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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

The SPEAKER. The prayer will be offered by Representative Tom Creighton.

HON. THOMAS C. CREIGHTON, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us bow in prayer:

Our Father, our Lord, our Savior, You, the Father, who rules over heaven and earth; You, our Father, who presides in the councils of the nations; You, our Father, who fills our defects with a healing balm. O Father, that You would bless our Commonwealth. O mighty Father, that Your hand would be with the members of this House.

May Your bond consecrate the lives, the liberties, and the happiness of the people of Pennsylvania. May Your invisible hand conduct the affairs of this Commonwealth and of this House. We are persuaded, that Your propitious smile is upon our people, upon our laws, and upon our humble mercies. And that You, dear Lord, sustain and nourish our minds and bodies as we do Your will in this House today. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The SPEAKER. The Journal of Wednesday, January 16, 2008, is now in print. Will the House approve the Journal?

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, approval of the Journal of Friday, June 27, 2008, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative DeLuca, rise?

Mr. DeLUCA. Mr. Speaker, at the break, there will be an Insurance meeting at 302 Irvis Building, and I would encourage all members to attend.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. DeLUCA. Right now, right now; the Insurance Committee will meet right now in 302 Irvis Building. And as I said before, I would encourage all members to attend, on both sides of the aisle.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Insurance Committee will meet immediately.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, at 9:34 last evening, a young lady by the name of Madison Taylor took her first breath, and she was born at 7 pounds, 30 ounces, and her grandfather is Representative Nick Kotik. Congratulations, Nick.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair would also like to take this opportunity to introduce to the members, Christopher and Stephie-Anna Ramaley. They are the son and wife of Representative Sean Ramaley, and they are in the back of the House. Would you please stand and be recognized.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 2686 By Representatives MELIO, FAIRCHILD, BELFANTI, BISHOP, BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CAUSER, DeLUCA, FRANKEL, GEORGE, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, GRUCELA, HORNAMAN, KULA, MAHONEY, MARSICO, McGEEHAN, R. MILLER, MYERS, M. O'BRIEN, PAYNE, PETRONE, SANTONI, SIPTROTH, K. SMITH, SOLOBAY, THOMAS, J. WHITE, WOJNAROSKI and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Titles 35 (Health and Safety) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, regulating emergency medical services systems; providing for licensure; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Health; further defining "emergency

vehicle"; providing for penalties; providing for Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund distributions; and making a related repeal.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 28, 2008.

No. 2687 By Representative KENNEY

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1975 (P.L.606, No.175), entitled "An act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, or such department and The General State Authority, to convey to Philadelphia or transfer jurisdiction within the State government of certain tracts of Commonwealth real property acquired under the act of September 29, 1938 (Sp. Sess., P.L.53, No.21), entitled, as amended, 'An act relating to institutions of counties, cities, wards, boroughs, townships, institution districts and other political subdivisions, for the care, maintenance, and treatment of mental patients; providing for the transfer to the Commonwealth for the care, maintenance and treatment of mental patients of such institutions, and all grounds, lands, buildings and personal property of other political subdivisions used for the care and maintenance of indigent persons connected with such mental institutions; providing for the management and operation or closing and abandonment thereof; and the maintenance of mental patients therein; including the collection of maintenance in certain cases; providing for the retransfer of certain property to counties, cities, wards, boroughs, townships, institution districts and other political subdivisions under certain circumstances; conferring and imposing upon the Governor, the Department of Welfare, the courts of common pleas and counties, cities, wards, boroughs, townships, institution districts and other political subdivisions certain powers and duties; prohibiting cities, counties, wards, boroughs, townships, institution districts and other political subdivisions from maintaining and operating institutions, in whole or in part, for the care and treatment of mental patients; and repealing inconsistent laws,' imposing powers and duties on the Department of Environmental Resources in connection with one such tract, and providing for use of land conveyed to the City of Philadelphia," providing for certain tracts not subject to local zoning and land use laws.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 28, 2008.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 768, PN 2263

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, June 28, 2008.

SB 1180, PN 2230

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 28, 2008.

SB 1370, PN 1957

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 28, 2008.

SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 2179, PN 4020**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

SB 486, PN 1752

An Act amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, further providing for general authority, for notice and institution of foreclosure proceedings, for notice requirements, for assistance payments and for repayment; and providing for an ongoing foreclosure study.

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

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative Keller, rise?

Mr. W. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce an immediate meeting of the Appropriations Committee in the majority caucus room.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately in the majority caucus room.

Mr. W. KELLER. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to requests for leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, who requests that Representative EVANS of Philadelphia; Representative GERBER of Montgomery County; Representative LEACH of Montgomery County; Representative PETRONE of Allegheny County; Representative WHEATLEY of Allegheny County; and Representative COHEN of Philadelphia be placed on leave. The Chair hears no objection. These leaves will be granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who requests that Representative TRUE of Lancaster County; Representative QUINN of Bucks County; Representative PETRI of Bucks County; and Representative KENNEY of

Philadelphia be placed on leave. The Chair hears no objection. These leaves will also be granted.

Members will report to the floor.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take the master roll.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—192

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

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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

SB 250, PN 2104

By Rep. DeLUCA

An Act regulating the amount of property insurance coverage required by certain lenders.

INSURANCE.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 1490, PN 4021

By Rep. W. KELLER

An Act relating to broadband deployment, mapping and availability.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2629, PN 3939

By Rep. W. KELLER

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 1000, PN 2228

By Rep. W. KELLER

An Act prohibiting the regulation of voice-over-Internet protocol and other Internet protocol-enabled products and services; and providing for preservation of consumer protection, for fees and rates and for preservation of cable franchise authority.

APPROPRIATIONS.

The SPEAKER. These bills will be placed on the supplemental calendar.

SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 239, PN 4106**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

CALENDAR

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1344, PN 1900**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the State Employees' Retirement Fund to provide for expenses of the State Employees' Retirement Board for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, and

for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. 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—192

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1345, PN 1901**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the Public School Employees' Retirement Fund to provide for expenses of the Public School Employees' Retirement Board for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. 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—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
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Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
Bear	Gergely	McI. Smith	Santoni
Belfanti	Gibbons	McIlhattan	Saylor
Benninghoff	Gillespie	Melio	Scavello
Bennington	Gingrich	Mensch	Schroder
Beyer	Godshall	Metcalfe	Seip
Biancucci	Goodman	Micozzie	Shapiro
Bishop	Grell	Millard	Shimkus
Blackwell	Grucela	Miller	Siptroth
Boback	Haluska	Milne	Smith, K.
Boyd	Hanna	Moul	Smith, M.
Brennan	Harhai	Moyer	Smith, S.
Brooks	Harhart	Mundy	Solobay
Buxton	Harkins	Murt	Sonney
Caltagirone	Harper	Mustio	Staback
Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
Carroll	Helm	Nailor	Steil
Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causer	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
Civera	Hess	O'Neill	Sturla

Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
Costa	Hutchinson	Parker	Tangretti
Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
Creighton	Josephs	Payne	Taylor, R.
Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
Curry	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Turzai
Cutler	Keller, W.	Perry	Vereb
Daley	Kessler	Perzel	Vitali
Dally	Killion	Petrarca	Vulakovich
DeLuca	King	Phillips	Wagner
Denlinger	Kirkland	Pickett	Walko
DePasquale	Kortz	Preston	Wansacz
Dermody	Kotik	Pyle	Waters
DeWeese	Kula	Quigley	Watson
DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
Eachus	Longietti	Raymond	Wojnaroski
Ellis	Mackereth	Readshaw	Yewcic
Evans, J.	Maher	Reed	Youngblood
Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
Fabrizio	Major	Roae	
Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	Speaker
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1347, PN 1903**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations from the Workmen's Compensation Administration Fund to the Department of Labor and Industry and the Department of Community and Economic Development to provide for the expenses of administering the Workers' Compensation Act, The Pennsylvania Occupational Disease Act and the Office of Small Business Advocate for the fiscal year July 1, 2008, to June 30, 2009, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. 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-192

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1348, PN 2249**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from a restricted revenue account within the General Fund and from Federal augmentation funds to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Samuelson.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On this bill there is a fiscal note for the first printer's number, but there is not a fiscal note for the latest version of this bill. Do we need to wait until there is a fiscal note available?

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

To the gentleman's question, the fiscal note is only required on the bill before its third consideration.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Representative Samuelson.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Well, if we are taking the vote, this is the third consideration. Do we not need a fiscal note on the latest version of this bill?

The SPEAKER. It is not required under the rules. It is only required that a fiscal note be prepared for the bill before third consideration. That requirement was accomplished.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Okay. Let me just ask for the public record, could somebody explain—

The SPEAKER. If the gentleman will be at ease; if the gentleman wants to approach the rostrum.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, the fiscal note was prepared for the bill as amended. So it does represent the present, or the current printer's number.

And for the general information of the members, that is generally the way the Appropriations Committee prepares the fiscal notes.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1349, PN 1905**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from a restricted revenue account within the General Fund to the Office of Consumer Advocate in the Office of Attorney General.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The **SPEAKER**. 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—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
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Blackwell	Grucela	Miller	Siptroth
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Boyd	Hanna	Moul	Smith, M.
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Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
Carroll	Helm	Nailor	Steil
Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causer	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
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Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
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Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
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Cutler	Keller, W.	Perry	Vereb
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DePasquale	Kortz	Preston	Wansacz
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Fabrizio	Major	Roae	
Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	Speaker
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1351, PN 1906**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from a restricted revenue account within the General Fund to the Office of Small Business Advocate in the Department of Community and Economic Development.

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The **SPEAKER**. 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—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
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Belfanti	Gibbons	McIlhattan	Saylor
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Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
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Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causer	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
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Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 1346, PN 1902**, entitled:

An Act making appropriations from the Professional Licensure Augmentation Account and from restricted revenue accounts within the General Fund to the Department of State for use by the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs in support of the professional licensure boards assigned thereto.

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1490, PN 4021**, entitled:

An Act relating to broadband deployment, mapping and availability.

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

Mr. **EACHUS** offered the following amendment No. **A08061**:

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 8 and 9 Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Broadband Deployment, Mapping and Availability Act.

Amend Sec. 1, page 39, line 30, by striking out "1" and inserting
2

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 14, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced service

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 19, by striking out "SERVICE" and inserting
and advanced services

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 21, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 25, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced service

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 3, by striking out "2" and inserting
3

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 5, by inserting after "PROVIDERS,"
advanced service providers,

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 10, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced service

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 13, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 18, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced services

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 20, by inserting after "BROADBAND"
and advanced service

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, by inserting between lines 21 and 22

(2) Upon direction by and consultation with the department, local development districts, as defined under 66 Pa.C.S. § 3012 (relating to definitions) shall be authorized to establish e-community teams to develop proposals for achieving greater use of technology in local communities and to increase the deployment of broadband and advanced services in any underserved communities. The e-community teams shall include providers of broadband and advanced services, economic development organizations, labor organizations and providers of technology, education and health care and may also include other nongovernmental entities interested in advancing the goals of this act.

(3) Encourage programs to improve computer ownership and Internet access for disenfranchised populations across this Commonwealth.

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 22, by striking out "(2)" and inserting

(4)

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 26, by striking out "(3)" and inserting

(5)

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 27, by inserting after "BROADBAND"

and advanced service

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 29, by inserting after "BROADBAND"

and advanced

Amend Bill, page 41, by inserting after line 30 Section 4. Contracting with a nonprofit.

The Department of Community and Economic Development may contract with a nonprofit organization to accomplish the objections set forth under section 3(1) and (3), subject to the confidentiality requirements set forth under section 3(4).

Amend Sec. 3, page 42, line 1, by striking out "3" and inserting 20

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

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Eachus on the amendment.

Mr. EACHUS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw this amendment and consider the next one, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. PRESTON offered the following amendment No. A08088:

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 8 and 9 Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the Broadband Deployment, Mapping and Availability Act.

Amend Sec. 1, page 39, line 30, by striking out "1" and inserting 2

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 14, by inserting after "BROADBAND"

and advanced service

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, lines 15 and 16, by striking out "CH. 30 (RELATING TO ALTERNATIVE FORM OF REGULATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES)" and inserting

§ 3014(m) (relating to network modernization plans)

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 19, by striking out "SERVICE" and inserting

and advanced services

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 21, by inserting after "BROADBAND"

and advanced

Amend Sec. 1, page 40, line 25, by inserting after "BROADBAND"

and advanced service

Amend Sec. 1, page 41, line 1, by striking out "CH. 30" and inserting

§ 3014(c)

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 3, by striking out "2" and inserting 3

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, line 5, by inserting after "PROVIDERS," advanced service providers,

Amend Sec. 2, page 41, lines 7 and 8, by striking out "CH. 30 (RELATING TO)" in line 7 and all of line 8 and inserting

§ 3014(m) (relating to network modernization plans)

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Amend Sec. 3, page 42, line 1, by striking out "3" and inserting 20

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Preston on the amendment.

Mr. PRESTON. On the amendment, Mr. Speaker. I will explain the amendment and then go through a little bit on the process that we have come to a consensus together with an awful lot of different people sitting down at the table.

This amendment ensures that the DCED (Department of Community and Economic Development) maintains its

obligation to track advanced services in addition to the broadband, as defined in the broadband inventory map acquired by Act 183 of 2004. Primarily, it may appear to be a technical amendment, but yet, it is a combination of many different things put together. The amendment provides the DCED with the authority to direct local development districts, which is defined in Act 183 of 2004, to establish e-community teams to further discuss broadband initiative proposals and assist in the aggregation of broadband in communities under existing programs under this act.

DCED is permitted to form an advisory committee now with the local development districts to implement the permitted form and advisory committee, the business attraction or retention program, but not carry out the objectives of the bona fide retail request programs to aggregate demand for broadband and advanced in communities. But the amendment also authorizes DCED to encourage programs for greater statewide computer ownership, literacy, and permits DCED, should it be necessary, to contract with nonprofit organizations to develop and perform broadband advanced services, mapping obligations, and to develop computer ownership literacy programs development.

And what I would like to do, just to further explain these community groups, in the amendment itself, it basically states that this would "...establish e-community teams to develop proposals for achieving greater use of technology in local communities and to increase the deployment of broadband and advanced services in any underserved communities. The e-community teams shall include providers of broadband and advanced services, economic development organizations, labor organizations and providers of technology, education and health care and may also include other nongovernmental entities interested in advancing the goals of this act."

Over the last 2 weeks, I guess, within my office, we have had groups sit down with the communication workers, AFL-CIO, Verizon, AT&T, along with the department of DCED, Embarq, Sprint, and Comcast, along with the cable industry. And with an awful lot of sitting down, a lot of hours, a lot of staff time, working with Representative Godshall and his staff along with my staff, we have spent an awful lot of hours in a lot of different meetings when people were sitting down that usually may have different opinions. They have all come together, and they are all in agreement with this amendment with all the different groups that I have mentioned. I would encourage the members to be able to support this amendment to the bill, for 1490, which makes a dramatic change and takes us into the future.

The SPEAKER. Representative Godshall.

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In addition to the mapping requirements which were mandated in 2004, which enhances those mapping requirements, what the bill really does, or the amendment does, is allows DCED to solicit the support of Local Development Districts to aggregate demand for broadband at the local level by creating e-community groups, all of which is in existing law now in a 2004 act that we had passed which excluded broadband originally from these LDDs. This allows broadband to be brought into the LDDs, and it has been worked out. I know all the companies – the Verizon, Comcast, broadband – they are all in favor of the legislation, along with the workers. So I would appreciate a positive vote.

The SPEAKER. Representative Eachus.

Mr. EACHUS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank both Chairmen, Chairmen Preston and Godshall, for the work that they have done on this important legislation that gives, really, an opportunity to stimulate economic activity in the Commonwealth as well as make sure that we increase and maintain jobs in this important telecommunications industry. This amendment will further enhance these efforts by adding advanced broadband services and e-community teams, managed through local development districts, to deploy high-speed broadband throughout the Commonwealth.

It is a product of a collaborative effort between the telecommunications industry and those who do the work on the lines in labor inside the Commonwealth. The statewide broadband inventory, established in chapter 30, is enhanced in this amendment by improving data collection and mapping and the recognition that speed, the size of the information that goes through these lines, truly matters to consumers. High-speed broadband internet services deploy a true public-private partnership that will ensure that Pennsylvania residents will have access to that vital resource.

Once again, I would ask the chamber today to give this an affirmative vote. It is good work. Once again, I want to thank the committee members on Consumer Affairs and the chairmen as well.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support amendment 8088, and I am supporting this amendment for two reasons: One, the amendment and the bill represent a continuation of a vision that was articulated about 10 years ago called Blueprint for Digital Pennsylvania. It also gives real meaning to reauthorization of the Telecommunications Act, chapter 30. I am excited that Chairman Preston, Representative Eachus, and the Consumer Affairs Committee have come together to take this next step. The e-teams, as articulated in the amendment, will be in a unique position to make the last mile, the last mile in making sure that all communities – whether they be poor, rich, weak, strong, what have you – are able to participate in this ever-evolving technology. I am also excited about the fact that Verizon and all of the stakeholders are on board with this amendment and with this legislative prescription.

So, Mr. Speaker, I rise to strongly support this amendment and the subsequent bill, and I urge my colleagues from both sides of the aisle to give an overwhelming vote of support to this amendment.

The SPEAKER. Representative Preston.

Mr. PRESTON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In closing, I would like to be able to thank the majority Policy chairman, Representative Eachus, and his staff for the hard work and also indulging me as we made an awful lot of different changes as we sat down and made a lot of compromises on this bill. I also want to be able to address some of the things that Chairman Godshall and also the issue that Representative Thomas has addressed.

It is also more than deployment. There are some different things that this will have us to be able to look at. There are an awful lot of areas within the rural and in the urban areas that clearly have to be observed and paid closer attention to. It is my intention also to look much more closely with our committee at the issue of deployment and also in the future to be able to look

at customer service. These are issues that we are going to clearly have to be more responsible for, not just, unfortunately, in the cable industry, but all of the industry as far as utilities are concerned, and I encourage the members to be able to support this first step. Thank you very much.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
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Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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 second consideration as amended?
Bill as amended was agreed to.

(Bill as amended will be reprinted.)

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 1000, PN 2228**, entitled:

An Act prohibiting the regulation of voice-over-Internet protocol and other Internet protocol-enabled products and services; and providing for preservation of consumer protection, for fees and rates and for preservation of cable franchise authority.

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

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1323, PN 1772**, entitled:

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.

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1323 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled bill calendar.

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, who moves that HB 1323 be removed from the tabled bill calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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, who moves that SB 250 be removed from the tabled bill calendar.

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

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 250 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

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

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 4 , PN 2235

Referred to Committee on AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES, June 28, 2008.

SB 1372, PN 2267

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 28, 2008.

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. RAMALEY called up **HR 640, PN 3410**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of September 2008 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

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Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
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Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. ELLIS called up **HR 801, PN 3973**, entitled:

A Resolution commending the 156 local YMCAs for providing outstanding community services and recognizing the month of June 2008 as "YMCA Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Boback	Haluska	Milne	Smith, K.
Boyd	Hanna	Moul	Smith, M.
Brennan	Harhai	Moyer	Smith, S.
Brooks	Harhart	Mundy	Solobay
Buxton	Harkins	Murt	Sonney
Caltagirone	Harper	Mustio	Staback
Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
Carroll	Helm	Nailor	Steil
Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causer	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
Civera	Hess	O'Neill	Sturla
Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
Costa	Hutchinson	Parker	Tangretti
Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
Creighton	Josephs	Payne	Taylor, R.
Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
Curry	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Turzai
Cutler	Keller, W.	Perry	Verb
Daley	Kessler	Perzel	Vitali
Dally	Killion	Petrarca	Vulakovich
DeLuca	King	Phillips	Wagner
Denlinger	Kirkland	Pickett	Walko
DePasquale	Kortz	Preston	Wansacz
Dermody	Kotik	Pyle	Waters
DeWeese	Kula	Quigley	Watson
DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
Eachus	Longietti	Raymond	Wojnaroski
Ellis	Mackereth	Readshaw	Yewcic
Evans, J.	Maher	Reed	Youngblood
Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
Fabrizio	Major	Roae	
Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. EVERETT called up **HR 811, PN 4008**, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating the YWCA of Northcentral Pennsylvania on the 115th anniversary of its founding and the 80th anniversary of the original cornerstone ceremony of the YWCA facility located in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
Bear	Gergely	McI. Smith	Santoni
Belfanti	Gibbons	McIlhattan	Saylor
Benninghoff	Gillespie	Melio	Scavello
Bennington	Gingrich	Mensch	Schroder
Beyer	Godshall	Metcalfe	Seip
Biancucci	Goodman	Micozzie	Shapiro
Bishop	Grell	Millard	Shimkus
Blackwell	Grucela	Miller	Siptroth
Boback	Haluska	Milne	Smith, K.
Boyd	Hanna	Moul	Smith, M.
Brennan	Harhai	Moyer	Smith, S.
Brooks	Harhart	Mundy	Solobay
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Caltagirone	Harper	Mustio	Staback
Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
Carroll	Helm	Nailor	Steil
Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causer	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
Civera	Hess	O'Neill	Sturla
Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
Costa	Hutchinson	Parker	Tangretti
Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
Creighton	Josephs	Payne	Taylor, R.
Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
Curry	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Turzai
Cutler	Keller, W.	Perry	Verb
Daley	Kessler	Perzel	Vitali
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DePasquale	Kortz	Preston	Wansacz
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DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
Eachus	Longietti	Raymond	Wojnaroski
Ellis	Mackereth	Readshaw	Yewcic
Evans, J.	Maher	Reed	Youngblood
Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
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NAYS-0

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Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. SAYLOR called up **HR 831, PN 4092**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 10, 2008, as "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
Bear	Gergely	McI. Smith	Santoni
Belfanti	Gibbons	McIlhattan	Saylor
Benninghoff	Gillespie	Melio	Scavello
Bennington	Gingrich	Mensch	Schroder
Beyer	Godshall	Metcalfe	Seip
Biancucci	Goodman	Micozzie	Shapiro
Bishop	Grell	Millard	Shimkus
Blackwell	Grucela	Miller	Siptroth
Boback	Haluska	Milne	Smith, K.
Boyd	Hanna	Moul	Smith, M.
Brennan	Harhai	Moyer	Smith, S.
Brooks	Harhart	Mundy	Solobay
Buxton	Harkins	Murt	Sonney
Caltagirone	Harper	Mustio	Staback
Cappelli	Harris	Myers	Stairs
Carroll	Helm	Nailor	Steil
Casorio	Hennessey	Nickol	Stern
Causar	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
Civera	Hess	O'Neill	Sturla
Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
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DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
Eachus	Longietti	Raymond	Wojnaroski
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Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
Fabrizio	Major	Roae	
Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	Speaker
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. DePASQUALE called up **HR 833, PN 4094**, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating the York County Economic Development Corporation for 50 years of community service.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

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

NAYS—0

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Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. SAYLOR called up **HR 832, PN 4093**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of November 2008 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Adolph	Freeman	Markosek	Rohrer
Argall	Gabig	Marshall	Ross
Baker	Galloway	Marsico	Sabatina
Barrar	Geist	McCall	Sainato
Bastian	George	McGeehan	Samuelson
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Biancucci	Goodman	Micozzie	Shapiro
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Causar	Hershey	O'Brien, M.	Stevenson
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Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
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Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
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Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
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Dermody	Kotik	Pyle	Waters
DeWeese	Kula	Quigley	Watson
DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
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Evans, J.	Maher	Reed	Youngblood
Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
Fabrizio	Major	Roae	

Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	Speaker
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

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Mr. BELFANTI called up **HR 835, PN 4096**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the 85th anniversary of the Pennsylvania Sheriffs' Association and its public service to this Commonwealth.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Brennan	Harhai	Moyer	Smith, S.
Brooks	Harhart	Mundy	Solobay
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Civera	Hess	O'Neill	Sturla
Clymer	Hickernell	Oliver	Surra
Conklin	Hornaman	Pallone	Swanger
Costa	Hutchinson	Parker	Tangretti
Cox	James	Pashinski	Taylor, J.
Creighton	Josephs	Payne	Taylor, R.
Cruz	Kauffman	Payton	Thomas
Curry	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Turzai
Cutler	Keller, W.	Perry	Verb
Daley	Kessler	Perzel	Vitali
Dally	Killion	Petrarca	Vulakovich
DeLuca	King	Phillips	Wagner
Denlinger	Kirkland	Pickett	Walko
DePasquale	Kortz	Preston	Wansacz
Dermody	Kotik	Pyle	Waters

DeWeese	Kula	Quigley	Watson
DiGirolamo	Lentz	Ramaley	White
Donatucci	Levdansky	Rapp	Williams
Eachus	Longietti	Raymond	Wojnaroski
Ellis	Mackereth	Readshaw	Yewcic
Evans, J.	Maher	Reed	Youngblood
Everett	Mahoney	Reichley	Yudichak
Fabrizio	Majoy	Roae	
Fairchild	Manderino	Rock	O'Brien, D.,
Fleck	Mann	Roebuck	Speaker
Frankel	Mantz		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

Cohen	Kenney	Petrone	True
Evans, D.	Leach	Quinn	Wheatley
Gerber	Petri	Rubley	

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces its intention to recess regular session at 12:38 and go into special session.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Regular session of the House is now in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative Markosek, rise?

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman suspend.

Regular session of the House will now come to order.

The Chair recognizes Representative Markosek.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the House Transportation Committee will not meet today. However, HB 2593 is on the calendar at the discretion of the call of the Chair, at the discretion of the call of the Chair. So no meeting today, and we will have to see what happens beyond today.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman for his announcement.

The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order. Members will take their seats.

HOUSE SCHEDULE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Representative DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the schedule, after conferring with the minority leader, the gentleman from Jefferson, earlier in the day, we are going to break and return tomorrow. We will return for caucus at 5 and floor action at 6. The funeral service for a family member of one of our colleagues will conclude in the early middle afternoon in suburban Philadelphia, and many of us will be back at that time.

We had a strenuous series of days where budget negotiations were ongoing. We made substantial progress, then we had some pushback. My own metaphor would be that we were on the 20-yard line, heading for the end zone; there was a fumble, and now we are on the 29- or the 32-yard line. That is just my own completely visceral analysis of last night's dialogue, which was probably seen by most of the members in the local media. But I still have confidence that in the ensuing days – Sunday, Monday, and potentially, Tuesday, Wednesday – we can find a resolution to our State budget problems or challenges. We have agreed, as people doing the arbitration, for lack of a more precise term, that there will be no tax increases. There will potentially be a business tax decrease in the capital stock and franchise.

We still have some very, very significant budget cuts that we have to agree on. I feel it is, one group might want A, B, and C; and the other group might want X, Y, and Z. And we are going to have to decide which cuts will be appropriate and which cuts will be amenable to the five negotiating teams. But I am certainly not bereft of confidence and have high, good feeling for the integrity and work ethic of all the negotiators and our exceptionally talented staff teams representing Republicans and Democrats and the Rendell administration.

So we will put our shoulder to the wheel late tomorrow afternoon, recommence. People from all over the State, Erie and Pittsburgh and Greene County might be difficult to reach in this quick turnaround, but we will be back in this chamber, Mr. Speaker, tomorrow in the late, late afternoon and ready to vote at 6 o'clock.

Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Civera. I am sure he would like to share with the members on what yard line the referee has placed that ball.

Mr. CIVERA. Well, I wish we would get a touchdown, but unfortunately, we are still on the 30-yard line.

Mr. Speaker, the majority chairman has evaluated the situation, presently, with the budget negotiations, I would believe, correct. What I would like to do at this point in time is, one, make a statement, two, ask the majority leader a question, if he would answer that.

We have, in possession in our chamber, two Appropriation bills – one from the Senate and one from the House – that were moved into Appropriations and back. My question is, and after speaking with him today, whatever of those documents move, the Republican side and I am sure the Democrat side, have some amendments that we would like to present to give our members an opportunity to voice their opinion as far as the amendment process to the budget.

So when do you believe that this opportunity could come about us, if you can give us some kind of an idea?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Representative DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Candidly, I cannot answer the question until we have a handshake amongst the negotiators. Once that takes place, I believe we can. And as you know, honorable chairman, this morning in dialogue in my office, Mr. McCall, Ms. Fox of the Appropriations staff, and others on your team listened attentively as we discussed the possibility, or the wide range of possibilities, of 1 amendment, 8 amendments, 100 amendments. The whole menu was discussed, and we are certainly not being antagonistic, because we want to have an agreement. We want to have a handshake, and the flow of the process might need a suspension of the rules.

The Democrats cannot get a suspension unless we have some of our brothers and sisters on the Republican side help us. So there is certainly no overarching, high-handed, condescending point of view from this podium. We want to be helpful, but until we get that handshake, which I thought last night, maybe you did, too, when we walked into the big conference table over in the Senate at 8 p.m., I thought there was a chance by midnight that we would have had that handshake. I was keenly disappointed, but again, using the gridiron metaphor, I do not think we were pushed all that far back. We can still make progress.

The SPEAKER. Representative Civera.

Mr. CIVERA. Mr. Speaker, my understanding, my interpretation of that is that you are willing, as we spoke in your office today, willing to work with us as far as that amendment process is concerned, because I believe that this is the first time that we do not want to be shut out of that process, and our members need to have a voice.

What I am hearing from you is that, I believe, you are going to be cooperative. And as you indicated to me right now, the amendment to those bills needs suspension, which would take two-thirds. We want to cooperate as well as you can cooperate with us.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Representative DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. I want to work with the gentleman from Delaware County and his colleagues.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks both gentlemen for that.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to welcome as the guests of Representative Matt Smith, summer interns from the 42d Legislative District in Allegheny County. They are Kelly Boyle and Jake Brett. They are seated to the left of the Speaker. Would you please stand to be recognized.

INTERROGATION

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative Schroder, rise?

Mr. SCHRODER. Would the majority leader agree to just a brief question or two on follow up to some of his comments, just a brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. Representative DeWeese indicates that he will answer your questions. The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. SCHRODER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, you indicated that we are not coming in until quite late tomorrow afternoon, 6 o'clock or so. I am just wondering if you have any projection, even if it is a best guess, as to how late we can plan to go into tomorrow evening. Should we plan until 11 o'clock or sometime earlier than that, perhaps?

The SPEAKER. Representative DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do not mean to reach in and elicit the most dexterous or nebulous part of a politician's lexicon, but here goes. We have a considerable calendar, although we do not think it is a controversial calendar – and we will be able to share it with you momentarily, if you want to come down to the well of the House – and I think the evening would go into the middle of the evening. But the, forthly and finally, the reason I think we have to have session tomorrow night is to continue to put in place measures that will be fundamental, fundamental fulcrums, as we move the budget process forward on Monday and Tuesday and Wednesday.

I really believe, and I am so confident that we can do this so that you, my honorable colleague from Chester, will be back home in the Fourth of July parade. I would like to get you home on the Fourth of July eve. I would have liked to have gotten you home on the 30th, but I think the mechanics of the process call for three to four days for the budgeteers – the technicians, the lawyers, the C.P.A.s, the draftspeople – to put together the budget documents. As people here in this room know, the final product is like an encyclopedia, at least one volume, and it does take time, mechanically, once the handshake takes place.

So tomorrow night should be a middle evening of comparatively noncontroversial measures.

Mr. SCHRODER. I appreciate that response.

The SPEAKER. Representative Schroder.

Mr. SCHRODER. I appreciate that response. I understand the inability to pinpoint a specific time.

On one other item that the gentleman announced, is it your position that we will not be able to offer amendments to the budget or to a budget bill until after an agreement has already been reached?

Mr. DeWEESE. No, not necessarily, but I do not think we are in a position to give you a definitive answer. I have already declared, unequivocally, that it is my desire that we do what the State Senate has done in the past year or so; they have tried to put up most all of their members on these budget votes. I would like to think that somehow we could arrive at a handshake, where most of the Democrats and most of the Republicans would think that it is a pretty good budget. There is no tax increase. We are going to solve as many problems as we can in Pennsylvania.

As you know, my honorable colleague, we are in a very, very serious national economic moment. School lunches are going to go up 7 or 8 percent next year. If we are not very careful, local property taxes will be enhanced because of the Commonwealth's disinclination to fund schools at a certain level. There are all kinds of dynamics going on, but I think that we will have a compromise, and we are going to probably have to have your help, sir, and your colleagues' help on a rules suspension or two in order to move the process forward.

Therefore, it certainly would not be to our advantage to cause a problem. So I think we shall, but I do not want to give you a definitive comment, because I cannot.

Mr. SCHRODER. Once again, I appreciate that.

If I could just make a comment, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. SCHRODER. Thank you.

It sounds like there are a number of options open or being pursued, and I can certainly appreciate, at this point, at this hour on Saturday that we cannot pinpoint where we will be on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and when these things will take place. The only thing I would just like to caution against and bring up, I guess, is that it seems to make very little sense to me to arrive at a budget agreement and then go through an amendment process.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge that we be allowed, that the members of this body, as we have every other year for many years, be allowed to go through the amendment process and put our amendments out there on the table to— Many of them will not survive the budget process; we know that. Some of them will, however. I think it is very important that we do that sooner rather than later when we are running out of time, when we are in a position of possible furloughs, when the budget is already late, and then the pressure is upon us not to offer any amendments. That is certainly not a good way, I think, to proceed with that process and not one that works to the advantage of most of the members.

So, Mr. Speaker, I would only just like to say and put on the record that I feel we need to move the amendment process forward. Maybe we can come to agreement about the number of amendments offered by each side, something to make it reasonable; I am certainly not opposed to discussions of that sort. But to come to an agreement that is already after the July 1 date seems to me to be very difficult at best and put us in a very severe situation.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Levdansky.

Mr. DeWEESE. Point of parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Representative Levdansky, will suspend.

The gentleman's point of parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. DeWEESE. I want the gentleman from Allegheny to make his point; I will only take 15 seconds.

Regardless of the honorable gentleman's point, I want to inform the membership, there will be no further votes today.

Thank you.

STATEMENT BY MR. LEVDANSKY

The SPEAKER. Representative Levdansky.

Mr. LEVDANSKY. Mr. Speaker, just a correction of record. Last Monday afternoon on the floor debate on amendments on SB 1063, there was an amendment offered relative to the amusement tax. During the course of the debate on that amendment, I twice made reference to the number of \$570 million. In one context, I mentioned that \$570 million was the price that Kennywood Company was purchased by the multinational conglomerate, and the other time, I said that \$570 million was the total revenue of the parent company. The first time I spoke, I was in error. So just to correct the record,

\$570 million represents the total amount of revenue of the parent company of Kennywood relative to their park operations.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The majority leader is correct. There will be no further votes today.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House will stand in recess to the call of the Chair for reports from committees.

AFTER RECESS

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

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to **SB 1063, PN 2229**.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

SB 1063, PN 2229

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in local tax, further providing for definitions, for delegation of tax powers and restrictions, for recapture of tax, for payroll tax, for nonresident sports facility usage fees, for vacation of tax ordinances and resolutions, for advertising tax ordinances, for second class city tax rates, for taxpayer appeals, for filing ordinances, for limitation on tax rates, for withholding of local services taxes, for administrative personnel and joint agreements, for audits of earned income and other taxes, for payment of tax to other taxing authorities as credits or deductions, for personal property, for assessment limitations and for tax limitations; providing for legal representation, for restricted use, for consolidated collection of local income taxes, for collection of delinquent taxes and for miscellaneous provisions; further providing for penalties and for repeals; and making editorial changes.

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

RECESS

The SPEAKER. The House will be in recess to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

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

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 1397, PN 2134

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 28, 2008.

SB 1412, PN 2266

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, June 28, 2008.

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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Brooks of Mercer County, who moves this House do now adjourn until Sunday, June 29, 2008, at 6 p.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 1:14 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.