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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 1 p.m., e.d.t.

THE SPEAKER (JOHN M. PERZEL) PRESIDING

PRAYER

The SPEAKER. The prayer today will be offered by Rabbi Solomon Isaacson.

RABBI ISAACSON. Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen.

I would like to ask for a special moment of silence for those who passed away with the first hurricane and this recent one and for those that are in dire need of our help.

Just a moment of silence, please.

(A moment of silence was observed.)

RABBI SOLOMON ISAACSON, Guest Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayers:

I read something that I felt was very, very interesting. A rabbi was giving a lecture in a medical school in front of a roomful of doctors, and while he was speaking, one of the doctors raised his hand, and he said, "Rabbi, can I ask you a question? You are speaking about the soul." He says, "I've been a doctor for many years, and I recently had the opportunity to open up a body. I couldn't find a soul. So if there is no soul, how do you keep talking about a soul?" So the rabbi turned around and asked the doctor, "You opened up the eye?" The doctor says, "Yes." "Did you find sight? You looked in the ear. Did you find sound? You looked in the nose. Did you find any smell? But yet we know all those things exist."

As I say this to you, we are opening up the new session this week, today especially, and I am very honored to be the one to do that for you, the Speaker notwithstanding; I apologize.

And with the holiday of Rosh Hashanah, which is coming next week, Monday night, the Jewish new year, I hope all of you will find that piece of cake that I put on your desk. That is a symbol to have a sweet year and a good year and a prosperous year.

I bring that story of the soul to ask all of you that in your endeavors as individuals that this Commonwealth and its people have assigned to be their Representatives in here, that you constantly remember to think not only with your hearts and your minds but with your soul, to do what is best for all of us in our great Commonwealth.

I would also like to at this moment say a prayer for our soldiers and that they return safely from wherever they may be.

(Prayer in Hebrew.)

May You bless as our fathers Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. May He bless the United States Armed Forces wherever they may be, who stand guard over our land and cities wherever they are; may God watch over them; may He cause their enemies who rise up against them to be struck down before them; may the Holy One, blessed be He, preserve and rescue our fighting men from every trouble and distress and from every plague and illness; may He send blessing and success in their every endeavor; may He lead our enemies under their sway; may He adorn them with the crown of salvation and with the diadem of triumph; and may there be fulfilled for them the verse, for it is God, our God, who goes with you forward in your battles to conquer your enemies, and may He save us all. Amen.

(Prayer in Hebrew.)

Since most of you do not understand Hebrew, I guess you will have to take my word for it. Let me translate it into English.

May He who grants salvation to the kings and dominion to rulers, whose kingdom is a kingdom spanning all eternities; who releases David, His servant, from the evil sword; who places a road in the sea and a path in the mighty waters, may He bless, safeguard, preserve, help, exalt, make great, extol, and raise high our beloved President and Vice President and the Speaker of the House and all the Representatives here today with us and those who are not here at the moment, and of course, our beloved Governor.

The King who reigns over kings, in His mercy, may He sustain them and protect them from every trouble, woe, and injury; may He rescue them; may He gather peoples under their sway and cause their enemies to fall before them wherever they turn. May they succeed.

The King who reigns over all of us, in His mercy, may He put into their heart and into the heart of all of their counselors and officials compassion to do good for us and to lead us.

In their days and in ours, may we all be protected by the Almighty. Amen.

STATEMENT BY RABBI ISAACSON

RABBI ISAACSON. Thank you very much, ladies and gentlemen.

I just want to take the opportunity to wish all of you a happy and a healthy new year, and I take it that most of you will not be coming to services in our synagogue, because normally I give

out the cake at the end of the Yom Kippur holiday. We have about 3,000 people standing there to get a dollar and a piece of cake from the rabbi. So I take it that most of you will not be coming to services, so I brought the cake here to you.

But thank you again and God bless, and may He give us all a happy and healthy year full of wisdom and love and caring for each other. Amen.

Thank you, and a special thank you to the Speaker.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, August 2, 2005, will be postponed until printed.

JOURNALS APPROVED

The SPEAKER. However, the following Journals are in print:

Tuesday, April 12;
 Wednesday, April 13;
 Monday, May 2;
 Tuesday, May 3;
 Wednesday, May 4;
 Monday, May 9;
 Tuesday, May 10;
 Wednesday, May 11;
 Monday, June 6; and
 Tuesday, June 7, 2005.

Without objection, these Journals will be approved.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 9 By Representatives T. STEVENSON, CALTAGIRONE, O'NEILL and SIPTROTH

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 compensation plans for school administrators.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 12 By Representatives T. STEVENSON, ARMSTRONG, BALDWIN, CALTAGIRONE, CIVERA, CLYMER, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, LEVDANSKY, MACKERETH, R. MILLER, PYLE, READSHAW, REICHLEY, SONNEY, E. Z. TAYLOR, YOUNGBLOOD, BUNT and DENLINGER

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 teaching of safe driving of motor vehicles.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 13 By Representatives TRUE, BOYD, HICKERNELL, STURLA, BAKER, BALDWIN, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, CORNELL, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, DALLY, FLEAGLE, FRANKEL, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, GRELL, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, KAUFFMAN, KOTIK, LEACH, MACKERETH, MAITLAND, MANN, MARSICO, MCGILL, McILHATTAN, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, MUNDY, NAILOR, PICKETT, PYLE, REED, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHAPIRO, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, TURZAI, WATSON, WILT, WRIGHT, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for background checks and registration of sexual offenders.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 14 By Representatives FABRIZIO, BLAUM, BEBKO-JONES, BIANCUCCI, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CRAHALLA, CURRY, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GERGELY, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, KOTIK, LEACH, LEDERER, PALLONE, PETRONE, PISTELLA, ROEBUCK, SAINATO, SANTONI, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STURLA, TIGUE, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, providing for development of regulations for subsidized child day-care providers.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH, August 18, 2005.

No. 15 By Representatives DiGIROLAMO, BAKER, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAWLEY, CLYMER, CRAHALLA, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRELL, HARPER, HARRIS, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KIRKLAND, LEDERER, MUNDY, NICKOL, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, RAYMOND, E. Z. TAYLOR, WATSON and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the Substance Abuse Education and Demand Reduction Fund and for penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 24, 2005.

No. 16 By Representatives ROONEY, CORRIGAN, JAMES, WHEATLEY, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, FRANKEL, YOUNGBLOOD, CURRY and JOSEPHS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the State Handgun Standard Commission; providing a safety performance standard for the manufacture of handguns, for the forfeiture of certain handguns and for enforcement relating to a safety standard for handguns.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 24, 2005.

No. 17 By Representatives ROONEY, CORRIGAN, JAMES, WHEATLEY, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, FRANKEL, YOUNGBLOOD, JOSEPHS and FREEMAN

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting the storage of firearms within easy access of children; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 24, 2005.

No. 18 By Representatives ROONEY, CORRIGAN, JAMES, WHEATLEY, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, FRANKEL, YOUNGBLOOD, MUNDY, JOSEPHS and FREEMAN

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

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, August 24, 2005.

No. 1750 By Representatives REED, ALLEN, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BARRAR, BASTIAN, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CLYMER, CORNELL, CREIGHTON, DALLY, DENLINGER, ELLIS, FAIRCHILD, FLICK, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, HARHART, HARRIS, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, KAUFFMAN, MACKERETH, McILHATTAN, METCALFE, MILLARD, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, PYLE, QUIGLEY, RAPP, REICHLEY, ROHRER, ROSS, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SONNEY, STEIL, STERN, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TRUE, TURZAI and WILT

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for liability rules applicable to product sellers and manufacturers.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 26, 2005.

No. 1906 By Representatives STETLER, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, FRANKEL, KOTIK, MACKERETH, MANN, MARKOSEK, NICKOL, REICHLEY, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SHAPIRO, SOLOBAY, STABACK and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for information availability on an Internet website; and further providing for articles of incorporation.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, August 18, 2005.

No. 1907 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BARRAR, CORNELL, FRANKEL, JOSEPHS, LEACH, MANN, PALLONE, PISTELLA, SURRA, WANSACZ, WHEATLEY, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, authorizing a tax credit for healthy living expenses.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, August 18, 2005.

No. 1908 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, CRAHALLA, CRUZ, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, FEESE, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, HUTCHINSON, JOSEPHS, KIRKLAND, LEDERER, MAITLAND, MYERS, NAILOR, PISTELLA, REICHLEY, RUFFING, SHANER, E. Z. TAYLOR, WALKO and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for rules and regulations relating to seasons and limits.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, August 18, 2005.

No. 1909 By Representatives HICKERNELL, CLYMER, BOYD, TRUE, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BENNINGHOFF, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, ELLIS, FAIRCHILD, GINGRICH, HARRIS, HERSHEY, HESS, KAUFFMAN, McILHATTAN, S. MILLER, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, STERN, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, TURZAI and WILT

An Act prohibiting expansion of gambling and gaming except by referendum or by a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, August 18, 2005.

No. 1910 By Representatives KENNEY and PERZEL

An Act designating the main entrance road to the Benjamin Rush State Park, intersecting with Southampton Road in Philadelphia County, as Senator Hank Salvatore Drive.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, August 18, 2005.

No. 1911 By Representatives SCAVELLO, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CASORIO, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, HARRIS, LaGROTTA, MAITLAND, McILHINNEY, O'NEILL, PISTELLA, REICHLEY, SAINATO, SCHRODER, SIPTROTH, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, LEACH, YOUNGBLOOD and FABRIZIO

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for tethering and shelter for dogs.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 18, 2005.

No. 1912 By Representatives GEORGE, SURRA, HANNA, DeWEESE, HERSHEY, BAKER, BELARDI, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, DeLUCA, FORCIER, GODSHALL, HERMAN, MANN, McILHATTAN, NAILOR, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, PYLE, ROSS, SAINATO, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, THOMAS, TIGUE, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the acquisition and cleanup of abandoned mine lands for use as all-terrain vehicle trails; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 1913 By Representatives SCHRODER, ARMSTRONG, CALTAGIRONE, CORRIGAN, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, METCALFE, O'NEILL, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, T. STEVENSON and WILT

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 removal of certain officers and employees of school districts.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 1914 By Representatives SCHRODER, ARMSTRONG, CALTAGIRONE, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, METCALFE, T. STEVENSON and WILT

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 removal of certain officers and employees in school districts, for election of district superintendents and assistant superintendents, for manner of their election and approval and for their removal.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 18, 2005.

No. 1915 By Representatives LEACH, CALTAGIRONE, FRANKEL, O'NEILL, PISTELLA, STEIL and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1913 (P.L.155, No.104), entitled "An act regulating the letting of certain contracts for the erection, construction, and alteration of public buildings," further providing for bidding on contracts for the erection, construction and alteration of public buildings.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, August 18, 2005.

No. 1916 By Representatives FLEAGLE, DeLUCA, BARRAR, BOYD, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, COHEN, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DALLY, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, KOTIK, MAJOR, MARKOSEK, McILHATTAN, R. MILLER, MUNDY, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PETRARCA, PHILLIPS, PISTELLA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SAYLOR, SHANER, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STERN, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK and ZUG

An Act amending the act of June 11, 1968 (P.L.149, No.84), known as the Volunteer Firefighters' Relief Association Act, authorizing funds of volunteer firefighters' relief association to be spent on retirement plans.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, August 18, 2005.

No. 1917 By Representatives McCALL, CALTAGIRONE, CORRIGAN, DALEY, DALLY, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, GRELL, HALUSKA, HARPER, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HESS, JOSEPHS, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LEACH, LEVDANSKY, PHILLIPS, SANTONI, SEMMEL, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, SURRA and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for reporting by candidate and political committees and other persons and for waiver of reporting by local candidates upon filing of additional affidavits.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, August 18, 2005.

No. 1918 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BELFANTI, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOOD, GOODMAN, HARRIS, JOSEPHS, LEACH, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANDERINO, MANN, MARKOSEK, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STEIL, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending Title 13 (Commercial Code) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for information from filing office.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, August 18, 2005.

No. 1919 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BELFANTI, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOOD, GOODMAN, HARRIS, JOSEPHS, LEACH, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANDERINO, MANN, MARKOSEK, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO and YUDICHAK

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for offenses relating to theft of government information and identifying documents; and further providing for the offense of bribery.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 18, 2005.

No. 1921 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BARRAR, BLACKWELL, CASORIO, COHEN, CREIGHTON, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANN, MARKOSEK, MUNDY, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SHANER, SHAPIRO, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STURLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WALKO and WILT

An Act providing for consumer credit protections and for remedies for violations.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, August 18, 2005.

No. 1922 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BARRAR, BLACKWELL, CASORIO, COHEN, CREIGHTON, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANN, MARKOSEK, MUNDY, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SHANER, SHAPIRO, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STURLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WALKO and WILT

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for identity theft and for requirements for governmental access to certain electronic communications.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 18, 2005.

No. 1923 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BARRAR, BLACKWELL, CASORIO, COHEN, CREIGHTON, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HENNESSEY, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANN, MARKOSEK, PALLONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SHANER, SHAPIRO, SOLOBAY, STABACK, STURLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WALKO and WILT

An Act requiring the Office of Attorney General to establish a regional identity theft unit pilot project and an identity theft victim database; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 18, 2005.

No. 1924 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BELFANTI, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOOD, GOODMAN, HARRIS, JOSEPHS, LEACH, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANN, MARKOSEK, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, SOLOBAY, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE and WALKO

An Act amending the act of July 8, 1978 (P.L.752, No.140), known as the Public Employee Pension Forfeiture Act, further providing for forfeitures of pension.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, August 18, 2005.

No. 1925 By Representatives GEORGE, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, FREEMAN, GOOD, GRUCELA, JAMES, JOSEPHS, LEDERER, MANDERINO, McGEEHAN, MUNDY, MYERS, PISTELLA, SIPTROTH, STABACK, SURRA, THOMAS, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK and BLAUM

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for termination of utility service.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, August 18, 2005.

No. 1926 By Representatives CRUZ, YOUNGBLOOD, CALTAGIRONE, THOMAS, MYERS, PHILLIPS, PERZEL and KIRKLAND

An Act amending the act of April 21, 1949 (P.L.665, No.155), known as the First Class City Home Rule Act, further providing for the general grant of power and authority; and providing for specific powers.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, August 18, 2005.

No. 1927 By Representatives ROONEY, CORRIGAN, JAMES, WHEATLEY, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, FRANKEL, YOUNGBLOOD, JOSEPHS and FREEMAN

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting the possession of a firearm or other dangerous weapon in a municipal building.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, August 24, 2005.

No. 1928 By Representatives HARRIS, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, FAIRCHILD, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRELL, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, KILLION, LEH, R. MILLER, PHILLIPS, REICHLEY, ROEBUCK, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STABACK, STERN, TURZAI, WILT and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for permits for movement of a mobile home or a modular housing unit and modular housing undercarriage.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, August 24, 2005.

No. 1929 By Representatives HARRIS, BALDWIN, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, COHEN, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, GEIST, GEORGE, HERSHEY, LEVDANSKY, O'NEILL, REICHLEY, ROSS, SCHRODER, STERN, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act establishing the Office of Inspector General; providing for its functions; transferring functions from the Office of General Counsel to the Office of Inspector General; and transferring functions, personnel and resources from the Office of State Inspector General to the Office of Inspector General.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, August 24, 2005.

No. 1930 By Representatives McGEEHAN, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, COHEN, CORNELL, COSTA, CRAHALLA, CURRY,

DALLY, FABRIZIO, FLICK, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KENNEY, LaGROTTA, LEDERER, MANN, MARKOSEK, PALLONE, PETRARCA, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAINATO, SHANER, STABACK, R. STEVENSON, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, WATERS, WHEATLEY, WRIGHT and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for a sales tax holiday on school supplies.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, August 24, 2005.

No. 1931 By Representatives RUBLEY, GRUCELA, MELIO, STEIL, CALTAGIRONE, CLYMER, CURRY, FREEMAN, GEIST, HANNA, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, KOTIK, MACKERETH, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, MYERS, NAILOR, O'NEILL, READSHAW, SATHER, SHANER, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, R. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON and YUDICHAK

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 powers and duties of intermediate units, for the education of exceptional children and for payments relating to the education of exceptional children; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 24, 2005.

No. 1932 By Representatives STEIL, GRUCELA, MELIO, RUBLEY, CALTAGIRONE, CURRY, FREEMAN, GEIST, HANNA, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, KOTIK, MACKERETH, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, MYERS, NAILOR, O'NEILL, READSHAW, SATHER, SHANER, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, R. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON and YUDICHAK

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 tax levies and information related to taxes; authorizing the imposition of personal income taxes by school district; making a repeal; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, August 24, 2005.

No. 1933 By Representatives MELIO, GRUCELA, YOUNGBLOOD, CORRIGAN, HERMAN, BIANCUCCI, CASORIO, STEIL, HERSHEY, BUNT, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, FABRIZIO, GOOD, HENNESSEY, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LEVDANSKY, MUNDY, PETRARCA, SCAVELLO, SHANER, TANGRETTI, THOMAS, TIGUE, CURRY, FREEMAN, GEIST, GERGELY, HANNA, HARPER, HUTCHINSON, MACKERETH, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, MYERS, NAILOR, O'NEILL, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SATHER, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, WALKO, WATSON and YUDICHAK

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

real property tax relief for qualified owners of homesteads or farmsteads and for certain Commonwealth payments.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, August 24, 2005.

No. 1934 By Representatives GRUCELA, MELIO, RUBLEY, STEIL, CALTAGIRONE, CURRY, FREEMAN, GEIST, HANNA, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KOTIK, MACKERETH, McCALL, McILHATTAN, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, MYERS, NAILOR, O'NEILL, READSHAW, SATHER, SHANER, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, R. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WATSON and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of December 14, 1992 (P.L.866, No.137), known as the Optional County Affordable Housing Funds Act, extending the act to counties of the first class; providing for a home purchase loan program to be administered by the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency; establishing the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; providing for a program of home mortgage insurance; and establishing the Housing Insurance Fund.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, August 24, 2005.

No. 1935 By Representatives PISTELLA, DeWEESE, BIANCUCCI, FABRIZIO, KOTIK, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CRUZ, DALEY, DeLUCA, FRANKEL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HERMAN, KIRKLAND, LEACH, LEDERER, MANN, McGEEHAN, REED, ROONEY, SIPTROTH, SHANER, STABACK, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act establishing the Enhanced Senior Services Demonstration Program; and conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Aging, the Department of Public Welfare and the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, August 24, 2005.

No. 1936 By Representatives CALTAGIRONE, DeLUCA, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF, CURRY, FABRIZIO, GINGRICH, GOOD, HARRIS, LEVDANSKY, MAHER, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, MUSTIO, NAILOR, NICKOL, PETRARCA, READSHAW, ROBERTS, SANTONI, T. STEVENSON, TURZAI, WILT, GERGELY, HABAY, PETRONE and DIVEN

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, reducing the size of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2005.

No. 1937 By Representatives CALTAGIRONE, BENNINGHOFF, DeLUCA, FICHTER, GABIG, GEORGE, GODSHALL, HARPER, LEH, LEVDANSKY, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, SANTONI and SIPTROTH

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, eliminating cross-filing by candidates.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2005.

No. 1938 By Representatives CALTAGIRONE, GABIG, GEORGE, HARRIS, MARSICO, PETRARCA, RUBLEY, SHANER, YOUNGBLOOD and SAINATO

An Act establishing a procedure for the award of community revitalization program grants.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2005.

No. 1939 By Representatives CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CRAHALLA, GEORGE, GOODMAN, JAMES, LEACH, READSHAW, SIPTROTH and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act regulating the sale of tableware; imposing duties and responsibilities upon the Department of Health; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, September 12, 2005.

No. 1940 By Representatives ROONEY, CALTAGIRONE, JAMES, DeWEESE, GOODMAN, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, MANN, HESS, CRAHALLA, HENNESSEY, FRANKEL, GOOD, READSHAW, MUNDY, CORRIGAN, STABACK, GRUCELA, REED, DeLUCA, YOUNGBLOOD, LEACH, LEVDANSKY, PISTELLA, FREEMAN, JOSEPHS, BELARDI and SIPTROTH

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, September 12, 2005.

No. 1941 By Representatives ROONEY, CALTAGIRONE, NAILOR, GOODMAN, LEDERER, MANN, HUTCHINSON, TIGUE, CRAHALLA, STABACK, GRUCELA, PAYNE, DeLUCA, BELFANTI, DALLY, SIPTROTH and WANSACZ

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 12, 2005.

No. 1942 By Representatives ROONEY, CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN, HALUSKA, STABACK, GRUCELA, DeLUCA, BEBKO-JONES, JOSEPHS and WALKO

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, September 12, 2005.

No. 1943 By Representatives CREIGHTON, BAKER, BARRAR, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CLYMER, DALLY, DENLINGER, ELLIS, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRELL, HALUSKA, HASAY, HESS, JAMES, MACKERETH, MARSICO, McGEEHAN, McNAUGHTON, MUNDY, MUSTIO, PETRARCA, PICKETT, PYLE, RAMALEY, READSHAW, REED, SAINATO, SHANER, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, WILT, WRIGHT, ROHRER, HUTCHINSON, SAYLOR, JOSEPHS, B. SMITH, WANSACZ, COSTA, MAHER, M. KELLER, METCALFE and LEDERER

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for cooperation of government and nongovernment agencies.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 12, 2005.

No. 1944 By Representatives DALLY, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, GEIST, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HERMAN, HICKERNELL, MARKOSEK, REICHLEY, SAYLOR, B. SMITH, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a Statewide registry of protective orders; further providing for protective orders, for notice on protective orders and for violation of orders; providing for civil protective orders; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 26, 2005.

No. 1946 By Representatives SAINATO, SHANER, KOTIK, READSHAW, CAPPELLI, TIGUE, FABRIZIO, BUXTON, DONATUCCI, GOODMAN and WILT

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further providing for dog purchaser protection.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, September 12, 2005.

No. 1947 By Representatives GERGELY, KOTIK, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, DALEY, DeLUCA, DIVEN, FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HUTCHINSON, LaGROTTA, McCALL, PALLONE, PETRARCA, PETRONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REED, ROBERTS, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, SURRA, TIGUE, WILT and YUDICHAK

An Act providing for prohibition of levy or collection of tax on homestead property; establishing the Homestead Property Tax Elimination Fund; providing for imposition of sales and use tax, for increase in personal income tax and for transfer of certain slot machine gaming revenue; and making a related repeal.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 1948 By Representatives GERGELY, KOTIK, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, CASORIO, DALEY, DeLUCA, DIVEN, FABRIZIO, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HUTCHINSON, McCALL, PALLONE, PETRARCA, PETRONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REED, ROBERTS, SANTONI, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, SURRA, TIGUE, WILT and YUDICHAK

A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for uniformity of taxation.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 1949 By Representatives GERGELY, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DONATUCCI, EACHUS, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GERBER, GOOD, GOODMAN, HARRIS, HESS, KOTIK, READSHAW, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SHANER, STURLA, WANSACZ, YOUNGBLOOD, CORNELL, COSTA, GRUITZA, HARHAI, MARKOSEK, McILHATTAN, O'NEILL, PALLONE, SAINATO, SANTONI, SOLOBAY and STABACK

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for penalties for retail theft of motor fuel.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 21, 2005.

No. 1950 By Representatives PETRI, FEESE, McILHINNEY, WATSON, TRUE, PYLE, CALTAGIRONE, HANNA, CAPPELLI, ARMSTRONG and DeLUCA

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in liquid fuels and fuels tax, for imposition; and further providing, in highway maintenance and construction taxes, for imposition.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 21, 2005.

No. 1951 By Representatives PETRI, FEESE, McILHINNEY, WATSON, TRUE, PYLE, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, HANNA, WRIGHT, ARMSTRONG, BOYD and DeLUCA

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in liquid fuels and fuels tax, for the definition of "average wholesale price" and for imposition.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 21, 2005.

No. 1952 By Representatives PETRI, FEESE, McILHINNEY, WATSON, TRUE, PYLE, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, HANNA, WRIGHT, BOYD, ARMSTRONG, DeLUCA and GOODMAN

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in liquid fuels and fuels tax, for the definition of "average wholesale price."

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 21, 2005.

No. 1953 By Representatives REICHLEY, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HICKERNELL, KILLION, KOTIK, LEACH, MANN, NAILOR, O'NEILL, SIPTROTH, STABACK, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WHEATLEY and YOUNGBLOOD

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 21, 2005.

No. 1954 By Representatives REICHLEY, BAKER, BLAUM, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DeWEESE, FAIRCHILD, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GOODMAN, HERSHEY, KOTIK, LEACH, LEDERER, MARKOSEK, MCGILL, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PETRARCA, READSHAW, RUBLEY, SCHRODER, SIPTROTH, STABACK, WHEATLEY and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further defining "unfair methods of competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices."

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, September 21, 2005.

No. 1955 By Representative PYLE

An Act designating the bridge carrying State Route 66 over Garrett's Run and the J. Franklin Graff Bridge in Manor Township, Armstrong County, as the 1/112th Infantry Alpha Company Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 21, 2005.

No. 1957 By Representatives RAMALEY, SOLOBAY, GERGELY, CASORIO, BIANCUCCI, CALTAGIRONE, CRAHALLA, HENNESSEY, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LaGROTTA, LEACH, PISTELLA, SHANER and STETLER

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for political activity for firefighters; and making repeals of inconsistent laws.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, September 21, 2005.

No. 1959 By Representatives KILLION, CALTAGIRONE, HERSHEY, E. Z. TAYLOR and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, further providing for fees charged by the Insurance Department.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 1960 By Representatives HARHAI, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, DENLINGER, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GOODMAN, KOTIK, O'NEILL, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REICHLEY, SATHER, SEMMEL, SIPTROTH, SHANER and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act providing for confidentiality in the public dissemination of records.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 26, 2005.

No. 1961 By Representatives MAITLAND, S. MILLER, FLEAGLE, ARMSTRONG, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, ELLIS, FAIRCHILD, FREEMAN, GINGRICH, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARRIS, HERSHEY, KAUFFMAN, M. KELLER, McILHATTAN, NICKOL, O'NEILL, REICHLEY, ROSS, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SIPTROTH, STEIL, E. Z. TAYLOR, YOUNGBLOOD 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 valuation of certain farmland.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 1962 By Representatives GERGELY, CALTAGIRONE, COSTA, DeLUCA, DIVEN, FABRIZIO, FLEAGLE, GOODMAN, KOTIK, LEVDANSKY, MARKOSEK, MUSTIO, PISTELLA, RAMALEY, READSHAW, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, WALKO, WANSACZ and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, providing for volunteer fire company and ambulance service grant funding.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, September 26, 2005.

No. 1963 By Representatives CAWLEY, TIGUE, CORRIGAN, CURRY, JAMES, FRANKEL, WALKO, LEACH, SCAVELLO and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for protection of children from secondhand smoke.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 26, 2005.

No. 1964 By Representatives ROSS, ADOLPH, ALLEN, ARMSTRONG, BALDWIN, BASTIAN, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, COHEN, CORNELL, COSTA, CRAHALLA, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, FLEAGLE, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, HARRIS, HERMAN, HERSHEY, KILLION, LaGROTTA, LEACH, MACKERETH, MAITLAND, MANDERINO, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, MUSTIO, NAILOR, PETRI, PYLE, READSHAW, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SATHER,

SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, SHAPIRO, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STEIL, STURLA, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, VITALI, WALKO, WATSON, WRIGHT, YUDICHAK, O'NEILL, MUNDY and TANGRETTI

An Act authorizing investment tax credits for qualified alternative energy enterprises.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, September 26, 2005.

No. 1965 By Representatives GEORGE, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CURRY, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HERMAN, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KENNEY, LaGROTTA, LEACH, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MANDERINO, PISTELLA, SHANER, STABACK, SURRA, WALKO, YOUNGBLOOD and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968, further providing for minimum wages; and providing for health insurance plan.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, September 26, 2005.

No. 1966 By Representatives REED, BENNINGHOFF, BAKER, BALDWIN, BLAUM, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CIVERA, CLYMER, CORRIGAN, DENLINGER, ELLIS, J. EVANS, FLEAGLE, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARRIS, HERMAN, HESS, HICKERNELL, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, M. KELLER, KILLION, LEH, MACKERETH, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McGILL, McILHATTAN, MELIO, MUSTIO, PYLE, REICHLEY, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, T. STEVENSON, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, TURZAI, WATSON, WILT, ZUG and DALLY

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for sexual offender registration procedures and applicability.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 26, 2005.

No. 1967 By Representative McILHINNEY

An Act amending the act of November 20, 2004 (P.L.886, No.121), entitled "An act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority and to Robert L. and Karen N. Doult, Leona B. Disbrow, Louise F. Waller, Mary Schabacker, Paul D. and Mary Ann Brugger, and Ralph and Janet Toland, Sr., certain lands situate in the City of Erie, County of Erie; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Derry Township Municipal Authority a certain easement for sanitary sewer purposes, together with an existing sanitary sewer line and appurtenances, situate in Derry Township, Dauphin County; authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Summerdale Associates, L.P., certain lands situate in the Township of East Pennsboro, County of Cumberland; and authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Governor, to grant and convey to the Borough of Doylestown certain lands situate in the Borough of Doylestown, Bucks County," further

providing for conveyance to the Borough of Doylestown, Bucks County.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 26, 2005.

No. 1968 By Representatives GODSHALL, BUXTON, WRIGHT, PICKETT, BUNT, COSTA, KILLION, ADOLPH, BEBKO-JONES, CIVERA, CRAHALLA, DALEY, DERMODY, GOODMAN, JAMES, McGEEHAN, PALLONE, PETRONE, PYLE, SCAVELLO, STERN, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, HALUSKA and R. STEVENSON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, changing provisions relating to school terms and sessions.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, September 26, 2005.

No. 1969 By Representatives BASTIAN, BAKER, BALDWIN, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CLYMER, CRAHALLA, DALLY, DENLINGER, FAIRCHILD, FLEAGLE, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KOTIK, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PETRI, PICKETT, READSHAW, SAYLOR, SHANER, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STERN, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, TRUE, TURZAI and WATSON

An Act amending the act of November 29, 1990 (P.L.585, No.148), known as the Confidentiality of HIV-Related Information Act, further providing for exception to consent to HIV-related tests.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, September 26, 2005.

No. 1970 By Representatives WILT, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BLACKWELL, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CRAHALLA, DeLUCA, J. EVANS, GEIST, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARRIS, HERSHEY, JAMES, KILLION, MARKOSEK, MELIO, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PICKETT, PISTELLA, PYLE, SCHRODER, SONNEY, STABACK, R. STEVENSON and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in provisions relating to slayers, for definitions; providing for abuser not to acquire property from the victim of the abuse; further providing, in provisions relating to slayers, for descent, distribution, dower, curtesy and statutory rights as survivor, for legacies, for tenancies by the entirety, for joint tenants, joint owners and joint obligees, for reversions and vested remainders, for interests dependent on survivorship or continuance of life, for contingent remainders and executory or other future interests, for powers of appointment, for proceeds of insurance, for bona fide payment by insurance company or obligor, for bona fide purchasers, for record of conviction as evidence and for preadjudication rule concerning slayer; providing for preadjudication rule for abuser; and further providing for broad construction and policy of State.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 26, 2005.

No. 1971 By Representatives WILT, ARMSTRONG, BENNINGHOFF, BUXTON, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DIVEN, GOOD, GRELL, HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, KAUFFMAN, McILHATTAN, PISTELLA, REED, RUBLEY, SANTONI, SCHRODER, SOLOBAY, STERN, R. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, LEVDANSKY and MARKOSEK

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, reducing the size of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on RULES, September 26, 2005.

No. 1972 By Representatives LEACH, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, DeWEESE, FRANKEL, GOOD, GOODMAN, HESS, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, MARKOSEK, PETRONE, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SHAPIRO and VEON

An Act making an appropriation to the American Red Cross for costs associated with assisting victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, September 26, 2005.

No. 1973 By Representatives LEACH, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, CURRY, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HENNESSEY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, REED, SCAVELLO, STURLA, SURRA, WRIGHT and O'NEILL

An Act providing for homeowner property tax rebates and for penalties; and making a related repeal.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 1974 By Representatives MACKERETH, R. MILLER, ADOLPH, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BALDWIN, BARRAR, BASTIAN, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CORNELL, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, FAIRCHILD, FLEAGLE, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARRIS, HASAY, HERMAN, HESS, HUTCHINSON, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, LEDERER, MAJOR, MANN, MARKOSEK, McILHATTAN, METCALFE, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PICKETT, PISTELLA, PYLE, RAMALEY, REED, REICHLEY, RUBLEY, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SCHRODER, SHANER, STABACK, R. STEVENSON, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI, YUDICHAK, ZUG and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing, in personal income tax, for classes of income.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, September 26, 2005.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 422 By Representatives ZUG, FAIRCHILD and PHILLIPS

A Resolution establishing a Special Committee on State Textbook Evaluation to assess the quality of the textbooks used in the schools of the Commonwealth.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, September 21, 2005.

No. 425 By Representatives MANN, BEBKO-JONES, BELFANTI, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, COHEN, CORRIGAN, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, CURRY, DALLY, DeLUCA, DENLINGER, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GANNON, GEIST, GEORGE, GERGELY, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HERMAN, HERSHEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, M. KELLER, LEACH, LEVDANSKY, MACKERETH, MANDERINO, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, MUNDY, NAILOR, PETRARCA, PETRONE, PISTELLA, RAMALEY, READSHAW, ROSS, SAINATO, SANTONI, SAYLOR, SCAVELLO, SHANER, SOLOBAY, SURRA, TIGUE, WALKO, WANSACZ and YUDICHAK

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to investigate and report on the advantages and disadvantages of allowing small businesses to buy coverage for employees through the adult basic coverage insurance program.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, September 26, 2005.

No. 429 By Representatives STABACK, SOLOBAY, BAKER, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, CAPPELLI, CASORIO, CAUSER, CLYMER, COHEN, CORRIGAN, COSTA, DALLY, DeLUCA, DENLINGER, DERMODY, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FEESE, GEIST, GEORGE, GODSHALL, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRELL, GRUCELA, HANNA, HARHAI, HASAY, HERMAN, HESS, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEH, LEVDANSKY, MAHER, MAITLAND, MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McCALL, McGEEHAN, McGILL, McNAUGHTON, METCALFE, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, MUNDY, MUSTIO, NAILOR, PALLONE, PAYNE, PETRARCA, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, PISTELLA, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, ROHRER, SAINATO, SATHER, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, SHANER, SHAPIRO, B. SMITH, S. H. SMITH, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BISHOP, BOYD, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, FLEAGLE, WALKO, WANSACZ, WATSON, WILT, WRIGHT, YUDICHAK, ZUG, O'NEILL and MAJOR

A Resolution urging the President and Congress of the United States to reconsider the provision of law requiring applicants for hunting and fishing licenses to provide their Social Security numbers and urging the United States Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families to grant an exception to the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare for the current requirement that recreational license buyers in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provide their Social Security numbers.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, September 26, 2005.

SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 450, PN 1109

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, September 26, 2005.

SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 619, PN 2656**; and **HB 875, PN 2658**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL
WITH EXCEPTIONS

The Speaker laid before the House a communication in writing from the office of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following House bill had been approved and signed by the Governor, with exceptions:

HB 815.

Said bill having been returned with the following message:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Office of the Governor
Harrisburg

July 7, 2005

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill 815, entitled, "AN ACT to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and for the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, the State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Health Care Provider Retention Account and the Community Health Reinvestment Restricted Account to the Executive Department;

such funds which are expended shall be subject to the same restrictions contained in the appropriation for grants for women’s medical services.

State appropriation \$921,080,000

The following Federal amounts are appropriated to supplement the sum appropriated for medical assistance – outpatient:

(1) “Medical Assistance – Outpatient.” The Department of Public Welfare shall not require a recipient to obtain a physician referral in order to receive chiropractic services. The Department of Public Welfare shall not expend or authorize the expenditure of any funds for family planning services in excess of the amounts expended for such services in the 2004-2005 fiscal year and any such funds which are expended shall be subject to the same restrictions contained in the appropriation for grants for women’s medical services.

Federal appropriation \$1,288,555,000

In addition to the constitutional infirmity of the language and the fact that it is violative of Federal law, I believe that to follow the directives in these appropriations is just plain bad policy. Therefore, I withhold my approval from the following language in both of these appropriations:

The Department of Public Welfare shall not expend or authorize the expenditure of any funds for family planning services in excess of the amounts expended for such services in the 2004-2005 fiscal year and any such funds which are expended shall be subject to the same restrictions contained in the appropriation for grants for women’s medical services.

As stated above, while I believe that constitutionally improper language in the bill is null and void without further action, I am expressly vetoing the language that appears in the following appropriations to remove any doubt:

PART VIII
MOTOR LICENSE FUND APPROPRIATION
FOR 2005-2006

Section 223. Pennsylvania State Police

For general government operations of the Pennsylvania State Police. No less than \$350,000 of this appropriation shall be for the continuation and expansion of comprehensive and proactive programs coordinating with Federal, State and local law enforcement to remove violent felons, illegal narcotics, illegal weapons and nuisance bars from crime-ridden communities. No Pennsylvania State Police barracks shall be closed until such time as the Pennsylvania State Police conduct a public hearing and provide 30 days’ notice which shall be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin and in at least two local newspapers.

State appropriation \$137,393,000

I withhold my approval from the following language in this appropriation:

No Pennsylvania State Police barracks shall be closed until such time as the Pennsylvania State Police conduct a public hearing and provide 30 days’ notice which shall be published in the Pennsylvania Bulletin and in at least two local newspapers.

Section 801. Department of Transportation.

For the salaries, wages and all necessary expenses for the administration and operation of the maintenance program for State roads, bridges, tunnels and structures, including the operation of the county maintenance district facilities. At least \$4,000,000 shall be used for the installation and maintenance of raised reflective pavement markers on interstate and similar highways and for installation and maintenance of such markers on other State roads at locations determined by the Department of Transportation. The \$4,000,000 may be drawn from both the highway and safety improvement and maintenance appropriations. At least \$3,000,000 shall be used for the Crossroads Development Project. The \$3,000,000 may be drawn from both the highway and safety improvement and maintenance Appropriations. At least \$1,500,000 shall be used for a pilot project to expand the width of pavement markings from four inches to six inches on limited access highways. The \$1,500,000 may be drawn from both the highway and safety improvement and maintenance appropriations.

I withhold my approval from the following language in this appropriation:

At least \$1,500,000 shall be used for a pilot project to expand the width of pavement markings from four inches to six inches on limited access highways. The \$1,500,000 may be drawn from both the highway and safety improvement and maintenance appropriations.

Edward G. Rendell
Governor

**BILL AND LINE-ITEM VETO MESSAGE
PLACED ON CALENDAR**

The SPEAKER. The Governor’s line-item veto will be placed on tomorrow’s calendar.

CALENDAR**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 149, PN 217**, entitled:

An Act providing for the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund, for its funding and for expenditures from the fund; and making repeals.

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that SB 149 be placed upon the table.

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

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that SB 149 be taken off the table.

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

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

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

**BILL ON CONCURRENCE
REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

HB 875, PN 2658 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, further providing for death benefit eligibility and for definitions.

RULES.

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

HB 58, PN 2674 (Amended) By Rep. SEMMEL

An Act providing a bonus to Pennsylvanians who are United States Merchant Marine veterans who served during World War II; imposing certain duties on the Adjutant General; providing penalties; and making an appropriation.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS.

HB 609, PN 682 By Rep. SEMMEL

An Act providing for a loan program to assist colleges to install automatic fire suppression systems in student residences; establishing the Sprinkler Loan Fund; providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development; and prescribing a penalty.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS.

HB 1621, PN 2056 By Rep. SEMMEL

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the duty of the State Veterans' Commission.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS.

HB 1820, PN 2675 (Amended) By Rep. SEMMEL

An Act providing compensation to persons in active service in connection with the Persian Gulf Conflict or their beneficiaries; authorizing the incurring of indebtedness and the issue and sale of bonds by the Commonwealth for the payment of compensation contingent upon electorate approval; creating a special fund in the State Treasury to be known as the Persian Gulf Conflict Veterans' Compensation Bond Fund; imposing powers and duties on the Department of General Services; making appropriations; and making a related repeal.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY
PREPAREDNESS.

FILMING PERMISSION

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to advise the members that it has given permission to Elaine Fisher from Fox 29, Philadelphia, to videotape on the floor of the House for 10 minutes.

The Chair also wishes to advise the members that it has given permission to Mike Kruleski. He is from WHTM-TV, ABC 27, to videotape and audiotape on the floor of the House for 10 minutes.

**COMMUNICATION FROM
PHILADELPHIA PARKING AUTHORITY**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the report from the Philadelphia Parking Authority submitted pursuant to section 6 of Act 94 of 2004.

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

REPORTS SUBMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the Auditor General's Certificate submitted pursuant to

Article VIII, section 7(a)(4), of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and section 304 of the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act.

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The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the Public Utility Commission's Report entitled "Electric Power Outlook for Pennsylvania 2004-2009."

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The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the 2005 Mid-Year Allocation Report from the Department of Community and Economic Development submitted pursuant to the Job Enhancement Act of 1996.

(Copies of reports are on file with the Journal clerk.)

COMMUNICATION FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of two reports from the Department of Health as required by the Abortion Control Act of 1982 amended by Act 31 of 1988: "Report of Maternal Deaths, Pennsylvania Occurrences 2003," and "2004 Abortion Statistics."

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

BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 8, PN 1171 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for establishment and financing of community colleges; establishing the Board of Community Colleges and Council of Presidents; providing for the members, structure, powers and duties and chief executive officer of the Board of Community Colleges and Council of Presidents; further providing for the powers and duties of State Board of Education; providing for appropriations and the allocation of funds for community colleges, for audits, for powers and duties of board of trustees, for tuition and for financial plan, for reimbursement of payments and for capital expenses of community colleges; and making related repeals.

RULES.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM RULES COMMITTEE AND TABLED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RULE 22

HB 10, PN 2399 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1981 (P.L.214, No.67), known as the Bingo Law, further providing for rules for licensing and operation.

RULES.

HB 11, PN 2400 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, further providing for prize limits, for limited sales and for recordkeeping; repealing certain provisions relating to advertising; and

further providing for eligible organizations' use of locations for conducting small games of chance and for separate individual prize limitations.

RULES.

HB 27, PN 30 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, further providing for sales and use tax definitions, for sales and use tax exclusions, for personal income tax definitions and for classes of personal income; providing for a credit against personal income tax; further providing for realty transfer tax definitions, for realty transfer tax exclusions and for penalties for failing to fulfill a historic covenant; and conferring powers and duties on the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

RULES.

HB 93, PN 87 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act establishing the Long-Term Care Partnership Program; and conferring powers and duties on the Insurance Department, the Department of Aging and the Department of Public Welfare.

RULES.

HB 116, PN 912 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, restricting the power of certain school districts to levy, assess and collect taxes.

RULES.

HB 117, PN 913 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of March 11, 1971 (P.L.104, No.3), known as the Senior Citizens Rebate and Assistance Act, further providing for property tax and rent rebate eligibility.

RULES.

HB 118, PN 914 By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for expiration of authority to issue certain debt, for reporting by local government units of debt outstanding and for assumption of certain debt by the Commonwealth.

RULES.

HB 119, PN 915 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 tax levies and information related to taxes; authorizing the imposition of a personal income tax or an earned income tax by a school district subject to voter approval; establishing the School Financing Authority and providing for its powers and duties and for basic education funding for 2006-2007 school year; establishing the Education Operating Fund and providing for disbursements therefrom; adding provisions relating to performance and accountability technology; making a related repeal; repealing the Homeowner Tax Relief Act; and making editorial changes.

RULES.

HB 138, PN 139

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, reenacting provisions relating to comparative negligence; and making a repeal.

RULES.

HB 237, PN 2361

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, further providing for the levying, assessment and collection of the municipal services tax; providing for an additional restriction on amusement or admissions tax; further providing for the applicability of petitions under the act of July 10, 1987 (P.L.246, No.47), known as the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act; making a related repeal; and making editorial changes.

RULES.

HB 256, PN 2210

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 definitions and for health services.

RULES.

HB 259, PN 2105

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for the licensure and regulation of adult living residences; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Public Welfare; adding members to the Intra-Governmental Council on Long-Term Care; providing for an increase to State supplemental assistance for persons in personal care homes; and providing for penalties.

RULES.

HB 280, PN 2454

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 sale of unused and unnecessary lands and buildings; and further providing for consideration by General Assembly of State System of Higher Education requests to dispose of real property.

RULES.

HB 321, PN 2300

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 teacher qualification and for State certificates.

RULES.

HB 338, PN 2209

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, further providing, in gross receipts tax, for the imposition of tax; and making a related repeal.

RULES.

HB 344, PN 365

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, excluding smoke detectors, fire extinguishers and other fire prevention and fire safety equipment from the sales and use tax.

RULES.

HB 372, PN 2241

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 23, 1931 (P.L.932, No.317), known as The Third Class City Code, further providing for residency requirements for vacancy appointments.

RULES.

HB 412, PN 437

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Long-term Care Council and providing for its powers and duties; and making a repeal.

RULES.

HB 446, PN 485

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for liquor importers' licenses.

RULES.

HB 493, PN 2283

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 12, 1919 (P.L.476, No.240), referred to as the Second Class County Recorder of Deeds Fee Law, providing for officer or employee to charge and collect fees and for additional fees; and authorizing establishment of a County Records Improvement Fund and County Records Improvement Committee.

RULES.

HB 548, PN 596

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act regulating tanning facilities; providing for the registration of persons operating tanning facilities; requiring that certain warnings be given and safeguards be taken; imposing penalties; and making a repeal.

RULES.

HB 562, PN 635

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 26, 2001 (P.L.755, No.77), known as the Tobacco Settlement Act, further providing for Tobacco Settlement Investment Board.

RULES.

HB 659, PN 752

By Rep. S. SMITH

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

RULES.

HB 893, PN 1016

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1949 (P.L.482, No.98), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing and requiring cities, boroughs, townships, municipal authorities and public utility companies engaged in the supplying of water, to shut off the supply of water for nonpayment of sewer, sewerage, or sewage treatment rentals, rates, or charges imposed by municipal authorities organized by counties of the second class, by cities of the second class, by cities of the second class A, by cities of the third class, by boroughs or by townships of the first or second class; authorizing and requiring them to supply to such authorities lists of metered water readings and flat-rate water bills and other data; authorizing them to act as billing and collecting agents for such authorities; and conferring certain powers upon the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in connection therewith," further providing for shutting off water if sewer charge not paid, for notice and for statement of defense; and requiring certain procedures to be followed in residential buildings.

RULES.

HB 1010, PN 1156

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 employment of school health personnel.

RULES.

HB 1031, PN 2308

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 29, 1953 (P.L.304, No.66), known as the Vital Statistics Law of 1953, providing for certificate of stillbirth.

RULES.

HB 1048, PN 2387

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of May 29, 1956 (1955 P.L.1804, No.600), referred to as the Municipal Police Pension Law, further providing for payments under existing pension plans for service increments to pensions of police officers.

RULES.

HB 1158, PN 1364

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act limiting real property taxes in certain circumstances in counties of the second class and in all political subdivisions in counties of the second class.

RULES.

HB 1222, PN 1435

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 State Report Card.

RULES.

HB 1260, PN 1486

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating polka music as the official folk music of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and designating the American square dance as the official folk dance of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

RULES.

HB 1281, PN 1525

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating a portion of State Route 104 in Snyder County as the Timberwolves Memorial Highway - 104th Infantry Division, United States Army.

RULES.

HB 1289, PN 1533

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of February 14, 1990 (P.L.62, No.11), known as the Noncontrolled Substances Reporting and Registration Act, further providing for chemicals subject to registration.

RULES.

HB 1320, PN 2175

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, restricting the transport, sale, importation or release of snakehead fish.

RULES.

HB 1346, PN 1604

By Rep. S. SMITH

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

RULES.

HB 1350, PN 1608

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating State Route 291 in Delaware County as the Willie Mae James Leake Memorial Highway.

RULES.

HB 1370, PN 2106

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for a certification program in certain facilities which offer cognitive support services to persons with cognitive impairments and for report to General Assembly.

RULES.

HB 1401, PN 1691

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating a bridge on State Route 150 crossing the Beech Creek in Clinton and Centre Counties, Pennsylvania, as the Beech Creek Veterans Memorial Bridge.

RULES.

HB 1413, PN 1701

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act authorizing State investment tax credits for qualified animal waste recycling facilities; further authorizing limited sales and use tax exemption; and establishing the Animal Waste Recycling Fund.

RULES.

HB 1419, PN 2211

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 cost of tuition and how it is fixed under certain circumstances.

RULES.

HB 1455, PN 1753

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating the intersection of State Route 18 and State Route 58 in Greenville, Mercer County, as the Joseph J. Lininger Intersection.

RULES.

HB 1467, PN 2559

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for dispute resolution procedures relating to residential construction defects between contractors and homeowners or members of associations; and prescribing penalties.

RULES.

HB 1491, PN 1808

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for weight restriction relating to special registration plates.

RULES.

HB 1492, PN 1809

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for incorporated units of national veterans organizations.

RULES.

HB 1512, PN 1846

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act establishing the Science Technology Partnership Program; and providing for State grants.

RULES.

HB 1528, PN 1877

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for licenses and fees relating to taxidermists.

RULES.

HB 1552, PN 2273

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a special license plate for recipients of the Silver Star and Bronze Star.

RULES.

HB 1554, PN 1929

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, prohibiting third-party guarantees of payment for admission; imposing powers and duties upon the Department of Health; imposing penalties for violation; and making an appropriation.

RULES.

HB 1559, PN 2110

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for unannounced inspections of certain facilities and persons that provide child day care; and conferring powers and duties on the Department of Public Welfare.

RULES.

HB 1581, PN 2274

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act designating SR 65 in the vicinity of Leetsdale, Allegheny County, as the James E. Russo Highway.

RULES.

HB 1637, PN 2022

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1175, No.497), known as the Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963, further providing for waiver of liens, for effect of waiver of liens and for rescission of contracts between contractors and subcontractors.

RULES.

HB 1648, PN 2076

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for qualifications, eligibility and compensation for district attorneys; and making repeals.

RULES.

HB 1652, PN 2079

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for governing board; and providing for regional transportation authorities.

RULES.

HB 1655, PN 2082

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for use or possession of electric or electronic incapacitation devices.

RULES.

HB 1669, PN 2096

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, providing for elections in the event of catastrophic loss.

RULES.

HB 1687, PN 2183

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, further providing for exclusion from the sales tax.

RULES.

HB 1705, PN 2281

By Rep. S. SMITH

An Act providing for health care coverage for the treatment of people with bleeding disorders.

RULES.

HB 1733, PN 2200

By Rep. S. SMITH

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

RULES.

HB 1793, PN 2334

By Rep. S. SMITH

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

RULES.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 349 and HB 1559 be taken off the table to third consideration.

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:

HB 349, PN 2062; and HB 1559, PN 2110.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 349 and HB 1559 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

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

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time would like to welcome Teresa Anderson, a pharmacy student at Temple University and an intern for the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Temple University is working with the House Health and Human Services Committee chairman, George Kenney, who has established an internship rotation program that offers hands-on, real-world participation for students to become more familiar with the challenges that confront the state of health policy and its impact on the pharmacy profession. Please join me in welcoming Teresa Anderson. Teresa, please rise and be recognized.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to leaves of absence. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who moves for a leave of absence for the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. BIRMELIN, for the day, and the gentleman from Lehigh, Mr. REICHLEY, for the week. Without objection, those leaves will be granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who moves for a leave of absence for the week for the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. RIEGER; for the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. PETRONE, for the week; for the day the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. LEVDANSKY; and for the day the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. BUTKOVITZ. Without objection, those leaves will also 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—196

Adolph	Feese	Maher	Sainato
Allen	Fichter	Maitland	Samuelson
Argall	Fleagle	Major	Santoni
Armstrong	Flick	Manderino	Sather
Baker	Forcier	Mann	Saylor
Baldwin	Frankel	Markosek	Scavello
Barrar	Freeman	Marsico	Schroder
Bastian	Gabig	McCall	Semmel
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McGeehan	Shaner
Belardi	Geist	McGill	Shapiro
Belfanti	George	McIlhattan	Siptroth
Benninghoff	Gerber	McIlhinney	Smith, B.
Beyer	Gergely	McNaughton	Smith, S. H.
Bianucci	Gillespie	Melio	Solobay
Bishop	Gingrich	Metcalfe	Sonney
Blackwell	Godshall	Micozzie	Staback
Blaum	Good	Millard	Stairs
Boyd	Goodman	Miller, R.	Steil
Bunt	Grell	Miller, S.	Stern
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Evans, J.	Leh	Rubley	
Fabrizio	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Perzel,
Fairchild	Mackereth		Speaker

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Birmelin	Levdansky	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz	Petrone		

LEAVES CANCELED—2

Butkovitz	Levdansky
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HARRISBURG LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just to request a Capitol leave for the gentleman, Mr. CORRIGAN.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Tangretti, rise?

Mr. TANGRETTI. Mr. Speaker, I would like unanimous consent to make a statement.

The SPEAKER. We have several votes to cast first, and the Chair will recognize the gentleman at the time those votes are done.

Mr. TANGRETTI. Thank you.

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. SCAVELLO called up **HR 387, PN 2412**, entitled:

A Resolution supporting the goals and ideals of the National Eating Disorders Association.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

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

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

Mr. SCAVELLO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for allowing me the opportunity to give comments on HR 387.

Good afternoon. We have before us today a resolution addressing the growing concern of how eating disorders are affecting millions of people across our country.

Joining me on the House floor are Kathy and Allen Benn, along with their daughter, Emily, who is quite an entertainer. A couple of years ago I saw Emily perform at a performance where she had the audience eating out of the palm of her hand. I hope you are still enjoying your singing and acting talents, Emily. I also want to take this time to honor and remember their lovely and talented daughter, Shelby. This family invests enormous effort and countless hours working to educate others and support those with eating disorders. Please welcome the Benn family to Harrisburg.

This resolution supports the goals and ideals of the National Eating Disorders Association to increase public awareness and expand access to appropriate and effective treatment for eating disorders.

Eating disorders are not due to a failure of will or behavior. They are real, treatable illnesses in which certain maladaptive patterns of eating take on a life of their own.

An eating disorder is an illness that permeates all aspects of each sufferer's life. It is caused by a variety of emotional factors and influences and has profound effects on the people and their loved ones.

All three of the major eating disorders – anorexia, bulimia, and binge eating disorder – strike both men and women. Although the prevalence for men is much lower, men are less likely than women to recognize the problem and seek help. It is neither surprising nor uncommon to see males with eating disorders overuse anabolic steroids to improve muscle tone and build strength.

Young women, especially adolescents, are the primary group of those affected with eating disorders. Dieting behavior for adolescents this age is dangerous. It makes girls eight times more likely to develop an eating disorder. The intense fear of fat and preoccupation with food and weight often mask underlying psychological problems such as depression, substance abuse, and anxiety disorders.

In addition, people who suffer from eating disorders can experience a wide range of physical health complications, including serious heart conditions and kidney failure, which may ultimately lead to death.

Recognition of eating disorders as real and treatable diseases is critically important. I urge your positive consideration of this resolution and thank you in advance for your affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Benninghoff	Gerber	McIlhinney	Smith, B.
Beyer	Gergely	McNaughton	Smith, S. H.
Biancucci	Gillespie	Melio	Solobay
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Fairchild	Mackereth		Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Birmelin	Levdansky	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz	Petrone		

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 413, PN 2586**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of September 18 through 24, 2005, as "Adult Day Services Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-196

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Fairchild	Mackereth		Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Birmelin	Levdansky	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz	Petrone		

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mrs. LEDERER called up **HR 426, PN 2671**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing September 26, 2005, as “Family Day,” a day for engaging in activities to strengthen the relationships between parents and children which ultimately help in the fight against substance abuse and risky behaviors.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Birmelin Levdansky Reichley Rieger
Butkovitz Petrone

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

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Mr. EACHUS called up **HR 437, PN 2673**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the life and extending condolences for the supreme sacrifice of Master Sergeant Paul D. Karpowich, 2d Battalion, 390th Infantry Regiment, United States Army Reserve unit based at Webster, New York, who tragically lost his life while in the service of his country when his assigned dining facility was attacked in Mosul, Iraq, on December 21, 2004.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

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

Mr. EACHUS. Mr. Speaker, if I could have order in the chamber, please.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is correct. There is entirely too much noise.

Mr. EACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I stand today to honor another fallen hero in the war in Iraq.

“Honoring the life and extending condolences for the supreme sacrifice of Master Sergeant Paul D. Karpowich, 2d Battalion, 390th Infantry Regiment, United States Army Reserve unit based at Webster, New York, who tragically lost his life while in the service of his country when his assigned dining facility was attacked in Mosul, Iraq, on December 21, 2004.

“WHEREAS, Master Sergeant Paul D. Karpowich was born in Hazleton, Pennsylvania, and grew up in Freeland,...” a small village in northeastern Pennsylvania, in Luzerne County.

“WHEREAS, Sgt. Karpowich graduated in 1992 from Bishop Hafey High School and enlisted in the United States Army, serving four years on active duty in the 82nd Airborne Division based at Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and

“WHEREAS, Upon completing active duty, Sgt. Karpowich continued to serve his country in the United States Army Reserve while fulfilling his educational goals in architectural design at Luzerne County Community College and Temple University and embarking on his professional career as an office designer and sales representative for Eye Designs, in Collegeville,...” near the Philadelphia area.

“WHEREAS, Sgt. Karpowich was promoted to regional sales manager of Eye Designs; married his high school sweetheart, Amanda Gadola in 2003; bought land near Freeland with the intention of returning to his hometown and making a home there...” and eventually raising a family; “and

“WHEREAS, During his military service, Sgt. Karpowich was a drill sergeant, sniper and parachutist and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal,

the NCO Professional Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Multinational Force Observer Ribbon, the Parachutist Badge, the Expert Infantryman’s Badge and the Combat Infantry Badge; and

“WHEREAS, Sgt. Karpowich’s unit deployed to Iraq in November 2004 for the purpose of training Iraqi security forces, which deployment was the first overseas assignment of the noncombat 98th Division Institutional Training Unit since World War II; and

“WHEREAS, Sgt. Karpowich died tragically from injuries received in a suicide bomber’s sneak attack on a crowded dining tent in Mosul, Iraq, on December 21, 2004, shortly after he returned from two weeks of field operations; he was one of 22 killed in the explosion and the only one from Pennsylvania; and

“WHEREAS, Sgt. Karpowich, beloved husband of Amanda, son of Jacquelyn Getz and Richard Karpowich, brother of Phil, Kristen” – his sister – “and Joanne and stepson of Barry Getz and Claire Karpowich, was courageously serving his country and the campaign for Iraqi Enduring Freedom at the time of his death; and

“WHEREAS, News of his death came just days before Christmas and took the joy out of the holidays for everyone in his hometown of Freeland,...” a small village that felt his loss acutely.

“WHEREAS, Family, friends, Freeland residents...” and the company he worked for “continue to have difficulty accepting the tragic loss of this young man and his indomitable courage, good humor, enduring spirit, capacity to love and exemplary record of service” to this United States; “therefore be it

“RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor the life and extend condolences for the supreme sacrifice of Master Sergeant Paul D. Karpowich, who died on December 21, 2004, while in the courageous service of his country; and be it further

“RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Mrs. Paul D. Karpowich, 21 Center St., Bridgeport, PA....”

I ask the members of this House to concur on this young man’s service to our country and our loss, Pennsylvania’s loss, and his family’s loss.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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Evans, D.	Lederer	Ross	
Evans, J.	Leh	Rubley	
Fabrizio	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Perzel, Speaker
Fairchild	Mackereth		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Birmelin	Levdansky	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz	Petrone		

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

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Mr. ARGALL called up **HR 433, PN 2672**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the National Trust’s Main Street Center, the Pennsylvania Downtown Center and Main Street communities in this Commonwealth on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the Main Street program.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Caltagirone	Gruitz	Mustio	Stevenson, R.
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Causar	Hanna	Nickol	Surra
Cawley	Harhai	O'Brien	Tangretti
Civera	Harhart	Oliver	Taylor, E. Z.
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Cohen	Harris	Pallone	Thomas
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Corrigan	Hennessey	Petrarca	True
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Fabrizio	Lescovitz	Ruffing	Perzel,
Fairchild	Mackereth		Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Birmelin	Levdansky	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz	Petrone		

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

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentledady from Chester.

Mrs. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, there will be a Republican caucus immediately following the recess, and although I have not seen the bills yet, I am told that we will probably need a half-hour to 45 minutes.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentledady.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

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

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be a Democratic caucus immediately upon the call of the recess.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Mr. FEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, upon the declaration of recess, there will be an immediate meeting of the House Appropriations Committee in the conference room.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately in the conference room at the recess.

For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Tangretti, rise?

Mr. TANGRETTI. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to make a statement.

The SPEAKER. It is the information of the Chair the gentleman, Mr. Caltagirone, has voiced an objection to the gentleman having unanimous consent.

The Chair was in error; the gentleman, Mr. Caltagirone, and the gentleman, Mr. Geist.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. The House is now recessed until 3 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 125, PN 1078

By Rep. FEESE

An Act providing for a Statewide Child Day-Care Resource and Referral System, for unannounced inspections of and liability insurance for certain facilities and persons that provide child day care; requiring criminal history record and child abuse record information for certain persons who reside in family day-care homes; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Public Welfare and law enforcement agencies; and providing for information on prospective child-care personnel.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1743, PN 2230

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, further providing for assessment limits on counties of the second class; and providing for effect of appeal, escrow and payment under protest.

APPROPRIATIONS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, the Democrats have asked for an additional 5 more minutes for their caucus. The House will be at ease for the next 5 minutes.

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 8 be recommitted to the Committee on Rules.

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B**BILL ON CONCURRENCE
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS**

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 875, PN 2658**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, further providing for death benefit eligibility and for definitions.

On the question,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. It is moved by the gentleman, Mr. Hutchinson, that the House do concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and notes the presence on the floor of the House of the gentleman, Mr. Levdansky. His name will be placed on the master roll.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 875 CONTINUED

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just real briefly. Mr. Speaker, standing with our heroes and their families, that is what this bill is about. It is actually the third in a package of bills that will be going to the Governor's desk. It basically enhances the emergency responder death benefit payment and allows for heart attacks to be compensated as a line-of-duty death.

It is important I think for the members to recognize that there are a couple of bills that we have now passed. We already enacted a law that will provide a free college education for the family members of National Guard members who are killed in the line of duty, and we included State active-duty Guard members in the emergency responder death benefit already. And I just wanted to point out for the record, as there has been a

lot of debate about that over the last few months, that the legislature is moving forward on this package of bills and on these issues that directly affect those that are standing on the frontlines, whether it is domestically or around the world.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Semmel.

Mr. SEMMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to first applaud the efforts of Representative Hutchinson for all the hard work that he has put forth on HB 875 in his capacity as the prime sponsor. This legislation, as was mentioned, is a key component of our "standing with our heroes and their families" package, and in tandem is a SR 60 recommendation, which this body now has the ability to fulfill.

This legislation is supported by the National Guard Associations, the Pennsylvania Fire and Emergency Services Institute, the Fraternal Order of Police, the Pennsylvania Ambulance Association, and the Pennsylvania Professional Fire Fighters Association.

I would ask the members for an affirmative vote on HB 875, thereby ensuring that the families of our emergency responders will receive greater financial assistance in the tragic event that an emergency responder endures the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

As you are aware, in the not so distant past, this body enacted into law legislation which provided for a free college education to the children of emergency responders killed in the line of duty. HB 875 is a second component of this legislation and will increase this death benefit to \$100,000, and it will also include heart attacks as a compensable line-of-duty death.

Again I would ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Mr. Hutchinson.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I, too, rise to ask my colleagues' support on this important legislation. I am sure the support will be there.

The way I look at it, especially after 9/11 where we have a renewed appreciation of the emergency responders across our whole United States as well as within our State, whether they be firefighters, ambulance service, rescue squads, law enforcement, or National Guard that are serving a State duty, I think it is important that the families of those heroes get the protection that this bill provides. It offers an increased death benefit for those killed in the line of duty and really, I hope, adds some peace of mind to those who may lose a family member serving our communities.

So I urge the members' support. I thank them for their past support, and I thank all the emergency responders statewide who day in and day out keep our communities safe, keep our families safe.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Feese	Mackereth	Sainato
Allen	Fichter	Maher	Samuelson
Argall	Fleagle	Maitland	Santoni
Armstrong	Flick	Major	Sather
Baker	Forcier	Manderino	Saylor
Baldwin	Frankel	Mann	Scavello
Barrar	Freeman	Markosek	Schroder
Bastian	Gabig	Marsico	Semmel
Bebko-Jones	Gannon	McCall	Shaner
Belardi	Geist	McGeehan	Shapiro
Belfanti	George	McGill	Siptroth
Benninghoff	Gerber	McIlhattan	Smith, B.
Beyer	Gergely	McIlhinney	Smith, S. H.
Biancucci	Gillespie	McNaughton	Solobay
Bishop	Gingrich	Melio	Sonney
Blackwell	Godshall	Metcalfe	Staback
Blaum	Good	Micozzie	Stairs
Boyd	Goodman	Millard	Steil
Bunt	Grell	Miller, R.	Stern
Buxton	Grucela	Miller, S.	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Habay	Mustio	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Causar	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Cawley	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Civiera	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Harper	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Harris	O'Neill	Thomas
Cornell	Hasay	Pallone	Tigue
Corrigan	Hennessey	Payne	True
Costa	Herman	Petrarca	Turzai
Crahalla	Hershey	Petri	Veon
Creighton	Hess	Phillips	Vitali
Cruz	Hickernell	Pickett	Walko
Curry	Hutchinson	Pistella	Wansacz
Daley	James	Preston	Waters
Dally	Josephs	Pyle	Watson
DeLuca	Kauffman	Quigley	Wheatley
Denlinger	Keller, M.	Ramaley	Williams
Dermody	Keller, W.	Rapp	Wilt
DeWeese	Kenny	Raymond	Wojnaroski
DiGirolamo	Killion	Readshaw	Wright
Diven	Kirkland	Reed	Yewcic
Donatucci	Kotik	Roberts	Youngblood
Eachus	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Yudichak
Ellis	Leach	Rohrer	Zug
Evans, D.	Lederer	Rooney	
Evans, J.	Leh	Ross	
Fabrizio	Lescovitz	Rubley	Perzel,
Fairchild	Levdansky	Ruffing	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—5

Birmelin	Petrone	Reichley	Rieger
Butkovitz			

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

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1688, PN 2150**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for canvassing of official absentee ballots.

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

Mr. GABIG offered the following amendment No. **A02272**:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 1308), page 2, lines 18 through 20, by striking out “_who is” in line 18; all of line 19 and “United States and the District of Columbia,” in line 20

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

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, **Mr. Clymer**.

Mr. CLYMER. Thank you, **Mr. Speaker**.

Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I could have the attention of the membership for a moment as we look at **HB 1688**. It is an Election Code bill as it deals with absentee ballots cast by overseas military electors.

Mr. Speaker, I know that this week is an emphasis on bipartisanship, working together with some bills presented by the Governor, others by members of both the House and the Senate as it deals with serving our National Guard and our military personnel. This bill fits into that loop. It is one of the bills that I think demonstrates that this General Assembly again shows its support for our military forces, be they regular forces or the National Guard.

And I was wondering, **Mr. Speaker**, if we could run this bill clean. I know there are a number of amendments and I know that members put those amendments in because they feel very strongly about them, but I will give you this guarantee: We have in our committee a number of bills that deal with the Election Code, and our next meeting is coming up shortly, and I will run an Election Code bill that will provide you the opportunity to put in that amendment. I offer this thought because I know that all of us want to support our military, and this proposal, **HB 1688**, is one that would be appreciated by our military services.

Thank you, **Mr. Speaker**.

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

Would any members wish to withdraw their amendments at this time?

The gentlelady from Philadelphia, **Ms. Josephs**.

Ms. JOSEPHS. **Mr. Speaker**, if you will allow me a couple of minutes to talk to some of my members who have amendments and to think about my own, I would appreciate that.

The **SPEAKER**. The House will be at ease for 5 minutes.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Thank you.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Chair notes the presence on the floor of the House of the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Butkovitz. His name will be added to the master roll.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

HB 875, PN 2658

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, further providing for death benefit eligibility and for definitions.

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

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1688 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Are there any members that still wish to have their amendments addressed?

The question before the Chair at this time is the Gabig amendment No. 2272.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—198

Adolph	Fairchild	Levdansky	Ruffing
Allen	Feese	Mackereth	Sainato
Argall	Fichter	Maher	Samuelson
Armstrong	Fleagle	Maitland	Santoni
Baker	Flick	Major	Sather
Baldwin	Forcier	Manderino	Saylor
Barrar	Frankel	Mann	Scavello
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Bebko-Jones	Gabig	Marsico	Semmel
Belardi	Gannon	McCall	Shaner
Belfanti	Geist	McGeehan	Shapiro
Benninghoff	George	McGill	Siptroth
Beyer	Gerber	McIlhattan	Smith, B.
Biancucci	Gergely	McIlhinney	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Gillespie	McNaughton	Solobay
Blackwell	Gingrich	Melio	Sonney
Blaum	Godshall	Metcalfe	Staback
Boyd	Good	Micozzie	Stairs
Bunt	Goodman	Millard	Steil
Butkovitz	Grell	Miller, R.	Stern
Buxton	Grucela	Miller, S.	Stetler
Caltagirone	Gruitza	Mundy	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Habay	Mustio	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Haluska	Myers	Sturla
Causer	Hanna	Nailor	Surra
Cawley	Harhai	Nickol	Tangretti
Civera	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Harper	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Harris	O'Neill	Thomas
Cornell	Hasay	Pallone	Tigue
Corrigan	Hennessey	Payne	True
Costa	Herman	Petrarca	Turzai
Crahalla	Hershey	Petri	Veon

Creighton	Hess	Phillips	Vitali
Cruz	Hickernell	Pickett	Walko
Curry	Hutchinson	Pistella	Wansacz
Daley	James	Preston	Waters
Dally	Josephs	Pyle	Watson
DeLuca	Kauffman	Quigley	Wheatley
Denlinger	Keller, M.	Ramaley	Williams
Dermody	Keller, W.	Rapp	Wilt
DeWeese	Kenney	Raymond	Wojnaroski
DiGirolamo	Killion	Readshaw	Wright
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Ellis	Leach	Rohrer	Zug
Evans, D.	Lederer	Rooney	
Evans, J.	Leh	Ross	Perzel,
Fabrizio	Lescovitz	Rubley	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Birmelin	Petrone	Reichley	Rieger
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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?

The SPEAKER. Are there any other members who wish to offer their amendments? Ms. Josephs?

The Chair recognizes the gentelady from Philadelphia, Ms. Josephs.

Ms. JOSEPHS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We have had extensive conversations up here at the back, and thank you for indulging us in that. We have made an agreement, which I would like the record to reflect. The chair of the State Government Committee has agreed to run an election bill so that we will have an opportunity to offer our amendments in committee, and the majority leader has agreed to run that bill in the House so that we can make sure those appear before the entire House if we have to do that.

So given those two agreements, I, too, want to see all of our military electors have a chance to vote. I am never a person who wants to put a barrier in the way of any qualified elector citizen of this State who participates in an election. So given that principle, we have decided that we will withdraw the remainder of our amendments and allow, encourage, make it easier for military voters to cast their ballots.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentelady.

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. Barrar.

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this bill, HB 1688, extends the deadline for the receipt of absentee ballots cast by overseas military electors and their families; it gives a 7-day extension.

And I wanted to thank the lady from Philadelphia for her support and asking her members to withdraw their amendments to this and also the chairman of the State Government Committee for his support in this legislation. It is very important that we get these absentee ballots counted by our military personnel.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Ellis	Leach	Rohrer	Zug
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Birmelin	Petrone	Reichley	Rieger
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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.

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, there will be no further votes.

Does the gentlelady from Chester, Mrs. Taylor, wish to make any announcements? The gentlelady waives off.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen. Any announcements?

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, tomorrow there will be a swearing-in of Representative-elect Cherelle Parker. After we break, after Representative Parker's swearing-in, there will be a House Democratic caucus at that time.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House is in recess to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

RECESS

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Mr. Shapiro.

Mr. SHAPIRO. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now recess until Tuesday, September 27, 2005, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 10:59 a.m., e.d.t., Tuesday, September 27, 2005, the House recessed.