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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (DENNIS M. O'BRIEN)
PRESIDING**

PRAYER

HON. RICHARD GRUCELA, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Good morning.
Let us pray:

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of this new day. We thank You for the sleep which has refreshed us and for the chance to begin life again today. We welcome this new day as Your gift to us and ask for Your guidance as we accept the challenges and burdens of this day, its joys, its sorrows, its responsibilities, and its opportunities. Bless this day for us, for those we love and for all Your children. To us all, grant Your provisions for our needs today and the grace to see this day in the light of eternity. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, approval of the Journal of Tuesday, October 23, 2007, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Turnings to leaves of absence, the Chair recognizes the majority whip, who requests a leave for the day for Representative PALLONE from Westmoreland County and Representative GERBER from Montgomery County. Without objection, these leaves will be granted. The Chair sees no objection.

The Chair turns to the minority whip, who requests that Representative John TAYLOR from Philadelphia be placed on leave for the day. The Chair sees no objection. The leave will be granted.

Members will report to the floor.

MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—199

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| Adolph | Freeman | Markosek | Rohrer |
| Argall | Gabig | Marshall | Ross |
| Baker | Galloway | Marsico | Rubley |
| Barrar | Geist | McCall | Sabatina |
| Bastian | George | McGeehan | Sainato |
| Bear | Gergely | McI. Smith | Samuelson |
| Belfanti | Gibbons | McIlhattan | Santoni |
| Benninghoff | Gillespie | Melio | Saylor |
| Bennington | Gingrich | Mensch | Scavello |
| Beyer | Godshall | Metcalfe | Schroder |
| Biancucci | Goodman | Micozzie | Seip |
| Bishop | Grell | Millard | Shapiro |
| Blackwell | Grucela | Miller | Shimkus |
| Boback | Haluska | Milne | Sipthroth |
| Boyd | Hanna | Moul | Smith, K. |
| Brennan | Harhai | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brooks | Harhart | Mundy | Smith, S. |
| Buxton | Harkins | Murt | Solobay |
| Caltagirone | Harper | Mustio | Sonney |
| Cappelli | Harris | Myers | Staback |
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| Casorio | Hennessey | Nickol | Steil |
| Causer | Hershey | O'Brien, M. | Stern |
| Civera | Hess | O'Neill | Stevenson |
| Clymer | Hickernell | Oliver | Sturla |
| Cohen | Hornaman | Parker | Surra |
| Conklin | Hutchinson | Pashinski | Swanger |
| Costa | James | Payne | Tangretti |
| Cox | Josephs | Payton | Taylor, R. |
| Creighton | Kauffman | Peifer | Thomas |
| Cruz | Keller, M. | Perry | True |
| Curry | Kenney | Perzel | Turzai |
| Cutler | Kessler | Petrarca | Vereb |
| Daley | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
| Dally | King | Petrone | Vulakovich |
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| Denlinger | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
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| DeWeese | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
| DiGirolamo | Lentz | Quinn | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Levdansky | Ramaley | White |
| Eachus | Longietti | Rapp | Williams |
| Ellis | Mackereth | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, D. | Maher | Readshaw | Yewcic |
| Evans, J. | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Everett | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fabrizio | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fairchild | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., Speaker |
| Fleck | Mantz | Roebuck | |
| Frankel | | | |

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Gerber Keller, W. Pallone Taylor, J.

LEAVES ADDED—2

Clymer Kenney

LEAVES CANCELED—2

Clymer Gerber

The SPEAKER. A quorum being present, the House will proceed to conduct business.

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1644, PN 2119**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

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 1644, PN 2119

An Act designating a portion of State Route 22/322 from the Mifflintown exit in Juniata County to the Juniata/Mifflin County line, as the Dr. L.G. Guiser Memorial Highway.

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

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

HB 1514, PN 2727 (Amended) By Rep. OLIVER

An Act providing for the availability of and access to hospital obstetrical and neonatal care; establishing a funding formula; requiring funded hospitals to provide services; imposing powers and duties upon the Department of Health and the Department of Public Welfare.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

HB 1867, PN 2728 (Amended) By Rep. OLIVER

An Act requiring a circulating nurse in certain operating rooms.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 1899 By Representatives STURLA, M. KELLER, MAHONEY, BRENNAN, CLYMER, HELM, HORNAMAN, JOSEPHS, KORTZ, MARKOSEK, SIPTROTH and J. WHITE

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.327, No.85), known as the Auctioneer and Auction Licensing Act, further providing for definitions and for auctioneer and apprentice auctioneer licenses.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, October 24, 2007.

No. 1962 By Representatives R. TAYLOR, NICKOL, HARKINS, LENTZ, MACKERETH, MANDERINO, PASHINSKI, REICHLEY, YOUNGBLOOD, LONGIETTI, ROSS, SONNEY and SIPTROTH

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for marriage and family therapy services and for professional counseling services.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, October 24, 2007.

No. 1963 By Representatives GILLESPIE, BAKER, BELFANTI, BENNINGHOFF, BOYD, BROOKS, CAPPELLI, CLYMER, CREIGHTON, DALLY, FAIRCHILD, FLECK, GEIST, GRELL, HENNESSEY, HESS, MANTZ, R. MILLER, MUSTIO, PHILLIPS, SAYLOR, STERN and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting recruitment.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, October 24, 2007.

No. 1964 By Representatives READSHAW, BRENNAN, CLYMER, HARPER, HERSHEY, KOTIK, MUSTIO, PASHINSKI, SOLOBAY, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI and RUBLEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the limited use of radar by certain local police officers who meet certain qualifications.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, October 24, 2007.

No. 1965 By Representatives READSHAW, BRENNAN, CLYMER, HARPER, HERSHEY, KOTIK, MUSTIO, PASHINSKI, SOLOBAY, WALKO, WOJNAROSKI and RUBLEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, authorizing the use of radar by certain local police officers who meet certain qualifications.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, October 24, 2007.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 861, PN 1467

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, October 24, 2007.

SB 1017, PN 1269

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, October 24, 2007.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Seip for the purpose of an introduction.

Mr. SEIP. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Today I have guests from Tri-Valley School District as well as international students from Germany. They are seated in the rear of the House. I would ask my colleagues to please welcome them to the hall of the House today.

The students from Germany are from the Lloyd Gymnasium, which means school in German. They will be here for 2 1/2 weeks. And then later on, in the summer, students from Tri-Valley will be going over to Germany to see how things are over there in Germany.

Teachers who are accompanying the students today are Marian Tichey, and the teachers from Germany that are here today are Birgit Bachner and Christiane Kunzel. So welcome to the hall of the House.

Their excitement about learning about our government is only rivaled by my discussions with them about our true world champions of 1925 of the NFL (National Football League), the Pottsville Maroons.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to recognize, as the guests of Representative Petrarca, to the left of the Speaker, we have Jim Towey and Father Paul Taylor from St. Vincent College. Would you please stand to be recognized.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Grucela for the purpose of an announcement.

Mr. GRUCELA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be an immediate meeting of the Democratic Caucus, and we will return to the floor at 12:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the minority whip, Representative Argall, for the purpose of an announcement.

Mr. ARGALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the House Republicans will also caucus.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. The House will stand in recess until 12:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
(JOSEPH A. PETRARCA) PRESIDING**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will members please report to the floor.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who asks that Representative KENNEY be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that leave will be granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who asks that Representative CLYMER also be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. And without objection, that leave will be granted.

Will members please report to the floor. We are about to start the active calendar.

CALENDAR**RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Mr. SOLOBAY called up **HR 451, PN 2641**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of November 4 through 10, 2007, as "National Radiologic Technology Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

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| Adolph | Freeman | Marshall | Ross |
| Argall | Gabig | Marsico | Rubleby |
| Baker | Galloway | McCall | Sabatina |
| Barrar | Geist | McGeehan | Sainato |
| Bastian | George | McI. Smith | Samuelson |
| Bear | Gergely | McIlhattan | Santoni |
| Belfanti | Gibbons | Melio | Saylor |
| Benninghoff | Gillespie | Mensch | Scavello |
| Bennington | Gingrich | Metcalfe | Schroder |
| Beyer | Godshall | Micozzie | Seip |
| Biancucci | Goodman | Millard | Shapiro |
| Bishop | Grell | Miller | Shimkus |
| Blackwell | Grucela | Milne | Siptroth |
| Boback | Haluska | Moul | Smith, K. |
| Boyd | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brennan | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |
| Brooks | Harhart | Murt | Solobay |
| Buxton | Harkins | Mustio | Sonney |

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| Cappelli | Harris | Nailor | Stairs |
| Carroll | Helm | Nickol | Steil |
| Casorio | Hennessey | O'Brien, M. | Stern |
| Causer | Hershey | O'Neill | Stevenson |
| Civera | Hess | Oliver | Sturla |
| Cohen | Hickernell | Parker | Surra |
| Conklin | Hornaman | Pashinski | Swanger |
| Costa | Hutchinson | Payne | Tangretti |
| Cox | James | Payton | Taylor, R. |
| Creighton | Josephs | Peifer | Thomas |
| Cruz | Kauffman | Perry | True |
| Curry | Keller, M. | Perzel | Turzai |
| Cutler | Kessler | Petrarca | Vereb |
| Daley | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
| Dally | King | Petrone | Vulakovich |
| DeLuca | Kirkland | Phillips | Wagner |
| Denlinger | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
| DePasquale | Kotik | Preston | Wansacz |
| Dermody | Kula | Pyle | Waters |
| DeWeese | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
| DiGirolamo | Lentz | Quinn | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Levdansky | Ramaley | White |
| Eachus | Longietti | Rapp | Williams |
| Ellis | Mackereth | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, D. | Maher | Readshaw | Yewcic |
| Evans, J. | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Everett | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fabrizio | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fairchild | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., |
| Fleck | Mantz | Roebuck | Speaker |
| Frankel | Markosek | Rohrer | |

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

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| Clymer | Keller, W. | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Gerber | Kenney | | |

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

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Mr. FRANKEL called up **HR 469, PN 2694**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the Rodef Shalom Congregation located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in celebration of their Sesquicentennial Shabbat on October 26, 2007.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

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| Adolph | Freeman | Marshall | Ross |
| Argall | Gabig | Marsico | Rubley |
| Baker | Galloway | McCall | Sabatina |
| Barrar | Geist | McGeehan | Sainato |
| Bastian | George | McI. Smith | Samuelson |
| Bear | Gergely | McIlhattan | Santoni |
| Belfanti | Gibbons | Melio | Saylor |
| Benninghoff | Gillespie | Mensch | Scavello |
| Bennington | Gingrich | Metcalfe | Schroder |
| Beyer | Godshall | Micozzie | Seip |

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| Biancucci | Goodman | Millard | Shapiro |
| Bishop | Grell | Miller | Shimkus |
| Blackwell | Grucela | Milne | Siproth |
| Boback | Haluska | Moul | Smith, K. |
| Boyd | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brennan | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |
| Brooks | Harhart | Murt | Solobay |
| Buxton | Harkins | Mustio | Sonney |
| Caltagirone | Harper | Myers | Staback |
| Cappelli | Harris | Nailor | Stairs |
| Carroll | Helm | Nickol | Steil |
| Casorio | Hennessey | O'Brien, M. | Stern |
| Causer | Hershey | O'Neill | Stevenson |
| Civera | Hess | Oliver | Sturla |
| Cohen | Hickernell | Parker | Surra |
| Conklin | Hornaman | Pashinski | Swanger |
| Costa | Hutchinson | Payne | Tangretti |
| Cox | James | Payton | Taylor, R. |
| Creighton | Josephs | Peifer | Thomas |
| Cruz | Kauffman | Perry | True |
| Curry | Keller, M. | Perzel | Turzai |
| Cutler | Kessler | Petrarca | Vereb |
| Daley | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
| Dally | King | Petrone | Vulakovich |
| DeLuca | Kirkland | Phillips | Wagner |
| Denlinger | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
| DePasquale | Kotik | Preston | Wansacz |
| Dermody | Kula | Pyle | Waters |
| DeWeese | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
| DiGirolamo | Lentz | Quinn | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Levdansky | Ramaley | White |
| Eachus | Longietti | Rapp | Williams |
| Ellis | Mackereth | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, D. | Maher | Readshaw | Yewcic |
| Evans, J. | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Everett | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fabrizio | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fairchild | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., |
| Fleck | Mantz | Roebuck | Speaker |
| Frankel | Markosek | Rohrer | |

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

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| Clymer | Keller, W. | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Gerber | Kenney | | |

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

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Mr. CONKLIN called up **HR 476, PN 2731**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 24, 2007, as "United Nations Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Metcalfe, rise?

Mr. METCALFE. On this controversial resolution, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. METCALFE. Mr. Speaker, I think this was filed as a noncontroversial resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Yes, it has been.

Mr. METCALFE. Mr. Speaker, there has been a multitude of controversy surrounding the U.N. (United Nations) and the corruption within the U.N. Mr. Speaker, I do not believe that we should be advancing a resolution like this commending an organization that has made headlines worldwide for their corruption in the past, in the recent past. It should be advanced as a controversial resolution. It would come through committee and have the proper debate and debate on this floor.

I think this is a misuse of a noncontroversial resolution, and I am going to be voting in the negative, if there is any other change that could be made to turn this into the type of resolution it should have been filed as, Mr. Speaker.

RESOLUTION PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. HR 476 will be over for the day. It will be over temporarily.

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Mr. MURT called up **HR 479, PN 2732**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of October 25 through 31, 2007, as "Magic Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the presence of Representative Gerber on the floor. His name will be added to the master roll.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 479 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—198

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| Adolph | Freeman | Markosek | Rohrer |
| Argall | Gabig | Marshall | Ross |
| Baker | Galloway | Marsico | Rubley |
| Barrar | Geist | McCall | Sabatina |
| Bastian | George | McGeehan | Sainato |
| Bear | Gerber | McI. Smith | Samuelson |
| Belfanti | Gergely | McIlhattan | Santoni |
| Benninghoff | Gibbons | Melio | Saylor |
| Bennington | Gillespie | Mensch | Scavello |
| Beyer | Gingrich | Metcalfe | Schroder |
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| Bishop | Goodman | Millard | Shapiro |
| Blackwell | Grell | Miller | Shimkus |
| Boback | Grucela | Milne | Siptroth |
| Boyd | Haluska | Moul | Smith, K. |
| Brennan | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brooks | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |

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| Buxton | Harhart | Murt | Solobay |
| Caltagirone | Harkins | Mustio | Sonney |
| Cappelli | Harper | Myers | Staback |
| Carroll | Harris | Nailor | Stairs |
| Casorio | Helm | Nickol | Steil |
| Causer | Hennessey | O'Brien, M. | Stern |
| Civera | Hershey | O'Neill | Stevenson |
| Cohen | Hess | Oliver | Sturla |
| Conklin | Hickernell | Parker | Surra |
| Costa | Hornaman | Pashinski | Swanger |
| Cox | Hutchinson | Payne | Tangretti |
| Creighton | James | Payton | Taylor, R. |
| Cruz | Josephs | Peifer | Thomas |
| Curry | Kauffman | Perry | True |
| Cutler | Keller, M. | Perzel | Turzai |
| Daley | Kessler | Petrarca | Vereb |
| Dally | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
| DeLuca | King | Petrone | Vulakovich |
| Denlinger | Kirkland | Phillips | Wagner |
| DePasquale | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
| Dermody | Kotik | Preston | Wansacz |
| DeWeese | Kula | Pyle | Waters |
| DiGirolamo | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
| Donatucci | Lentz | Quinn | Wheatley |
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| Evans, D. | Mackereth | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, J. | Maher | Readshaw | Yewcic |
| Everett | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Fabrizio | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fairchild | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fleck | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., Speaker |
| Frankel | Mantz | Roebuck | |

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—5

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 523, PN 2634**, entitled:

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

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

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1109, PN 2638**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in fishing licenses, for nonresident and tourist licenses, for one-day resident fishing licenses, for issuing agents and for license, permit and issuing agent fees.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—183

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| Adolph | Gabig | Markosek | Ross |
| Argall | Galloway | Marshall | Rubley |
| Baker | Geist | Marsico | Sabatina |
| Barrar | George | McCall | Sainato |
| Bastian | Gerber | McGeehan | Samuelson |
| Bear | Gergely | McI. Smith | Santoni |
| Belfanti | Gibbons | McIlhattan | Saylor |
| Bennington | Gillespie | Melio | Scavello |
| Beyer | Gingrich | Mensch | Schroder |
| Biancucci | Godshall | Micozzie | Seip |
| Bishop | Goodman | Millard | Shapiro |
| Blackwell | Grell | Miller | Shimkus |
| Boback | Grucela | Milne | Siptroth |
| Boyd | Haluska | Moul | Smith, K. |
| Brennan | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Buxton | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |
| Caltagirone | Harkins | Murt | Solobay |
| Cappelli | Harper | Mustio | Sonney |
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| Casorio | Helm | Nailor | Stairs |
| Causer | Hennessey | Nickol | Steil |
| Civera | Hershey | O'Brien, M. | Stern |
| Cohen | Hess | O'Neill | Sturla |
| Conklin | Hickernell | Oliver | Surra |
| Costa | Hornaman | Parker | Tangretti |
| Creighton | James | Pashinski | Taylor, R. |
| Cruz | Josephs | Payne | Thomas |
| Curry | Kauffman | Payton | True |
| Cutler | Keller, M. | Peifer | Vereb |
| Daley | Kessler | Perry | Vitali |
| Dally | Killion | Perzel | Vulakovich |
| DeLuca | King | Petrarca | Wagner |
| Denlinger | Kirkland | Petri | Walko |
| DePasquale | Kortz | Petrone | Wansacz |
| Dermody | Kotik | Phillips | Waters |
| DeWeese | Kula | Pickett | Watson |
| DiGirolamo | Leach | Preston | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Lentz | Quinn | White |
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| Evans, D. | Longietti | Rapp | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, J. | Mackereith | Raymond | Yewcic |
| Everett | Mahoney | Readshaw | Youngblood |
| Fabrizio | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fairchild | Manderino | Rock | |
| Fleck | Mann | Roebuck | O'Brien, D., Speaker |
| Frankel | Mantz | Rohrer | |
| Freeman | | | |

NAYS—15

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| Benninghoff | Harhart | Pyle | Stevenson |
| Brooks | Hutchinson | Quigley | Swanger |

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| Cox | Maher | Reed | Turzai |
| Ellis | Metcalf | Roae | |

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—5

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 690, PN 2637**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Plug-in Hybrid Task Force; and providing for its powers and duties.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On the bill, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, less than a week ago, the price of oil hit an all-time high – over \$90 a barrel. Last year—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend.

Will the House please come to order. Will members please take your seats. The gentleman is entitled to be heard. The noise level in the chamber is too high.

The gentleman may continue.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Last year when the price of oil was around \$60 a barrel, statistics tell us that the citizens, businesses, and governments of these United States spent almost \$310 billion for imported oil, up 300 percent since 2001. So now, Mr. Speaker, when oil is up another 50 percent from last year, it is possible now that our country could spend up to \$500 billion on imported oil, or just in this Commonwealth, we could spend up to \$20 billion a year on imported oil, more than State government spends on our children's education.

Mr. Speaker, we need to focus on near-term solutions that could significantly reduce the use or stretch out the supply of petroleum in our transportation sector. We can look to the past, in Ben Franklin's genius, for a possible solution. The former Speaker invented and coined the term "electric battery" in 1748.

Today larger and more powerful electric batteries form the basis of a concept called plug-in hybrid vehicles. They are essentially similar to today's hybrids, like the Toyota Prius and the Ford Escape, but with bigger batteries and the ability to plug into an outlet overnight. The battery is the equivalent of a second small fuel tank that is always used first and can be filled at home with electricity from an ordinary 120-volt socket, at a cost of less than \$1 per gallon. Thus with a plug-in hybrid, the first 5, 10, 20, or 30 miles of driving per day could be powered by electricity, not gasoline.

HB 690 establishes a plug-in hybrid task force in State government to see how this technology could be used and what challenges and difficulties this new technology may face for us. Mr. Speaker, I first proposed this legislation in 2005. Back then Pennsylvania was the first State legislature to have bills introduced in it to promote plug-in hybrids. Now President Bush has brought a plug-in hybrid to the White House lawn.

Mr. Speaker, the President of the United States has stated that our country is addicted to imported oil. HB 690 asks our State government to look seriously at whether this technology can get us off the oil habit. I ask for your support.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—198

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| Dally | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
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| Everett | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Fabrizio | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fairchild | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fleck | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., |
| Frankel | Mantz | Roebuck | Speaker |

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—5

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 763, PN 884**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, further defining "occupational disease."

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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| Brennan | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brooks | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |
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| DePasquale | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
| Dermody | Kotik | Preston | Wansacz |
| DeWeese | Kula | Pyle | Waters |
| DiGirolamo | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
| Donatucci | Lentz | Quinn | Wheatley |
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| Ellis | Longiatti | Rapp | Williams |
| Evans, D. | Mackereth | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, J. | Maher | Readshaw | Yewcic |
| Everett | Mahoney | Reed | Youngblood |
| Fabrizio | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fairchild | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fleck | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., |
| Frankel | Mantz | Roebuck | Speaker |

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-5

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1801, PN 2401**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, further providing for supervisors.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

Mr. VITALI. To ask the prime sponsor to give a brief explanation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Representative Harhai, agrees to stand for interrogation.

Mr. VITALI. Just looking for a brief explanation here.

Mr. HARHAI. Could he please repeat the question, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Vitali has asked for a brief description of the bill.

Mr. HARHAI. HB 1801 seeks to make technical revisions to clarify a perceived conflict between sections 403(b) and 602(c) of the Second Class Township Code. There are prohibited positions that are outlined in the Pennsylvania Statutes and they are as follows: township manager; police officer; UCC (Uniform Construction Code) appeals board member; zoning officer; zoning hearing board member, including any alternates; school board member; and county elected office. The ones that are included are road master, laborer, secretary, treasurer, assistant treasurer, assistant secretary, and any employee capacity not otherwise prohibited in the code or any other act. It just clarifies existing information.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. HARHAI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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| Bear | Gerber | McI. Smith | Samuelson |
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| Bennington | Gillespie | Mensch | Scavello |
| Beyer | Gingrich | Metcalfe | Schroder |
| Bianucci | Godshall | Micozzie | Seip |
| Bishop | Goodman | Millard | Shapiro |
| Blackwell | Grell | Miller | Shimkus |
| Boback | Grucela | Milne | Siptroth |
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| Brennan | Hanna | Moyer | Smith, M. |
| Brooks | Harhai | Mundy | Smith, S. |
| Buxton | Harhart | Murt | Solobay |
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| Cappelli | Harper | Myers | Staback |
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| Curry | Kauffman | Perry | True |
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| Daley | Kessler | Petrarca | Vereb |
| Dally | Killion | Petri | Vitali |
| DeLuca | King | Petrone | Vulakovich |
| Denlinger | Kirkland | Phillips | Wagner |
| DePasquale | Kortz | Pickett | Walko |
| Dermody | Kotik | Preston | Wansacz |
| DeWeese | Kula | Pyle | Waters |
| DiGirolamo | Leach | Quigley | Watson |
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| Fabrizio | Major | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fairchild | Manderino | Roae | |
| Fleck | Mann | Rock | O'Brien, D., |
| Frankel | Mantz | Roebuck | Speaker |

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EXCUSED-5

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1838, PN 2444**, entitled:

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 home education program.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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| Adolph | Freeman | Markosek | Ross |
| Argall | Gabig | Marshall | Rubley |
| Baker | Galloway | Marsico | Sabatina |
| Barrar | Geist | McCall | Sainato |
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| Bear | Gerber | McI. Smith | Santoni |
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| Bennington | Gillespie | Mensch | Schroder |
| Beyer | Gingrich | Metcalfe | Seip |
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| Boback | Grucela | Milne | Smith, K. |
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| Civera | Hershey | Oliver | Sturla |
| Cohen | Hess | Parker | Surra |
| Conklin | Hickernell | Pashinski | Swanger |
| Costa | Hornaman | Payne | Tangretti |
| Cox | Hutchinson | Payton | Taylor, R. |
| Creighton | James | Peifer | Thomas |
| Cruz | Josephs | Perry | True |
| Curry | Kauffman | Perzel | Turzai |
| Cutler | Keller, M. | Petrarca | Vereb |
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| Dermody | Kotik | Pyle | Waters |
| DeWeese | Kula | Quigley | Watson |
| DiGirolamo | Leach | Quinn | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Lentz | Ramaley | White |
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| Ellis | Longietti | Raymond | Wojnaroski |
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| Everett | Mahoney | Reichley | Yudichak |
| Fabrizio | Major | Roae | |
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| Frankel | Mantz | Rohrer | |

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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1877, PN 2574**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for authorization of hotel tax.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—118

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| Argall | Gergely | Mann | Saylor |
| Belfanti | Gibbons | Markosek | Seip |
| Bennington | Gillespie | Marsico | Shapiro |
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| Dermody | Kirkland | Pyle | Waters |
| DeWeese | Kortz | Ramaley | Wheatley |
| Donatucci | Kotik | Readshaw | White |
| Eachus | Kula | Reichley | Williams |
| Evans, D. | Leach | Roebuck | Wojnaroski |
| Evans, J. | Lentz | Ross | Youngblood |
| Fabrizio | Levdansky | Sabatina | Yudichak |
| Frankel | Longietti | Sainato | |
| Freeman | Mahoney | Samuelson | O'Brien, D., Speaker |
| Gerber | Manderino | Santoni | |

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| Adolph | Fairchild | McIlhattan | Rapp |
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| Barrar | Gabig | Metcalfe | Reed |
| Bastian | Galloway | Micozzie | Roae |
| Bear | Geist | Millard | Rock |
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| Clymer | Kenney | Pallone | Taylor, J. |
| Keller, W. | | | |

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.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The Chair would like to welcome, as the guest of Representative Gerber, Matt Schwemmer. He is located to the left of the Speaker.

Special session will convene in the House at 1:12 p.m.

RECESS

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The House stands in recess in regular session until the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 211, PN 244

By Rep. LEVDANSKY

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions relating to taxation.

FINANCE.

HB 1947, PN 2706

By Rep. LEVDANSKY

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions and special provisions.

FINANCE.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**HB 1323, PN 1772**

By Rep. LEVDANSKY

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, further providing, in Local Government Capital Project Loan Fund provisions, for assistance to municipalities.

FINANCE.

BILL REREFERRED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair moves, at the majority leader's request, that HB 1323, PN 1772, be rereferred to the Local Government Committee.

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. At this time the Chair would like to welcome to the hall of the House, as guests of Representative Shapiro, Dolores Irwin and Jean Devlin, who are seated to the left of the Speaker.

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE
COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Representative Sturla for a committee announcement.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be an immediate meeting of the House Professional Licensure Committee in 39 East Wing. This meeting should only last for a minute or so. We need to rerefer a bill to the Insurance Committee. I would urge the attendance of all members, just for a quick rereferral.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The House Professional Licensure Committee will meet in 39 East Wing immediately.

Are there any other committee announcements?

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Maher, rise?

Mr. MAHER. An inquiry of the Chair, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. MAHER. Does the Chair anticipate that we will return to voting session after the break, or do you expect that there will be no further votes once we recess?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. There will be no further votes on the floor today. We are about to do some housekeeping—

Mr. MAHER. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. —and then adjourn.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be removed from the tabled bill calendar:

HB 652;
HB 878;
HB 1033;
HB 1129;
HB 1144;
HB 1622;
HB 1643;
HB 1693; and
SB 763.

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

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 652;
HB 878;
HB 1033;
HB 1129;
HB 1144;
HB 1622;
HB 1643;
HB 1693; and
SB 763.

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

CALENDAR CONTINUED**CONSIDERATION OF HR 476 CONTINUED**

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

RESOLUTION RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following resolution, HR 476, be removed from the active calendar and recommitted to the State Government Committee.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Are there any further announcements or any other business before the House?

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would like to recognize the majority leader for an announcement.

Mr. DeWEESE. Two quick points, Mr. Speaker; thank you very much.

On behalf of Representative Mahoney from Uniontown and myself, along with Deb Kula, I would like to introduce Jason Richard Stuck from Uniontown, Pennsylvania, a family friend and a medical student at Penn State's Hershey Medical School.

Jason, welcome to the hall of the House.

HOUSE SCHEDULE

Mr. DeWEESE. And finally, Mr. Speaker, I just wanted the membership to know that we are going to hone in dramatically next week on our open records debate. If we need to stay here Thursday, we shall stay here Thursday. We are going to be unrelenting as we pursue an open records dialogue on Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday and, if need be, Thursday. So please, please look at your amendments over the weekend, scope your own perspectives for debate, and be ready for a very aggressive session next week on open records.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, I am told that Mr. Levdansky's Finance Committee has emitted a number of property tax proposals, and property tax will be high on the agenda for the next several weeks as soon as our open records debate is concluded.

Thank you very much.

VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes Representative Creighton. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. CREIGHTON. To correct the record.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. CREIGHTON. I was recorded in the positive for HB 118. I would like to be recorded in the negative.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman, and his remarks will be spread upon the record.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair notes the presence of Representative Clymer on the floor, and his name will be added to the master roll.

Are there any other announcements?

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlelady, Representative Brooks, from Mercer County, who moves that this House do adjourn until Thursday October 25, 2007, 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 1:27 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.