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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (SAMUEL H. SMITH)
PRESIDING**

PRAYER

HON. THADDEUS KIRKLAND, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Let us pray:

Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness. Morning by morning, brand-new mercies we are able to see.

Our Father and our God, it is once again, Lord, that we come into Your presence with thanksgiving, first of all, God, thanking You for life, health, and strength, and thanking You for being faithful, faithful and just, to wake us up early this morning to start us on our way.

Our Father and our God, we realize that all across this world millions did not make it, but because of Your grace and Your mercy, we are some of the ones who did, and for that we give You thanks.

We thank You, O God, for bringing us from 2013 into 2014. Why? Because You are an awesome God. And now, O God, as we assemble here in this, Your House of Representatives, Your chamber, we invoke the presence of Your Holy Spirit, for, God, we cannot legislate right, we cannot speak right, we cannot care right, we cannot even love right without the presence of Your Holy Spirit.

So, Holy Spirit, we ask that You would have Your way in all that we say and all that we do. Teach us how to walk together in peace, teach us how to speak with each other, to each other, with dignity and love, teach us to work on behalf of all Pennsylvanians throughout this Commonwealth.

God, we thank You today and we appreciate the opportunity to come before You in prayer, for You said in Your Word that man ought to always pray. You also said, God, we ought to pray without ceasing. And finally, God, You said the fervent and effectual prayer of a righteous man or a righteous woman availeth much.

So, God, we thank You today on this awesome occasion to come and work on behalf of Your people. We say this prayer in the mighty and majestic name of Your son, Jesus the Christ.

With thanksgiving, our soul says 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, January 7, 2014, will be postponed until printed.

JOURNALS APPROVED

The SPEAKER. However, the following Journals are in print and, without objection, will be approved: Wednesday, September 25, 2013; Monday, September 30, 2013; and Tuesday, October 1, 2013.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMONWEALTH FINANCING AUTHORITY

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the financial statements for the years ended 2012 and June 30, 2013, submitted by the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 595 By Representatives MAHONEY, BURNS, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, DeLUCA, GINGRICH, HARHAI, HARKINS, KINSEY, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KOTIK, MILLARD, MILNE, MIRABITO, MURT, NEILSON, O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, READSHAW, ROZZI, THOMAS and WHITE

A Resolution recognizing the Pennsylvania State Police's services to the citizens of this Commonwealth and critical need for additional funding.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, January 8, 2014.

No. 596 By Representatives FLYNN, COHEN, YOUNGBLOOD, BROWNLEE, HARKINS, SCHLOSSBERG, MILLARD, CRUZ, READSHAW, ROZZI, BIZZARRO, DiGIROLAMO, MIRABITO, KORTZ,

THOMAS, PARKER, LUCAS, KINSEY, NEILSON, DeLUCA, CALTAGIRONE, ROCK, V. BROWN, CLAY, MCNEILL, D. COSTA, GINGRICH, SABATINA, ROEBUCK, ROSS, MAJOR, MURT, CLYMER, SIMS, J. HARRIS, W. KELLER, MIRANDA, McGEEHAN, O'BRIEN, FARINA, K. BOYLE, D. EVANS and CHRISTIANA

A Resolution recognizing and honoring Bernard Hopkins for his achievements and contributions to the sport of boxing and for his philanthropic efforts benefiting Philadelphia youth.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 13, 2014.

No. 597 By Representatives GROVE, GILLESPIE, R. MILLER, REGAN, SAYLOR, SCHREIBER and TALLMAN

A Resolution urging the United States Army to reconsider the temporary suspension of the production of Bradley Fighting Vehicles.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 13, 2014.

No. 598 By Representatives STERN, SONNEY, MILLARD, HAGGERTY, KOTIK, MIRABITO, KIRKLAND, JAMES, COHEN, AUMENT, DIGIROLAMO, LONGIETTI, DONATUCCI, TALLMAN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, O'NEILL, PICKETT, KORTZ, GRELL, HARHART, KIM, MURT, HENNESSEY, PAYNE, READSHAW, D. COSTA, LUCAS, ROCK, HARHAI, SCHLOSSBERG, CALTAGIRONE, VEREB, THOMAS, MAJOR, GROVE, MENTZER, PEIFER, BIZZARRO, MCNEILL, MCCARTER, EVERETT, GOODMAN, WATSON, MILNE, OBERLANDER, ROSS, R. MILLER, GINGRICH, D. MILLER, MARSICO and FARINA

A Resolution designating January 2014 as "School Director Recognition Month" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 13, 2014.

No. 601 By Representatives ROEBUCK, CLAY, LONGIETTI, O'BRIEN, ROCK, BAKER, BISHOP, BIZZARRO, BOBACK, BROWNLEE, COHEN, P. DALEY, DIGIROLAMO, FRANKEL, FREEMAN, GIBBONS, GOODMAN, GROVE, HENNESSEY, KAVULICH, KIM, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KOTIK, LUCAS, MAHONEY, MAJOR, MCCARTER, MCNEILL, MILLARD, MURT, PARKER, READSHAW, ROSS, SCHLOSSBERG, THOMAS, VEREB, WATSON, YOUNGBLOOD, GINGRICH and DeLUCA

A Resolution designating the month of January 2014 as "Financial Aid Awareness Month" and commending the work of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency and the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, January 13, 2014.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1938 By Representatives MCGINNIS, BAKER, BROOKS, CAUSER, COHEN, D. COSTA, DIGIROLAMO, EVERETT, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, HAHN, C. HARRIS, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, KAUFFMAN, KIM, KORTZ, LUCAS, MAJOR, MCNEILL, METCALFE, MILLARD, MIRABITO, MURT, MUSTIO, NEILSON, PICKETT, RAPP, ROCK, SANKEY, SONNEY, STERN, TALLMAN, THOMAS, R. MILLER, DENLINGER, HARHART, FARINA, GINGRICH and MARSICO

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of 17th Street over the 10th Street Expressway, City of Altoona, Blair County, as the Altoona Veterans Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 8, 2014.

No. 1939 By Representatives MCGINNIS, BROOKS, CAUSER, COHEN, D. COSTA, COX, DIGIROLAMO, EVERETT, GODSHALL, GOODMAN, GRELL, GROVE, HAHN, C. HARRIS, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, KNOWLES, KORTZ, LUCAS, MAJOR, MCNEILL, MILLARD, MIRABITO, MURT, MUSTIO, PICKETT, RAPP, ROCK, SANKEY, SONNEY, STERN, TALLMAN, THOMAS, TOEPEL, DENLINGER, HARHART, FARINA, GINGRICH, MARSICO and GILLEN

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of S.R. 74 over 31st Street, City of Altoona, Blair County, as the Alvin E. Morrison Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 8, 2014.

No. 1940 By Representatives P. DALEY, GODSHALL, KOTIK, KORTZ, THOMAS, COHEN, DeLUCA, WHITE, DAVIDSON, MURT, READSHAW and CALTAGIRONE

An Act amending the act of October 17, 2008 (P.L.1645, No.132), known as the Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act, further providing for application fees.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, January 8, 2014.

No. 1941 By Representatives COHEN, BISHOP, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, MAHONEY, PAINTER, PARKER, READSHAW, ROEBUCK, SABATINA and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968, repealing preemption provision.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 8, 2014.

No. 1942 By Representatives COHEN, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, DeLUCA, MAHONEY, PARKER, READSHAW, SABATINA and YOUNGBLOOD

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

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 8, 2014.

No. 1943 By Representatives DELOZIER, GINGRICH, GRELL, HELM, CALTAGIRONE and COHEN

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, January 8, 2014.

No. 1944 By Representative METCALFE

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Governor, to grant and convey, at a price to be determined through a competitive bid process, certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, and the Borough of Pine Grove, Schuylkill County.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 8, 2014.

No. 1945 By Representative HELM

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey, at a price to be determined through a competitive bid process, certain lands and buildings situate partly in the City of Harrisburg and partly in Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to release the educational use restriction and reversionary covenant on property previously conveyed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, through the Department of General Services, to Temple University situate in Cheltenham Township, Montgomery County.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 8, 2014.

No. 1946 By Representatives D. COSTA, O'NEILL, THOMAS, KORTZ, KOTIK, SWANGER, GODSHALL, MUNDY, JAMES, YOUNGBLOOD, SCHLOSSBERG, COHEN, DeLUCA, WHITE, MULLERY, HARHAI and DERMODY

An Act amending the act of February 24, 1984 (P.L.92, No.17), referred to as the Precious Metal Sale Regulation Law, further providing for records of transactions, for dealer's retention of precious metal and availability for inspection and for penalties.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, January 8, 2014.

No. 1947 By Representatives HAGGERTY, YOUNGBLOOD, D. COSTA, COHEN, READSHAW, THOMAS, MCCARTER and FLYNN

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for taxation of natural gas drilling and for transfers and distributions.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 13, 2014.

No. 1948 By Representatives HELM, BOBACK, MILLARD, TRUITT, ROCK, SWANGER, MURT, WATSON, QUINN, D. COSTA, MILNE, GINGRICH, HARHART, GILLEN and PYLE

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in authorized disposition of offenders, further providing for fines.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 13, 2014.

No. 1950 By Representatives HELM, SAYLOR, SWANGER, MILNE and PYLE

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in penalties and disposition of fines, further providing for subsequent convictions of certain offenses.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 13, 2014.

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 gentleman, Mr. AUMENT, from Lancaster County for the day. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

The Speaker recognizes the minority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the gentleman, Mr. Dom COSTA, of Allegheny County for the day. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

Members will please report to the floor. We are about to take the master roll call.

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—200

Adolph	Evankovich	Knowles	Petri
Baker	Evans	Kortz	Pickett
Barbin	Everett	Kotik	Pyle
Barrar	Fabrizio	Krieger	Quinn
Benninghoff	Farina	Kula	Rapp
Bishop	Farry	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Bizzarro	Fee	Longietti	Readshaw
Bloom	Fleck	Lucas	Reed
Boback	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Boyle, B.	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Boyle, K.	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Bradford	Gabler	Major	Rock
Briggs	Gainey	Maloney	Roebuck
Brooks	Galloway	Markosek	Ross
Brown, R.	Gergely	Marshall	Rozzi
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sabatina

Brownlee	Gillen	Masser	Saccone
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Sainato
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Samuelson
Carroll	Godshall	McGeehan	Sankey
Causar	Goodman	McGinnis	Santarsiero
Christiana	Greiner	McNeill	Saylor
Clay	Grell	Mentzer	Scavello
Clymer	Grove	Metcalf	Schlossberg
Cohen	Hackett	Metzgar	Schreiber
Conklin	Haggerty	Miccarelli	Simmons
Corbin	Hahn	Micozzie	Sims
Costa, P.	Haluska	Millard	Smith
Cox	Hanna	Miller, D.	Snyder
Cruz	Harhai	Miller, R.	Sonney
Culver	Harhart	Milne	Stephens
Cutler	Harkins	Mirabito	Stern
Daley, M.	Harper	Miranda	Stevenson
Daley, P.	Harris, A.	Molchany	Sturla
Davidson	Harris, J.	Moul	Swanger
Davis	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Day	Helm	Mundy	Taylor
Dean	Hennessey	Murt	Thomas
Deasy	Hickernell	Mustio	Tobash
DeLissio	James	Neilson	Toepel
Delozier	Kampf	Neuman	Toohil
DeLuca	Kauffman	O'Brien	Truitt
Denlinger	Kavulich	O'Neill	Turzai
Dermody	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Verb
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Painter	Vitali
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Parker	Waters
Dunbar	Killion	Pashinski	Watson
Ellis	Kim	Payne	Wheatley
Emrick	Kinsey	Peifer	White
English	Kirkland	Petrarca	Youngblood

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Aument Costa, D.

LEAVES ADDED—1

Roebuck

LEAVES CANCELED—1

Aument

The SPEAKER. On the master roll call, 200 members having voted, a quorum is present.

DELONE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. I would like to invite Representatives Tallman and Moul to the rostrum for the purpose of presenting a citation to the Delone Catholic High School Volleyball Team.

The gentleman from Adams County, Mr. Tallman, may proceed.

Mr. TALLMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is my privilege today to recognize the Class AA PIAA State Volleyball Champions, Delone Catholic High School, and we have five of the members here behind us. Their record was 28 and 0. They were undefeated, and they won the State championship game three matches to two.

And so I used to be interested in volleyball myself a long time ago. I told them Representative Moul and I would take them on in a volleyball game, but he declined.

But anyway, it is my privilege to be here to help recognize Delone Catholic and their State championship.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Moul, from Adams County as well.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I myself also want to say congratulations wholeheartedly to the 2013 State PIAA Championship Volleyball Team, Delone Catholic. They are represented by their athletic director here today, Dave Lawrence; their coaches, Jason Leppo, Nate Staub, and Mike Lawrence. Congratulations, gentlemen, on a job well done.

The girls that are behind me on the dais are Hannah Lawrence, Mary Gingrow, Cambria Wierman, Maddie Comly, and Cheyenne Altland. These are some of the leaders of the team, although all the girls are quite excellent – otherwise they would not be here today.

I want to let you know that Representative Fabrizio's school, Fort LeBoeuf, is the school that Delone beat for this competition to win State champions. However, the prior year they lost to the same school for the State championship. So we will have to see if we can get the best out of three next year. How about it, Representative?

So I want to say congratulations. If I could have all the girls and the coaches stand in the back, I would appreciate a warm welcome for the Delone Catholic State Championship PIAA District 3.

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

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease for a couple of minutes.

The House will come to order.

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

Mr. PETRI submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to bring to the attention of the Speaker and the members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives the name of Michael James Callahan, who has recently been awarded Scouting's highest honor – Eagle Scout.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to read to the members of the House of Representatives the following citation.

Whereas, Michael James Callahan earned the Eagle Award in Scouting. This is the highest award that Boy Scouts of America can bestow and as such represents great sacrifice and tremendous effort on the part of this young man. Michael is a member of Troop 147.

Now therefore, Mr. Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives, it is my privilege to congratulate and place in the Legislative Journal the name of Michael James Callahan.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman, Mr. Godshall, from Montgomery County seeking recognition for the purpose of a committee announcement?

Mr. GODSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
If I could have just a little bit of attention, please.

I would like to remind the members of the Consumer Affairs Committee we are holding an immediate voting meeting in room B-31 in the Main Capitol, B-31 at the break here, and that should be a 15- to 20-minute meeting; B-31 as soon as we break. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate voting meeting of the Consumer Affairs Committee in room B-31 at the break.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Adolph, for a committee announcement.

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

Mr. Speaker, there will be a House Appropriations Committee meeting immediately in the majority caucus room. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate Appropriations Committee meeting in the majority caucus room.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the lady from Susquehanna County, Ms. Major, for a caucus announcement.

Ms. MAJOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce Republicans will caucus today at 1:45. I would ask our Republican members to please report to our caucus room at 1:45. We would be prepared to come back on the floor at 2:30. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Frankel, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Democrats will also caucus at 1:45. Democrats will caucus at 1:45. Thank you.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. The House stands in recess until 2:30, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 1816, PN 2615

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in certification of teachers, further providing for continuing professional development and for Pennsylvania School Leadership Standards.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1878, PN 2777

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act providing for Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Strategy Program, for Cooperative Workforce Investment Partnerships, for employee training programs and for Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Strategy Tax Credit; imposing duties on the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Revenue; providing for carryover, carryback, refund and assignment, for pass-through entity, for administration, for limitation and for interim and annual reports.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 689, PN 677

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for prevention of abduction of children.

APPROPRIATIONS.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 906, PN 2867 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for duties of electric distribution companies.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1607, PN 2868 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of December 10, 1974 (P.L.852, No.287), referred to as the Underground Utility Line Protection Law, further providing for definitions, for duties of facility owners, the One Call System, other parties, designers, excavators and project owners and for penalties; providing for enforcement, compliance and penalties; and further providing for expiration.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the presence of the gentleman, Mr. Aument, from Lancaster County on the floor of the House. Without objection, his name will be added to the master roll call.

STATEMENT BY MR. FERRY

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Bucks County, Mr. Ferry, under unanimous consent.

Mr. FERRY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to take a moment to recognize James Franklin, who on Saturday was hired as Penn State's newest football coach. Sorry; I hear some Pittsburgh guys grumbling over there. James actually graduated high school with me from Neshaminy in 1990. He is a Bucks County guy, and I just wanted to welcome him back to Pennsylvania. I am sure he is going to do great things there.

CALENDAR

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of SB 29, PN 1474, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions and for mandatory reporting of infants.

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

The House proceeded to second consideration of SB 437, PN 1241, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in teacher certification, providing for military science certificates.

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

The House proceeded to second consideration of HB 1753, PN 2468, entitled:

An Act designating the section of State Route 45, from the intersection of State Route 26, Segment 0140, Offset 0000, in Pine Grove Mills, Centre County, to U.S. Business Route 322, segment 0240, Offset 0000, in Boalsburg, Centre County, as the Sergeant Adam Hartswick Interchange.

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

The House proceeded to second consideration of HB 1794, PN 2572, entitled:

An Act designating Route 11 in Montour County as Veterans Highway.

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

The House proceeded to second consideration of HB 1655, PN 2791, entitled:

An Act establishing the Patient-Centered Medical Home Advisory Council; providing powers and duties of the council, the Department of Public Welfare; and providing for development of a plan to implement a Statewide medical home model.

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

Mr. BAKER offered the following amendment No. A05131:

Amend Bill, page 6, lines 3 and 4, by striking out "THE COALITION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS" and inserting a managed care organization licensed to do business in this Commonwealth

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Tioga County, Mr. Baker.

Mr. BAKER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is just a technical amendment, if you will, to make the definition, of changing the language from "THE COALITION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS" to "a managed care organization licensed to do business in this Commonwealth." Inadvertently, the previous language omitted those MCOs that do not belong to the coalition, and this just adds parity and fairness that gives all nine of the MCOs an opportunity to be appointed to the advisory council.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—201

Table with 4 columns of names: Adolph, Baker, Barbin, Barrar, Benninghoff, Bishop, Bizzarro, Bloom, Boback, Boyle, B., Boyle, K., Bradford, Briggs, Brooks, Brown, R., Brown, V., Brownlee, Burns, Caltagirone, Carroll, Causer, Christiana, Clay, Clymer, Cohen, Conklin, Corbin, Costa, P., Cox, Cruz, Culver, Evankovich, Evans, Everett, Fabrizio, Farina, Farry, Fee, Fleck, Flynn, Frankel, Freeman, Gabler, Gainey, Galloway, Gergely, Gibbons, Gillen, Gillespie, Gingrich, Godshall, Goodman, Greiner, Grell, Grove, Hackett, Haggerty, Hahn, Haluska, Hanna, Harhai, Harhart, Harkins, Knowles, Kortz, Kotik, Krieger, Kula, Lawrence, Longietti, Lucas, Mackenzie, Maher, Mahoney, Major, Maloney, Markosek, Marshall, Marsico, Masser, Matzie, McCarter, McGeehan, McGinnis, McNeill, Mentzer, Metcalfe, Metzgar, Miccarelli, Micozzie, Millard, Miller, D., Miller, R., Milne, Mirabito, Petri, Pickett, Pyle, Quinn, Rapp, Ravenstahl, Readshaw, Reed, Reese, Regan, Roae, Rock, Roebuck, Ross, Rozzi, Sabatina, Saccone, Sainato, Samuelson, Sankey, Santarsiero, Saylor, Scavello, Schlossberg, Schreiber, Simmons, Sims, Smith, Snyder, Sonney, Stephens, Stern

Cutler	Harper	Miranda	Stevenson
Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Molchany	Sturla
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	Moul	Swanger
Davidson	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Davis	Helm	Mundy	Taylor
Day	Hennessey	Murt	Thomas
Dean	Hickernell	Mustio	Tobash
Deasy	James	Neilson	Toepel
DeLissio	Kampf	Neuman	Toohil
Delozier	Kauffman	O'Brien	Truitt
DeLuca	Kavulich	O'Neill	Turzai
Denlinger	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Verab
Dermody	Keller, M.K.	Painter	Vitali
DiGirolamo	Keller, W.	Parker	Waters
Donatucci	Killion	Pashinski	Watson
Dunbar	Kim	Payne	Wheatley
Ellis	Kinsey	Peifer	White
Emrick	Kirkland	Petrarca	Youngblood
English			

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-1

Costa, D.

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?

Mr. **SONNEY** offered the following amendment No. **A05129**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 10, by striking out "OR" and inserting a comma

Amend Bill, page 2, line 13, by striking out the period after "LAW" and inserting

or led by a physician assistant practicing under the supervision and direction of a physician as required by the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985.

Amend Bill, page 6, by inserting between lines 4 and 5

(14) A representative of the Pennsylvania Society of Physician Assistants.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Erie County, Mr. Sonney.

Mr. **SONNEY**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment simply adds "physician assistant" to those that are able to lead the council, and also adds the "Society of Physician Assistants" to the actual council that is being formed through this legislation. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-201

Adolph	Evankovich	Knowles	Petri
Aument	Evans	Kortz	Pickett
Baker	Everett	Kotik	Pyle
Barbin	Fabrizio	Krieger	Quinn
Barrar	Farina	Kula	Rapp
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Brooks	Gergely	Marshall	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sabatina
Brown, V.	Gillen	Masser	Saccione
Brownlee	Gillespie	Matzie	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	McCarter	Samuelson
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Christiana	Grell	Mentzer	Scavello
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Clymer	Hackett	Metzgar	Schreiber
Cohen	Haggerty	Miccarelli	Simmons
Conklin	Hahn	Micozzie	Sims
Corbin	Haluska	Millard	Smith
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Cruz	Harhart	Milne	Stephens
Culver	Harkins	Mirabito	Stern
Cutler	Harper	Miranda	Stevenson
Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Molchany	Sturla
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	Moul	Swanger
Davidson	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Davis	Helm	Mundy	Taylor
Day	Hennessey	Murt	Thomas
Dean	Hickernell	Mustio	Tobash
Deasy	James	Neilson	Toepel
DeLissio	Kampf	Neuman	Toohil
Delozier	Kauffman	O'Brien	Truitt
DeLuca	Kavulich	O'Neill	Turzai
Denlinger	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Verab
Dermody	Keller, M.K.	Painter	Vitali
DiGirolamo	Keller, W.	Parker	Waters
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Costa, D.

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

On the question recurring,
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 **HB 1796, PN 2790**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preemptions, providing for protection for victims of abuse or crime.

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

Mr. **STEPHENS** offered the following amendment No. **A05141**:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 20, by striking out "OR TO RESPOND TO"

Amend Bill, page 3, line 20, by inserting after "EMERGENCY" or if the intervention or emergency assistance was actually needed in response to the abuse, crime or emergency

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

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Stephens.

Mr. **STEPHENS**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I was actually just rising to let you know I was withdrawing the other amendment, but maybe you already got that information.

So moving forward, this amendment just makes some clarifications, and after meeting with the stakeholders on this issue, we thought this would be an appropriate amendment, and I would just urge the members' support. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Aument	Evans	Kortz	Pickett
Baker	Everett	Kotik	Pyle
Barbin	Fabrizio	Krieger	Quinn
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Benninghoff	Farry	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
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Boback	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Boyle, B.	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
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Bradford	Gainey	Maloney	Roebuck
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Brooks	Gergely	Marshall	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sabatina
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Costa, D.

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.)

RESOLUTION

Mr. **GRELL** called up **HR 537, PN 2688**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing ChildFirst Pennsylvania for its forensic interviewer child abuse training program and commitment to training members of multi-disciplinary investigative teams in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Costa, D.

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

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1411, PN 2824**, entitled:

An Act providing for the posting of annual financial reports for public school entities, for the convening of an advisory committee, for posting of final adopted budgets for public school entities and for the Department of Education's establishment of a searchable Internet website detailing certain information concerning receipts and expenditures by public school entities.

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?

On the bill, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. I just wonder if we could get a – if the maker of the bill would just give a brief outline of what this bill does.

The SPEAKER. Are you seeking that under interrogation?

Mr. VITALI. Yes, I am.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Beaver County, Mr. Christiana, indicates he will stand for interrogation. You may proceed.

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, could the gentleman repeat his question?

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, state a question?

Mr. VITALI. Would the maker of the bill give a brief outline of what this bill does?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, this bill is establishing an online database of expenditures for all public schools in Pennsylvania. The Department of Education would work in conjunction with an advisory council made up of business managers, citizens, to establish an online database of school expenditures – all public schools, whether they be traditional, charter, or cyber. Mr. Speaker, this bill is similar to PennWATCH (Pennsylvania Web Accountability, Transparency and Contract Hub), which the House and the Senate passed unanimously to create an online database of State expenditures. This bill is aimed to do the same thing.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Tell me a little more about the advisory committee. Is there an existing committee now? If so, would this bill change it and what are the powers of the advisory committee?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. There is not in existence an advisory council to create an online database of State expenditures because, quite truthfully, this is the first time that a bill of this magnitude or a bill attempting to achieve this goal has been in front of the House. So I am not aware of an advisory council that is in place. They would be tasked to work with the Department of Education to create and implement this online database. They are the ones that are going to be affected by it, Mr. Speaker, and therefore they should be the ones helping to create this database that is going to affect the way that they do business.

Mr. VITALI. Okay, just to be clear, so there is not an existing advisory committee, but this bill would create an advisory committee. Is that it?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. That is correct, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. If you could go over who is going to be on that committee.

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, the following members to be appointed by the Secretary in consultation with the education associations representing public school entities: five school district business managers, three charter school entity business managers. A "charter school entity" is defined in the bill to include charter schools, regional charter schools, and cyber charter schools. They will represent three positions on the advisory council. Traditional public school entities will have five places on the advisory committee. The chairman and the minority chairman of the Education Committee in the Senate will have an appointment. The chairman and minority chairman of the House Education Committee of the House of Representatives will also have an appointment. And due to the Clymer amendment that was implemented, there are also two additional spots created that shall be selected by the Secretary from among the citizens of the Commonwealth. That is who will make up the advisory council, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. VITALI. Do they have any real power or is their job purely to advise? In other words, do they have the power to decide what data is put up, how long it stays up, any other – or are they strictly advising the administration or the legislature on how the bill should, legislation should be in the future?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, the committee is an advisory committee in the bill, so their role would be that of an advisory committee to advise the Department of Education on how best to create this database of expenditures.

Mr. VITALI. So in other words, if the Department of Ed was in disagreement with their advice, it would be the Department of Ed that would prevail, or would they have the duty, the power to actually change what would otherwise happen?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, the intent of the bill is to have the professionals that would be appointed to this board to work with the department to create an online database of expenditures that the school districts themselves will have to use. So I believe it is the intent of the legislation to have them advise and the department to work with them to find a database that is easy to use for them because they are the professionals that will have to use this on a daily, monthly, yearly basis. So yes, I think they have a substantial role in this process.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Thank you very much.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Carroll.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this bill was reported out of the House Education Committee unanimously, and, Mr. Speaker, at that time the legislation was correctly titled "SchoolWATCH," and it properly addressed a scenario that would provide for the ability for the residents of this Commonwealth to be able to gather information relative to the expenditures of the school district in an efficient and easy manner.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, this bill was amended, by virtue of a very close vote, to expand the scope of this bill. And in my view, we ought to change the name of the bill from

SchoolWATCH to SchoolGUIDE, because we now have an advisory committee that will offer guidance to our 500 school districts in terms of how their expenditure should be contemplated and what schools should be spending funds on, and, Mr. Speaker, in my corner of the State we call those folks school board members. Those nine folks from the community are elected to be able to make those decisions on behalf of the residents of the school district absent any kind of an oversight committee that is unelected by anyone. We are talking about people who are appointed to this advisory group that will offer guidance and suggestions. I am not sure what the penalties are if a school board decides to go contrary to the wishes of this advisory council, but, Mr. Speaker, you know, we really are engaging in another exercise relative to turning this General Assembly into a school board.

You know, we have taken all sorts of steps over the last number of years that essentially turn the 203 members of this House into members of a colossal school board for 500 districts in this State, and at some point, Mr. Speaker, we should either recognize the diligent efforts of the nine school directors from the communities throughout this State or we should just dissolve school boards and hand over the responsibilities of the operation of the 500 districts either to the General Assembly or, even worse, Mr. Speaker, to an advisory council elected by no one.

So, Mr. Speaker, because of the insertion of this language relative to an advisory council and the unelected folks that are going to – unelected folks that are going to serve on the advisory council, I think it is important for us to oppose this bill, try and remove the language relative to this advisory council, and if we can reach a consensus on the SchoolWATCH provisions of this bill, I think it would receive near unanimous support.

But because of this addition of the school guidance provision relative to an advisory council, I think it is important that we take a step back, oppose this bill, and come back forward with a SchoolWATCH that is a real school watch. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the minority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. ROEBUCK, for the remainder of the day. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1411 CONTINUED

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Cambria County, Mr. Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to ask for interrogation of the maker of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Christiana, says he will stand for interrogation. You may proceed.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, this bill indicates that the database will provide only the information as identified in the bill. Is any information included in this database going to be able to deal with the

situation that has recently occurred in Philadelphia with regard to the management contracts of Agora Cyber or any of the cyber schools? Is any cyber management contract information included within this SchoolWATCH database?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, payments and contracts made from a cyber school to a management organization would absolutely be under this bill. The details of that contract are subject to the Right-to-Know. The payments are subject to the Right-to-Know, and those would be part of the information detailed in SchoolWATCH.

Mr. BARBIN. Well, then what is the authority under this bill when— Our summary of the bill indicates that the records determined by the Pennsylvania Department of Education that are not going to be subject to the bill will not be provided in the database. Is that wrong?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Mr. Speaker, similar to what the House passed in PennWATCH, if something is subject to the Right-to-Know, then it would be subject to being put on PennWATCH. The same approach was taken with this bill. If something is subject to the Right-to-Know, then it would be subject to SchoolWATCH. If something is not subject to Right-to-Know, then it would not be subject to the SchoolWATCH proposal. So as far—

Mr. BARBIN. What I am trying to find out here is if we pass this bill, are we giving the authority to the Secretary of Education to eliminate any contractual information from subject to the Right-to-Know Law as it relates to management contracts? If Agora Cyber pays their – pays a per-student management fee of \$2,000 a student, will that be in the data watch?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. You asked two questions. The first one is, the answer is no. We are not giving them, Mr. Speaker, we are not giving the Secretary the power to change the items that are subject to the Right-to-Know.

And the answer to the gentleman's second question, Mr. Speaker, is yes. If it is subject to the Right-to-Know process and you can find that payment – if that contract or that payment that is made to the management company, that amount would be subject to being on SchoolWATCH, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. BARBIN. All right. And one other question, the effective date of this act is immediately. Could you provide some explanation as to why the current contracts for public school entities are effective immediately, whereas the expenditure and performance measures are allowed to be provided over a 4-year period?

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Yes, Mr. Speaker, I can answer that question. And simply put, the committee changed the bill significantly and the implementation of the bill significantly to allow school districts to have an ample amount of time to get prepared for this new reporting system. Therefore, we went from a very quick, fully implemented, all debits and credits being available in a timely fashion to a phased approach. Within the first 6 months the financial statements will be submitted to PDE (Pennsylvania Department of Education) and put on SchoolWATCH. After a year all final budgets for the State – or all final budgets for all public schools should have to be transmitted to PDE for implementation on PennWATCH, and then by phase three, all debits and credit, and then phase four, which was also added, would create the expenditures and academic performance standards. So, Mr. Speaker, I think that was to allow school districts to have as much time as possible without forcing them. The bill as originally was drafted, I must

admit, I think asked them to get up to this standard of all debits and credits too quickly. So we worked with all interested parties who, I have to be honest with you, are not opposed to the bill because we worked with them to have a most responsible implementation time as possible so that they would have time to be prepared for this.

So, Mr. Speaker, the phased approach was to help school districts have the ample time to meet the highest level of standard, which would be in phase three.

Mr. BARBIN. On the bill, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order on final passage.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I commend the gentleman for the intent of SchoolWATCH to provide more information to the public. I have reservations with regard to the information that is being requested, which will make it more difficult for school boards to do their jobs. The posting of public contracts prior to acceptance by the unions representing the public schools will insert additional political pressure and make their job harder to be done.

I would also note that while there are 4 years for this new advisory committee to come up with performance and expenditure guidelines, what this bill fails to do is it fails to take care of the problem that we have today. We have had it for the last 3 years. We will have it for the next 4 years under this bill. There is systematic fraud that is going on in Pennsylvania today with regard to the fact that cyber schools are allowed to charge any amounts they want to charge for per-student management fees, which is totaling in the hundreds of millions of dollars. There is nothing in this bill that stops the cyber school from charging an amount of money that has nothing to do with their cost. There is nothing in this database to stop it. We could stop it. That would be a much better use of our time than this bill. For that reason I oppose this bill.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. Thomas. The gentleman, Mr. Thomas, waives off.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Aument.

Mr. AUMENT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

During each of the last three State budget debates, education discussions have centered on spending. Unfortunately, what has been lost is a meaningful conversation on how those dollars are being used. We need to be concerned with whether our kids are actually benefiting from the dollars being spent, not just how much or how little they are receiving. Far too often government spending serves to deter genuine reform, efficiency, innovation, and improvement. Spending alone is never the solution. To ensure our children are receiving a quality education, we need to look closely at how well resources are being deployed to support student achievement. Policymakers at the State and local levels need a reliable and uniform way of analyzing how resources are used, how spending is prioritized, or how to identify and share best practices in spending efficiency. HB 1411, SchoolWATCH, provides us with that tool.

Last month we here adopted a critical amendment offered by our honorable majority chairman of the Education Committee. There has been a lot of misinformation about what that amendment does or does not do. First, the amendment does not create the advisory commission. The underlying bill accomplished that, and that was reported out of the Education

Committee by unanimous vote. Due to the hard work of many stakeholders on the amendment, the School Business Officials, the School Boards Association, and the PSEA (Pennsylvania State Education Association) are all neutral on the bill that we now consider.

The amendment builds on the initial legislation by authorizing the Pennsylvania Department of Education to develop a financial efficiency rating. This calculation considers education spending in the context of student growth, in student achievement. It links spending with student academic outcomes. The amendment does not add new burdensome reporting requirements, as has been claimed, existing reports, and linked to existing performance data. After all, is not student achievement the central mission of our K through 12 public education system and spending? Why would we not do this? We need to move beyond the political rhetoric and actually analyze the data now available for better decisionmaking.

I genuinely believe that transformational change with regard to school funding and mandate relief will only come if we are able to more thoroughly analyze current spending habits in a transparent manner. SchoolWATCH ensures this data is available to the public and policymakers at the local school district level as well as State government.

In closing, Article III, section 14, of the Pennsylvania Constitution has often been quoted on this floor, that "The General Assembly shall provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education to serve the needs of the Commonwealth." Today this requirement has become synonymous with an unlimited supply of taxpayer dollars. HB 1411, now before us, appropriately shifts that to a broader conversation to better meet our constitutional obligations on behalf of our children.

I applaud the maker of the bill, and I urge your support of HB 1411.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Northampton County, Mr. Samuelson.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to raise a concern about this legislation, specifically language that is included on page 10 of this legislation which could restrict the existing Right-to-Know Law in Pennsylvania. Now, as you remember, we had a very public discussion back in 2007 to legislatively enact a broad-based Right-to-Know Law for all public entities – school districts, State government, local government. There was a significant debate here in this House, in the Senate, and the bill was signed into law to give us an up-to-date Right-to-Know Law.

As I read this legislation on page 10, this gives the Secretary of Education and the Department of Education the ability to unilaterally restrict things that are public records under Pennsylvania's Right-to-Know Law. We should not be giving that authority to an unelected person in the Department of Education. We need to maintain a strong Right-to-Know Law. Let me read the sentence on page 10, line 5, in the bill that is before us today. This bill says, "Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, records determined by the department to be not subject to disclosure under the act of February 14, 2008..., known as the Right-to-Know Law, shall not be included on the Internet database." In other words, as this bill is written, the Secretary of Education, the Deputy Secretary of Education, a small group of unelected people within the

Department of Education could say, you know what? These records, even though there is a 2008 State law that says they are public, we determine that they are not public. That is a very troubling addition in this bill, and that alone, this bill's restriction of the Right-to-Know Law, is a reason enough to vote against it.

This is not some hypothetical discussion. You remember about a year ago we had a debate on this House floor on a bill pertaining to charter schools. It was a 57-page bill that was voted on late one evening at the end of June 2012. One thing that was stuck in that 57-page bill at that time was an exemption for contracts that cyber charter schools had making them exempt from the Right-to-Know Law. Well, even though that bill passed this House in a narrow vote, the State Senate killed that bill and, thankfully, preserved the public nature of contracts entered into by cyber schools. But yet such a change was legislatively proposed. It was not proposed unilaterally by the Department of Education. It was subject to a bill, passed the House, killed in the Senate, and, thankfully, cyber school contracts are still subject to the Right-to-Know Law.

We should not have the Secretary of Education have the authority to decide on her own that certain things are not subject to the Right-to-Know Law. That power rests with the legislature. If we want to amend the Right-to-Know Law and strengthen it, that is a legislative subject. That is a bill that has to come up for debate in the House and the Senate.

We should not be restricting the Right-to-Know Law, and that troubling language on page 10 of this very legislation is reason enough to vote "no" on HB 1411. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Bucks County, Mr. Petri.

Mr. PETRI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the bill. And also, contrary to what the previous speaker spoke about, the exemption provision is actually very important.

Generally, Mr. Speaker, as we all know, the Right-to-Know Law presumes that everything is a public record, but there are some things in the law that really should not be available to the public. And an example in the school district situation might be, as a hypothetical, a special needs student who has certain diagnoses and services performed; that information should not be made public.

And I support the drafter of this bill and the amendment, the exception provision that allows things that might even be violative of HIPAA (Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996), for instance, to be excluded.

And so I think given that this is a new area of disclosure, it is appropriate to have those folks that understand the records, they have the records they need to develop guidelines for disclosure under the Right-to-Know. I would ask the members to support the bill. Thank you.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the majority leader, Mr. Turzai.

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

I rise in support of HB 1411, and I support all of the members on the Education Committee and the Chair for their outstanding unanimous work in bringing out HB 1411 to the betterment of the citizens of Pennsylvania.

It is a piece of legislation that has been well thought through and reached bipartisan support because everybody wants to make sure that there is real accountability and transparency brought to our school districts in the same manner that we did for the legislature, the executive branch and its various departments, and the judiciary. PennWATCH, along with SchoolWATCH, are two of the farthest-reaching reforms that we, in a bipartisan fashion, have brought to the table.

One issue I would just like to raise: Keep in mind, the Right-to-Know legislation – important legislation in Pennsylvania – does not change in any manner under SchoolWATCH; in fact, the Right-to-Know will absolutely apply and be complied with. And this legislation makes it clear that the Web site under SchoolWATCH has to be done consistent in a manner with our existing Right-to-Know laws.

Again, I rise in support of the bipartisan effort of the Education Committee and the Chair in bringing SchoolWATCH to the floor today, and I would ask for unanimous approval consistent with so many of the pieces of bipartisan work that we have been doing in this august chamber. Thank you very much.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Beaver County, Mr. Christiana.

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise and ask all my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support HB 1411.

When the House passed PennWATCH, which in my opinion led by example on this transparency issue, the taxpayers demanded transparency in the way we spend their hard-earned tax dollars, and they are demanding the same level of transparency in the way that our public education system in Pennsylvania is spending \$28 billion a year.

I would like to thank the majority chairman and the minority chairman for their efforts to get this bill out of committee. When the bill was reported out of committee, the gentleman from the other side of the aisle had some difficulties accepting some language on page 10. Mr. Speaker, that language was adopted unanimously out of the Education Committee. Mr. Speaker, as the majority leader said, we are not rewriting the Right-to-Know Law. That law went a thousand miles in delivering transparency in the way Pennsylvania spends tax dollars.

I am thankful that the majority chairman moved this bill and the Democrats and Republicans on the Education Committee came together on a bipartisan issue to pass this important legislation. I want to thank the interest groups, the parties that will be affected by this legislation when it hopefully gets signed into law, for working in a manner that was responsible for the taxpayers. Groups that represent the School Boards Association, groups that represent the teachers, groups that represent the business managers came together to change this bill so it was as responsible as possible.

And I think that is what we all should be working towards: finding consensus, solving problems in a commonsense manner, and giving transparency to the very people that pay for these types of investments – the taxpayers.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and I urge an affirmative vote.

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—119

Adolph	Fleck	Lucas	Rapp
Aument	Gabler	Mackenzie	Reed
Baker	Gibbons	Maher	Reese
Barrar	Gillen	Major	Regan
Benninghoff	Gillespie	Maloney	Roae
Bloom	Gingrich	Marshall	Rock
Boback	Godshall	Marsico	Ross
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Saccone
Brown, R.	Grell	Matzie	Sankey
Causer	Grove	McGinnis	Saylor
Christiana	Hackett	Mentzer	Scavello
Clymer	Hahn	Metcalfe	Simmons
Corbin	Harhart	Metzgar	Smith
Cox	Harkins	Miccarelli	Sonney
Culver	Harper	Micozzie	Stephens
Cutler	Harris, A.	Millard	Stern
Davis	Heffley	Miller, R.	Stevenson
Day	Helm	Milne	Swanger
Delozier	Hennessey	Mirabito	Tallman
DeLuca	Hickernell	Moul	Taylor
Denlinger	James	Murt	Thomas
DiGirolamo	Kampf	Mustio	Tobash
Dunbar	Kauffman	Neuman	Toepel
Ellis	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Toohil
Emrick	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Truitt
English	Killion	Peifer	Turzai
Evankovich	Knowles	Petri	Vereb
Everett	Kotik	Pickett	Vitali
Farry	Krieger	Pyle	Watson
Fee	Lawrence	Quinn	

NAYS—81

Barbin	Deasy	Keller, W.	Painter
Bishop	DeLissio	Kim	Parker
Bizzarro	Dermody	Kinsey	Pashinski
Boyle, B.	Donatucci	Kirkland	Petrarca
Boyle, K.	Evans	Kortz	Ravenstahl
Bradford	Fabrizio	Kula	Readshaw
Briggs	Farina	Longietti	Rozzi
Brown, V.	Flynn	Mahoney	Sabatina
Brownlee	Frankel	Markosek	Sainato
Burns	Freeman	McCarter	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Gainey	McGeehan	Santarsiero
Carroll	Galloway	McNeill	Schlossberg
Clay	Gergely	Miller, D.	Schreiber
Cohen	Goodman	Miranda	Sims
Conklin	Haggerty	Molchany	Snyder
Costa, P.	Haluska	Mullery	Sturla
Cruz	Hanna	Mundy	Waters
Daley, M.	Harhai	Neilson	Wheatley
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	O'Brien	White
Davidson	Kavulich	O'Neill	Youngblood
Dean			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D.	Roebuck
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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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1741, PN 2794**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, providing for notice prior to approval of collective bargaining agreement.

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

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, this bill is on third consideration, which would require a suspension of rules for the consideration of any amendments.

Therefore, I will be recognizing several members on the bill prior to giving third consideration.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Carroll.

It is the Speaker's understanding that the gentleman is seeking a suspension of the rules for consideration of one or two amendments.

The gentleman, Mr. Carroll, is in order.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, a motion to suspend the rules to consider amendment 5060.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman would be in order to give a brief description of the amendment to which you are seeking a suspension of the rules.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment will essentially transfer the costs related to the implementation of this program to the Commonwealth and away from the 500 school districts. At the very moment in time, Mr. Speaker, when we are struggling with school finances, we are going to impose a new cost on school districts. This is an effort to transfer that cost to the Commonwealth.

The SPEAKER. The question is, will the House suspend the rules for the immediate consideration of amendment A05060?

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

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend. The gentleman will suspend.

On the motion, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Looking at this bill and its transparency, this bill was put into the Education Committee on October 11. On October 22 the only thing that was brought up in opposition to this legislation was the fact that it was a 2-week notice and everybody wanted to say, well, if we could shorten that notice. So we did work with the committee and we shortened the notice to 48 hours.

That was voted on November 19. On December 12 it was amended to include also professional educators – again, the only amendment on second consideration.

This bill has been thoroughly vetted, it has gone through the committee process, and I ask that we not support the motion to suspend the rules and that we vote the bill as it is. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we should suspend the rules because without this amendment our local taxpayers could face a local property tax hike because of this unfunded mandate. This amendment would cure that problem, would make sure that our local homeowners do not face another property tax hike, and we take care of this unfunded mandate.

We should suspend the rules to consider the Carroll amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Carroll.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this is straightforward. This amendment says that the Commonwealth will pick up the cost for this new mandate. Mr. Speaker, I hear endlessly these complaints related to mandates, so now we have a mandate before us that the cost is going to be imposed on the school districts.

The SPEAKER. We are not debating the amendment, the merits of the amendment. We are debating whether or not the rules should be suspended.

Mr. CARROLL. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate it. Thank you.

The reason the rules should be suspended is simply for this body to contemplate whether or not we should pay for this or whether our school districts should pay for it. The essence of the suspension is the essence of the amendment. Who is going to pay for this cost? Who will pick up the tab to publish this in the local newspaper, our school districts or the Commonwealth? My amendment passes that cost to the Commonwealth.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-95

Baker	Dean	Heffley	Painter
Barbin	Deasy	Kavulich	Parker
Bishop	DeLissio	Keller, W.	Pashinski
Bizzarro	DeLuca	Kim	Petrarca
Boback	Dermody	Kinsey	Ravenstahl
Boyle, B.	DiGirolamo	Kirkland	Readshaw
Boyle, K.	Donatucci	Kortz	Rozzi
Bradford	Evans	Kotik	Sabatina
Briggs	Fabrizio	Kula	Sainato
Brown, R.	Farina	Longietti	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Flynn	Mahoney	Santarsiero
Brownlee	Frankel	Markosek	Scavello
Burns	Freeman	Matzie	Schlossberg
Caltagirone	Gainey	McCarter	Schreiber
Carroll	Galloway	McGeehan	Sims
Clay	Gergely	McNeill	Snyder

Cohen	Gibbons	Miller, D.	Sturla
Conklin	Goodman	Mirabito	Thomas
Costa, P.	Haggerty	Miranda	Vitali
Cruz	Haluska	Molchany	Waters
Daley, M.	Hanna	Mundy	Wheatley
Daley, P.	Harhai	Neilson	White
Davidson	Harkins	Neuman	Youngblood
Davis	Harris, J.	O'Brien	

NAYS—105

Adolph	Gillespie	Major	Rapp
Aument	Gingrich	Maloney	Reed
Barrar	Godshall	Marshall	Reese
Benninghoff	Greiner	Marsico	Regan
Bloom	Grell	Masser	Roae
Brooks	Grove	McGinnis	Rock
Causar	Hackett	Mentzer	Ross
Christiana	Hahn	Metcalfe	Saccone
Clymer	Harhart	Metzgar	Sankey
Corbin	Harper	Miccarelli	Saylor
Cox	Harris, A.	Micozzie	Simmons
Culver	Helm	Millard	Smith
Cutler	Hennessey	Miller, R.	Sonney
Day	Hickernell	Milne	Stephens
DeLozier	James	Moul	Stern
Denlinger	Kampf	Mullery	Stevenson
Dunbar	Kauffman	Murt	Swanger
Ellis	Keller, F.	Mustio	Tallman
Emrick	Keller, M.K.	O'Neill	Taylor
English	Killion	Oberlander	Tobash
Evankovich	Knowles	Payne	Toepel
Everett	Krieger	Peifer	Toohil
Farry	Lawrence	Petri	Truitt
Fee	Lucas	Pickett	Turzai
Fleck	Mackenzie	Pyle	Vereb
Gabler	Maher	Quinn	Watson
Gillen			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D.	Roebuck
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Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman, Mr. Carroll, seeking recognition for a further motion to suspend?

Mr. CARROLL. Mr. Speaker, I will try one more, and then that will be that.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order and may state his motion.

Mr. CARROLL. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules to consider amendment A5051.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please give a brief description of the amendment.

Mr. CARROLL. Mr. Speaker, thank you.

This amendment would require that the school boards give 48 hours' notice before authorizing expenses for meetings,

conventions, and conferences. If we are going to head down this path, let us make it all-encompassing.

The SPEAKER. The question is, will the House suspend the rules for the immediate consideration of amendment A05051?

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again I rise to oppose suspension of the rules for this amendment.

Previously I made the statement that this bill had been first considered on October 22 in the Education Committee. Again, the opposition did not like 2 weeks. They said we needed to make a shorter time. We worked with them. We were willing to work with anybody to make sure that we could accommodate their needs in this bill. That was the only amendment that was offered.

On November 19 the committee passed the bill with an amendment going from 2 weeks to 48 hours. Again the bill was then brought before the whole House, on December 11, and the only amendment that was on it was to include the professional educators.

Again we are looking at suspending the rules. This bill has been out there for a series of a couple of months and we could have done these things within the parameters of the bill and worked on this, but here again, at the end of the day, we are here ready to take the final vote on this and people want to suspend the rules.

I ask that you defeat the motion to suspend the rules for this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—91

Barbin	Deasy	Kavulich	Painter
Bishop	DeLissio	Keller, W.	Parker
Bizzarro	DeLuca	Kim	Pashanski
Boyle, B.	Dermody	Kinsey	Petrarca
Boyle, K.	Donatucci	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Bradford	Evans	Kortz	Readshaw
Briggs	Fabrizio	Kotik	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Farina	Kula	Sabatina
Brown, V.	Flynn	Longietti	Sainato
Brownlee	Frankel	Mahoney	Samuelson
Burns	Freeman	Markosek	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Gainey	Matzie	Schlossberg
Carroll	Galloway	McCarter	Schreiber
Clay	Gergely	McGeehan	Sims
Cohen	Gibbons	McNeill	Snyder
Conklin	Goodman	Miller, D.	Sturla
Costa, P.	Haggerty	Mirabito	Thomas
Cruz	Haluska	Miranda	Vitali
Daley, M.	Hanna	Molchany	Waters
Daley, P.	Harhai	Mundy	Wheatley
Davidson	Harkins	Neilson	White
Davis	Harris, J.	Neuman	Youngblood
Dean	Heffley	O'Brien	

NAYS—109

Adolph	Gabler	Maher	Rapp
Aument	Gillen	Major	Reed
Baker	Gillespie	Maloney	Reese
Barrar	Gingrich	Marshall	Regan
Benninghoff	Godshall	Marsico	Roae
Bloom	Greiner	Masser	Rock
Boback	Grell	McGinnis	Ross
Brooks	Grove	Mentzer	Saccone
Causar	Hackett	Metcalfe	Sankey
Christiana	Hahn	Metzgar	Saylor
Clymer	Harhart	Miccarelli	Scavello
Corbin	Harper	Micozzie	Simmons
Cox	Harris, A.	Millard	Smith
Culver	Helm	Miller, R.	Sonney
Cutler	Hennessey	Milne	Stephens
Day	Hickernell	Moul	Stern
Delozier	James	Mullery	Stevenson
Denlinger	Kampf	Murt	Swanger
DiGrolamo	Kauffman	Mustio	Tallman
Dunbar	Keller, F.	O'Neill	Taylor
Ellis	Keller, M.K.	Oberlander	Tobash
Emrick	Killion	Payne	Toepel
English	Knowles	Peifer	Toohil
Evankovich	Krieger	Petri	Truitt
Everett	Lawrence	Pickett	Turzai
Farry	Lucas	Pyle	Vereb
Fee	Mackenzie	Quinn	Watson
Fleck			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D. Roebuck

Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. On that question, is the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Sturla, seeking recognition for a motion to suspend the rules?

Mr. STURLA. Mr. Speaker, if I could I would like to suspend the rules to entertain amendment A5059.

The SPEAKER. And if the gentleman would provide a brief description of that amendment, please.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this would add charter school entities, private schools, nonpublic schools, intermediate units, and area vocational technical schools, essentially anyone who is getting any dollars from the State of Pennsylvania would be required to meet these same criteria as the schools in the bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Sturla, moves for the suspension of the rules which would allow for the immediate consideration of amendment A05059.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again I rise to oppose the suspension of the rules for this amendment.

Again we can go through the dates. On October 22 the bill was in the Education Committee. The only concern brought up in that meeting was the length of notice prior to the vote on the contract. People suggested it should be shortened. We worked and we shortened it to 48 hours.

It was again voted on in the Education Committee on November 19, and that amendment was adopted. No other amendments were brought up during the time period between those two meetings.

For second consideration on the House floor, we adopted an amendment that included the professional educators. Again that was the only amendment that was brought up under the committee process or the rules under second consideration.

And now here again we are on third consideration and we want to suspend the rules to do the work of the committee and the second consideration. I would ask for opposition to the motion to suspend the rules. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we should suspend the rules because all this amendment does is makes this bill apply to everybody, makes it consistent. So it is not just the public schools but the charter schools – which are public schools – vo-tech schools. If it is good for one, it is good for all, and this amendment would make it possible for us to be consistent, to cover all the schools that are involved where taxpayers' money is being spent.

So we ought to suspend the rules so we can vote this amendment and make sure that everybody is covered by the language in this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Turzai.

Mr. TURZAI. Thank you. I would ask the members to oppose the suspension of the rules.

This is a piece of legislation that has had significant work from both sides of the aisle. We have been doing quite a bit in terms of – especially HB 618, which is presently in the Senate – on issues that are being raised.

I would ask everybody to please oppose the motion to suspend so that we can get to a vote on HB 1741. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I believe we should suspend the rules.

I was told that it does not make sense to suspend the rules because, after all, the Education Committee worked on this bill. Essentially, if we buy that argument, we should take every bill that comes out of committee and take it exactly as the committee puts it out and never change it.

Then it was said, well, no, it is actually okay to do something on the floor of the House as long as you got your amendment in a month ago. And so by not suspending the rules, what you are saying is you do not agree with what the content of the amendment is, not that you do not agree with the process – because it will not change the process at all. We could suspend the rules, vote this as an amendment, and have the bill move on. It does not hold the bill up at all.

So the crux of this is whether or not you agree with what the amendment does, and a "no" vote is not just to say we are not going to suspend the rules; it is to say you do not agree with what the content of the amendment is.

I urge an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS–94

Baker	Deasy	Keller, W.	Parker
Barbin	DeLissio	Kim	Pashinski
Bishop	DeLuca	Kinsey	Petrarca
Bizzarro	Dermody	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Boback	Donatucci	Kortz	Readshaw
Boyle, B.	English	Kotik	Rozzi
Boyle, K.	Evans	Kula	Sabatina
Bradford	Fabrizio	Longietti	Sainato
Briggs	Farina	Mahoney	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Flynn	Markosek	Santarsiero
Brownlee	Frankel	Matzie	Scavello
Burns	Freeman	McCarter	Schlossberg
Caltagirone	Gainey	McGeehan	Schreiber
Carroll	Galloway	McNeill	Sims
Clay	Gergely	Miller, D.	Snyder
Cohen	Gibbons	Mirabito	Sturla
Conklin	Goodman	Miranda	Thomas
Costa, P.	Haggerty	Molchany	Tobash
Cruz	Haluska	Mundy	Vitali
Daley, M.	Hanna	Neilson	Waters
Daley, P.	Harhai	Neuman	Wheatley
Davidson	Harkins	O'Brien	White
Davis	Harris, J.	Painter	Youngblood
Dean	Kavulich		

NAYS–106

Adolph	Gillen	Maher	Quinn
Aument	Gillespie	Major	Rapp
Barrar	Gingrich	Maloney	Reed
Benninghoff	Godshall	Marshall	Reese
Bloom	Greiner	Marsico	Regan
Brooks	Grell	Masser	Roae
Brown, R.	Grove	McGinnis	Rock
Causer	Hackett	Mentzer	Ross
Christiana	Hahn	Metcalfe	Saccone
Clymer	Harhart	Metzgar	Sankey
Corbin	Harper	Miccarelli	Saylor
Cox	Harris, A.	Micozzie	Simmons
Culver	Heffley	Millard	Smith
Cutler	Helm	Miller, R.	Sonney
Day	Hennessey	Milne	Stephens
Delozier	Hickernell	Moul	Stern
Denlinger	James	Mullery	Stevenson
DiGirolamo	Kampf	Murt	Swanger
Dunbar	Kauffman	Mustio	Tallman
Ellis	Keller, F.	O'Neill	Taylor
Emrick	Keller, M.K.	Oberlander	Toepel
Evankovich	Killion	Payne	Toohil
Everett	Knowles	Peifer	Truitt
Farry	Krieger	Petri	Turzai

Fee	Lawrence	Pickett	Vereb
Fleck	Lucas	Pyle	Watson
Gabler	Mackenzie		

NOT VOTING–0

EXCUSED–2

Costa, D. Roebuck

Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Mercer County, Mr. Longietti, who I believe also is seeking a suspension of the rules.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
I am actually withdrawing both of my amendments.
The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Pashinski.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
I rise to request suspension of the rules for amendment A05063.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that the suspension of the rules for that amendment is critical because—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman suspend.

You have made the motion. I need to state that motion for the whole House. However, I do afford you a brief description of the amendment as a part of your actual making the motion. So if you would give us a brief description of the amendment, then I will put that question before the House, and then if you so choose to debate the suspension of the rules, you are in order.

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

Basically, my amendment would require that all contracts, all contracts – not just some, not just a few, but all contracts – be given the same consideration that the gentleman is considering for employment.

It is vital that a school district, if you want to be transparent, it is vital that all contracts – and many of them are large contracts, not just the employment contract. It could be the busing contract that is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars or millions, or it could be the health contract, which again is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars into the millions. When we—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman suspend, please.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. I think you have achieved the brief description of the amendment. The amendment is not before us. It is the question, the motion you have raised, and a brief description is all that is required at this moment.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I think I got it all in.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Pashinski, moves for a suspension of the rules for the immediate consideration of amendment A05063.

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

The SPEAKER. I would now afford you, if you would like – on your motion, you are entitled to debate why we should suspend the rules for the consideration of that amendment.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Time to bring Jimmy back. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

I said it is time to bring Jimmy back. That is a tough job up there.

In any case, thank you very much for your consideration, Mr. Speaker.

I understand the concept of transparency. I think we all understand the concept of transparency.

Could I have that volume up? Thank you. Are you part of the tech union, the gentleman with the knob up there? Thank you, sir.

In any case, this is very serious. And with all due respect, I appreciate the gentleman trying to offer transparency when it comes to contracts relative to the employment of our constituents. There is no doubt that it is a large sum of money that comes from our taxpayer base, and our local citizens should have the opportunity to review that. But if we want to be transparent, then we need to be transparent with respect to all the contracts, because as I was attempting to point out earlier, a busing contract or the contract for a health insurance program or construction, they are worth hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

The substance of the amendment is not what is before the House; it is whether or not we should suspend the rules. I would appreciate if the gentleman would focus on why we should suspend the rules or not.

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

I believe that we need to suspend the rules because this amendment makes this bill even more transparent. It makes the bill transparent with respect to all issues. And for that reason, Mr. Speaker, I would ask for suspension of the rules for House amendment A05063. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again we will discuss the timeline of events, and I will try to stick to point on the bill here, or on the motion. I would ask for opposition of the motion to suspend the rules.

Again we are going to go back; I am going to sound like a broken record. On October 22 this was before the Education Committee. There was one concern that was brought up. Nobody had any other concerns about transparency, they just had a concern about making sure that it was not a 2-week window that that had to be noticed. They thought, well, it should be shorter than that. And actually, we asked, what do you think it should be? Forty-eight hours.

On November 19 that amendment was adopted. No other amendment was offered. No other concerns were brought up between October 22 and November 19. From November 19 until December 11, somebody approached me and said, maybe

we should include the professional educators. We had the discussion and we did second consideration on December 11. There has been ample time for everybody to air their concerns on transparency, contracts, and everything else within this bill. We want to make sure that we get to the heart of the matter and vote the underlying bill.

I would ask for opposition to the motion to suspend the rules. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we should suspend the rules because we have a chance to fix a problem. We should suspend the rules because all contracts, taxpayers have a right to see all contracts – how their money is being spent – not just teachers' contracts. The school districts spend a lot of money on a whole lot of other issues; taxpayers have a right to see that. If we are going to be transparent, then let us be transparent on all contracts of the school district.

We should suspend the rules so this amendment can be passed and our school districts can put up on the Internet all of their contracts and every way they are spending our taxpayers' money. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Turzai.

Mr. TURZAI. HB 1741 has been appropriately vetted; committee hearing, informational meeting, committee hearing, gone through second consideration. It is a well-balanced bill. It moves policy forward in a fair direction. Compromise was reached by going from 2 weeks to 48 hours. We are now on third consideration.

We should be opposing on a matter of good process. We should be opposed to suspending the rules. I would ask all the members to please oppose the suspension of the rules for this amendment. Thank you very much.

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

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Clay	Gergely	McNeill	Snyder
Cohen	Gibbons	Miller, D.	Sturla
Conklin	Gillen	Mirabito	Thomas
Costa, P.	Goodman	Miranda	Vitali
Cruz	Haggerty	Molchany	Waters

Daley, M.	Haluska	Mundy	Wheatley
Daley, P.	Hanna	Neilson	White
Davidson	Harhai	Neuman	Youngblood

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Causar	Hackett	McGinnis	Rock
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Corbin	Harper	Metzgar	Sankey
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Delozier	Hickernell	Milne	Stephens
Denlinger	James	Moul	Stern
Dunbar	Kampf	Mullery	Stevenson
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Emrick	Keller, F.	Mustio	Tallman
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D.	Roebuck
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Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

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

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. McCarter.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I move to suspend the rules to consider amendment 5008.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman give a brief description of the amendment.

Mr. McCARTER. This amendment, Mr. Speaker, would apply the same standards that are in the bill for public schools, traditional public schools, to all charters, both cyber and brick-and-mortar charter schools. That way they would need to comply with the 48-hour notice, and also for individuals that are professional educators who are not members of an employee organization, that their contracts also would be circulated in newspapers.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. McCarter, moves for suspension of the rules to allow for the immediate consideration of amendment A05008.

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

The SPEAKER. On the question to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman, Mr. McCarter.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is important at this point to try to do the thing that was just talked about, that being balance, balance for all school districts and all charter schools to be able to see the contracts, to be able to see the amount of money that is being paid to individuals throughout the Commonwealth to carry out the business of education. This amendment would make that applicable to all schools.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend. The substance of the amendment is not what is under consideration by the House; it is whether or not to suspend the rules.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. I would appreciate it if you would focus the argument to that vein.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you very much. To suspend the rules in this case would allow that balance to be maintained, and I ask for your approval of that motion to suspend.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentleman

On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again we will discuss the timeline of events concerning HB 1741.

In asking to not support the motion to suspend, please keep in mind, this bill was originally in the Education Committee on October 22, 2013, and the sole concern was a 2-week notice. People felt that that was too long of a period of time, so it was suggested by somebody in the committee that we work and we reduce that. We did that, to 48 hours.

On November 19, 2013, the bill was amended and came out of committee with the amendment taking the notice from 2 weeks to 48 hours.

On second consideration, which happened on December 11, 2013, one concern was brought to us – the chairman of the committee, myself, anybody else concerned with the bill – and that was that we include professional educators. The bill was on second consideration on December 11, 2013, and we adopted that amendment. We have been willing to work with anybody that had concerns on this legislation through the entire process that spanned over 2 months.

So in looking at what we are doing here, I would ask that we just take a look at what happened, the fact that we were willing to work on this. If people have other concerns, let us discuss that in some other legislation.

But I would ask the members to oppose the motion to suspend the rules. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, we were all sworn in on January 1 of last year, and January 2 or thereabouts we passed House rules. One of those rules is the ability to suspend the rules, a rule that allows us to suspend the rules. All we are asking for is to suspend the rules today when we have got a problem, when we have an issue, when we can fix a problem with a bill. You have a

timeline; well, we have a timeline too. And we passed a set of House rules that allows for suspension. This is a proper time to use that rule, when we have the opportunity to fix a problem with a bill. No matter when we find out that problem, we can fix it.

All this amendment does is allows every public school to be treated similarly. This bill does not do that. We should include charter schools. We should include cyber charter schools. We should suspend the rules because the people in our school districts think they should be included also. They want to know what money they are spending. That information should be on the Internet. This amendment gives us the opportunity to do that.

There is a provision in the House rules to suspend the rules. We ought to follow that provision. We ought to suspend the rules and consider this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Turzai.

Mr. TURZAI. I rise in opposition to suspending the rules on amendment 5008 to HB 1741.

As the good gentleman indicated, informational meeting on this bill was held on October 22. It was tabled to November 19 when there was a vote out of committee. Compromise was reached, moving it from 2 weeks to 48 hours – a key component of the legislation. We have already been through second consideration where amendments are to be filed, and we are now on third ready to get to the substance of the bill.

In – I daresay I suspect – bipartisan fashion, that many members on both sides of the aisle recognize the importance of the underlying legislation and want to get to it and do not want to be obstructionist. We want to get to this important policy consideration.

In addition, I might say that HB 618, which specifically addressed – as you know, I think there need to be specific reforms on the cyber charter – 618 passed with bipartisan support; another legislative vehicle which is in the Senate has already addressed the issue.

So the key here is to oppose the suspension of the rules and to let us get to an underlying vote of an important bill, 1741, and recognize that already good bipartisan work has been done in HB 618. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On the motion to suspend the rules, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. McCarter.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again, what we are arguing over today is obviously substance versus process, and the process and the timeline that is being given to us today, back in the history of this particular bill, does not take into account that sometimes we miss things. Let us be candid, we miss things. But when those things are important enough and crucial enough to make things honestly right, then it is time to use the rule that has been put in place to allow that to happen on a third reading. And that is what this particular motion does, much like many of the others. This particular one allows us to add in the fairness of making sure, and the balance that takes place between all of the schools in the Commonwealth, both cyber, brick-and-mortar charters, and regular school district buildings and districts so that we can bring about an equal fairness under that.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

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NOT VOTING–0

EXCUSED–2

Costa, D. Roebuck

Less than a majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the motion was not agreed to.

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

The SPEAKER. It is the Speaker's understanding that there are no other members seeking suspension of the rules on this bill.

On the question recurring,
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?

On that question, is the gentleman, Mr. Pashinski, seeking recognition on final passage of this bill? I was unclear whether that is what you were seeking in addition to the previous motion, but the gentleman is in order if so.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Mr. Speaker, thank you very much for that consideration.

The last gentleman indicated very succinctly that sometimes as we try our very best to create a law or a provision to help the people that we represent, sometimes as we begin to study it and learn about the issue, we begin to see flaws within that particular provision. This is a perfect example of a very good, a very good effort to create transparency within our school systems.

We know that there is a lot of money involved in our school systems. We know that our taxpayers are the ones that fund it. But we also know that it is our responsibility to provide a quality education for those students that we represent, those kids that will become the future leaders. That is why it is vital that when we create a law that is going to affect the outcome of those students, we make sure that we consider everything before we vote and make a law.

We have heard a lot of stories about mandates, how difficult it is and how costly. Today we heard several amendments that would address so many different issues that would make this bill a far better bill. As the previous speaker stated, sometimes we miss things. In this case here, we have missed a lot.

If we are going to talk about transparency for employees' contracts, why would we not talk about transparency in construction contracts or in busing contracts or in purchasing contracts or in anything that is going to cost our taxpayers dollars? We have a chance right now to demonstrate our sincerity of true transparency by allowing all contracts to have the same opportunity for the people of Pennsylvania to review and vet those contracts, and yet we have not suspended rules to allow for the discussion and the complete understanding of why each one of these amendments is important.

If we would have passed these amendments, it would make this bill a much stronger bill, a bill that would allow for complete transparency, and the person would then be lauded. But in this case, to allow for a bill to be flawed, to allow that to pass flawed, shame on us.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Mercer County, Mr. Longietti.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I raised a number of concerns at the committee level on this bill, and those concerns have not been addressed and I voted "no" in committee. And perhaps one of the more significant concerns is, this will add a significant unfunded mandate to our school districts.

This bill requires a statement of the terms of any proposed contract, whether it is a collective-bargaining agreement or a professional educator contract. Essentially what that means, and I can tell you as a former solicitor, that means that in a newspaper of general circulation, a 35-, 40-page contract is going to need to be printed at least 48 hours in advance. You are looking at thousands of dollars.

Now, most school districts have more than one collective-bargaining agreement. Typically you will see a teacher's contract, a separate support staff contract, and in many cases, a separate contract for the cleaning personnel. And then you have your various other contracts of professional educators, whether that is a superintendent, a principal, different administrators, perhaps a school psychologist. All of those are going to need to be printed in a newspaper of general circulation at least 48 hours before adoption. At a time when we are not funding our school districts to the level where we need to, when budgets are tight, we are going to require them to pay the cost to do that.

Perhaps – the reason that I raised in committee – perhaps the most important reason is once again, once again we are requiring other elected officials to do something that we do not do, that we do not do in this building.

The Governor's Office negotiates all kinds of contracts with public employees; none of those, none of those have this requirement. When we do our budgets, and I have been around 7 years, I have seen the rules manipulated and budgets passed very quickly, certainly with no printed notice in the newspaper, and we are spending a whole lot more money here than an individual school district spends.

So this is something that we do not impose upon ourselves. Are we going to require this for other contracts, or are we going to say to our county commissioners that all the employment contracts that they negotiate, there needs to be a 48-hour written notice in the newspaper? Are we going to say to our municipalities, are we going to tell to our municipalities for all of their employment contracts there needs to be a 48-hour notice in the newspaper? For police contracts, for fire contracts, are we going to require all of these to have a 48-hour notice?

Why is it that we pick on school directors? Why is it the one set of elected officials who have an extraordinarily difficult job, they are elected by the folks in their community, and we tell them, essentially, we do not trust the job that you do. We do not trust your judgment and your votes in negotiating contracts. We are going to add an additional requirement, and you are going to have to pay for it. I think that is offensive to our school directors. They are elected just as we are elected to make important decisions.

And we all know that contract time can be a difficult time. It is a time where there are negotiations that take place. Sometimes those are contentious; sometimes those are drawn out. They are difficult. These are the folks that we have delegated this responsibility to, and yet we are saying to them, we do not think that you do your job adequately and so we are going to impose an additional requirement.

And the upshot of this is this, the upshot is to have a bunch of people come to the school board meeting and try to convince the elected school directors who have been working many days to put together a negotiated agreement, to convince them to vote "no." I do not know about you, but if I am serving on a negotiation committee and, you know, my fellow school board members do not have confidence in me to support the product that we came up with and discussed in executive session, I do not want to serve on that negotiating committee. Who is going to want to serve on a negotiation committee when we put in this kind of measure?

Is it no wonder, Mr. Speaker, is it no wonder that the School Boards Association is opposed to this, that the PSEA (Pennsylvania State Education Association) is opposed to it, the AFT (American Federation of Teachers) is opposed to it? This is bad policy, as much as it is well-intentioned.

I certainly respect my colleague on the Education Committee. I think he does a fine job and works hard. I think his intentions are pure here, but I think in effect what we are saying is we are going to pass an unfunded mandate onto our schools at a time that they do not need it. We are imposing a rule on them that we do not impose upon ourselves, and we are making their job more difficult and essentially saying, we do not have the trust in you that we expect for ourselves as elected officials. We do not have the trust in them to do their job appropriately.

So it is for all these reasons – and I raised most if not all of these in the Education Committee – I oppose this legislation, and I encourage my colleagues to oppose it as well. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Carroll.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, page 1, line 15; page 2, line 1; they have one word in common, the word "shall."

Mr. Speaker, we have a vote before us today on a mandate. The word "shall" does not give our school districts an option. The word "shall" constitutes an order and a mandate. And so, Mr. Speaker, we have a mandate when the word "shall" is involved, but nowhere, Mr. Speaker, in this bill will you find anything related to covering the cost related to the expense of publishing these contracts in newspapers.

And so, Mr. Speaker, here we have a moment in time again when our school districts are struggling to meet the financial obligations before them, not the least of which are pension costs, and we are going to add a mandate.

Mr. Speaker, I have been to numerous PSBA (Pennsylvania School Boards Association) meetings throughout this State, as has nearly every member of this body. We have all heard the mantra from school directors and members of this chamber related to doing away with unfunded mandates. What an irony: Today we are going to impose a new mandate if 1741 is approved.

Mr. Speaker, for this reason I voted "no" in committee and I will vote "no" in a moment. For those that vote "yes," congratulations on embracing a new mandate.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Cambria County, Mr. Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the bill for the reasons specifically stated by the last speaker, but in addition, one other item.

I can live with the fact that we have two separate rules in Pennsylvania – one for real public schools and another set for cybers and charters. That is just the way it is. That is how you want it to be; that is how it is. What does not make any sense here is the fact that this bill could be corrected by saying the school district could put this information on their Web site and they would not have \$100,000 of additional expenses for every 100-page contract they have. You did not do that in this case. In this case, you said everything has to go into the paper.

Well, this is the best thing that can happen for newspapers, because every contract is going to require about 5 pages of advertising. So what you have really done here is you have not helped the schools. You have not played equal between cybers and public school entities. What you have done is provided a new cash stream for the newspapers of Pennsylvania, and you have done it at a time when we are reducing the amount of money that the States provide public schools.

I will vote against this bill.

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

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Snyder County, Mr. Fred Keller.

Mr. F. KELLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This bill is about one thing and one thing only: transparency, transparency to the people of the Commonwealth that end up picking up the tab for money that is spent when they pay their taxes.

We spend about \$26 billion a year in this Commonwealth on K through 12 education. The bulk of it comes from the property tax owners, and we are simply asking for a measure of transparency, the same transparency we have here in the House when we consider a vote on three different occasions; it is considered separately on three different occasions. So we are simply asking for the same kind of transparency at the local level when we are talking about the billions of dollars that we talk about almost as much as we spend in the State General Fund. So it is about transparency in this bill.

A number of people got up and spoke on the amendments, and by the substance of some of those amendments, they said, this is a great idea. We need it. We want to expand it. Well, if you want to start somewhere, here is a good starting point – let us start somewhere, let us get this bill done, and let us send it over to the Senate.

A couple of comments I would just like to say about the opposition to this bill. They always mention that they believe that the agreements are bargained in good faith. If it is in good faith, then what is the issue with putting a little bit of sunshine on it? That is all we want to do. Again, it is about transparency, transparency when we are talking about \$26 billion, much of that money raised through property taxes.

The thing I would like to read, we talk about the school boards and how they feel about it, and here is an article from December 18, 2013, in a local newspaper in central Pennsylvania, and this is a quote from the Danville School Board president, Allan Schappert. "I would be happy to release to the public what our latest offer was if that's okay with the union.... Let the people who finance this, the taxpayers, have an opportunity to comment." That is strictly what it is about. That

is not me. That is not anybody in this room. That is an elected school board president. That is not an association; that is somebody that is making the decisions and does not have an issue with a little bit of sunshine being put on this for his constituency.

So for all the reasons I have mentioned – I could go on and on – but the simple word here is "transparency." It provides it at all levels of government. I would ask for an affirmative vote on HB 1741. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution— Rescind that comment.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Speaker recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster County, Mr. Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, will the maker of the bill rise for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Fred Keller, indicates he will stand for interrogation.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, do you know on average what the average bargain contract in Pennsylvania, how many pages it is?

Mr. F. KELLER. Well, Mr. Speaker, they do not need to publish the entire contract. If you look at the bill, on the second page is a statement of the contract, and on line 22, "The Department of Education shall promulgate regulations pursuant to the act of June 25, 1982..., known as the 'Regulatory Review Act,' to set forth the form of the notice required under subsection...."

Mr. STURLA. So I guess my question is, if a contract has 30 or 40 pages worth of details, are those details – they do not have to become transparent, it is just whatever we decide is the standard format?

Mr. F. KELLER. What needs to become transparent is a statement of the contract and the estimated cost.

Mr. STURLA. Okay. So like one line, two lines, something like that?

Mr. F. KELLER. Well, what would happen is the Department of Education would promulgate the regulations.

Mr. STURLA. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

If I could, on the—

The SPEAKER. On final passage, the gentleman is in order.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So we know that this does not apply to charters or cyber charters or a multitude of other educational institutions in this State. We do not know how big the advertisement needs to be. We know that the School Boards Association is opposed to this because it is a cost to the taxpayers.

You know, I am all for transparency. I am all for making sure that anybody who wants one of these copies of these contracts can get it through an open records law. I am all for making this information available online but that is not what this bill says. This bill says something different.

And this is why I think we should have suspended the rules to make some better changes to this bill. This is why I think this bill, you know, if anything is going to go over to the Senate where we will let somebody else to fix it, which seems to be common practice these days in this chamber.

But this bill does not make much sense in its current form and I would urge a "no" vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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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Clay	Gergely	Miccarelli	Schreiber
Cohen	Gibbons	Miller, D.	Sims
Conklin	Goodman	Mirabito	Snyder
Costa, P.	Haggerty	Miranda	Sturla
Cruz	Haluska	Molchany	Thomas
Daley, M.	Hanna	Mullery	Toohil
Daley, P.	Harhai	Mundy	Vitali
Davidson	Harkins	Neilson	Waters
Davis	Harris, J.	Neuman	Wheatley
Dean	Kavulich	O'Brien	White
Deasy	Keller, W.	Painter	Youngblood
DeLissio	Kim		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D.	Roebuck
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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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. If I could have the members' attention. I would appreciate it if you would kindly take your seats. I just wanted to make an announcement that is of a personal nature relative to the members of this House and this institution.

While we will be taking up a formal resolution relative to this, I did want to make note of it. Since the last time we met, we have lost two longtime public servants and close friends. Former Representative Merle Phillips, who served in the House from 1980-2010, died on December 30, 2013.

On January 9, 2014, the former Chief Clerk of the House, Ted Mazia, died unexpectedly. He served as Chief Clerk of the House from 1995-2005 and started his employment with the House in September of 1969.

Members and all guests will please rise in a moment of silence as a mark of respect for our deceased former colleagues.

(Whereupon, the members of the House and all visitors stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of the Honorable Merle Phillips and the Honorable Ted Mazia.)

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1816, PN 2615**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in certification of teachers, further providing for continuing professional development and for Pennsylvania School Leadership Standards.

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—200

Adolph	English	Kirkland	Petrarca
Aument	Evankovich	Knowles	Petri
Baker	Evans	Kortz	Pickett
Barbin	Everett	Kotik	Pyle

Barrar	Fabrizio	Krieger	Quinn
Benninghoff	Farina	Kula	Rapp
Bishop	Farry	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Bizzarro	Fee	Longietti	Readshaw
Bloom	Fleck	Lucas	Reed
Boback	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Boyle, B.	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Boyle, K.	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Bradford	Gabler	Major	Rock
Briggs	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Brooks	Galloway	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gergely	Marshall	Sabatina
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Marsico	Saccone
Brownlee	Gillen	Masser	Sainato
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Sankey
Carroll	Godshall	McGeehan	Santarsiero
Causar	Goodman	McGinnis	Saylor
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Clay	Grell	Mentzer	Schlossberg
Clymer	Grove	Metcalfe	Schreiber
Cohen	Hackett	Metzgar	Simmons
Conklin	Haggerty	Miccarelli	Sims
Corbin	Hahn	Micozzie	Smith
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Cox	Hanna	Miller, D.	Sonney
Cruz	Harhai	Miller, R.	Stephens
Culver	Harhart	Milne	Stern
Cutler	Harkins	Mirabito	Stevenson
Daley, M.	Harper	Miranda	Sturla
Daley, P.	Harris, A.	Molchany	Swanger
Davidson	Harris, J.	Moul	Tallman
Davis	Heffley	Mullery	Taylor
Day	Helm	Mundy	Thomas
Dean	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Deasy	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
DeLissio	James	Neilson	Toohil
DeLozier	Kampf	Neuman	Truitt
DeLuca	Kauffman	O'Brien	Turzai
Denlinger	Kavulich	O'Neill	Vereb
Dermody	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Vitali
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Painter	Waters
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Parker	Watson
Dunbar	Killion	Pashinski	Wheatley
Ellis	Kim	Payne	White
Emrick	Kinsey	Peifer	Youngblood

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D. Roebuck

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 **SB 689, PN 677**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for prevention of abduction of children.

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.

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Bradford	Gabler	Major	Rock
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Donatucci	Keller, W.	Parker	Watson
Dunbar	Killion	Pashinski	Wheatley
Ellis	Kim	Payne	White
Emrick	Kinsey	Peifer	Youngblood

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D. Roebuck

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 **HB 1878, PN 2777**, entitled:

An Act providing for Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Strategy Program, for Cooperative Workforce Investment Partnerships, for employee training programs and for Pennsylvania Workforce Investment Strategy Tax Credit; imposing duties on the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Revenue; providing for carryover, carryback, refund and assignment, for pass-through entity, for administration, for limitation and for interim and annual reports.

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:

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Dunbar	Killion	Pashinski	Wheatley
Ellis	Kim	Payne	White
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Costa, D. Roebuck

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. VITALI

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali, seeking recognition for the purpose of an announcement?

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be a meeting of the Democratic members of the House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee immediately following adjournment in my office, room 38, East Wing. Thank you.

VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER. Is the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Kortz, seeking recognition for a correction of the record?

Mr. KORTZ. Yes, sir, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may state his correction.

Mr. KORTZ. On HB 1741, I would like to be shown as a vote in the affirmative. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman's remarks will be noted in the record.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. MILLER

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from York, Mr. Miller, rise?

Mr. R. MILLER. Brief message and announcement, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may make his announcement.

Mr. R. MILLER. I would like the Republican members of the Environmental Resources and Energy Committee to meet in room 100, Ryan Office Building, immediately upon adjournment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 1655;
HB 1753;
HB 1794;
HB 1796;
SB 29; and
SB 437.

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

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 1230;
HB 1654; and
HB 1738.

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

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1782, PN 2655**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of S.R. 128 over Buffalo Creek, Freeport Borough, Armstrong County, as the Freeport Firemen's Bridge.

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1782 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.

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 263 be removed from the tabled 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 263 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.

CALENDAR CONTINUED**BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1218, PN 1543**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, providing for death of a tenant.

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1218 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.

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1218 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active 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. Harris, from Philadelphia County, who moves that this House do adjourn until Tuesday, January 14, 2014, at 11 a.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to, and at 4:23 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.