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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER (SAMUEL H. SMITH) PRESIDING

PRAYER

The SPEAKER. The prayer will be offered by the Reverend Bill Pipp, Snyder's United Methodist Church, New Bloomfield, Pennsylvania.

REV. BILL PIPP, Guest Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

In the precious name of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, we gather this day.

As the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Elizabeth, and Mary, and all of the descendants from then until now, we know, O God, that You have anointed leaders and called prophets of old. You have called us and You have been with us in all of the seasons of our lives, so lead us this day to recognize our Representatives and leaders as we invoke Your blessing upon each one of them.

In this very sacred and special place, O God, you have given me this day an opportunity to offer this opening prayer. This time of opening prayer has been observed for many years, and once again, we call upon You. And so I pray that Your blessing will be upon our Representatives, our Senators, our Governor, and our Lieutenant Governor, as well as all who have the responsibility of leading our great Commonwealth. May God bless each one today.

May we all be men and women who love Your people and can walk with them. May we feel the pain of those who are in pain, may we share the joys of those who are in joy, may we dream the dreams of those who dream this day, and may we all accompany them to their common goal. May our political system always strive to serve Your people and to bring real glory to Your name.

Direct all our purposes this day, guide our deliberations this day, and may this day our thoughts, our words, and our actions be in accordance with Your will. And so, O God, we pray this day that You will bless the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and also, O God, that You this day will bless these United States of America.

We ask this in the name of our loving and caring God, even through Your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen, and amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, May 3, 2011, will be postponed until printed.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 924, PN 1747

By Rep. ADOLPH

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1121, PN 1748

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for sentencing for offenses committed in association with a criminal street gang.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1281, PN 1417

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating the bridge that carries Pennsylvania Turnpike Route 43 over the Monongahela River between Denbo in the Borough of Centerville, County of Washington, and Alicia in the Township of Luzerne, County of Fayette, as the PFC Ronald C. "Smokey" Bakewell Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1330, PN 1749 (Amended)

By Rep. CLYMER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for educational improvement tax credit; and repealing provisions of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 relating to educational improvement tax credit.

EDUCATION.

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

HB 247, PN 1752 (Amended) By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further providing for definitions.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 382, PN 1753 (Amended) By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further providing for unwanted telephone solicitation calls prohibited.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1336, PN 1534 By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of October 17, 2008 (P.L.1645, No.132), known as the Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act, providing for the definition of "home improvement retailer"; and further providing for procedures for registration as a contractor and for prohibited acts.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1363, PN 1604 By Rep. CLYMER

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 continuing professional development and for program of continuing professional development.

EDUCATION.

HB 1407, PN 1754 (Amended) By Rep. CLYMER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in early learning programs, further providing for Head Start expansion and for duties of department.

EDUCATION.

HB 1411, PN 1685 By Rep. CLYMER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school districts, providing for moratorium on certain data collection systems and data sets.

EDUCATION.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker turns to leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the lady, Ms. BOBACK, from Luzerne County for the day; the gentleman, Mr. MAHER, from Allegheny County for the day; the gentleman, Mr. MICCARELLI, from Delaware County for the day; the gentleman, Mr. LAWRENCE, from Chester County for the day. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

The Democratic whip indicates there are no additional leaves of absence requested.

MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—197

Adolph	Dunbar	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Aument	Ellis	Knowles	Readshaw
Baker	Emrick	Kortz	Reed
Barbin	Evankovich	Kotik	Reese
Barrar	Evans, D.	Krieger	Reichley
Bear	Evans, J.	Kula	Roae
Benninghoff	Everett	Longietti	Rock
Bishop	Fabrizio	Mahoney	Roebuck
Bloom	Farry	Major	Ross
Boyd	Fleck	Maloney	Sabatina
Boyle, B.	Frankel	Mann	Saccone
Boyle, K.	Freeman	Markosek	Sainato
Bradford	Gabler	Marshall	Samuelson
Brennan	Galloway	Marsico	Santarsiero
Briggs	Geist	Masser	Santoni
Brooks	George	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Gerber	McGeehan	Scavello
Brown, V.	Gergely	Metcalfe	Schroder
Brownlee	Gibbons	Metzgar	Shapiro
Burns	Gillen	Micozzie	Simmons
Buxton	Gillespie	Millard	Smith, K.
Caltagirone	Gingrich	Miller	Smith, M.
Carroll	Godshall	Milne	Sonney
Causar	Goodman	Mirabito	Staback
Christiana	Grell	Moul	Stephens
Clymer	Grove	Mullery	Stern
Cohen	Hackett	Mundy	Stevenson
Conklin	Hahn	Murphy	Sturla
Costa, D.	Haluska	Murt	Tallman
Costa, P.	Hanna	Mustio	Taylor
Cox	Harhai	Myers	Thomas
Creighton	Harhart	Neuman	Tobash
Cruz	Harkins	O'Brien, D.	Toepel
Culver	Harper	O'Brien, M.	Toohil
Curry	Harris	O'Neill	Truitt
Cutler	Heffley	Oberlander	Turzai
Daley	Helm	Parker	Vereb
Davidson	Hennessey	Pashinski	Vitali
Davis	Hess	Payne	Vulakovich
Day	Hickernell	Payton	Wagner
Deasy	Hutchinson	Peifer	Waters
DeLissio	Johnson	Perry	Watson
Delozier	Josephs	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Kampf	Petri	White
Denlinger	Kauffman	Pickett	Williams
DePasquale	Kavulich	Preston	Youngblood
Dermody	Keller, F.	Pyle	
DeWeese	Keller, M.K.	Quigley	Smith, S., Speaker
DiGirolamo	Keller, W.	Quinn	
Donatucci	Killion	Rapp	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Boback	Lawrence	Miccarelli	Swanger
Hornaman	Maher		

LEAVES ADDED—2

Daley	Evans, D.
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The SPEAKER. One hundred ninety-seven members having voted on the master roll call, a quorum is present.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. KILLION called up **HR 189, PN 1470**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing May 2011 as "Blue Star Mothers of America Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. GEIST called up **HR 227, PN 1568**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 2011 as "Bike Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. PAYNE called up **HR 241, PN 1629**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 15 through 21, 2011, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" and May 18, 2011, as "Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. D. O'BRIEN called up **HR 259, PN 1697**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 6 through 14, 2011, as "Fallen Firefighters Survivors Week" in Pennsylvania; and designating May 14, 2011, as "Fallen Firefighters Survivors Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. SCAVELLO called up **HR 261, PN 1713**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2011 as "Hepatitis Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MURT called up **HR 262, PN 1714**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2011 as "Military Service-Related Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. M. KELLER called up **HR 263, PN 1715**, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania on its 125th anniversary.

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Mr. VITALI called up **HR 271, PN 1745**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy.

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Mr. D. EVANS called up **HR 272, PN 1746**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of May 1 through 7, 2011, as "National Charter Schools Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Adolph	Dunbar	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Aument	Ellis	Knowles	Readshaw
Baker	Emrick	Kortz	Reed
Barbin	Evankovich	Kotik	Reese
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Brennan	Galloway	Marsico	Santarsiero
Briggs	Geist	Masser	Santoni
Brooks	George	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Gerber	McGeehan	Scavello
Brown, V.	Gergely	Metcalfe	Schroder
Brownlee	Gibbons	Metzgar	Shapiro
Burns	Gillen	Micozzie	Simmons
Buxton	Gillespie	Millard	Smith, K.
Caltagirone	Gingrich	Miller	Smith, M.
Carroll	Godshall	Milne	Sonney
Causar	Goodman	Mirabito	Staback
Christiana	Grell	Moul	Stephens
Clymer	Grove	Mullery	Stern
Cohen	Hackett	Mundy	Stevenson
Conklin	Hahn	Murphy	Sturla
Costa, D.	Haluska	Murt	Tallman
Costa, P.	Hanna	Mustio	Taylor
Cox	Harhai	Myers	Thomas
Creighton	Harhart	Neuman	Tobash
Cruz	Harkins	O'Brien, D.	Toepel
Culver	Harper	O'Brien, M.	Toohil
Curry	Harris	O'Neill	Truitt
Cutler	Heffley	Oberlander	Turzai
Daley	Helm	Parker	Vereb
Davidson	Hennessey	Pashinski	Vitali
Davis	Hess	Payne	Vulakovich
Day	Hickernell	Payton	Wagner
Deasy	Hutchinson	Peifer	Waters
DeLissio	Johnson	Perry	Watson
Delozier	Josephs	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Kampf	Petri	White
Denlinger	Kauffman	Pickett	Williams
DePasquale	Kavulich	Preston	Youngblood
Dermody	Keller, F.	Pyle	
DeWeese	Keller, M.K.	Quigley	Smith, S., Speaker
DiGirolamo	Keller, W.	Quinn	
Donatucci	Killion	Rapp	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Boback	Lawrence	Miccarelli	Swanger
Hornaman	Maher		

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker would like to introduce some guests that we have with us today.

Located in the rear of the House, the Speaker welcomes members of the Ambulance Association of Pennsylvania. The association is holding its annual conference in the Harrisburg area this week. The group is the guest of the chairmen of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee, Representatives Barrar and Sainato, and Representative John Payne. And given that one of the guys in that group is from my district, they are also guests of the Speaker as well. We certainly want to welcome them to the House and appreciate all the work that EMS (emergency medical services) providers do to keep us safe and help us out in times of need and everybody in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Their services are invaluable, and these guys have been working diligently with us and with their communities, and we want to welcome them to the hall of the House.

STATEMENT BY MR. BARRAR

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. Barrar, seek recognition under unanimous consent to also welcome our EMS folks?

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, in a few minutes we are going to do a resolution and honor the EMS community that is here today, and that resolution is simply a celebration recognizing the accomplishments of the EMS community here in Pennsylvania. We want to thank them for their hard work and dedication to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I am very, very honored to have them here today.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman, and thank you, folks, for your service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Also located in the rear of the House, the Speaker welcomes members of the Blue Star Mothers of America from the Philadelphia, South Central, Central, and Lehigh Chapters. Could I have the members' attention, please? Could I have the members' attention, please.

We want to welcome the Blue Star Mothers of America as well with respect for their sacrifices. They are here as guests of Representative Tom Killion. Welcome to the hall of the House, ladies.

STATEMENT BY MR. KILLION

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. Killion, seek unanimous consent? The gentleman is in order under unanimous consent. The gentleman, Mr. Killion, from Delaware County.

Mr. KILLION. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I would like to thank my colleagues for the affirmative vote on HR 189.

The Blue Star Mothers of America was founded as a patriotic service organization in 1942 to unite the mothers who had sons or daughters in the United States Armed Forces. The nonpartisan, nonprofit organization was chartered by the Congress of the United States in 1960.

Mr. Speaker, could I have some order?

The SPEAKER. Members will please take their seats; clear the aisles. The Speaker would ask the members to please clear the aisles and take their seats. The Speaker thanks the members.

The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. KILLION. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Eligible members of the Blue Star Mothers include mothers and stepmothers who have sons or daughters who are currently serving in the U.S. military or who are honorably discharged veterans. The work of the Blue Star Mothers of America includes providing support for active-duty service personnel and their families, promoting patriotism, and assisting various veterans organizations.

The work of the Blue Star Mothers of America is increasingly important to the more than 450,000 members of the United States Army Reserve components having been called to active service around the world since 2001, including more than 20,000 Pennsylvania soldiers and airmen, consisting of more than 4,000 soldiers of the 56th Stryker Brigade and more than 1,000 soldiers from the 28th Combat Aviation Brigade who were deployed to Iraq. The dedication, sacrifice, and hard work of the devoted members of the Blue Star Mothers of America merits our recognition.

The Blue Star Service Flag is the official banner authorized by the Department of Defense and for display by families who have members serving in the United States Armed Forces during a period of war or armed conflict the nation may be engaged in for the duration of such activities.

The Blue Star Flag is currently hanging in the East Wing rotunda to recognize May 2011 as Blue Star Mothers of America Month in Pennsylvania. You have joined me in honoring this great organization by your vote in favor of HR 189, and please, once again join me in recognizing the members of the Blue Star Mothers who are in the rear of the House.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I have to mention two things. One, we do have a dad with us. We want to honor him as well. Also, if the moms that have sons or daughters currently deployed, if you could stand up so we can give you a special round of applause as well. Thank you.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. We have a few other guests with us.

Up in the gallery, as guests of Representative Deb Kula, we have Jill Kula and Diane Testa. They are up in the gallery. Welcome. Please stand and wave. Let us know where you are. Welcome to the hall of the House.

And in the well of the House, as guest pages – they are guests of Representative Lawrence – we have Melanie Delduco, Allison Malone, Anna Malone, and Martin Reynoso. Our young guests, welcome to the hall of the House.

ITALIAN DELEGATION PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker would like to ask the members to please take their seats and give their attention. We have a few other special guests that we are welcoming to the hall of the House today, and we would like to invite them, one of them, at least, we are going to invite to the reader's dais to make some comments.

Located to the left of the Speaker, we have Luigi Scotto, the Consul General of Italy in Philadelphia; Joe Auteri, the president of the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce of Greater Philadelphia; Marco Albonico, as well as Marco Circelli and Peter Alois. They are guests of Representative Vitali and Representative Scavello, and at this time, gentlemen, please rise to be welcomed.

And I invite the Consul General to the reader's podium to address the House. If the members would please give our guests attention and the courtesy, please. Conversation will please cease. The members will please take their seats. The Speaker thanks the members.

You may proceed.

CONSUL GENERAL SCOTTO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, Sam Smith.

Honorable members of the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, it is a great honor for me to be here before you to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy in the State with the richest history in the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker and members of the House of Representatives, on behalf of the Republic of Italy, I would like to thank Representative Greg Vitali for proposing this resolution recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy. As I like to say on this occasion, Italy is a culture of superpower, and I would like to draw your attention to the vital contribution that culture itself can give to the celebration.

I refer to "historical culture," whose heritage of studies on the Risorgimento and the unification process deserves to be recalled in this occasion and offered here for its dissemination and not in simplistic terms. To be speaking of our history here is also a way to spread it among the many American friends of our country to whom we are tied by very firm bonds.

To this end, I would like to recall the words of a great U.S. President, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, who on March 16, 1961, at the 100th anniversary of the Unification of Italy, said, "The [renaissance] which gave birth to modern Italy – like the revolution which forged a United American Republic out of thirteen English colonies – was a 'reawakening' of most deeply held ideals of our civilization – the desire for human freedom, for protection of man's dignity...."

If we are to meet this new challenge facing our civilization, we – Italy and America – must demonstrate to our own people and to the world that free men, acting in the tradition of Mazzini and Garibaldi and Cavour, Lincoln, Washington, Franklin, and Jefferson, can best bring man a richer and fuller life. This is the task of the new Risorgimento – a new reawakening of man's ancient aspiration for freedom and progress.

Today, 50 years after, these words still sound current. From these words, 50 years later, I seem to perceive an ideal continuity with those recently pronounced by President Obama, and I quote: "At a time when the United States was fighting for the preservation of our own Union, Giuseppe Garibaldi's campaign for the unification of Italy inspired many around the

world in their own struggles, including the 39th New York Infantry, also known as 'The Garibaldi Guard.' Today, the legacy of Garibaldi and all those who unified Italy lives on in the millions of American women and men of Italian descent who strengthen and enrich our Nation.

"Italy and the United States are bound by friendship and common dedication to civil liberties, democratic principles, and the universal human rights our countries both respect and uphold."

Today, I think it is essential here to remind everyone and ourselves what we have accumulated in the past, what we have behind us in terms of capabilities and wealth of knowledge in the field of scientific research and production, and to do our best to protect such heritage from being sterilized in any way and grow it even further.

As President Napolitano said, the Italian identity exists, it is strong, and its determining factors, which we never fail to celebrate here in America and particularly in my jurisdiction with the many friends of our country, are the language, the Catholic religion, the culture, and the artistic and historical heritage.

And I would like to conclude this brief address with a few more words from my President, President Napolitano: "I hope we will spare ourselves the trifling misunderstanding of always seeing a lurking intent of an impossible clasp, of the cessation of conflict, physiological to any democracy, between divergent political and social demands. It is time we free ourselves from such petty spectra and bias, to look at the wider horizon of the future of the Italian Nation, to elevate policy-making and institutional operations to the level of fundamental values and common interests."

Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. (Speaking in Italian.)

Thank you. What I said was— I really cannot speak Italian, because I did not have enough time to prepare my speech, but I wanted to thank—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend.

The Speaker was worried what he might be saying about the Speaker in Italian, and he would not understand either.

Mr. VITALI. Well, you are going to need a translator to find that out.

The SPEAKER. Yeah; I know.

Mr. VITALI. But I do want to thank the Consulate for coming today to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Unification of Italy. We are all proud of our ethnicity, and I know many of my Italian colleagues are joined by others of other ethnicity to sort of celebrate the Unification of Italy as a country, which actually, interestingly, happened at the same time the United States was keeping itself unified during the U.S. Civil War. I thank you for that.

I do want the House to know that this is not simply a commemorative visit. We have a business component of this. The Consulate, along with Joe Auteri, a friend and colleague who is the president of the Italy-America Chamber, who is vitally interested in promoting Pennsylvania business from Italian companies, we are rolling up our sleeves and working today. Joe has already brought Italian companies to this country. We have met with Secretary Krancer this morning for further discussions. We are meeting with the Governor's action team

and the Department of Community and Economic Development at 1 o'clock today to further these Italian-American business interests.

I also want to recognize another friend and former diplomat, Peter Alois, who is here today, along with Marco and Marco, the respective staffs.

I do want to invite the chamber – listen up; this involves food – I do want to invite the chamber for a luncheon. I know that Tony DeLuca was kind enough, president of our Italian-American Caucus, was kind enough to host a luncheon today at 12 o'clock in his office, which is room 115 Irvis, and I cannot guarantee you many things, but I can guarantee you the food will be good Italian food.

And the final point: My Italian friend, Representative Scavello, I want to thank him for not only his Italian lessons but also for helping me cohost this resolution and coordinating this event. So thank you.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On unanimous consent.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may proceed under unanimous consent.

Mr. THOMAS. On behalf of Representative Donatucci and a couple of my other friends, I would just like to say bene grazie to the gentlemen.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

For what purpose does the lady, Ms. Donatucci, rise?

Ms. DONATUCCI. Mr. Speaker, under general consent. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The lady is in order under unanimous consent and may proceed.

Ms. DONATUCCI. (Speaking in Italian.) And I am so glad that the General Consulate was here today, and being of Italo-American descent, I am happy to welcome him. And I would like to thank you, Mr. Speaker, for having this today. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the lady.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. PAYNE called up HR 253, PN 1670, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing 2010 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series Champion Jimmie Johnson for his achievements on and off the track.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-197

Table with 4 columns of names: Adolph, Aument, Baker, Barbin, Barrar, Bear, Benninghoff, Dunbar, Ellis, Emrick, Evankovich, Evans, D., Evans, J., Everett, Kirkland, Knowles, Kortz, Kotik, Krieger, Kula, Longiatti, Ravenstahl, Readshaw, Reed, Reese, Reichley, Roae, Rock

Table with 4 columns of names: Bishop, Bloom, Boyd, Boyle, B., Boyle, K., Bradford, Brennan, Briggs, Brooks, Brown, R., Brown, V., Brownlee, Burns, Buxton, Caltagirone, Carroll, Causer, Christiana, Clymer, Cohen, Conklin, Costa, D., Costa, P., Cox, Creighton, Cruz, Culver, Curry, Cutler, Daley, Davidson, Davis, Day, Deasy, DeLissio, Delozier, DeLuca, Denlinger, DePasquale, Dermody, DeWeese, DiGirolamo, Donatucci, Fabrizio, Farry, Fleck, Frankel, Freeman, Gabler, Galloway, Geist, George, Gerber, Gergely, Gibbons, Gillen, Gillespie, Gingrich, Godshall, Goodman, Grell, Grove, Hackett, Hahn, Haluska, Hanna, Harhai, Harhart, Harkins, Harper, Harris, Heffley, Helm, Hennessey, Hess, Hickernell, Hutchinson, Johnson, Josephs, Kampf, Kauffman, Kavulich, Keller, F., Keller, M.K., Keller, W., Killion, Mahoney, Major, Maloney, Mann, Markosek, Marshall, Marsico, Masser, Matzie, McGeehan, Metcalfe, Metzgar, Micozzie, Millard, Miller, Milne, Mirabito, Moul, Mullery, Mundy, Murphy, Murt, Mustio, Myers, Neuman, O'Brien, D., O'Brien, M., O'Neill, Oberlander, Parker, Pashinski, Payne, Payton, Peifer, Perry, Petrarca, Petri, Pickett, Preston, Pyle, Quigley, Quinn, Rapp, Roebuck, Ross, Sabatina, Saccone, Sainato, Samuelson, Santarsiero, Santoni, Saylor, Scavello, Schroder, Shapiro, Simmons, Smith, K., Smith, M., Sonney, Staback, Stephens, Stern, Stevenson, Sturla, Tallman, Taylor, Thomas, Tobash, Toepel, Toohil, Truitt, Turzai, Vereb, Vitali, Vulakovich, Wagner, Waters, Watson, Wheatley, White, Williams, Youngblood, Smith, S., Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Table with 4 columns of names: Boback, Hornaman, Lawrence, Maher, Miccarelli, Swanger

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

STATEMENT BY MR. MURT

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Murt, seek recognition under unanimous consent? The gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Murt, is recognized under unanimous consent.

Mr. MURT. I do seek recognition, Mr. Speaker, relative to HR 262. Is this the appropriate time to speak on that, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. MURT. Mr. Speaker, I cannot think of a better moment to acknowledge the sacrifice made by the men and women of our military than during the week we witnessed their

proficiency, their professionalism, and their determination in taking out the evil behind the 9/11 attacks.

Mr. Speaker, Americans across our country rightfully praised our military for the decade-long mission in the deserts of Afghanistan, Iraq, and Pakistan. But this week's success makes it too easy to overlook the scars of war that will linger long after our warriors come home. It was not until the Civil War that the medical community first acknowledged the mental wounds suffered by those who were placed in harm's way in defense of our nation. They first called it shell shock, then later on battle fatigue. After the Vietnam war, we called it post-traumatic stress disorder.

Mr. Speaker, regardless of the vernacular, the pain remained the same for our brave veterans – difficulty in adapting to civilian life, alienation of close family and friends, insomnia, hypersensitivity, nightmares, angry outbursts, and even thoughts of suicide by brave men and women who have served in combat.

Mr. Speaker, the veterans of our current conflicts are no different. The medical community estimates that as many as one-third of the veterans from the current conflicts are suffering undeniable signs of post-traumatic stress disorder and other mental illnesses. This is why I believe that during the week that our brave warriors have brought justice to the mastermind behind 9/11 and during the month we formerly commemorate those lost in war, we must acknowledge the medical challenges faced by our soldiers, sailors, airmen, coastguardsmen, and marines. This is why I urge my colleagues, Mr. Speaker, to join me in my call to designate May as "Military Service-Related Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Month" in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the lady, Ms. Major, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Ms. MAJOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce that Republicans will caucus today at 1 p.m. I would ask our members to please report to our caucus room promptly at 1 for a very important caucus and back to the floor, we will be prepared to come back to the floor at 2 p.m., Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the lady.

The Democrat leaders indicate no need for a caucus or an announcement.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House stands in recess until 2 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

AFTER RECESS

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

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 267 By Representatives PASHINSKI, AUMENT, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, D. COSTA, CREIGHTON, CUTLER, DIGIROLAMO, FLECK, GEIST, GIBBONS, GINGRICH, HARKINS, HENNESSEY, HORNAMAN, JOSEPHS, KNOWLES, KOTIK, MAJOR, MANN, MURT, SCAVELLO, STABACK and VEREB

A Resolution supporting a renewed bipartisan effort of our elected officials and the American people to address the national debt crisis in order to avert the future national financial catastrophe that threatens to adversely affect the lives, liberties and happiness of future generations of Americans.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, May 4, 2011.

No. 268 By Representatives PASHINSKI, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, D. COSTA, DeLUCA, DONATUCCI, FABRIZIO, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HARKINS, HENNESSEY, HESS, KIRKLAND, MAHONEY, MANN, MURPHY, MURT, READSHAW and K. SMITH

A Resolution encouraging reduced insurance premiums for sponsors of medically managed wellness programs and encouraging government purchase of insurance from insurers offering reduced premiums for participation in medically managed wellness programs.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, May 4, 2011.

No. 269 By Representatives GALLOWAY, W. KELLER, BISHOP, B. BOYLE, BRENNAN, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, P. COSTA, DALEY, DAVIS, DeLUCA, DeWEESE, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GOODMAN, HARKINS, HENNESSEY, HESS, JOSEPHS, KORTZ, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MANN, McGEEHAN, MOUL, MULLERY, MURPHY, MURT, PARKER, PRESTON, READSHAW, SANTONI, TAYLOR, THOMAS, WAGNER, WHITE, YOUNGBLOOD and GIBBONS

A Resolution honoring the 80th anniversary of the passage and signing of the Davis-Bacon Act.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 4, 2011.

No. 270 By Representatives GALLOWAY, W. KELLER, BARBIN, B. BOYLE, K. BOYLE, BRENNAN, BRIGGS, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, DAVIS, DeWEESE, DIGIROLAMO, FABRIZIO, GEORGE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HARKINS, JOSEPHS, LONGIETTI, MANN, MULLERY, MUNDY, SABATINA, SANTONI, TAYLOR, THOMAS, WAGNER, WHITE and GIBBONS

A Resolution offering the support and recommendation of the House of Representatives for the use of project labor agreements for all publicly funded or guaranteed public works construction, alteration, renovation, demolition, excavating and paving projects in this Commonwealth.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 4, 2011.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 1454 By Representatives TRUITT, AUMENT, BARRAR, KAUFFMAN, MILLARD, RAPP, ROAE, SCHRODER and MILLER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school districts, further providing for value-added assessment system.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 4, 2011.

No. 1455 By Representatives PAYNE, HESS, GEIST, GRELL, FABRIZIO, MOUL, O'NEILL, READSHAW, REICHLEY and SWANGER

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, further providing for application for registration certificate, for issuance of registration certificate and for records; providing for disclosure; and further providing for emergency closure.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, May 4, 2011.

No. 1456 By Representatives GALLOWAY, DALEY, DAVIS, DeLUCA, GOODMAN, GROVE, MULLERY, SWANGER and GIBBONS

An Act providing for a citizens constitutional convention on property taxes, for a referendum on the question and for the nomination and election of delegates; defining the powers and duties of the convention; providing for operation of the convention; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, officers of the General Assembly and county election boards; providing for a referendum on the convention's report; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 4, 2011.

No. 1457 By Representatives KIRKLAND, KILLION, DeWEESE, CALTAGIRONE, GEORGE, MIRABITO, FREEMAN, YOUNGBLOOD, DALEY, MAHONEY and GOODMAN

An Act redesignating Concord Road (S.R. 3007) in Chester Township, Delaware County, as Judge Robert A. Wright Memorial Road.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 4, 2011.

No. 1458 By Representatives TALLMAN, BEAR, COHEN, D. COSTA, CUTLER, DAY, DeLUCA, DONATUCCI, GILLEN, GODSHALL, GROVE, HAHN, HEFFLEY, JOSEPHS, MILLER, MOUL, MURPHY, MURT, PASHINSKI, PYLE, K. SMITH and WATSON

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for nonreciprocity of operational limitations.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 4, 2011.

No. 1459 By Representatives ROSS, GINGRICH, CREIGHTON, FREEMAN and SANTARSIERO

An Act amending the act of June 23, 1931 (P.L.932, No.317), known as The Third Class City Code, in civil service, further providing for promotions.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 4, 2011.

No. 1460 By Representatives ROSS, GINGRICH, CREIGHTON, FREEMAN and SANTARSIERO

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, in civil service for police and firemen, further providing for examinations and for eligibility list and manner of filling appointments.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 4, 2011.

No. 1461 By Representatives ROSS, GINGRICH, CREIGHTON, FREEMAN and SANTARSIERO

An Act amending the act of February 1, 1966 (1965 P.L.1656, No.581), known as The Borough Code, in civil service for police and firemen, further providing for examinations and for eligibility list and manner of filling appointments.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 4, 2011.

The SPEAKER. Members will please report to the floor.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the minority whip, who requests leaves of absence for the gentleman, Mr. Dwight EVANS, from Philadelphia for the day, and the gentleman, Mr. DALEY, from Washington County for the day. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. If I could have the members' attention, we would like to introduce an additional guest that we have with us. To the left of the Speaker, the young lady is a student from Russia. She is attending Juniata College. She is a guest of Representative Mike Fleck. Her name is Marina Karnikhima. I apologize. We had a few Russian students here the other day. I said my Russian is a little rusty so please forgive my pronunciation. Welcome to the hall of the House.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 924, PN 1747**, entitled:

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—195

Adolph	Ellis	Knowles	Ravenstahl
Aument	Emrick	Kortz	Readshaw
Baker	Evankovich	Kotik	Reed
Barbin	Evans, J.	Krieger	Reese
Barrar	Everett	Kula	Reichley
Bear	Fabrizio	Longietti	Roae
Benninghoff	Farry	Mahoney	Rock
Bishop	Fleck	Major	Roebuck
Bloom	Frankel	Maloney	Ross
Boyd	Freeman	Mann	Sabatina
Boyle, B.	Gabler	Markosek	Saccone
Boyle, K.	Galloway	Marshall	Sainato
Bradford	Geist	Marsico	Samuelson
Brennan	George	Masser	Santarsiero
Briggs	Gerber	Matzie	Santoni
Brooks	Gergely	McGeehan	Saylor
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Burns	Gingrich	Millard	Simmons
Buxton	Godshall	Miller	Smith, K.
Caltagirone	Goodman	Milne	Smith, M.
Carroll	Grell	Mirabito	Sonney
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Clymer	Hahn	Mundy	Stern
Cohen	Haluska	Murphy	Stevenson
Conklin	Hanna	Murt	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harhai	Mustio	Tallman
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Cox	Harkins	Neuman	Thomas
Creighton	Harper	O'Brien, D.	Tobash
Cruz	Harris	O'Brien, M.	Toepel
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Curry	Helm	Oberlander	Truitt
Cutler	Hennessey	Parker	Turzai
Davidson	Hess	Pashinski	Vereb
Davis	Hickernell	Payne	Vitali
Day	Hutchinson	Payton	Vulakovich
Deasy	Johnson	Peifer	Wagner
DeLissio	Josephs	Perry	Waters
Delozier	Kampf	Petrarca	Watson
DeLuca	Kauffman	Petri	Wheatley
Denlinger	Kavulich	Pickett	White
DePasquale	Keller, F.	Preston	Williams
Dermody	Keller, M.K.	Pyle	Youngblood
DeWeese	Keller, W.	Quigley	
DiGirolamo	Killion	Quinn	Smith, S.,
Donatucci	Kirkland	Rapp	Speaker
Dunbar			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Boback	Evans, D.	Lawrence	Miccarelli
Daley	Hornaman	Maher	Swanger

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 1121, PN 1748**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for sentencing for offenses committed in association with a criminal street gang.

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

Mr. **REICHLEY** offered the following amendment
No. **A01884**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 23, by striking out "(3),"
Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by inserting after "(17),"
(18), (19).

Amend Bill, page 2, line 29, by striking out "(3),"
Amend Bill, page 3, line 1, by inserting after "(17),"
(18), (19).

Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "(3),"
Amend Bill, page 3, line 6, by inserting after "(17),"
(18), (19).

Amend Bill, page 4, line 25, by inserting after "(18),"
(19).

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

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Reichley.

Mr. REICHLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Point of parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will state his point of inquiry.

Mr. REICHLEY. As this amendment is a technical reprint that clarifies some section numbers, do I need to move to suspend the rules of the House for consideration of the amendment?

The SPEAKER. No.

Mr. REICHLEY. All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the amendment. Mr. Speaker, this is, as I said, a technical reprint to bring into compliance some various subsection numbers. There is no substantive addition to the legislation. I would ask for a unanimous vote. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barrar	Everett	Kula	Reichley
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Brennan	George	Masser	Santarsiero
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Clymer	Hahn	Mundy	Stern
Cohen	Haluska	Murphy	Stevenson
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Dunbar			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Boback	Evans, D.	Lawrence	Miccarelli
Daley	Hornaman	Maher	Swanger

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

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Dunbar			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Boback	Evans, D.	Lawrence	Miccarelli
Daley	Hornaman	Maher	Swanger

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 1281, PN 1417**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridge that carries Pennsylvania Turnpike Route 43 over the Monongahela River between Denbo in the Borough of Centerville, County of Washington, and Alicia in the Township of Luzerne, County of Fayette, as the PFC Ronald C. "Smoky" Bakewell Memorial Bridge.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Could we have the members' attention. If we could break up the conferences in the aisles and please have the members take their seats.

This bill has to do with a memorial bridge, and we would appreciate the members' attention. The members will please take their seats, clear the aisles.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Greene County, Mr. DeWeese.

Mr. DeWEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The year was 1967. It was Christmastime. A guy from Brownsville, PA, got a draft notice, Ron Bakewell. By early in January, he was at Fort Gordon, then at Fort Polk, and the Tet Offensive was raging in Vietnam. Four hundred kids a week were dying. Twenty-six thousand died in 1968, 26,000 youngsters in our Armed Forces. This young boy from Brownsville entered the summer of 1968 in the northern provinces of Vietnam.

To wear the Combat Infantryman's Badge, as our colleague, young Miccarelli, wears, one has to be in a combat setting under fire for 30 days. Ron Bakewell served only 42 days in Vietnam and had the Combat Infantryman's Badge. He was under fire virtually every day. On a steamy, dusk evening in August 1968, an NVA (North Vietnamese Army) sniper's bullet found him and he was lethally wounded as he was setting up a perimeter defense. One more casualty in that challenging setting in faraway southeast Asia in 1968.

Now, many years later, Mr. Speaker, and thank you for the floor and thank you for the attention of my colleagues, Ron Bakewell, I hope, can be honored by this massive steel and

concrete structure that will span the broad-bosomed Monongahela River and the Pennsylvania Turnpike as it moves north toward our brothers and sisters in Allegheny County. This bridge will be overshadowing where Ronny Bakewell played sandlot ball and tackle football. They did not play touch football in Brownsville, PA. But the Bakewell family did not come to me and ask me to do this; his friends did, the boys he played ball with, the kids he grew up with in the 1960s and when he was even younger during the age of Eisenhower in the 1950s.

Ron Bakewell is every man. We name bridges after admirals and generals, Presidents. We name bridges after Medal of Honor winners and those are as they should be, but every once in a while, a Pfc. (private, first class). Forty-four years since he laid down his life in the jungles of Vietnam, we have the chance to honor him, and I am very, very keen in my respect and gratitude to the members of this chamber for their attention and for their vote in the affirmative so that Ron Bakewell's name shall endure as the bridge that spans the river bears his name. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Boback	Evans, D.	Lawrence	Miccarelli
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

INTERROGATION

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

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise under unanimous consent with the intention of interrogating the gentleman from Delaware, the chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order under unanimous consent.

Will the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Adolph, stand for interrogation? He indicates he will. You may proceed.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we are now into the first week of May, and I know the deadline for passage of the budget is June 30 and things are starting to bunch up on our calendars and we have some time off in the next couple of weeks as well. I know that from the rules of the House that a budget bill would have to be posted by 4:30 p.m. next Wednesday if in fact we would be able to do anything with it the week after we return from the primary break. So my question to you, sir, is, what are the plans of the majority in scheduling and posting the budget?

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Thank you for giving me those deadlines, and we will certainly make those deadlines. We have been working very diligently over the last couple of months trying to put together a budget that fits the needs of many Pennsylvanians, and we should be working on some budget issues next week.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Can you give us an exact time that you intend to post the budget, please?

Mr. ADOLPH. As the chairman does know, we have a meeting set up together tonight, and I was going to politely and courteously tell you all about it over a hamburger, but—

Mr. MARKOSEK. I can hardly wait.

Mr. ADOLPH. Since you want to— Yeah, we are going to be introducing a bill hopefully by Monday. It is still a work in progress. It will be given its due notice, and hopefully the Appropriations Committee will see it some time on Wednesday.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Will the budget take into consideration the latest news that we have relative to the revenues that have come into the State? As we know, we are way above any estimate. Apparently, the stimulus has worked better than anybody thought.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker would remind the gentleman he is under unanimous consent.

Mr. MARKOSEK. May I ask if the budget will consider any of those new revenues being included in the budget spend number?

Mr. ADOLPH. It is amazing how the economy has responded to Governor Corbett's new administration. Unemployment has dropped close to two points in the last several months, and tax revenue has never been greater. So things are definitely looking up. I do not have to tell the gentleman regarding some reserves that we would like to set up to make sure that some of the liabilities that were left to this General Assembly by the last administration in case some of those court rulings come out, that we will prepare to pay our debt to society.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you.

The revenue numbers have come in, and I think you and I both know will be well over half a billion dollars for this fiscal year, which sets a new base, so therefore, over the remainder of this fiscal year and next fiscal year, it will be roughly, minimum, a billion extra dollars. Now, you mentioned some reserve funds. I know in the past that we have had so-called rainy day funds and we certainly have a lot on the books, but for a lot of people out there it is raining right now. Will your budget consider the fact that the Governor's budget has very draconian cuts to education and many other items? Will your budget be using much of this excess funding to restore some of those draconian cuts?

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would just like to remind everyone that the year is not over. This is revenue based upon April 30. I am optimistic, as the previous speaker is, regarding the economy. I think there are industries that are developing in the State that have brought in some extra corporate net income tax. It was the corporate net income tax last month that actually was \$200 million over the budgeted amount. I would just like to remind the gentleman that there are extra depreciation rules and so forth that we have to be careful of. The safe harbor estimated taxes that have been paid need to be looked at and make sure that the tax reserve refund section is prepared for that, starting probably sometime in October of 2011.

So we are taking into consideration the reserves. I am telling you I am very, very happy with those reserves. It is certainly much better, I think, moving some of the money to this year's budget by both the Rendell administration as well as the Corbett administration, were wise decisions by both. I am sure we are going to have a very healthy debate and go over where we stand once the budget is introduced. It is hard to talk about all the details when the budget has not been introduced, the bill yet.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Mr. Speaker, I think you recall that the Governor, when he produced his budget proposal on March 8, indicated that their estimate for the surplus, not surplus, but the revenues over what is expected was about \$78 million. We are now up to, as the end of April, \$505 million. So I think it is pretty obvious, while granted there are 2 more months left to the fiscal year, that we will be well over any estimates that we potentially could have even dreamed of not that long ago. My question is, will your budget restore some of the cuts that the Governor had mentioned on March 8, restoring, for example, kindergarten through college, the funding for those line items that have been seriously, seriously cut, over \$1 billion in basic education, \$500 million in higher education, or are we just going to sit on this massive, massive surplus while we have so many Pennsylvanians that are experiencing so many problems because of the horrendous budget cuts?

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would just like to remind the speaker that on July 1, we will be without \$3 billion worth of Federal stimulus money. Obviously, any budget that is introduced must take into consideration a loss of about 10 percent of our total revenue. I do believe all the members in this House will, overall, see an improvement on the education appropriation. I am looking forward to working with the gentleman in establishing the best budget possible with the loss of \$3.1 billion in Federal stimulus money.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Mr. Speaker, thank you.

You have been very gracious. I really just have one final question. Will your budget remain at the \$27 billion, \$27.3 billion spend number that has been offered by the Governor? Will it go above that? Will your restoration of cuts that you mentioned be with some of this new money that is available out there as opposed to just shifting budget line items around?

Mr. ADOLPH. I believe that our caucus has remained disciplined and we are not going to overspend what we do not have. We are going to try to stay in the parameters that have been laid out by the Governor. You have to take a look at the projected revenues for next year, at the tax revenues. There are not an awful lot of one-time gimmicks left in order to balance the budget. So we have to really be diligent in taking a look at the actual tax revenues that are coming in next year. I know the gentleman has filed his Pennsylvania income tax on time, and I do appreciate that. We will be working together in order to balance this budget within the tax revenues anticipated.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Well, the anticipated revenues are \$1 billion more than the \$27.3. So can we assume then that, yes, you will spend more than the \$27.3, which we all know we have more than that available?

Mr. ADOLPH. I really do not agree with the billion dollars. You can only spend a \$500 million cash surplus once. You cannot assume that you are going to have the same surplus again next year, and I think that is the trouble that the prior gentleman's caucus had in spending our State government money previously. You cannot spend money before you get it and it seems like you have already doubled it.

Mr. MARKOSEK. So am I to understand then, or so all of us here in the room understand, that you are sticking to the \$27.3 number?

Mr. ADOLPH. We are doing our best to stay and not spend any more than the tax revenues will bring in.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Well, is that a no then? You are going to go over the \$27.3? Because there is going to be more than that, I think we all know. It may not be a billion, but it will be something.

Mr. ADOLPH. It will definitely not be a billion. You can only spend \$500 million once. You do not know what next month is going to be. I think the Governor did a very good job in using a projected increase in revenue of 4 percent. Because of the additional depreciation that our corporations and individual small businesses will be able to use in this fiscal year, we have to be very diligent in making sure that we have reserves for any refunds there, but I do believe by staying disciplined and staying controlled, we will be able to get Pennsylvanians back to work and State government spending under control.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

That ends my interrogation. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman for his graciousness and all of the members for the additional time here. This is an important time. We have not really gotten into publicly talking about the particulars of the budget until today. So I assume this will be kind of the opening salvo, if you will, but we have a lot of work to do. Our members in the Democratic Caucus are here to work. We will be here right up through July 31, when we finally get the budget done. We are prepared to do that and to provide a budget that helps Pennsylvania, based on the funds that we actually do have.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

We all assume that he meant June 30. You misspoke and said July 31. We do not plan to be here July 31, just for the record.

Is there any other business before the House?

Does the gentleman, Mr. Thomas, seek recognition under unanimous consent?

The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the lady, Ms. Major, for the purpose of making an announcement.

Ms. MAJOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce that Republicans will report back to caucus immediately at the adjournment today. I would ask the members to please report back to our caucus room. Thank you.

STATEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman, the majority leader, Mr. Turzai.

Mr. TURZAI. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

Just one important point with respect to the budget. Please note that for all the members, we intend to work with deliberative speed. The goal is to have an on-time budget without reckless borrowing, that has controlled spending, and that is responsive as fiscal stewards for the citizens of Pennsylvania. We will have this budget done on time. We are going to work across the aisles to make sure that we best serve the citizens of Pennsylvania, but we have an obligation to govern and we will meet that duty unlike the past 8 years. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. There will be no further votes.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar:

HB 8;
HB 9;
HB 170;
HB 174;
HB 574;
HB 896; and
SB 916.

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

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 370 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 TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 370 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Seeing no further business, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Kevin Boyle, from Philadelphia County, who moves that this House do now adjourn until Monday, May 9, 2011, at 1 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 2:39 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.