 220**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 21, 1943 (P.L.571, No.254), known as The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law, further providing for appeal hearings.

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

**BILL RECOMMITTED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 191, PN 220, be recommitted to the Committee on Rules.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1423, PN 1890**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in adoption, for voluntary relinquishment to adults, for an alternative procedure, for reports of intention and for consent.

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

Mrs. **TRUE** offered the following amendment No. **A1341**:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2711), page 3, line 29, by striking out "birth" and inserting

natural

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2711), page 4, line 4, by striking out "birth" and inserting

natural

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2711), page 5, line 12, by striking out "birth" and inserting

natural

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2711), page 5, line 24, by striking out "birth" and inserting

natural

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

The SPEAKER. On the question of agreeing to the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentlelady, Mrs. True. Would you just give a brief explanation?

Mrs. TRUE. Mr. Speaker, this is a technical amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

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

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

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the maker of the bill just give a brief explanation of it.

The SPEAKER. The gentlelady, Mrs. True, indicates that she will. The lady is in order and may proceed.

Mr. VITALI. Mr. Speaker, my initial question was a request that the maker of the bill give an explanation of it.

Mrs. TRUE. Certainly, Mr. Speaker.

Over the years that I have been in the House, one of the issues that comes up time and time again is the adoption issue, particularly from people who are willing to give a home to a child, and sometimes because of our adoption laws, that child is removed from the home when the birth mother or birth father decide to take the baby back.

Now, what this bill does is it shortens the time to 20 days. It is strictly a time-line bill. From the time the mother signs the consent, she gets 20 days to change her mind. That is the gist of this bill. We are very pleased that amendments have not been put on it. Representative Ross and I have worked together on this; that is all we want to do.

Mr. VITALI. So to be clear, Mr. Speaker, basically if you have a situation where a mother gives birth, perhaps a teenager, unwed teenager, gives birth, puts the child up for adoption, and then 3 weeks later she realizes she has made a terrible mistake, perhaps family members have come through with resources, the natural father has come forth to help raise it, but 3 weeks after the birth, after she signed the form, it is too late? In other words, could there be that scenario where 3 weeks later, because we passed this law, it could simply be too late for her to change her mind?

Mrs. TRUE. Unless she could prove duress.

Mr. VITALI. What if it is simply a situation where she was simply frightened, everyone told her the truth about the law but she simply was frightened and in a bad strait. That would not constitute duress, would it?

Mrs. TRUE. I am sorry, Mr. Speaker. It would be fraud or duress.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Thank you.

That concludes my question. I would like to speak on the bill.

The SPEAKER. Mr. Vitali, we will recognize you in one moment.

DECISION OF CHAIR RESCINDED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the Chair rescinds that the bill is on final passage.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. BLAUM offered the following amendment No. A2021:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2504), page 2, line 9, by striking out “confirm” and inserting

hold a hearing for the purpose of confirming a

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2504), page 2, line 11, by inserting an underscored period after “adoption”

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2504), page 2, line 20, by striking out “petition.]” and inserting

petition.] The original consent or consents to the adoption shall be attached to the petition.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Blaum, for an explanation.

Mrs. True. I apologize.

Mrs. TRUE. This is an agreed-to amendment, Mr. Speaker. The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentelady.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise reluctantly to oppose the bill, and I say reluctantly because I understand the very good policy considerations behind this bill, and those policy considerations are getting a child, a newborn, into a home as soon as possible so they could have a stable upbringing and not jerking a child out of a home once they are in there. And I understand those policy considerations, but my concern here is the bill simply goes too far in allowing after 20 days, as the maker of the bill has indicated, the natural mother's decision to be irrevocable.

I think there is another important policy consideration here that we are sacrificing, and that is the policy consideration of a natural mother, one's own flesh and blood, natural father, giving them every opportunity to raise their own child, and I think that what we are doing here is making the time period too short – less than 3 weeks; too short – for which they can change their minds. And I know that there are a lot of groups who will be promoting this; they are the groups who have the wherewithal – the attorneys who have an economic interest in making the adoptions go through, the adoption agencies, the childless parents who definitely want adoptions – but my concern is no one is here speaking out for the unwed mother, for the person who perhaps is a teenager, unmarried, in desperate straits. There is no real interest behind her backing her rights with regard to this piece of legislation, and because of that, I think this bill has simply gone too far.

I think you can envision a set of circumstances, and I have tried to bring that out in my interrogation, where you do have a person, you know, that frightening experience of being a young person, being unwed and having a child, not knowing where you are going to stay and how you are going to pay for it and so forth, and making that initial decision to give the child up. But then when the reality really starts to set in that this is your child and maybe people in your life come forward – parents, boyfriend, and others – maybe the circumstances can change, and maybe over time you see that it, yes, could be possible for me to raise my own child. And I do not want a situation to occur where if you have a mother who realizes this situation after 3 or 4 weeks, the State says, nope, too bad; you signed the form; you are done for the rest of your life; this is not your child. I think that is simply too harsh a result.

So for those reasons I reluctantly will be voting “no” on this.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

## GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to introduce the wife of Representative Robert Bastian, Susie, who is in the gallery with her friend, Jessica Pernesky, a friend from New Bedford, PA, a constituent of Chris Sainato. They are in the balcony, again, and would those guests please rise.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 1423 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Mr. Ross.

Mr. ROSS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to briefly give a little history as to how this bill came about. It is the result of some discussions that I had with the prime sponsor, and really, it is addressing a problem that was brought to my attention in my office several years ago where an adoptive family had a child that had been placed with them for about 6 months, and the birth mother changed her mind, and after 6 months of taking care of the child, the child was removed from that adoptive family. Not because there was anything wrong with the adoptive family – they were loving; they were doing a great job with that child – but because the birth mom had second thoughts.

Now, we have been trying, I think, over a number of years, a number of people have attempted to do a comprehensive change to the adoption law, and I fully support the efforts that are going on in that regard. There are a number of other changes that need to be accomplished, but I would urge my colleagues to recognize that this is a very serious problem, and my colleague from Delaware County has raised a potential concern that there may be a birth mother who may change her mind, but we have to consider the rights of all parties, including the child, when we are looking at the whole subject of adoption and we have to balance them.

The correct solution to my colleague from Delaware County's concern is good counseling for the birth mother before the child is delivered up to the adoptive parents. It is not the adoptive parents' fault when that does not happen. It is up to us to work and develop that process and further implement it. But the adoptive parents should not be punished in this situation, and more importantly, we should not have a system as we do today that discourages families from adopting children here in Pennsylvania. Quite simply, the net result of the circumstances that we have in the adoption law right now, where children can be brought back perhaps as long as a year after they are placed, is that we wind up having Pennsylvania families not adopting children here in Pennsylvania. They will go to New Jersey where it is not 23 days, as would be contemplated in this legislation, where it is 3 days, because they want certainty. When they adopt, they want that child to stay with them after they come into the house, and this is a tremendous hardship, and it is actually undermining adoptions here in Pennsylvania.

I urge my colleagues to continue to work on improving the adoption laws generally, and I also want to thank my colleagues who pulled amendments off of this bill so that it can run clean, because it is addressing an urgent need. I have had many letters, and I know my colleague from Lancaster County has perhaps had even more, from people that are really harshly dealt with under the current system and are begging us to reform this legislation in the form that we are offering here today. It does

represent the consensus coming out of meetings previously on the whole subject of adoption. It is a consensus position. It is strongly supported by the adoption agencies, and I am hoping very much that my colleagues will vote this into law.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Erie, Ms. Bebko-Jones.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to interrogate the maker of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The lady indicates that she will.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. First of all, I would like to say I appreciate my colleague's remarks in defending the unwed mother, but I am an adoptive parent. I went through the 6-month waiting period, and I can honestly tell you, it was holy heck. I received my daughter directly from the hospital; she was 3 days old, and that was my daughter, and no one was going to take her away from me.

So previously this was 6 months. Am I correct?

Mrs. TRUE. It is until termination of parental rights or to a decree—

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. Mr. Speaker, I am sorry. I cannot hear her.

The SPEAKER. The lady is entitled to be heard. Please keep the noise level down.

Mrs. TRUE. It is either the termination of parental rights or the entry of a decree of adoption, whichever is earlier. It could be months; it could be years.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. But it is after they sign that, they have 20 days.

Mrs. TRUE. That is right.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. Instead of the 6 months. Is that correct?

Mrs. TRUE. Yes, Mr. Speaker. That is correct.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak on the bill, please.

The SPEAKER. The lady is in order and may proceed.

Ms. BEBKO-JONES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly support HB 1423, and I urge all of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this. If you are an adoptive parent, you certainly understand what you go through when you are going through a long procedure of 6 months.

So I respectfully ask my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland, Mr. Pallone.

Mr. PALLONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise with mixed emotions on this particular bill, because personally, it is something that is a matter of importance to me. As a practicing lawyer in my prior career before coming to the House, I did adoptions, and I know what those families go through when they look at and have to go through the process of being adoptive parents and having the consent given and then withdrawn and then given again and then withdrawn, and it can drag on for years in many cases. And I know I have family members that in fact have been adopted into the family. But the issue that comes before us today which gives me the

mixed emotion is, I am not so sure that the less than 30-day period is adequate for a young mother to make that decision.

When you contemplate the position of the adopting parents, many of those adopting parents, I am sure, contemplate far longer than 30 days whether or not they want to adopt a child or whether or not they want to even have a child. So we are telling you and we are trying to tell the general public that you can take as long as you want to decide whether or not you want a child, particularly in this instance whether or not you want to decide to adopt a child, and you can take 30 days or 60 days or 90 days or even several years if you choose to. But yet, if you are the parent who is terminating your rights so that your child can be adopted by one of these loving families, you only have 30 days to do that, or less than 30 days to do that actually, and I think that we are trying to force the issue and make it happen much quicker than it needs to. And while I support improvements in the adoption law so that adoptions in Pennsylvania can be done more easily and more judiciously, at the same time I am not willing to strip the rights away from a natural mother of a child or a natural father of a child.

So I encourage the House to vote "no" on 1423, send it back for reconsideration in some format or another form, and look at the time line. It is an issue of less than 30 days, and I think it is difficult to make a parent make that choice. And many times that decision is being made under duress, because the parent just had the child; it is a single parent, a single mother, maybe in the hospital, maybe even in some medical jeopardy or financial straits, and we are asking that person, whether they be young or old, to make that decision on a very short window of opportunity and it be final without the ability to withdraw it.

I encourage the members to consider this, that when people make adoptions, it takes longer than 23 days to decide whether or not you want to adopt. So we should not force a mother or a father to only have 23 days to make their consent known.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Lancaster, Mrs. True.

Mrs. TRUE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just a couple clarifications, if I might. The 20 days came from agreement from the Joint State Government Commission, a lot of the advocates, a lot of the stakeholders. That is where the 20 days came from. This report came out in April of 2001. It was not an arbitrary pick of days for me. That answers that.

The other thing I wanted to say is that in this hand, I have letters from people who were willing to open their arms and hearts to Pennsylvania children. My son happens to be one of the people that is interested in this issue. He and his wife are trying to adopt a child. I have been dealing with this for 8 years, and yes, it has gotten somewhat personal. It bothers me when all these people, first of all, want a 3-day period – if they are watching, they can see how hard it is to get 20 days with some of our members – but the other part of it is, when people from Pennsylvania say to me that they hope that the baby will come from anyplace other than our Commonwealth, anyplace that does not have archaic laws, I think that is a problem.

So I thank those of you who have been supportive. I hope you will think of the people willing to open their hearts, and the babies, and support this bill.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—189

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Samuelson
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Santoni
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Sather
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Saylor
Baker	Feese	Maher	Scavello
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Schroder
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Scrimenti
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Semmel
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Shaner
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gabig	Marsico	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Gannon	McCall	Solobay
Biancucci	Geist	McGeehan	Staback
Birmelin	George	McGill	Stairs
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhattan	Steil
Boyd	Gillespie	McIlhinney	Stern
Browne	Gingrich	McNaughton	Stetler
Bunt	Godshall	Melio	Stevenson, R.
Butkovitz	Goodman	Metcalfe	Stevenson, T.
Buxton	Gordner	Micozzie	Sturla
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, R.	Surra
Cappelli	Gruitza	Miller, S.	Tangretti
Casorio	Habay	Mundy	Taylor, E. Z.
Causar	Haluska	Myers	Taylor, J.
Cawley	Hanna	Nailor	Thomas
Civera	Harhai	Nickol	Tigue
Clymer	Harhart	O'Brien	Travaglio
Cohen	Harper	Oliver	True
Coleman	Harris	O'Neill	Turzai
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vance
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Veon
Costa	Herman	Petri	Walko
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Wansacz
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Dailey	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Daley	James	Raymond	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reed	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Reichley	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Rieger	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Roberts	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rohrer	Zug
Diven	Leach	Rooney	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ross	
Eachus	Leh	Ruffing	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Sainato	Speaker

NAYS—8

Bishop	Freeman	Pallone	Washington
Curry	Josephs	Vitali	Williams

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 520, PN 614**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Gambling Impact Commission; and providing for the commission's powers and duties.

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

**BILL RECOMMENDED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 520, PN 614, be recommitted to the Rules Committee.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1426, PN 1994**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), known as the Urban Redevelopment Law, further providing for provisions of the redevelopment contract; and making repeals.

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

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?  
Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback
Biancucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler

Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causser	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

Bard	Roebuck	Rubley
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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.

**JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. O'Brien, rise?

Mr. O'BRIEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to remind the members of the Judiciary Committee that we are going to reconvene the meeting in 39 East Wing immediately upon the call of the recess.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Judiciary Committee meeting will reconvene in room 39, East Wing, at the recess.

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

Mr. HESS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to make an announcement.

There will be a Transportation Committee meeting in room 60, East Wing, at 1:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

At 1:30 there will be a meeting of the Transportation Committee in room 60, East Wing.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Mr. Flick.

Mr. FLICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Finance Committee meeting which was scheduled for tomorrow at 10 o'clock in room 205 of the Ryan Office Building will be pushed back to 10:45 because of caucus meetings that will take place earlier in the morning. So the Finance Committee will be meeting at 10:45 in room 205 to address the bills which we have on our schedule.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Tomorrow at 10:45 a.m., there will be a meeting of the Finance Committee in room 205, Ryan Office Building.

**RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Mr. KENNEY called up **HR 212, PN 1407**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the accomplishments of the Philadelphia Eagles on the occasion of winning their fourth NFC Eastern Division title and their victory over the Atlanta Falcons in the 2002 NFC Divisional Playoffs.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Samuelson
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Santoni
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Sather
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Saylor
Baker	Feese	Maher	Scavello
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Schroder
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Scrimenti
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Semmel
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Shaner
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Smith, S. H.
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Solobay
Biancucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Staback
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Stairs
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causser	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon

Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horshey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz		Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—1

Steil

EXCUSED—3

Bard                      Roebuck                      Rubley

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

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Mr. WILLIAMS called up **HR 324, PN 2119**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the journalistic excellence of Jack Franklin and Kendall Wilson and designating June 22, 2003, as “Jack Franklin and Kendall Wilson Day” in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback
Bianucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra

Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causar	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O’Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O’Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horshey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

Bard                      Roebuck                      Rubley

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

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Mrs. TAYLOR called up **HR 327, PN 2121**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating on September 14, 2003, the 189th anniversary of the writing of the poem by Francis Scott Key that became known as “The Star Spangled Banner.”

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback

Biancucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causar	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

Bard                      Roebuck                      Rubley

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

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Mr. DALLY called up **HR 328, PN 2122**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing September 11, 2003, as "National 911 Day."

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder

Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback
Biancucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blaum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causar	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

Bard                      Roebuck                      Rubley

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

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Ms. WASHINGTON called up **HR 329, PN 2123**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating June 19, 2003, as "Juneteenth" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—197

Adolph	Evans, D.	Levdansky	Santoni
Allen	Evans, J.	Lewis	Sather
Argall	Fabrizio	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Mackereth	Scavello
Baker	Feese	Maher	Schroder
Baldwin	Fichter	Maitland	Scrimenti
Barrar	Fleagle	Major	Semmel
Bastian	Flick	Manderino	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Forcier	Mann	Smith, B.
Belardi	Frankel	Markosek	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Freeman	Marsico	Solobay
Benninghoff	Gabig	McCall	Staback
Biancucci	Gannon	McGeehan	Stairs
Birmelin	Geist	McGill	Steil
Bishop	George	McIlhattan	Stern
Blauum	Gergely	McIlhinney	Stetler
Boyd	Gillespie	McNaughton	Stevenson, R.
Browne	Gingrich	Melio	Stevenson, T.
Bunt	Godshall	Metcalfe	Sturla
Butkovitz	Goodman	Micozzie	Surra
Buxton	Gordner	Miller, R.	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Grucela	Miller, S.	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappelli	Gruitza	Mundy	Taylor, J.
Casorio	Habay	Myers	Thomas
Causer	Haluska	Nailor	Tigue
Cawley	Hanna	Nickol	Travaglio
Civera	Harhai	O'Brien	True
Clymer	Harhart	Oliver	Turzai
Cohen	Harper	O'Neill	Vance
Coleman	Harris	Pallone	Veon
Cornell	Hasay	Payne	Vitali
Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	Walko
Costa	Herman	Petri	Wansacz
Coy	Hershey	Petrone	Washington
Crahalla	Hess	Phillips	Waters
Creighton	Hickernell	Pickett	Watson
Cruz	Horsey	Pistella	Weber
Curry	Hutchinson	Preston	Wheatley
Dailey	James	Raymond	Williams
Daley	Josephs	Readshaw	Wilt
Dally	Keller	Reed	Wojnaroski
DeLuca	Kenney	Reichley	Wright
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rieger	Yewcic
Dermody	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Rohrer	Yudichak
DiGirolamo	Laughlin	Rooney	Zug
Diven	Leach	Ross	
Donatucci	Lederer	Ruffing	
Eachus	Leh	Sainato	Perzel,
Egolf	Lescovitz	Samuelson	Speaker

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—3

Bard	Roebuck	Rubley
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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. S. SMITH called up **HR 326, PN 2120**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the National Football League to recognize the Pottsville Maroons as the National Football League Champions of 1925.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.  
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HR 326, PN 2120, be recommitted to the Committee on Rules.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER**

The SPEAKER. Members are reminded that pursuant to House rule 19(b), all amendments to nonpreferred appropriations must be revenue neutral.

There will be no further votes for the day.

Are there any further announcements by any of the caucus leaders?

**DEMOCRATIC CAUCUSES**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I want to announce two Democratic caucuses, one immediately upon the call of the recess to go over nonpreferred appropriations and to have informal discussions; second, tomorrow at 9 a.m.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**STATEMENT BY MR. HORSEY**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Horsey.

Mr. HORSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, personal privilege?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of personal privilege.

Mr. HORSEY. Mr. Speaker, yesterday was a glorious day for Pennsylvania, for Philadelphia, and for the entire country. The U.S. Supreme Court made a decision, Mr. Speaker, that said Dred Scott matters, the Civil War matters, everything that surrounded the issue of diversity mattered, and they ruled, I believe, Mr. Speaker, in an appropriate manner by confirming affirmative action not just in Philadelphia and Pennsylvania but throughout the entire Commonwealth and country, and for that, Mr. Speaker, from the House floor, for all those who provided an amicus brief, I would like to thank them and thank the House and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to get that on the record. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Chester, Mrs. Taylor.

Mrs. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, there will be no Republican caucus meeting today. We will meet tomorrow at 8:30 for breakfast and 9 for caucus; 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, Republican majority caucus.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Mr. Argall.

Mr. ARGALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

At the declaration of the recess, the House Appropriations Committee will meet in room 245.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will be meeting in room 245 at the recess.

**BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be taken off the table:

SB 629;  
SB 630;  
SB 631;  
SB 632;  
SB 633;  
SB 634; and  
SB 635.

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

**BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

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

**SB 629, PN 667; SB 630, PN 668; SB 631, PN 669; SB 632, PN 670; SB 633, PN 671; SB 634, PN 672; and SB 635, PN 673.**

The SPEAKER. The Chair will keep the desk open, awaiting the report from the Appropriations Committee.

**RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The House will stand in recess.

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
(SAMUEL E. ROHRER) PRESIDING****BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE****HB 614, PN 715**

By Rep. ARGALL

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 residence and right to free school privileges.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 1583, PN 2003**

By Rep. ARGALL

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to transfer jurisdiction and control from the Department of General Services to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, of certain lands situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development a tract of land situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**SB 44, PN 993**

By Rep. ARGALL

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Millennium Neighborhood Church, Inc., certain lands situate in Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to transfer jurisdiction and control from the Department of General Services to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, of certain lands situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development a tract of land situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE,  
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND  
RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES****HB 509, PN 603**

By Rep. B. SMITH

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, permitting certain military personnel to hunt without a license.

## GAME AND FISHERIES.

**HB 1448, PN 1823**

By Rep. B. SMITH

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the Pennsylvania Game Commission to issue permits for foxhound training preserves and fixing the permit fee for foxhound training preserve permits.

## GAME AND FISHERIES.



**BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER**

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Mr. WHEATLEY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn until Wednesday, June 25, 2003, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Chair.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 12:29 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.