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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 9:30 a.m., e.s.t.

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
(JOHN W. FICHTER) PRESIDING**

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE DISPENSED WITH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance will be excluded.

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, November 22, 2005, will be postponed until printed.

JOURNAL APPROVED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. However, the Journal for Tuesday, June 28, 2005, has been printed and, without objection, will be approved.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

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

HB 1561;
HB 1968; and
HB 1992.

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

BILLS TABLED

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be placed on the table:

HB 1561;
HB 1968; and
HB 1992.

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

ACTUARIAL NOTES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is now in receipt of the following actuarial notes: SB 811, PN 1022, as amended by amendment No. 03092; SB 889, PN 1172; also SB 888, PN 1171; in addition, amendment No. 02843 to HB 1030, PN 1186.

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

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 2267 By Representatives HESS, PHILLIPS, SEMMEL, BAKER, BELARDI, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CREIGHTON, DeWEESE, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, GEIST, GINGRICH, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, LEH, MARKOSEK, McCALL, MUNDY, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAYLOR, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, TANGRETTI and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for health insurance premium assistance program.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, November 28, 2005.

No. 2268 By Representatives HESS, PHILLIPS, E. Z. TAYLOR, ALLEN, BALDWIN, BEBKO-JONES, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, CAWLEY, CRAHALLA, DIVEN, FABRIZIO, FAIRCHILD, FICHTER, FLEAGLE, FRANKEL, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HALUSKA, HANNA, HARHAI, HARPER, HARRIS, HERMAN, HERSHEY, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEH, LEVDANSKY, MANDERINO, MARKOSEK, MARSICO, McCALL, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, MICOZZIE, MUNDY, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PETRARCA, PETRONE, PICKETT, PISTELLA, QUIGLEY, RAMALEY, RAPP, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROSS, RUBLEY, SAYLOR, SCHRODER, SEMMEL, SHAPIRO,

B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, STERN, SURRA, TIGUE, WOJNAROSKI, ZUG, COSTA, SIPTROTH and RAYMOND

An Act amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for supplemental annuities commencing 2006 and for special supplemental postretirement adjustment of 2006.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, November 28, 2005.

No. 2269 By Representatives SATHER, VEON, KENNEY, HESS, PISTELLA, BAKER, BARRAR, BELFANTI, BOYD, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, CLYMER, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DeLUCA, DENLINGER, DERMODY, FABRIZIO, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GEIST, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARPER, HENNESSEY, HERMAN, JAMES, KOTIK, LEH, MACKERETH, MANN, MARKOSEK, McNAUGHTON, MICOZZIE, R. MILLER, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, NAILOR, O'NEILL, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, RAPP, READSHAW, REICHLEY, ROEBUCK, ROSS, RUBLEY, SCAVELLO, SEMMEL, SIPTROTH, B. SMITH, STERN, T. STEVENSON, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, TRUE, TURZAI, WANSACZ, WATSON, WHEATLEY, WILT and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act providing for protection of abused, neglected, exploited or abandoned adults; establishing a uniform Statewide reporting and investigative system for suspected abuse, neglect, exploitation or abandonment of adults; providing for protective services and for funding; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, November 28, 2005.

No. 2270 By Representatives DALLY, BISHOP, BLACKWELL, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, COHEN, DeWEESE, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GEIST, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, JOSEPHS, W. KELLER, KOTIK, MARKOSEK, McILHATTAN, NAILOR, O'BRIEN, PHILLIPS, PISTELLA, RAPP, REICHLEY, SOLOBAY, STABACK, SURRA, E. Z. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TIGUE, YOUNGBLOOD and SIPTROTH

An Act providing for insurance coverage of congenital orofacial anomalies.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, November 28, 2005.

No. 2271 By Representatives DALLY, GRUCELA, ALLEN, ARMSTRONG, CALTAGIRONE, CAWLEY, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, GINGRICH, HARHART, HARPER, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, PYLE, REICHLEY, SATHER, SURRA, THOMAS, TIGUE, WILT, YOUNGBLOOD, YUDICHAK, FREEMAN, RAPP and SIPTROTH

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, further providing for declaration of policy; defining "host county"; further providing for powers and duties of department

and for host municipality benefit fee; and adding provisions authorizing the imposition of a host county benefit fee.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, November 28, 2005.

No. 2272 By Representatives HARHAI, CALTAGIRONE, CREIGHTON, GERGELY, GINGRICH, KOTIK, LaGROTTA, TANGRETTI, WATERS and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for special registration plates and parking placards for persons with disabilities.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, November 28, 2005.

No. 2273 By Representatives HERMAN, ROSS, GINGRICH, LESCOVITZ and TANGRETTI

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating and amending the Third Class County Assessment Board Law, The Fourth to Eighth Class County Assessment Law and provisions of The County Code relating to auxiliary board of assessment appeals; and making related repeals.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, November 28, 2005.

No. 2274 By Representatives OLIVER and CLYMER

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, requiring residency restrictions for candidates for the office of Senator and member of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, November 28, 2005.

No. 2275 By Representatives PALLONE, BEBKO-JONES, CALTAGIRONE, CAWLEY, CURRY, FABRIZIO, GRUCELA, HANNA, HARHAI, KOTIK, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAINATO, SCAVELLO, SIPTROTH, STURLA, SURRA, THOMAS, TIGUE, WHEATLEY, WOJNAROSKI and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of July 5, 2004 (P.L.654, No.72), known as the Homeowner Tax Relief Act, further providing for definitions, for limitations, for general tax authorization, for property tax limits on reassessment, for qualifying contribution, for adoption of referendum, for public referendum requirements for increasing certain taxes, for disposition of income tax revenue and property tax reduction allocations, for homestead and farmstead exclusion process, for definitions, for State property tax reduction allocation and for senior citizen homestead property tax reduction; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, November 28, 2005.

No. 2276 By Representatives SOLOBAY, DeWEESE, BELARDI, BELFANTI, BEBKO-JONES, BARRAR, BUNT, CALTAGIRONE, CAWLEY, COSTA, DALEY, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARPER, HARRIS, HERMAN, HESS, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LEDERER, LEVDANSKY, MUSTIO, PETRARCA,

PETRONE, PISTELLA, READSHAW, SAINATO,
SCAVELLO, B. SMITH, STABACK, STEIL,
R. STEVENSON, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI and
YOUNGBLOOD

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for the exemption of certain unmarried surviving spouses from the payment of real estate taxes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, November 28, 2005.

No. 2277 By Representatives PETRI, HESS, ARMSTRONG, BAKER, BARRAR, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAWLEY, CLYMER, COSTA, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, FICHTER, GEIST, GINGRICH, GOOD, GOODMAN, GRUCELA, HARHAI, HARRIS, HASAY, HERMAN, HERSHEY, HICKERNELL, M. KELLER, KILLION, LEH, MACKERETH, MARSICO, McILHATTAN, McNAUGHTON, METCALFE, S. MILLER, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PETRARCA, PHILLIPS, PICKETT, PYLE, READSHAW, REED, REICHLEY, SAINATO, SATHER, SCAVELLO, B. SMITH, SOLOBAY, SONNEY, STABACK, STERN, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR, THOMAS, TRUE, TURZAI, WATSON, WOJNAROSKI, WRIGHT and CORNELL

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for the imposition of inheritance tax, for the rate of inheritance tax and for returns.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, November 28, 2005.

No. 2278 By Representatives COHEN, GOOD, GEORGE, DeWEESE, MUNDY, PISTELLA, GRUCELA, CALTAGIRONE, WALKO, BEBKO-JONES, BLACKWELL, JOSEPHS, FREEMAN, MANDERINO, GOODMAN, SIPTROTH and COSTA

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in responsible utility customer protection, for definitions, for cash deposits and household information requirements, for payment agreements, for termination of utility service, for reconnection of service, for liens by city natural gas distribution operations and for reporting to General Assembly and Governor; and further providing for city natural gas distribution operations.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, November 28, 2005.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 713, PN 1376

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, November 28, 2005.

SB 798, PN 1360

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, November 28, 2005.

SB 995, PN 1381

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, November 28, 2005.

SB 999, PN 1327

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, November 28, 2005.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This House stands in recess until the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

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

THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (MATTHEW E. BAKER) PRESIDING

RECESS

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

Mr. KAUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now recess until Monday, December 5, 2005, at 1 p.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 12:59 p.m., e.s.t., Monday, December 5, 2005, the House recessed.