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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (KATHARINE M. WATSON) PRESIDING

PRAYER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The prayer today will be offered by Pastor Ricky Phillips, Mazeppa Union Church of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. Pastor Phillips is a guest of Representative Everett.

PASTOR RICKY PHILLIPS, Guest Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Creator God, we thank You for the diversity of the many religions and the great diversity in this room today and for the ability to fully express our faith with our religious freedoms. May we protect these freedoms that were paid for with a price, for truly, freedom is never free.

Empower us. Bless our ears, our arms, our legs, and our minds to feed the poor, to hear the cries of the disabled, and to join together to love our neighbor. And in these times may we reflect on the meaning of William Penn's Holy Experiment and what that means for us today. We thank You for this gift.

In Your holy name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, June 9, 2015, will be postponed until printed.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Noting the requests for leaves of absence, the Chair recognizes the majority whip, who requests a leave of absence for Representative GODSHALL of Montgomery County for the day. Without objection, the leave of absence is granted.

The Chair then recognizes the minority whip, who requests a leave of absence for Representative DeLUCA from Allegheny County for the day, and Representative FRANKEL from Allegheny County for the day. Without objection, the leaves of absence are granted.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is about to take the master roll call. Master roll call, everyone. Members, please proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—194

Acosta	Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp
Adolph	Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl
Baker	Everett	Krieger	Readshaw
Barbin	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Reed
Barrar	Farina	Lewis	Reese
Benninghoff	Farry	Longietti	Regan
Bishop	Fee	Mackenzie	Roae
Bizzarro	Flynn	Maher	Roebuck
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Ross
Boback	Gabler	Major	Rozzi
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Saccone
Bradford	Galloway	Markosek	Sainato
Briggs	Gergely	Marshall	Samuelson
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sankey
Brown, V.	Gillen	Masser	Santarsiero
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Santora
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Schemel
Carroll	Goodman	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Causer	Greiner	McNeill	Schreiber
Christiana	Grove	Mentzer	Schweyer
Cohen	Hahn	Metcalfe	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metzgar	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Miccarelli	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Millard	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Miller, B.	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, D.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Milne	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Moul	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Mullery	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Murt	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Mustio	Tobash
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Davis	Hill	Neuman	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	O'Brien	Topper
Day	James	O'Neill	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Ortity	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufner	Parker, C.	Ward
Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, D.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Pashinski	Watson

Diamond	Keller, F.	Payne	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Wheatley
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Wheeland
Driscoll	Killion	Petri	White
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Youngblood
Dush	Kinsey	Pyle	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kirkland	Quigley	
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Rader	Speaker

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

DeLuca	Frankel	Godshall	Saylor
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LEAVES ADDED—8

Bradford	Galloway	Santarsiero	Schweyer
Evanovich	Gergely	Santora	Wheatley

LEAVES CANCELED—2

Frankel	Godshall
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The SPEAKER pro tempore. One hundred and ninety-four members having voted on the master roll, a quorum is present.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 103 By Representatives DAVIS, KOTIK, SCHREIBER, THOMAS, READSHAW, DEASY, FREEMAN, BROWNLEE, GOODMAN, COHEN, MULLERY, D. COSTA, V. BROWN, KINSEY, MURT, MOUL and GIBBONS

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for proof of claim.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 10, 2015.

No. 333 By Representatives DAVIS, THOMAS, COHEN, BROWNLEE, MATZIE, McNEILL and KORTZ

An Act providing for hearing on purchase of wetlands and for notice of purchase of wetlands.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 10, 2015.

No. 406 By Representatives COX, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BOBACK, BRADFORD, V. BROWN, BROWNLEE, COHEN, D. COSTA, DAVIDSON, DEAN, DeLUCA, FREEMAN, GABLER, GILLEN, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HAHN, HARHART, A. HARRIS, HEFFLEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, KAUFFMAN, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, MALONEY, MATZIE, McGINNIS, MILLARD, D. MILLER, MILNE, MULLERY, MURT, O'BRIEN, D. PARKER, PASHINSKI, RAVENSTAHL, READSHAW, SAINATO, SAMUELSON, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for definitions and for filing of claim.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 10, 2015.

No. 1182 By Representatives CALTAGIRONE, THOMAS, BROWNLEE, MASSER, COHEN, MAHONEY and DeLUCA

An Act providing for the licensing and regulation of video gaming; prescribing powers and duties of the Pennsylvania State Police and the Department of Revenue; and establishing the State Video Gaming Fund and the Municipal Economic Development Fund.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1258 By Representatives ELLIS, JAMES, MASSER, D. MILLER, DAY, D. COSTA, SANKEY, KAUFFMAN, KORTZ, BARRAR, MATZIE, LONGIETTI, HARPER, MAHER, BIZZARRO, FLYNN, FRANKEL, GIBBONS, SIMS, SCHWEYER, GRELL, HANNA, KLUNK, SCHLOSSBERG, SNYDER, NEUMAN, GERGELY, GABLER, KILLION, NESBIT, VEREB, MUSTIO, MARSICO, SONNEY, MULLERY and MURT

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in financial responsibility, further defining "financial responsibility."

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 10, 2015.

No. 1317 By Representatives DELOZIER, M. K. KELLER, GINGRICH, BAKER, BENNINGHOFF, BRADFORD, BROWNLEE, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, COX, DAVIS, DONATUCCI, DUSH, ELLIS, FARINA, GOODMAN, GROVE, HAHN, A. HARRIS, J. HARRIS, HENNESSEY, HICKERNELL, KIM, KNOWLES, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MAHONEY, MAJOR, McNEILL, MILLARD, MURT, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PAYNE, PICKETT, READSHAW, REGAN, SCHREIBER, SNYDER, SONNEY, TALLMAN, THOMAS, TOEPEL, WHEELAND, VEREB and GILLEN

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 15 over State Route 114, Mechanicsburg Borough, Cumberland County as the Corporal Jonathan Dean Faircloth Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 10, 2015.

No. 1318 By Representatives GREINER, READSHAW, BOBACK, O'BRIEN, STAATS, MILLARD, FREEMAN, KAUFFMAN, GROVE, MILNE, HEFFLEY, D. COSTA, MENTZER, WARNER, MARSICO, METCALFE and GOODMAN

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in dates of elections and primaries and special elections, further providing for general primary and candidates to be nominated and party officers to be elected.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1319 By Representatives MARSHALL, O'NEILL, STEPHENS, D. MILLER, MURT, BARRAR, COHEN, D. COSTA, CUTLER, DAVIS, DRISCOLL, GIBBONS, GODSHALL, GROVE, A. HARRIS, HEFFLEY, KINSEY, KORTZ, LONGIETTI, McNEILL, MULLERY, PETRARCA, ROSS, ROZZI, SABATINA, SAMUELSON, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER, THOMAS, WHEATLEY and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act providing for the establishment of a savings program by the Treasury Department to encourage eligible individuals with disabilities to save private funds from which the expenses related to their disabilities may be paid to assist them in maintaining health, independence and quality of life.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 10, 2015.

No. 1322 By Representatives KAUFER, KNOWLES, ROZZI, McGINNIS, CUTLER, BAKER, BLOOM, ENGLISH, MILLARD, KAUFFMAN, TOOHIL, DIAMOND, TOEPEL, ACOSTA, PICKETT, MURT, ZIMMERMAN, HICKERNELL, WARD, GROVE, FEE, MILNE, SAYLOR, HEFFLEY, A. HARRIS, KLUNK, D. COSTA, JOZWIAK, COX, DAVIS, BOBACK, RADER, WARNER, SIMMONS, KRIEGER, PASHINSKI, GABLER, GILLEN and SCHLEGEL CULVER

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, in public assistance, further providing for identification and proof of residence.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 10, 2015.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Good morning, members.

Again we have some visitor recognition today. Located to the left of the rostrum, please welcome Nick Knight, who is serving as an intern with Representative Barrar. If you would please stand. Nick is a sophomore at Penn State's Berks County campus.

Also located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Henry Desrosiers, Carbon County's veterans affairs coordinator. Please stand. He is the guest of Representative Heffley.

And we have that left of the rostrum filled, because located to the left of the rostrum, we welcome Brice Smith from Representative Fee's office. Will you please stand.

And moving to the rear of the House, the Chair welcomes guests of Representative Stephens, the Keith Valley Middle School Jazz Ensemble from Horsham Township. Would you stand, folks. This group, talented group, will be performing in the main rotunda from noon to 1 p.m. today.

STATEMENT BY MR. STEPHENS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Stephens, you wish to be recognized under unanimous consent?

Mr. STEPHENS. Yes. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I just want to let the members know that the Keith Valley Jazz Band is going to be entertaining in the main rotunda here this afternoon, and they will be playing, I am sure, some local

favorites. "Free Bird," I am told, is actually among the selections, along with some music by The Black Keys and some other popular artists. So please stop by and enjoy some of their entertainment. And, you know, hey, anyone who can bring Lynyrd Skynyrd to the Capitol, hats off to them.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Thank you, Representative Stephens, and welcome again to the group.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Located in the gallery, up in the gallery, the Chair welcomes fifth grade students from Frankford Friends School. They are the guests of Representative Dawkins. We welcome you.

Now moving to the well of the House. Located in the well, the Chair is pleased to welcome several guest pages. Alexis Schooley is the guest of Representative Reed and Representative Kauffman. Would you please rise.

Thomas Kozdron, and he is the guest of Representative Dom Costa. Paul Buckley, Jr., is the guest of Representative Murt, and he attends Ursinus College. Kurtis Eby is a student at Messiah College, and he is the guest of Representatives Baker, Zimmerman, and Mentzer. They all want to claim you, sir. And Breahna Wiczowski is the guest of Representative Mentzer. She is a recent graduate of Warwick High School. Congratulations. And she just completed serving on Lititz Borough's Junior Council. Welcome.

ADAM BAHNEY AND GALEN McNAUGHTON PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. And now Representative Diamond is invited to the rostrum for the purpose of presenting a citation to Adam Bahney and Galen McNaughton, the 2015 PIAA Boys Doubles Tennis Champions.

Representative Diamond, you may proceed.

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, distinguished colleagues, I rise today to recognize the achievements of two extraordinary young men from Eastern Lebanon County, that is ELCO High School in Myerstown. Actually, I get to introduce them today as graduates of ELCO, as commencement exercises were last week. Congratulations, gentlemen.

Adam Bahney and Galen McNaughton are talented tennis players who have been playing doubles together for years. Their record on the court is an astonishing 52 wins and 4 losses during 4 years of play. Adam and Galen are the 2015 PIAA Class AA Boys Tennis Doubles State Champions, capturing the victory on May 23 in Hershey. Prior to that victory, the duo had already won the Lancaster-Lebanon League doubles title and the District III doubles title to go along with their Lancaster-Lebanon Section II team championship. Their victory has been the source of great pride in our community, and although it was not a New York City ticker-tape parade, we held our own Lebanon County version to welcome the boys home.

As Adam said in an interview following their championship match, "Being a small school in the middle of farm fields, to win a state championship is pretty awesome." Awesome it is

indeed. It is also awesome that in addition to Adam and Galen, we are joined today by their parents, Gregg and Mary Bahney, and Luke and Lori McNaughton. Folks, I cannot imagine how proud you are of your sons.

Becoming a champion in sport is a great precursor to being a champion in life. On behalf of all of the people of the 102d District, I wish these two champions the brightest of futures and thank them for making our community proud.

Madam Speaker, distinguished colleagues, please join me in recognizing the remarkable achievement of these two fine young men, Adam Bahney and Galen McNaughton.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who asks for a leave of absence for Representative EVANKOVICH of Westmoreland County for the day. That leave will be granted. Thank you.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. And now again, the Chair draws attention to the gallery to introduce Professor Joe Croskey, who is chair of the faculty senate at Clarion University and here as a guest of Representative Lee James. Will our guest please rise and be recognized.

Moving now – if we may have your attention, ladies and gentlemen – located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair is pleased to welcome a number of distinguished individuals representing several of our State veterans organizations. If they will please rise so that we may give them the proper House recognition. First we have John Brenner, chairman of the State Veterans Commission; Gary Smith, VFW (Veterans of Foreign Wars) State commander; Dennis Haas, American Legion State commander; and Chris Fidler, Keystone Paralyzed Veterans of America. And escorting these guests is Captain – and I may mispronounce it, and I am sorry – Bengé. Bengé? I am close. These gentlemen are here today as honored guests of Representative Barrar and Representative Sainato, and they are taking part in a special event known as Veterans Day at the Capitol.

STATEMENT BY MR. BARRAR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Barrar, you wish to be recognized under unanimous consent?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, I do, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. It is so granted.

Mr. BARRAR. Madam Speaker, thank you.

It is truly an honor today to have these gentlemen here with us. They represent the over 1 million veterans that live in Pennsylvania today, men and women of every race and ethnicity that we know of. They have dedicated their entire postmilitary career to helping veterans and their families, and we wanted to welcome them to the House of Representatives and thank them, and God bless you for being here today. If we could give them a round of applause.

Madam Speaker, if I may? Madam Speaker, today is "Veterans Day at the Capitol." This is a day to appreciate the many sacrifices that our veterans have made. We are grateful to

all our veterans for their selfless service to our nation and also to the Commonwealth.

I would ask the members to please take a few moments today to go down in the East Wing Rotunda and view the displays from different veterans service organizations throughout the State of Pennsylvania, and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs is also in the East Wing Rotunda. So I would ask you to stop down there and say hi to them and welcome them. They have a wealth of information that you can take back to the veteran communities in your district.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Thank you.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. BARRAR called up **HR 379, PN 1729**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing June 10, 2015, as "Veterans Day at the Capitol 2015" in Pennsylvania to highlight the accomplishments and needs of Pennsylvania's veterans as well as to continue to raise awareness of the issues veterans face and the benefits they receive while residing in this Commonwealth.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. And the House minority whip asks that Representative GALLOWAY from Bucks County be placed on leave for the day. The leave is so granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 379 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Acosta	Evans	Krieger	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Baker	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Barbin	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Barrar	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Benninghoff	Fee	Maher	Roae
Bishop	Flynn	Mahoney	Roebuck
Bizzarro	Freeman	Major	Ross
Bloom	Gabler	Maloney	Rozzi
Boback	Gainey	Markosek	Saccone
Boyle	Gergely	Marshall	Sainato
Bradford	Gibbons	Marsico	Samuelson
Briggs	Gillen	Masser	Sankey
Brown, R.	Gillespie	Matzie	Santarsiero
Brown, V.	Gingrich	McCarter	Santora
Burns	Goodman	McGinnis	Schemel
Caltagirone	Greiner	McNeill	Schlossberg
Carroll	Grove	Mentzer	Schreiber
Causar	Hahn	Metcalf	Schweyer
Christiana	Hanna	Metzgar	Simmons

Cohen	Harhai	Miccarelli	Sims
Conklin	Harhart	Millard	Snyder
Corbin	Harkins	Miller, B.	Sonney
Costa, D.	Harper	Miller, D.	Staats
Costa, P.	Harris, A.	Milne	Stephens
Cox	Harris, J.	Moul	Sturla
Cruz	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Culver	Helm	Murt	Taylor
Cutler	Hennessey	Mustio	Thomas
Daley, M.	Hickernell	Nesbit	Tobash
Daley, P.	Hill	Neuman	Toepel
Davidson	Irvin	O'Brien	Toohil
Davis	James	O'Neill	Topper
Dawkins	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Truitt
Day	Kampf	Ortitay	Vereb
Dean	Kaufner	Parker, C.	Vitali
Deasy	Kauffman	Parker, D.	Ward
DeLissio	Kavulich	Pashinski	Warner
Delozier	Keller, F.	Payne	Watson
Dermody	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Wentling
Diamond	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Wheatley
DiGirolamo	Killion	Petri	Wheeland
Donatucci	Kim	Pickett	White
Driscoll	Kinsey	Pyle	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kirkland	Quigley	Zimmerman
Dush	Klunk	Quinn	
Ellis	Knowles	Rader	Turzai,
Emrick	Kortz	Rapp	Speaker
English	Kotik		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

DeLuca	Frankel	Godshall	Saylor
Evankovich	Galloway		

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Welcome, gentlemen, and congratulations.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. READSHAW called up **HR 352, PN 1626**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing June 14, 2015, as "National Flag Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-192

Acosta	Evans	Krieger	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Baker	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Barbin	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Barrar	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Benninghoff	Fee	Maher	Roae
Bishop	Flynn	Mahoney	Roebuck

Bizzarro	Freeman	Major	Ross
Bloom	Gabler	Maloney	Rozzi
Boback	Gainey	Markosek	Saccone
Boyle	Gergely	Marshall	Sainato
Bradford	Gibbons	Marsico	Samuelson
Briggs	Gillen	Masser	Sankey
Brown, R.	Gillespie	Matzie	Santarsiero
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Burns	Goodman	McGinnis	Schemel
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Causar	Hahn	Metcalfe	Schweyer
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Cohen	Harhai	Miccarelli	Sims
Conklin	Harhart	Millard	Snyder
Corbin	Harkins	Miller, B.	Sonney
Costa, D.	Harper	Miller, D.	Staats
Costa, P.	Harris, A.	Milne	Stephens
Cox	Harris, J.	Moul	Sturla
Cruz	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Culver	Helm	Murt	Taylor
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Davidson	Irvin	O'Brien	Toohil
Davis	James	O'Neill	Topper
Dawkins	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Truitt
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Dunbar	Kirkland	Quigley	Zimmerman
Dush	Klunk	Quinn	
Ellis	Knowles	Rader	Turzai,
Emrick	Kortz	Rapp	Speaker
English	Kotik		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

DeLuca	Frankel	Godshall	Saylor
Evankovich	Galloway		

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

UNCONTESTED SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Ms. BOBACK called up **HR 386, PN 1758**, entitled:

A Resolution designating June 15, 2015, as "Elder Abuse Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. BOBACK called up **HR 387, PN 1759**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of June 2015 as "Men's Health Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Acosta	Evans	Krieger	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Baker	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Barbin	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Barrar	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Benninghoff	Fee	Maher	Roae
Bishop	Flynn	Mahoney	Roebuck
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Davis	James	O'Neill	Topper
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Dean	Kaufar	Parker, C.	Vitali
Deasy	Kauffman	Parker, D.	Ward
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Donatucci	Kim	Pickett	White
Driscoll	Kinsey	Pyle	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kirkland	Quigley	Zimmerman
Dush	Klunk	Quinn	
Ellis	Knowles	Rader	Turzai,
Emrick	Kortz	Rapp	Speaker
English	Kotik		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

DeLuca	Frankel	Godshall	Saylor
Evanovich	Galloway		

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

STATEMENTS BY MS. BOBACK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes Representative Boback to speak on HR 386 and HR 387.

Representative Boback.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And thank you to my colleagues for your recognition of both very, very important resolutions. The resolution designating June 20, 2015, as "Men's Health Month" in Pennsylvania—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Boback, may I interrupt for a moment.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Ladies and gentlemen, may we please have quiet for Representative Boback to speak on the two resolutions we just passed. If we may have your attention. Thank you.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And thanks to my colleagues for recognizing the importance of both resolutions. The first resolution designates June 2015 as "Men's Health Month" in Pennsylvania. The purpose of Men's Health Month is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys. Despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of almost 5 years less than women. Men are at greater risk for death in every age group. Educating the public and health-care providers about the importance of healthy lifestyle and early detection will help alleviate men's health problems. This will result in reducing rates of mortality from disease. Men who are educated about the value of preventive health will be more likely to participate in health screenings.

The second resolution, near and dear to my heart, has to do with elder abuse. As one of the founding members of the Luzerne-Wyoming Counties Elder Abuse Task Force, I am proud to sponsor HR 386, commemorating June 15 as "Elder Abuse Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania, although the whole month of June is dedicated to raising awareness of elder abuse across the United States.

One thing I would like to leave with you with this resolution is the hotline that we use to report any case or suspicion of elder abuse. It is 1-800-490-8505. And I urge each and every one of you in our listening audience to promote the elder abuse hotline by adding it to your publications, putting it nearby one of your phones, putting it on a Web site, even on social media. And I will repeat the hotline number again to report elder abuse. That is 1-800-490-8505.

Thank you to my colleagues for supporting both resolutions.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI)
PRESIDING

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much.

SENATE MESSAGE**HOUSE BILL
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 341, PN 363**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE**HOUSE AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to **SB 293, PN 988**.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

HB 341, PN 363

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in seller disclosures, further providing for disclosure form.

SB 293, PN 988

An Act regulating navigators and assisters in the education and promotion of health insurance exchanges.

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

**RULES AND APPROPRIATIONS
COMMITTEE MEETINGS****REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader is recognized for an announcement.

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

Just for the information of the members, immediately upon the recess, the House Rules Committee will meet in the Appropriations conference room. The House Appropriations Committee will meet at 11:45 in the majority caucus room. The House Republicans will caucus at noon, and we will be prepared to return to the floor at 1 p.m. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee in the Appropriations conference room. The Appropriations Committee will meet at 11:45 in the majority caucus room.

Members, we will be in recess until 1 o'clock.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody, please go right ahead. I apologize.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you.

The Democrats will caucus at noon. The Democrats will caucus at noon.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Any other announcements?

RECESS

The SPEAKER. We will recess until 1 o'clock, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 1:30 p.m.; further extended until 2 p.m.; further extended until 2:30 p.m.; further extended until 3 p.m.; further extended until 3:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Democratic whip has indicated that Representative SCHWEYER and Representative GERGELY have requested to be placed on leave. Those requests will be granted.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**HB 64, PN 55**

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act providing for suicide prevention continuing education.

APPROPRIATIONS.**HB 325, PN 1342**

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.327, No.85), known as the Auctioneer Licensing and Trading Assistant Registration Act, further providing for the title of the act, for definitions, for auctioneer and apprentice auctioneer licenses; providing for sales exempt from license requirements; further providing for status of existing licensees and for applications for initial and renewal licenses; providing for registration of trading assistants and trading assistant companies; further providing for special licensees to furnish bond and for authority to transact business not transferable; repealing provisions relating to auction house license, auction company license, trading assistant registration and nonresident licensees; further providing for reciprocity with other states; repealing provisions relating to licensee and registrant to furnish bond; further providing for no other license or registration required and for list of licensees and registrants; providing for contracts; further providing for records of sales; repealing provisions relating to contracts for conduct of transaction; and further providing for display of licenses, for investigations and enforcement

actions, for escrow account, for hearing on charges, for administration and enforcement, for revocation or suspension of license or registration, for issuance of new license or registration pending investigation and decision, for issuance of new license or registration after revocation, for penalties, for actions by unlicensed persons prohibited and for the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 339, PN 1693 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, further providing for emergency services.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 347, PN 1754 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system, providing for emergency service system billing.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 582, PN 651 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fees, further providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 662, PN 764 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act establishing the Kinship Caregiver Navigator Pilot Program within the Department of Human Services.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 898, PN 1121 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further defining "emergency vehicle"; in operation of vehicles, further providing for drivers of emergency vehicles; and, in other required equipment, further providing for visual and audible signals on emergency vehicles and for visual signals on authorized vehicles.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1099, PN 1755 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for the Environmental Quality Board.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 515 By Representatives DEAN, ROZZI, MILLARD, DAWKINS, ENGLISH, J. HARRIS, BIZZARRO, LONGIETTI, BROWNLEE, BISHOP, SAINATO, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, MURT, MAHONEY, SCHREIBER, DAVIDSON, THOMAS, GIBBONS,

MULLERY, COHEN, JOZWIAK, A. HARRIS, PETRARCA, YOUNGBLOOD, KIM, ACOSTA, DRISCOLL, KORTZ, QUINN, D. COSTA, SCHWEYER, D. PARKER, SNYDER, BRADFORD, FREEMAN, COX and FRANKEL

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for general regulations; and, in child protective services, further providing for employees having contact with children, adoptive and foster parents.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH, June 10, 2015.

No. 1294 By Representatives DiGIROLAMO, ROZZI, TAYLOR, THOMAS, V. BROWN, MILLARD, DONATUCCI, SCHLOSSBERG, DAVIS, KILLION, DRISCOLL, McNEILL, MURT, A. HARRIS, MAHONEY, HARHAI, D. COSTA, COHEN and HEFFLEY

An Act amending the act of October 27, 2014 (P.L.2911, No.191), known as the Achieving Better Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions Program (ABC-MAP) Act, further providing for access to prescription information.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 10, 2015.

No. 1295 By Representatives DiGIROLAMO, CALTAGIRONE, TAYLOR, JAMES, McNEILL, McCARTER, MILLARD, DAVIS, KINSEY, READSHAW, MARSICO, COHEN, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, MAHONEY, HARHAI, SABATINA, STAATS and HEFFLEY

An Act amending the act of October 24, 2012 (P.L.1198, No.148), known as the Methadone Death and Incident Review Act, further providing for title of act, for short title, for definitions, for establishment of Methadone Death and Incident Review Team, for team duties, for duties of coroner and medical examiner and for confidentiality.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, June 10, 2015.

No. 1309 By Representatives DONATUCCI, THOMAS, BISHOP, BOBACK, SCHREIBER, COHEN, V. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, CRUZ, KINSEY, FRANKEL, SCHLOSSBERG, ROZZI, KIM, W. KELLER, BROWNLEE, MILLARD, DAVIS, YOUNGBLOOD, DAVIDSON, MURT, McNEILL, D. COSTA, O'BRIEN, M. DALEY, MAHONEY, GOODMAN, MILNE, FARINA, WARD and SCHWEYER

An Act amending the act of November 22, 2005 (P.L.407, No.74), known as the Pennsylvania Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Screening Act, further providing for Pennsylvania Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Screening Program.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 10, 2015.

No. 1310 By Representatives DONATUCCI, YOUNGBLOOD, BROWNLEE, THOMAS, V. BROWN, MURT, CRUZ, DAVIS, SCHLOSSBERG, D. COSTA, HEFFLEY, KINSEY, SCHWEYER, BARBIN, BARRAR, DeLUCA, W. KELLER, SAINATO, McNEILL, BIZZARRO, MILNE, TOBASH, COHEN and WATSON

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency telephone service, providing for prohibited release of information.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 10, 2015.

No. 1311 By Representatives DAY and MURT

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority, further providing for hotel room rental tax and continuation of existing tax.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1312 By Representatives DAY and MURT

An Act amending the act of December 21, 1998 (P.L.1307, No.174), known as the Community and Economic Improvement Act, further providing for definitions relating to tourism and marketing tax.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1314 By Representatives DAY and MURT

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, in fiscal affairs, further providing for authorization of certain hotel room rental taxes; and, in grounds and buildings, further providing for certain hotel room rental taxes.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1315 By Representatives DAY and MURT

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in sales and use tax, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1316 By Representatives DAY, COHEN and MURT

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other subjects of taxation, further providing for excise tax on hotel room rental.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, June 10, 2015.

No. 1320 By Representatives THOMAS, KINSEY, ACOSTA, SCHREIBER, SCHWEYER, McNEILL, V. BROWN and LONGIETTI

An Act amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, in Mixed-use Development Program, providing for program and for agency guidelines; imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency; establishing the Mixed-use Development Fund; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, June 10, 2015.

SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 188, PN 1757**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 185, PN 177

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for the offense of dealing in infant children.

RULES.

HB 954, PN 1689

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, further providing for the offense of sale of tobacco and for the offense of use of tobacco in schools.

RULES.

HB 1276, PN 1686

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for persons required to report suspected child abuse, for access to information in Statewide database, for release of information in confidential reports, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for volunteers having contact with children, for continued employment or participation in program, activity or service, for certification compliance and for mandatory reporting of children under one year of age.

RULES.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Members, we have a guest with us today, former member Chris Wogan, who is presently a judge in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, a good friend of many here today. Chris, thank you so much for joining us here today. It is great to have you.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The minority whip has indicated that Representative Frankel would like to be marked on the master roll. That request will be granted.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 441, PN 1675**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 61 in Schuylkill County, from State Route 443 to State Route 2014, as the Captain Jason B. Jones Memorial Highway.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 817, PN 966**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 3005 over the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, Greenwood Township, Clearfield County, as the 1st Lieutenant Wendell Elbert Ross Memorial Bridge.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 834, PN 1676**, entitled:

An Act designating the portion of State Route 443 within the municipal boundaries of Orwigsburg Borough, Schuylkill County, as the Corporal David F. Heiser Memorial Highway.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 870, PN 1677**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 153 from segment 80 to segment 310 in Clearfield County as the Austin M. Harrier Memorial Highway.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 987, PN 1272**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 422 in Lebanon County as the Officer Michael H. Wise II Memorial Highway.

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

RESOLUTION

Mr. VEREB called up **HR 143, PN 1744**, entitled:

A Resolution condemning Governor Tom Wolf's unconstitutional action to usurp the authority of the General Assembly to make the laws and of the judiciary to administer justice by declaring a moratorium on capital punishment in Pennsylvania and calling upon Governor Wolf to reverse this action and to carry out his constitutional duty.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. **BARBIN** offered the following amendment
No. **A01984**:

Amend Resolution, page 1, line 1, by striking out
"unconstitutional"

Amend Resolution, page 4, line 3, by striking out
"unconstitutional"

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

The SPEAKER. Before we start debate, I just wanted to indicate— Following upon the point of order raised yesterday by our colleague from Delaware County, I just wanted to make it clear, during this debate or other debates on other bills or resolutions, if any members are going to make reference to His Excellency, the Governor, or to any other elected officials or positions of responsibility, we would prefer or request that people refer to them by title. Also, make sure that any of the remarks are not personal or ad hominem, and that while it is appropriate to express a perspective on actions taken or on public policy, we will not be, you know, we will certainly intervene if there are any personal attacks in any manner on His Excellency and/or on any other elected official or person of responsibility.

I would turn it over to Representative Barbin with respect to his amendment, amendment 1984.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment deletes other references to "unconstitutional" from the bill as amended in committee.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vereb.

Mr. VEREB. Mr. Speaker, this amendment is agreed to, and I ask the members to support it.

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The majority whip has indicated that Representative SANTORA would like to be marked on leave. That request is granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 143 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—187

Acosta	English	Knowles	Quinn
Adolph	Evans	Kortz	Rader
Baker	Everett	Kotik	Rapp
Barbin	Fabrizio	Krieger	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farina	Lawrence	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Farry	Lewis	Reed
Bishop	Fee	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Flynn	Mackenzie	Regan
Bloom	Frankel	Maher	Roebuck
Boback	Freeman	Mahoney	Ross
Boyle	Gabler	Major	Rozzi
Bradford	Gainey	Maloney	Saccone
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Sainato
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sankey
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Goodman	Matzie	Schemel
Carroll	Greiner	McCarter	Schlossberg
Causar	Grove	McGinnis	Schreiber
Christiana	Hahn	McNeill	Simmons
Cohen	Hanna	Mentzer	Sims
Conklin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Corbin	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, D.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Costa, P.	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cox	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cruz	Harris, J.	Milne	Taylor
Culver	Heffley	Moul	Thomas
Cutler	Helm	Mullery	Tobash
Daley, M.	Hennessey	Murt	Toepel
Daley, P.	Hickernell	Mustio	Toohil
Davidson	Hill	Nesbit	Topper
Davis	Irvin	Neuman	Truitt
Dawkins	James	O'Brien	Vereb
Day	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vitali
Dean	Kampf	Oberlander	Ward
Deasy	Kaufer	Ortitay	Warner
DeLissio	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Watson
Delozier	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Wentling
Dermody	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wheatley
Diamond	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Donatucci	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Driscoll	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Kinsey	Pickett	
Dush	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Ellis	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
Emrick			

NAYS—3

Metcalfe	Roae	Tallman
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

DeLuca	Galloway	Godshall	Saylor
Evankovich	Gergely	Santora	Schweyer

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 adopt the resolution as amended?

Mr. **DERMODY** offered the following amendment
No. **A01973**:

Amend Resolution, page 1, lines 1 through 16; pages 2 and 3, lines 1 through 30; page 4, lines 1 through 19; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Urging the Pennsylvania Task Force and Advisory Committee on Capital Punishment to complete its review, as directed by the Senate, and issue its report before any further executions are conducted in Pennsylvania.

WHEREAS, To study the many policy and procedural issues that are implicated in the administration of the death penalty in Pennsylvania, the Senate on December 6, 2011, by Senate Resolution No. 6, established the Pennsylvania Task Force and Advisory Committee on Capital Punishment; and

WHEREAS, The charge of the task force is to examine closely all aspects of capital punishment in Pennsylvania, including the overall cost of the death penalty, the method of execution, the impact and services for family members of the victims and public opinion; and

WHEREAS, Through the exercise of his exclusive power to grant reprieves under section 9(a) of Article IV of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, the Governor has temporarily delayed, and intends in the future similarly to delay, all executions of those who have been sentenced to death under Pennsylvania law until such time as the report and recommendations of the task force have been issued and considered; and

WHEREAS, A reprieve granted by the Governor to temporarily delay the execution of an inmate who is sentenced to death does not disturb the conviction of that inmate, the sentence of death imposed upon that convicted murderer by the courts of this Commonwealth or the conditions under which the imprisoned murderer is confined by the Department of Corrections; and

WHEREAS, The issuance of reprieves by the Governor to delay temporarily the imposition of the death penalty by lethal injection also in no way suspends the investigation or prosecution of capital crimes, the ability of judges and juries to impose death sentences or the conditions of confinement of any current death row inmate; and

WHEREAS, There are serious concerns about whether adequate procedures and protocols are in place to ensure that the death sentence is administered in accordance with requirements of the United States Constitution and the Constitution of Pennsylvania. For example, of the 35 states that provide for execution by lethal injection, only approximately one-third specifically approve of the use of a chemical paralytic agent; and

WHEREAS, A justice of the United States Supreme Court recently expressed his concern that decisions by state legislators, the Congress of the United States and the Supreme Court itself to retain the death penalty as part of our nation's laws, "are the product of habit and inattention[,] rather than an acceptable deliberative process that weighs the costs and risks of administering that penalty against its identifiable benefits"; and

WHEREAS, Given that death penalty cases raise more issues and far more complex issues than other criminal cases, the same justice observed that the machinery is "immensely expensive, [and] chokes our legal institutions so they are impeded from doing all the other things a society expects from its courts, [and] that visits repeated trauma on victims' families"; and

WHEREAS, While there are currently 184 individuals on Pennsylvania's death row, the death penalty in modern times has been carried out only rarely in this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, In the nearly 40 years since the General Assembly reinstated the death penalty, the Commonwealth has executed only three individuals, all of whom voluntarily waived their right to further due process; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives urge the Pennsylvania Task Force and Advisory Committee on Capital Punishment to complete its review, as directed by the Senate, and issue its report before any further executions are conducted in Pennsylvania.

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, Leader Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my amendment would remove the current language in the resolution and instead express the will of this House that the Pennsylvania Task Force and Advisory Committee on Capital Punishment complete its review of the death penalty before any further executions are conducted in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, the task force was originally directed by the Senate in 2011 to study the variety of policy, procedural, and other issues surrounding the imposition and administration of the death penalty in Pennsylvania. Those issues include important things such as cost, methods of execution, racial and socioeconomic factors, the impact on and services for family members of the victims, and more. There are serious concerns by both those who oppose the death penalty and many who support it about whether the death penalty is administered in Pennsylvania in accordance with the United States Constitution and in accordance with the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

We must ensure that our current system of capital punishment does not continue, as one Supreme Court Justice put it, simply out "...of habit and inattention rather than an acceptable deliberative process that weighs the costs and risks...."

Mr. Speaker, this amendment makes it clear that this House supports that kind of deliberative process. The Governor's decision to temporarily delay the execution of an inmate is an exclusive power granted to him under Article IV of the Constitution of Pennsylvania. His decision to use that power to delay all executions until the task force report has been delivered and considered is not only constitutional, but also responsible. We need to be clear: The temporary reprieves granted by the Governor do not alter the conviction or sentence of any death row inmate. They do not change the conditions of confinement for any convicted murderer. They do not interfere with the investigation or prosecution of capital crimes or with the ability of judges or juries in Pennsylvania to impose the death penalty. They simply recognize that in Pennsylvania, as elsewhere, death penalty cases are far more complex and raise far more issues and have a far greater impact on society than other cases in our justice system.

As a result, there are currently 184 individuals on death row in Pennsylvania. In the nearly 40 years since our State reestablished the death penalty, we have only carried out the sentence three times. In those three cases, the convicted waived all their rights to further due process.

Mr. Speaker, the people of Pennsylvania deserve the opportunity to review the expense, inefficiency, and potential injustice of our system of capital punishment before any further executions are conducted in Pennsylvania, and that is why I am asking for a "yes" vote on this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vereb.

Mr. VEREB. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Thank you to the minority leader for the amendment. Unfortunately I have to rise and oppose this amendment. This amendment essentially endorses fully the actions of the Governor. I agree that, and we all agree, that we should not be putting people down that do not belong there in the first place. You wonder why the list of people grows on death row—Putting people down, I am sorry. I could not come up with the right word at the time.

But at the end of the day, 57 people unanimously have to agree to the facts of the case, 57 people. What we are saying here is that their reviews of the facts and their reviews of the issues in the case are subject to review, and we should hold off on following their wishes until this unknown date and time comes upon us when a commission that none of us are represented in, is already a year and a half late, and there is no end in sight for at least the next 6 months.

So for a number of reasons that I have stated publicly before, I ask you to oppose this amendment. We are seeking justice, and that justice is for the victims. In the latest victim's case, they have been waiting since 1993 until this past Friday, and that justice was not done. So I ask you to oppose this amendment, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Thomas, the floor is yours.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I stand to support Representative Dermody's amendment. The amendment is timely, on point, and does not change the direction of things. It does not overturn any death penalty cases. It does not interfere with any death penalty cases. And, Mr. Speaker, more importantly, this is no intrusion on the executive branch of government. If we go with the resolution without the amendment, this would be tantamount to intruding on the executive branch of government.

And, Mr. Speaker, let me just kind of close out with this.

I just got a substantive report from the Innocence Project. Some of you are familiar with the Innocence Project. There have been 1,610 exonerations, exonerations moved by both the use of DNA, as my friend back here mentioned about technology, and many exonerations without DNA, many involving death penalty cases. Mr. Speaker, are we prepared, are we prepared to say that one government-sponsored wrongfully life, one wrongful conviction, a government-sponsored execution that we later found out that it was just wrong?

And these exonerations that the Innocence Project has been involved in, the average number of years behind bars for execution and/or life has been about 14 years. For an average of 14 years, men and women have lingered behind bars wrongfully, wrongfully, wrongfully. And, Mr. Speaker, the Governor is on point with asking that we stop for a minute, step back for a minute and take a look at our death penalty policy in Pennsylvania and whether or not there has been an impact, whether it has changed the dynamics of crime in Pennsylvania, has it resulted in unnecessary costs. I can stand here and say to you that in my term, my tenure here in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, I have witnessed an increase. When I came in office, there were 10,000 people in Pennsylvania prisons. There are almost 40,000 today, 40,000 today.

When we look at the corrections budget, the budget has actually exploded in the last decade, last two decades. So this question is really not about where you are on the death penalty, whether you are for or against it. It is really not about that. It is really about whether or not the executive branch of government

can take a moment to take a look at the application of death penalty in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and whether it has made any sense.

And in order to take a good look at it, you need to call for a stay of current actions until that takes place. We have a commission, and the fact that the task force has not come back with a report, I mean, I was looking for a report from the fair funding commission on the day, but it is not ready. They wanted more time. They wanted more time. So I am not prepared to slam the door on a report from the task force.

So, Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, allow the Governor to do what he is constitutionally in a position to do, and if the result can save one life, one life that should not be executed, we should give the Governor that opportunity. It is not going to change the dynamics of anything, but we need to take a look at the application of this policy, especially in the growing number of exonerations that we have witnessed in Pennsylvania and across the country of aggressive prosecution, without having all of the facts and having all of the information that is needed to make a fair decision.

So I ask that we support the Dermody amendment from both sides of the aisle. It is not about where you are on capital punishment. It is about where you are on the power of the executive branch of government to evaluate the application of a policy that has been in place.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The majority whip has indicated that Representative Godshall would like to be placed back on the master roll. That request is granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 143 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Any other members wishing to speak on Leader Dermody's amendment?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—80

Acosta	Davidson	Harhai	Parker, C.
Barbin	Davis	Harkins	Pashinski
Bishop	Dawkins	Harris, J.	Petrarca
Bizzarro	Dean	Kavulich	Rader
Boback	Deasy	Keller, W.	Ravenstahl
Boyle	DeLissio	Kim	Readshaw
Bradford	Dermody	Kinsey	Roebuck
Briggs	Donatucci	Kirkland	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Driscoll	Kortz	Sainato
Brown, V.	English	Kotik	Samuelson
Burns	Evans	Longietti	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Fabrizio	Mahoney	Schlossberg
Carroll	Farina	Markosek	Schreiber
Cohen	Flynn	Matzie	Sims
Conklin	Frankel	McCarter	Snyder
Costa, D.	Freeman	McNeill	Sturla
Costa, P.	Gainey	Miller, D.	Thomas
Cruz	Gibbons	Mullery	Vitali
Daley, M.	Goodman	Neuman	Wheatley
Daley, P.	Hanna	O'Brien	Youngblood

NAYS—111

Adolph	Hahn	Marsico	Regan
Baker	Harhart	Masser	Roae
Barrar	Harper	McGinnis	Ross
Benninghoff	Harris, A.	Mentzer	Saccone
Bloom	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sankey
Causer	Helm	Metzgar	Schemel
Christiana	Hennessey	Miccarelli	Simmons
Corbin	Hickernell	Millard	Sonney
Cox	Hill	Miller, B.	Staats
Culver	Irvin	Milne	Stephens
Cutler	James	Moul	Tallman
Day	Jozwiak	Murt	Taylor
Delozier	Kampf	Mustio	Tobash
Diamond	Kaufert	Nesbit	Toepel
DiGirolamo	Kauffman	O'Neill	Toohil
Dunbar	Keller, F.	Oberlander	Topper
Dush	Keller, M.K.	Ortitay	Truitt
Ellis	Killion	Parker, D.	Vereb
Emrick	Klunk	Payne	Ward
Everett	Knowles	Peifer	Warner
Farry	Krieger	Petri	Watson
Fee	Lawrence	Pickett	Wentling
Gabler	Lewis	Pyle	Wheeland
Gillen	Mackenzie	Quigley	White
Gillespie	Maher	Quinn	Zimmerman
Gingrich	Major	Rapp	
Godshall	Maloney	Reed	Turzai,
Greiner	Marshall	Reese	Speaker
Grove			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—7

DeLuca	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
Evankovich	Gergely	Saylor	

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

The SPEAKER. Members, we can actually bring up the resolution. Unlike a bill, we can actually bring up the underlying resolution even though it has been amended, so the resolution 143 as amended by the Barbin amendment will be before the chamber.

Representative Cohen. That is on the resolution.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, like many of my colleagues, I am disappointed that the Dermody amendment did not pass. I believe the Dermody amendment represented a sensible solution to the problem that this resolution poses. Justice Potter Stewart once described the effect of the death penalty as follows. He said that the chances of a convicted murderer actually getting the death penalty are roughly similar to the chances of the average person getting killed by lightning.

The simple fact was then, and is today, and is today even more strongly than it was in Justice Stewart's lifetime, that only a very, very small percentage of people who are convicted of murder get the death penalty. The overwhelming majority of judges in this Commonwealth have never ever once sentenced anybody to the death penalty. There are some counties in Pennsylvania where nobody has ever once been sentenced to the

death penalty. There is no visible statistical relationship between what the status of the death penalty is in Pennsylvania and the number of murders in Pennsylvania.

The last person executed from the death penalty was executed in 1999. It is certainly conceivable that at that point somebody somewhere in Pennsylvania was deterred from committing a murder because of the death penalty, but in that year, there were 594 murders, in 2013, the last year complete statistics are officially available. There are 800,000 more people in Pennsylvania than there were in 1999, and the number of murders in Pennsylvania, after many years of not having a death penalty, actually rose from 592 to all of 594. One can look at the statistics and draw any conclusions, but it is a substantially random thing as to how many people are killed in any year, and whether or not there is an execution from the death penalty or not has very, very little to do with it.

Years ago, as a young legislator, I voted to support the death penalty. I voted for the bill in 1978. More recently Representative Michael McGeehan introduced a bill to try to remove some of the obstacles to actually implement the death penalty. I supported that. It had no effect. During the years of legalization of the death penalty, after courts had twice stricken it down, only three people have been killed by the State, legally been executed for the death penalty. During that period of time, something like 25 people on death row have died of natural causes, and three people on death row have committed suicide. And the cost of implementing the death penalty is about \$10 million a year. If we had unlimited money, maybe we could justify spending \$10 million a year on this project. We do not have unlimited money in this Commonwealth. Ten million dollars a year is a lot of money. We ought to be phasing it out and winding it down. It is very clear that the death penalty under current law simply is incapable of being executed.

Years ago I learned of ancient Jewish history. In the early years of this millennium, there were self-governing communities all over Europe, and those self-governing communities had the death penalty. But it is interesting to note that the death penalty there became increasingly cumbersome as time went on. It evolved into a system whereby the official position of the Jewish community, probably relating to the biblical injunction of an "eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," was watered down so that one-third of the jurors were appointed by the prosecutor, one-third of the jurors were appointed by the judge, and one-third of the jurors were appointed by the defendant. And under their rules, there had to be unanimous verdict to achieve the death penalty. And the number of jurors started out at about 36, and gradually over time, each time somebody somehow was given the death penalty, the hue and cry arose and a number of jurors were added. And finally they wound up with a situation where there were roughly 1,000 jurors on each case in which the death penalty was involved, and there had to be a unanimous vote of these 1,000 jurors, one-third of whom were appointed by the defendant. Obviously, few if any people were killed from the death penalty.

We now have a situation which is just like that situation. We have a death penalty in name only. We have a death penalty which is so obscured by procedural regulation and complex and expensive litigation, it is just about impossible to execute.

This is money, the \$10 million that we are now spending per year on the death penalty, about \$370 million a year since the death penalty was reestablished — \$370 million, rather, accumulatively since the death penalty was established. This is

essentially a waste of money. It aggravates the problems of bringing closure for victims who lost a loved one. The death penalty hassle over whether or not somebody is executed can go on for 20, 30 years or more. This is no way to treat victims, by endlessly reminding them of what they have lost. This is no way to execute the values of our society, by having a death penalty in name only that does not lead to any executions and does not visibly or measurably deter crime and does not visibly or measurably deter the crime of murder.

For all these reasons, Mr. Speaker, I would urge a "no" vote on HR 143.

The SPEAKER. On the resolution, Chairman Thomas.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise again to urge my colleagues to vote "no" on HR 143. And, Mr. Speaker, it is important to point out that you do not have to deal with the question of whether you support or oppose the death penalty. That is not the issue that is before us. So whether you are for or against the death penalty is not the issue before us. The issue before us is whether or not the executive branch of government, whether the chief executive officer for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has a constitutional right to take a look at the application of the death penalty law in Pennsylvania and determine whether it has had any impact, negative or positive, financial or no financial, one part of the State versus another part of the State. As a constitutionally empowered leader of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, he is able to do that.

Mr. Speaker, earlier I mentioned that any time, if we take a look at what has been going on since 2012, there has been a growing number of exonerations, people who have been wrongfully on death row, spent an average of 14 years behind bars, and are now free because of either DNA, which is technology, or prosecutorial misconduct. I have in front of me an outline of some of the problems. The current death row population in Pennsylvania is 188. Women, there are four women on death row. Pennsylvania's death penalty policy does allow for life without parole as an option.

As of today there have been six people on death row that have been found to have served a minimum of 14 years wrongfully on death row, without either access to good counsel or technology or just bad facts during the prosecution. And so, Mr. Speaker, as long as there is one person that could end up dying wrongfully under our current death penalty policy, should we not give the Governor an opportunity to take a look at it since we have not received a report from the task force? And we expect that report to be coming in soon, especially now that we are having this conversation.

So, Mr. Speaker, I think it is the right thing, it is the right thing, it is the right thing to let the Governor take a look at this issue and provide us with some real facts and a right overview of whether or not this policy has been applied properly in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, I saw a message from the Pope on the whole question of death penalty. The Catholic conference of churches has taken the position in opposition to capital punishment. But more importantly, it is nothing wrong for you and I as lawmakers or as the chief executive officer for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to take a look at the application of the law and whether it has had any impact.

That is a righteous question. That is a good question. That question would not disrupt anything. We have sunset laws throughout our books and our statutes. We have on many

occasions put together commissions, task forces, working groups to take a look at the impact of certain laws on the people of Pennsylvania. There is nothing wrong with that. And so all that is taking place in this conversation is whether or not the Governor should be allowed to do that. And, Mr. Speaker, I stand and support the Governor in taking a look at the impact of the death

penalty policy in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He did not ask me whether I am for or against the death penalty. He did not ask that question. He did not ask each and every one of us where you are on the death penalty policy in Pennsylvania.

I am sure that once the study comes back, once he comes back with some real information on the impact of the death penalty policy, then each and every one of us will be able to take a position on whether we support it or whether we are opposed to it. And the people of Pennsylvania will have an opportunity to do that. But do not take away from the Governor his ability to take a look at the death penalty policy in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Vote "no" on the House resolution.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to this resolution. And I wanted to start out by quoting from a recent letter that Pope Francis wrote in March: "Pope Francis says nothing can justify the use of the death penalty and there is no 'right' way to humanely kill another person." Pope Francis went on to say, "Capital punishment 'does not render justice to the victims, but rather fosters vengeance.'"

I would also like to quote from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops on the issue of the death penalty. They say in a February 2011 letter, "Catholic teaching on human life is rooted in the belief that all life has inherent dignity and is a gift from God..." and it "...must be respected and defended from conception until natural death." The United States Catholic Bishops in 2005 said, "Ending...the death penalty would be one important step away from a culture of death toward building a culture of life."

Directly on this, Governor Wolf's moratorium, I would like to quote a statement from Archbishop Charles – I hope I am saying this right – Chaput. He says, and this is directly with regard to the moratorium at hand we are dealing with, "I'm grateful" – and this is the leader of the Catholic church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia – "I'm grateful to Governor Wolf for choosing to take a deeper look into these studies and I pray we can find a better way to punish those who are guilty of these crimes." And I am quoting the Archbishop: "Turning away from capital punishment does not diminish our support for the families of murder victims." Continuing the quote, "They bear a terrible burden of grief and they rightly demand justice. But killing the guilty does not honor the dead nor does it ennoble the living. When we take a guilty person's life we only add to the violence in an already violent culture and we demean our own dignity in the process."

I looked at a couple of statistics. "The U.S., as the only remaining Western country to regularly administer the death penalty..."; "...the death penalty are typically..." applied in, according to this paper, "...more corrupt and dictatorial ones..." like North Korea, Iran, Iraq, Yemen, and so forth. According to these statistics, today over 140 nations have abolished the death penalty either by law or in practice.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is time for us to move on. I think the examination of this issue by Governor Wolf is a good thing, and I do ask for opposition to this resolution. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to HR 143, and I do that with a 25-year history of voting to support the death penalty. But this is not about the death penalty; it is about trying to embarrass our Governor. What is most disappointing about that is, just last week the majority leader stood at that podium and he said that he did not want us to look like Washington and to act like Washington, yet here we are today doing exactly what Washington does in taking meaningless votes designed to embarrass the chief executive.

Mr. Speaker, what we should be doing is adopting the Dermody amendment and working in a bipartisan fashion to fix whatever is wrong with PA's capital punishment statute so we could carry it out knowing it is being done in a moral and a responsible manner.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a "no" vote on HR 143.

The SPEAKER. Representative Pyle.

Mr. PYLE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am going to get it right out there: I stand in support of HR 143.

There are far, far more intelligent people on the floor of this House than me. Although I personally agree with the principle of capital punishment, I stand on behalf of the Borough of Apollo.

Not to correct my friend from Montgomery County, but actually, the longest-serving people on death row have been there 31 years. They are the murderers, confessed, admitted, proven murderers of 21-year-old rookie policeman Leonard C. Miller. On the third night he rode by himself, these men came across a bridge from Westmoreland County. They drew his attention to a parking lot, and then when he approached the car, they sped off and he let them go, and then they turned around and they came back and they put four shots into him from a .357 Magnum. And as he lay on Route 66 watching their car get away, they turned around the last time and they came back and they knelt him up on Route 66 and they put a gun in the back of his head and killed him. Now, one gentleman last year was just quoted as saying, "Thank God it's Pennsylvania. I'll get hit by a truck before they execute me."

I find great irony, Mr. Speaker, that we hear quotes from the Good Book, which I always welcome, but there is another one there that says, render unto Caesar that which is Caesar's and unto God which is God's. I do not pretend to be God, but when they violate our law and execute our public servants who are dedicated to keeping us safe, and admitted that they did it, the Governor, with due respect, can study that all he likes.

Please vote for HR 143. It is the right thing to do.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike O'Brien.

Mr. O'BRIEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

"Condemning." "Unconstitutional." "Usurp." Somehow it seems to me these are not words we use to convey the will of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. These are words that one uses to demagogue. It seems to me that when you use words like "put down," like a ravenous animal, it does not reflect the will of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. But let us consider for one moment His Excellency, the Governor, has said the word "moratorium." He has said that

word. He has said, I will execute my authority not to sign a death warrant. He said it, but for 16 years it was done without being said. His Excellency's predecessor did not sign a death warrant. His predecessor did not sign a death warrant. In essence, there has been a moratorium by the will of the Governor, not the will of the General Assembly, but by the will of the Governor, for 16 years.

Quite earnestly, this resolution should be referred back to committee. I am not making that motion, but it should be referred back to committee to add the names of the preceding Governors who did not sign death warrants and instituted their moratorium on the death penalty.

Quite honestly, Mr. Speaker, this resolution is nothing, nothing but a total hissy fit. I will be a "no."

The SPEAKER. Representative Madeleine Dean.

Mrs. DEAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to oppose HR 143, and it is not at all on the issue of the death penalty. Whether I am for or against it really does not matter because that is not what we are voting on today. What we are voting on today is language, and I would suggest to you language matters.

As our good Speaker has told us earlier today, how we talk about people, how we speak about people actually matters. So let me just read to you three brief segments of this resolution and be sure we want to speak like this. This is a resolution condemning the Governor's act to usurp the authority of the General Assembly, "WHEREAS, The reprieve that Governor...has granted is actually, by the Governor's admission, a subterfuge by which he is refusing to impose..." a "...sentence...." A "subterfuge," "condemning," these are the words we are going to use here if we pass this.

"WHEREAS, The Governor's action in standing side by side with the inmates on death row, fighting to overturn their sentences even as he expresses confidence in their guilt, makes a mockery of..." the "...claim that he 'stands with victims of violence.'"

"Mockery," "standing side by side," "condemning," "subterfuge" – language matters.

Unfortunately, sadly, this resolution I think is very ineffective. It not only speaks a series of ad hominem attacks and inaccurate statements, but it codifies them. We can and must do better. We should not codify ad hominem attacks.

I urge a "no" vote.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative SANTARSIERO has requested to be placed on leave for the rest of the day. That request will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 143 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Members, if there is no other member that wishes to speak, the last speaker is going to be the maker of the resolution. So I just want to give anybody else an opportunity if you want to speak.

Representative Bishop, I apologize.

Ms. BISHOP. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, having been a member of this House for some 27-and-something years, I find that we do not begin a single session without having prayer and believing in a higher power.

And therefore, I would like just to take one minute to remind each and every one of us who believes in a higher power that this amendment is out of harmony with the higher power. We never begin a session without having an opportunity to be offering a prayer to a higher power. This amendment, this belief in everything those of us who believe in about a higher power is against it, for it does say "thou shalt not kill," and I do not believe any of us has the power, have been given the power to stand up and vote for an amendment that says "thou shalt kill."

So for all of us who are here today, we need to do some soul-searching before we look at how we vote to take or to put in effect something that will take another man's life. I do not think any of us are that powerful. So I would say, vote "no" against this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

Any other members wishing to speak before the sponsor?

Representative Vereb, the final speaker on the resolution.

Thank you, sir.

Mr. VEREB. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is not about me or the Governor or any particular victim. In fact, I thank the Governor – it must be allergies on the other side – I thank the Governor for reaching out to me. We had several discussions with myself, with the D.A.s Association, and we obviously disagree, but we respectfully disagree, thus the reason amendments were put on this resolution in committee and then here on the floor.

You know, to have your motive questioned on the floor of why you drafted this bill, calling it a hissy fit, respectfully, is skulduggery.

Mr. Speaker, I have had those conversations, and I am not going to speak one word ill about the Governor since this meeting, and I did not do it in committee and I will not do it today.

If you feel that our death penalty is killing the wrong people, then introduce a bill to repeal it, but the Senate resolution did not call for moratoriums, the Senate resolution that reports a year and a half late because of the amount of work they are doing. Our D.A.s Association very strongly worded support for this resolution, Republicans and Democrats. Our D.A.s do not take this death penalty loosely; in fact, on a number of murder cases, the death penalty is not sought. It is saved for the most heinous crimes committed. Now, every murder is heinous, but that is up to the D.A. to decide. It is not up to us; it is not up to the Governor.

And I am not sure where I missed it, but our previous Governor, the predecessor of Governor Wolf, was Governor Corbett. Of course he signed death warrants, and he issued Hubert Michael a reprieve because the Department of Corrections was not ready and suited to carry out the execution – the exact use and proper use of a reprieve.

This resolution is about Terrence Williams and Hubert Michael because they are the ones that have exhausted 20 years, 30 years of appeals. We want those appeals, do we not? We want to provide good legal counsel to these people so that we are not killing innocent people.

I did not set this process up. Governor Wolf did not set this process up, but the bottom line, it is the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

So you can call it a hissy fit. You can call it whatever you want to call it, just all I ask you to do is vote how you feel you need to vote. Do not question my motive for why I drafted this

resolution, because what some may not know is I have had very constructive conversations with this Governor, and he has been very understanding and he wants these people in a very dark place. The only difference between the Governor's and my definition of a "dark place" is mine is 6 feet under.

I ask for your support for this resolution, and I thank you for all the debate on this resolution. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House adopt the resolution as amended?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—119

Adolph	Godshall	Mahoney	Reed
Baker	Greiner	Major	Reese
Barbin	Grove	Maloney	Regan
Barrar	Hahn	Marshall	Roae
Benninghoff	Harhai	Marsico	Rozzi
Bloom	Harhart	Masser	Saccone
Burns	Harper	McGinnis	Sainato
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Farry	Lawrence	Pickett	White
Fee	Lewis	Pyle	Zimmerman
Gabler	Longjetti	Quigley	
Gillen	Mackenzie	Quinn	Turzai,
Gillespie	Maher	Rapp	Speaker
Gingrich			

NAYS—71

Acosta	Dean	Harris, J.	Petrarca
Bishop	Deasy	Kavulich	Rader
Bizzarro	DeLissio	Keller, W.	Ravenstahl
Boback	Dermody	Kim	Readshaw
Boyle	Diamond	Kinsey	Roebuck
Bradford	Donatucci	Kirkland	Ross
Briggs	Driscoll	Kortz	Samuelson
Brown, R.	Evans	Kotik	Schlossberg
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Daley, P.	Goodman	O'Brien	Wheatley
Davidson	Hanna	Parker, C.	Youngblood
Dawkins	Harkins	Pashinski	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

DeLuca	Galloway	Santarsiero	Saylor
Evankovich	Gergely	Santora	Schweyer

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 185, PN 177**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for the offense of dealing in infant children.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 954, PN 1689**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, further providing for the offense of sale of tobacco and for the offense of use of tobacco in schools.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The minority whip has requested leaves of absence for Representative WHEATLEY and Representative BRADFORD. Those leaves will be granted.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR D

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1276, PN 1686**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for persons required to report suspected child abuse, for access to information in Statewide database, for release of information in confidential reports, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for volunteers having contact with children, for continued employment or participation in program, activity or service, for certification compliance and for mandatory reporting of children under one year of age.

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

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

Amend Bill, page 12, lines 28 through 30, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 6. Section 6344.2(a), (b.1) and (f) of Title 23, amended October 22, 2014 (P.L.2529, No.153), are amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Amend Bill, page 14, by inserting between lines 18 and 19

(g) Waiver of fees for certain background checks.—The fees for certifications provided under section 6344(b)(1) and (2) which a volunteer is required to complete under this section shall be waived and the certifications shall be provided free of charge to the volunteer under the following conditions:

(1) The background check is necessary to comply with the requirements of subsection (b).

(2) The background check may not be used, and shall not be valid, to satisfy the requirements for employment under section 6344(b) or any other law for which a similar background check may be required.

(3) A background check shall only be provided free of charge to a volunteer once every 36 months.

(4) The volunteer certifies, under penalty of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities), the following:

(i) The background check is necessary to satisfy the requirements under subsection (b).

(ii) The volunteer has not received a background check free of charge within the previous 36 months.

(iii) The volunteer understands that the check shall not be valid or used for any other purpose.

Section 7. Sections 6344.3(e) and (f) and 6344.4 of Title 23, added October 22, 2014 (P.L.2529, No.153), are amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 17, line 28, by striking out "7" and inserting 8

Amend Bill, page 18, line 16, by striking out "8" and inserting 9

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Moul.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

What amendment 1884 does is it allows volunteers who are truly volunteers to have their background checks at no charge. Today the Governor put out a press release saying that he is going to, by Executive order, give these out for free; however, we need to put it in statute so that it remains that way.

So I encourage a positive vote on 1884, on this amendment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Leader Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would just like to point out that Representative Dean had this very same language in an amendment, so clearly, we all want to help our volunteers, and I would urge a "yes" vote on the amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Reed, the majority leader.

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

I would urge a "yes" vote on this amendment as well. A number of members have been working on this concept for quite some time. Obviously, the Governor has come on board

today as well. I would encourage a "yes" vote to put this into statute. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—188

Acosta	Evans	Kortz	Quinn
Adolph	Everett	Kotik	Rader
Baker	Fabrizio	Krieger	Rapp
Barbin	Farina	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farry	Lewis	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fee	Longietti	Reed
Bishop	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Bizzarro	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Boback	Gabler	Major	Roebuck
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sankey
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Schemel
Causar	Greiner	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schreiber
Cohen	Hahn	Mentzer	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hill	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	Neuman	Topper
Day	James	O'Brien	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufert	Ortitay	Ward
Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Driscoll	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dush	Kinsey	Pickett	
Ellis	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
English	Knowles		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evankovich	Santarsiero		

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

BILL PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER. Members, we are going to go over HB 1276 until Monday.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR C

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1099, PN 1755**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for the Environmental Quality Board.

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 that question, the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, is recognized.
Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I first want to congratulate the maker of the bill. I know his intent as a new member of the Environmental Quality Board is to make it a better board and to provide the members with all of the resources they need at their disposal to do as good a job as possible. So I want to thank the gentleman for his efforts in this regard.

I just wanted to ask the gentleman a few questions on interrogation, if the maker will stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The good gentleman has indicated he will stand for interrogation.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Now, I just want to read your language and I want to ask you – I want to establish some legislative intent here. Your language, in part, says, "The Department of Environmental Protection" – this is new language of you – "shall appoint..." an independent "...counsel...who shall also serve as an independent counsel to members of the board..." so forth and so on. And then it talks later on, "...communication between the independent counsel and a board...shall be...subject to the attorney-client privilege."

Now, as we discussed in yesterday's floor debate, the Environmental Quality Board already has a counsel. If your amendment would become law, could that counsel or – well, we will just start here. Could that counsel serve as the independent counsel for board members or would another counsel have to be appointed?

Mr. MAHER. The answer to this question has not changed since yesterday, Mr. Speaker. The answer remains the same, that the Department of Environmental Protection could appoint the same individual who is named as being counsel to this board. All this bill does is clarifies the fuzzy question of, where is the duty of this attorney? Is the attorney's duty to the board and its members, or to the DEP? It is very simple. There are

many members on this board who are appointed from a variety of directions. Upon our stepping into a board role, each and any one of us who is a member of a board has a duty to that board. This bill simply ensures the counsel to the board has that same duty.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. So that would be a yes, just to be clear? That would be yes? Your answer to my question would be yes?

The SPEAKER. Excuse me. Would the gentleman please suspend.

The good gentleman from Delaware County, please, we do not conduct cross-examination or direct-examination here on the House floor. It is just to inquire about the facts with respect to a bill or amendment. If you want to comment on the legislation itself, I will turn the floor over to you at this time.

Mr. VITALI. Right; I know. I just wanted to, because I know that the gentleman is very intelligent and gave a very long answer, but I just kind of wanted to boil it down.

So the current counsel could serve as this independent counsel. Is that correct?

Mr. MAHER. That would be entirely up to the Department of Environmental Protection. There is no prohibition against whoever this individual is. It simply clarifies that the counsel to the board has a duty to the board as opposed to a duty to the department whose payroll they are on.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. And not to beat this issue to death, the current environmental counsel has other duties in addition to advising board members. If your bill is enacted and if the Department of Environmental Protection appointed this current person as the independent counsel for EQB, could the current attorney also do other work for the DEP, or would her duties be limited exclusively to advising members of the EQB?

Mr. MAHER. I am not in a position to advise the gentleman on the rules of professional conduct as with respect to attorneys. And I will offer, though, that the amendment we adopted yesterday was to embrace the suggestion that the Pennsylvania Bar Association made as to provide some clarity about this issue.

Now, as to what this person does in the rest of their time, I have no comment. This bill is not about what they do in the rest of their time. I do not know what they do in the rest of their time. And you are presupposing that the Department of Environmental Protection will choose to assign this particular individual, and I do not think our debate is supposed to be about what happens to particular individuals. This is simply about ensuring that the Environmental Quality Board's counsel has a duty to the Environmental Quality Board and not to one of the many appointing authorities.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. That concludes my interrogation, and I would just like to speak on the bill.

The SPEAKER. On the bill, Representative Vitali, the floor is yours.

Mr. VITALI. Again, I would like to salute the maker of the bill for his efforts.

And as the gentleman describes and what I am hearing is the current EQB counsel, current counsel, could advise these members, but the problem I have with this bill is that it is simply not needed.

I have been on the Environmental Quality Board now, this is my third year. No one, no member of that board at any time has ever, in either a formal way or an informal way or an offhand comment, said, "Boy, I wish we had independent counsel."

There has been no, no expressed need for independent counsel. The current counsel I think does an excellent job.

And if you consider the Environmental Quality Board and its current members, essentially what they are are Secretaries of the Governor; for example, the Department of Transportation, Labor and Industry, and so forth, and appointees of the four caucus leaders, and we all have access to our own counsel in addition to the current counsel. For example, you know, the current attorney, her name is Kim Childe, to make it simple. She is out there offering advice. And the idea that the Labor Secretary, let us say Kathy Manderino in this case, would not rely – the Governors appoint, they are both gubernatorial appointees – but the idea that they would not rely on the current counsel really is kind of far-fetched. The four legislative appointees— I mean, frankly, our lawyers populate this very room. I mean, there is no real shortage of lawyers for the House members or the Senate members, Democrats or Republicans, to look at when we are looking for legal advice.

So there is, really – although I am not sure how harmful in the end this will be – frankly, there may be the opportunity for some mischief or unintended consequences, but in the end, this simply is, there is no demonstrated need for an independent counsel for the EQB. Things are working fine just the way they are. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Tim Hennessey. He waives off.

Representative John Maher.

Mr. MAHER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

For the information of the members, although the prior speaker may have missed it, this proposal has been introduced repeatedly since 2007, and generally by members of the party that is across the aisle from us. In fact, I admit, I admit that I got this great thought from a Democratic Senator who serves on the EQB with me, and I think it is a good thought. I think it is an evenhanded thought.

I think this strengthens the Environmental Quality Board by ensuring that it has counsel that will have a dedicated purpose of calling balls and strikes in the context of the EQB. Not all the members are Cabinet members; not all the members are legislators. There are folks from the citizens advisory committee. There are all sorts of people who participate in this process, and that board deserves to have counsel that has a duty to ensure that that board is told the straightforward answers to whatever the questions are.

This is not casting aspersions on anyone. It is just good housekeeping. It is the sort of thing we would expect in most governments, in most businesses, in most organizations, that there is a duty to that entity by those who would purport to be its attorney.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

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—160

Adolph	Fabrizio	Kotik	Pyle
Baker	Farina	Krieger	Quigley
Barbin	Farry	Lawrence	Quinn
Barrar	Fee	Lewis	Rader
Benninghoff	Flynn	Longietti	Rapp
Bizzarro	Frankel	Mackenzie	Ravenstahl
Bloom	Gabler	Maher	Readshaw
Boback	Gibbons	Mahoney	Reed
Brown, R.	Gillen	Major	Reese
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Maloney	Regan
Burns	Gingrich	Marshall	Roae
Caltagirone	Godshall	Marsico	Ross
Carroll	Goodman	Masser	Saccone
Causer	Greiner	Matzie	Sainato
Christiana	Grove	McGinnis	Sankey
Cohen	Hahn	McNeill	Schemel
Conklin	Hanna	Mentzer	Simmons
Corbin	Harhai	Metcalfe	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Metzgar	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Miccarelli	Staats
Cox	Harper	Millard	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, B.	Sturla
Culver	Heffley	Miller, D.	Tallman
Cutler	Helm	Milne	Taylor
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Moul	Tobash
Davis	Hickernell	Mullery	Toepel
Day	Hill	Murt	Toohil
Deasy	Irvin	Mustio	Topper
Delozier	James	Nesbit	Truitt
Dermody	Jozwiak	Neuman	Vereb
Diamond	Kampf	O'Neill	Ward
DiGirolamo	Kaufner	Oberlander	Warner
Donatucci	Kauffman	Ortitay	Watson
Driscoll	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Wentling
Dunbar	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wheeland
Dush	Keller, M.K.	Payne	White
Ellis	Keller, W.	Peifer	Zimmerman
Emrick	Killion	Petrarca	
English	Klunk	Petri	Turzai,
Evans	Knowles	Pickett	Speaker
Everett	Kortz		

NAYS—28

Acosta	Dean	Kirkland	Samuelson
Bishop	DeLissio	Markosek	Schlossberg
Boyle	Freeman	McCarter	Schreiber
Briggs	Gainey	O'Brien	Sims
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Parker, C.	Thomas
Davidson	Kim	Roebuck	Vitali
Dawkins	Kinsey	Rozzi	Youngblood

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evankovich	Santarsiero		

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 662, PN 764**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Kinship Caregiver Navigator Pilot Program within the Department of Human Services.

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—182

Acosta	Emrick	Kirkland	Quigley
Adolph	English	Klunk	Quinn
Baker	Evans	Knowles	Rader
Barbin	Everett	Kortz	Rapp
Barrar	Fabrizio	Kotik	Ravenstahl
Benninghoff	Farina	Krieger	Readshaw
Bishop	Farry	Lawrence	Reed
Bizzarro	Fee	Lewis	Reese
Bloom	Flynn	Longietti	Regan
Boback	Frankel	Mackenzie	Roae
Boyle	Freeman	Maher	Roebuck
Briggs	Gabler	Mahoney	Ross
Brown, R.	Gainey	Major	Rozzi
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Maloney	Saccone
Burns	Gillen	Markosek	Sainato
Caltagirone	Gillespie	Marshall	Samuelson
Carroll	Gingrich	Marsico	Schemel
Causser	Godshall	Masser	Schlossberg
Christiana	Goodman	Matzie	Schreiber
Cohen	Greiner	McCarter	Simmons
Conklin	Grove	McNeill	Sims
Corbin	Hahn	Mentzer	Snyder
Costa, D.	Hanna	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harhai	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harhart	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harkins	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harper	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Harris, A.	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Heffley	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Helm	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hennessey	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Hickernell	Neuman	Topper
Day	Hill	O'Brien	Verab
Dean	James	O'Neill	Vitali
Deasy	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Ward
DeLissio	Kampf	Ortitay	Warner
Delozier	Kaufman	Parker, C.	Watson
Dermody	Kauffman	Parker, D.	Wentling
Diamond	Kavulich	Pashinski	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Payne	White
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Youngblood
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Turzai,
Ellis	Kinsey	Pyle	Speaker

NAYS—6

Irvin	Metcalf	Sankey	Truitt
McGinnis	Metzgar		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evankovich	Santarsiero		

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 64, PN 55**, entitled:

An Act providing for suicide prevention continuing education.

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—188

Acosta	Evans	Kortz	Quinn
Adolph	Everett	Kotik	Rader
Baker	Fabrizio	Krieger	Rapp
Barbin	Farina	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farry	Lewis	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fee	Longietti	Reed
Bishop	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Bizzarro	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Boback	Gabler	Major	Roebuck
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sankey
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Schemel
Causser	Greiner	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schreiber
Cohen	Hahn	Mentzer	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalf	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney

Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hill	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	Neuman	Topper
Day	James	O'Brien	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufner	Ortitay	Ward
Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Driscoll	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dush	Kinsey	Pickett	
Ellis	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
English	Knowles		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evanovich	Santarsiero		

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.

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Upon unanimous consent, the Speaker recognizes Chairman Bill Adolph.

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

I want to thank the members of the House for their affirmative vote on HB 64. I am sure many families in Pennsylvania will also thank you.

And I am going to submit my remarks for the record. Thank you.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise to ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote on HB 64, also known as the Matt Adler Suicide Prevention Continuing Education Act. Sadly, many of us know someone who has been impacted by suicide. Suicide is incomprehensible to many, and for years was seen as a selfish choice made by the person taking that tragic act. Today we know that suicide can be caused by a variety of factors, both mental and physical. We also know that there are signs to watch out for and that if intervention is offered early enough, a life can be saved.

Mr. Speaker, the need for this legislation came to my attention because of the dedication of two of my constituents who want to make sure that others do not have to endure the pain and sorrow that they had to endure when they lost their son to suicide. These two amazing people decided that they needed to do something to help prevent a tragedy that brought their family so much grief. It has truly been my honor to partner with the Adler family to help them achieve the goal of getting the Matt Adler Suicide Prevention Continuing Education Act signed into law.

Mr. Speaker, their idea was to require professionals such as psychologists, social workers, counselors, and other professionals who deal with patients at risk for suicide to have, as part of their continuing education requirements for their State license, training in the assessment and treatment of suicide. Gary and Phyllis Adler have been instrumental in making this happen, and I want to thank them from the bottom of my heart for bringing this important piece of legislation to my attention.

The Matt Adler Suicide Prevention Continuing Education Act would require those who are licensed by the State Board of Psychology and the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors to have at least 1 hour of their current continuing education requirements in the assessment, treatment, and management of suicide risks. This legislation would help the approximately 26,000 professionals in Pennsylvania who deal with individuals at risk for suicide have the necessary training to recognize a person at risk for suicide and be knowledgeable on how to make sure that individual receives the proper help.

Many of these professionals are already doing a great job with helping those at risk get the proper treatment. The intent of this legislation is to help strengthen our provider's awareness of the growing problem of suicide and make sure they have current knowledge of best practices and helpful resources on how to best prevent suicide.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation will strengthen Pennsylvania's fight against this terrible tragedy, and I ask for the members' support.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 582, PN 651**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fees, further providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees.

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?

Representative Keller, I believe you are going to want to speak on HB 325. And I apologize; I, unfortunately, went out of order and I apologize. I am on HB 582. I will be at HB 325 next; I apologize.

Representative Keller, on HB 582.

Mr. W. KELLER. Mr. Speaker, this is the registration bill, the Causer registration bill?

The SPEAKER. Yes, it is.

Mr. W. KELLER. This is the one I would like to speak on.

The SPEAKER. Okay. Then that is my mistake. I was told that it was on HB 325; I do apologize.

Representative Keller is recognized on HB 582, and that is my fault. I do apologize.

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

May I interrogate, a brief interrogation of the maker of the bill, please?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will stand for interrogation.

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

Mr. Speaker, these are questions I should have had at the committee meeting, but I had a former employee funeral I had to attend. I was late for the meeting so I did not have a chance to ask at the meeting.

I know we have a fiscal note. I was wondering, when you considered this bill, did you consider the impact it would have on the Motor License Fund?

Mr. CAUSER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I considered all different aspects of the legislation including the fiscal impact. The legislation, it has been difficult to calculate a fiscal impact because it is difficult to look at exactly how many people would qualify for the program, but using the best estimates that we can, we estimate that an additional 28,000 people would qualify for the program. So the fiscal impact is estimated at \$976,000 per year.

Mr. W. KELLER. I agree, and it is hard to get your hands on numbers around here. So I had the same problem you did. That was about a 20-percent increase in the registrations, the discount for registrations. I think it would be more – and we are all speculating – it would be closer to 30 percent, which would be a \$1.3 million hit to the Motor License Fund.

Now, I know this is a bill that we want to make sure people have discounts, people who do not have enough income, but I know some of us made a tough vote to make sure the Motor License Fund had enough money to get the industry up and started, and we did a great job on that. Many members of this House did it.

I just want to point out – this is a good idea, but I want to point out every time we start to peck away at the Motor License Fund – it took us a long time to get that fund in good shape – and if we keep just taking \$1.5 million or, as PENNDOT said, \$4 million, they will continue to add up. I just want to make that point.

I think we should consider it, when we are talking about taking money out of the Motor License Fund, how difficult it was to get that bill passed, and we should not just say this is a good idea and take money out of the Motor License Fund anytime somebody comes up with a good idea.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Keller, again I apologize that I had not called on you for HB 582. I understand you just spoke on the bill.

Before I turn it over to Representative Causer, Representative DeLissio, on the bill.

Ms. DeLISSIO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the maker of the bill stand for a brief question?

The SPEAKER. Yes, he will. He has indicated he will.

Ms. DeLISSIO. Thank you.

Was there any consideration as we expand the amount of people – and I think the registration fee is currently \$36, so \$10 is less than a third of that – was there any consideration in raising that \$10 to \$15, perhaps, in order to accommodate that

broader group of people who would benefit by the discount? And mitigating what the Representative from Philadelphia is pointing out as a cautionary tale to us is that, you know, a million here and a million there and it all adds up.

Mr. CAUSER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is important to point out this is an exemption to the law. It is a current program that provides an exemption, and the \$10 fee is a fee in lieu of the current registration fee. So no, there is no increase in—

Ms. DeLISSIO. Fee.

Mr. CAUSER. —what that exemption fee is currently.

Ms. DeLISSIO. Okay. Thank you for pointing out that piece, had there been a consideration to raise the fee. Perhaps in the future, perhaps in the Senate that might be a way to proceed to mitigate the impact on that, still giving a hefty exemption and allowing for more people to participate.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Samuelson.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to commend Representative Causer for offering this legislation.

The last time this program was adjusted was July 1 of 1999. This is the program where our senior citizens can get their car registration for \$10, and the income limit is \$19,200, but that income limit was set on July 1 of 1999. So if you check the cost of living since July 1, 1999, the cost of living has gone up 41 percent. So just to keep pace with inflation, we could justify raising this income limit to \$27,072; \$27,072. Representative Causer had selected \$23,500.

I think it is a step in the right direction, and I encourage a "yes" vote so that our seniors can continue to benefit from this program and so that this program can keep up with inflation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Bill Keller, for the second time on the bill.

Mr. W. KELLER. And final.

That is great. Everybody likes that.

I would just like to point out, if you are willing to vote to put the money in, you have got to be careful about just letting it come out whenever you want. People who voted for straightening out the Motor License Fund, which we tried to straighten out for years around here, and now we are just— It is a great idea. Maybe people who made that hard vote should have these good ideas.

I know I am getting a little testy and I should not, but we have to be careful what we do around here. It is very hard to get these votes, and then we are now just going to say it is a good idea, take \$1 million here, \$1 1/2 million here, \$3 million, \$4 million, \$5 million – before you know it, we will meet to vote again and nobody will be willing to put that vote up again.

Be careful – we took care of this fund – be careful what you do taking money out of it. That is all I am saying. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Before I turn to the prime sponsor, does any other member wish to be recognized?

Representative Causer, on the bill, please.

Mr. CAUSER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am asking for support for HB 582.

I understand the revenue and the fiscal impact. This is a program that benefits the lowest income seniors with a vehicle registration exemption. It is a very modest increase, to be honest with you. It is just over \$4,000. The income threshold has not

been changed since 1998. The income limit that has been set is the same limit that we set for the PACENET (Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Needs Enhancement Tier) program. I think it is very fair and reasonable to adjust this program to mirror that, and as I said, it helps the lowest income senior citizens in the Commonwealth. I do understand the fiscal impact, but when we can raise the fuel tax to nearly the highest in the nation, can we not do something to help the seniors in our Commonwealth with the lowest income?

And I also want to point out that we have a heavily subsidized mass transit system in this Commonwealth, and those in rural PA do not have access to that mass transit system. In rural PA our people, you either have to maintain a vehicle or you do not get to go anywhere, so we do not have an option to go jump on a bus that is highly subsidized. We have to be able to purchase and maintain a vehicle.

So let us help the seniors in rural parts of the State and across the Commonwealth by supporting this threshold increase. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

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—180

Acosta	Fabrizio	Krieger	Quinn
Adolph	Farina	Lawrence	Rader
Baker	Farry	Lewis	Rapp
Barbin	Fee	Longiotti	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Flynn	Mackenzie	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Frankel	Maher	Reed
Bizzarro	Freeman	Mahoney	Reese
Bloom	Gabler	Major	Regan
Boback	Gainey	Maloney	Roae
Boyle	Gibbons	Markosek	Roebuck
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Ross
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Rozzi
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Saccone
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sainato
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Samuelson
Causar	Greiner	McGinnis	Sankey
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schemel
Conklin	Hahn	Mentzer	Schlossberg
Corbin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Schreiber
Costa, D.	Harhai	Metzgar	Simmons
Costa, P.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sims
Cox	Harkins	Millard	Snyder
Cruz	Harper	Miller, B.	Sonney
Culver	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Staats
Cutler	Harris, J.	Milne	Stephens
Daley, P.	Heffley	Moul	Sturla
Davidson	Helm	Mullery	Tallman
Davis	Hennessey	Murt	Taylor
Dawkins	Hickernell	Mustio	Tobash
Day	Hill	Nesbit	Toepel
Dean	Irvin	Neuman	Toohil
Deasy	James	O'Brien	Topper
DeLissio	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Truitt
Delozier	Kampf	Oberlander	Verab
Dermody	Kaufner	Ortitay	Vitali
Diamond	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Ward
DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Warner
Donatucci	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Watson

Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wentling
Dunbar	Killion	Peifer	Wheeland
Dush	Kim	Petrarca	White
Ellis	Kinsey	Petri	Zimmerman
Emrick	Klunk	Pickett	
English	Knowles	Pyle	Turzai,
Evans	Kortz	Quigley	Speaker
Everett	Kotik		

NAYS—8

Bishop	Cohen	Keller, W.	Thomas
Briggs	Daley, M.	Kirkland	Youngblood

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evankovich	Santarsiero		

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 325, PN 1342**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.327, No.85), known as the Auctioneer Licensing and Trading Assistant Registration Act, further providing for the title of the act, for definitions, for auctioneer and apprentice auctioneer licenses; providing for sales exempt from license requirements; further providing for status of existing licensees and for applications for initial and renewal licenses; providing for registration of trading assistants and trading assistant companies; further providing for special licensees to furnish bond and for authority to transact business not transferable; repealing provisions relating to auction house license, auction company license, trading assistant registration and nonresident licensees; further providing for reciprocity with other states; repealing provisions relating to licensee and registrant to furnish bond; further providing for no other license or registration required and for list of licensees and registrants; providing for contracts; further providing for records of sales; repealing provisions relating to contracts for conduct of transaction; and further providing for display of licenses, for investigations and enforcement actions, for escrow account, for hearing on charges, for administration and enforcement, for revocation or suspension of license or registration, for issuance of new license or registration pending investigation and decision, for issuance of new license or registration after revocation, for penalties, for actions by unlicensed persons prohibited and for the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners.

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—188

Acosta	Evans	Kortz	Quinn
Adolph	Everett	Kotik	Rader
Baker	Fabrizio	Krieger	Rapp
Barbin	Farina	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farry	Lewis	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fee	Longietti	Reed
Bishop	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Bizzarro	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Boback	Gabler	Major	Roebuck
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sankey
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Schemel
Causar	Greiner	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schreiber
Cohen	Hahn	Mentzer	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hill	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	Neuman	Topper
Day	James	O'Brien	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufer	Ortitay	Ward
Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Driscoll	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dush	Kinsey	Pickett	
Ellis	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
English	Knowles		

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evanovich	Santarsiero		

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 898, PN 1121**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further defining "emergency vehicle"; in operation of vehicles, further providing for drivers of emergency vehicles; and, in other required equipment, further providing for visual and audible signals on emergency vehicles and for visual signals on authorized vehicles.

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?

Representative Boyle is recognized.

Mr. BOYLE. HB 898 is a pretty straightforward piece of legislation. It allows for the Philadelphia prison service to again use red flashing lights when transporting prisoners to hospitals, and also while responding to emergencies within the Philadelphia prison complex.

I know that there is a question about the Philadelphia-specific nature of this legislation. It is needed because of just the sheer population of prisoners in the city of Philadelphia within the Philadelphia prison service. You are talking about between 8,000 and 10,000 inmates. That is double the population of Sullivan County. It is about a quarter of the population of the city of Harrisburg. So that is why we need this special right in the county of Philadelphia.

And there was an amendment that was put on this bill last term, which we kept on, from the gentlelady from Mercer County, who now serves in the State Senate, which also puts Pennsylvania Turnpike emergency vehicles, you put them also under the classification of emergency responders, so that also allows them to use flashing lights.

So I urge passage of this bill. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Tallman.

Mr. TALLMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am going to urge the members to vote "no" on this particular bill. There is nothing in this, the whole concept, they are not an emergency vehicle. So I have asked staff. They do not have to have emergency vehicle operations training. So why do I want a vehicle with sirens and red lights going through a busy intersection in Philadelphia when that person is not trained?

The life and safety is what emergency vehicles are for. I think this is an affront to those of us that actually drive emergency vehicles.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—120

Acosta	Donatucci	Kirkland	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Driscoll	Kortz	Readshaw
Barbin	Ellis	Kotik	Reed
Barrar	Evans	Krieger	Reese
Benninghoff	Everett	Longietti	Roebuck
Bishop	Fabrizio	Mackenzie	Ross
Bizzarro	Farina	Maher	Rozzi
Boyle	Farry	Mahoney	Sainato
Briggs	Fee	Markosek	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Flynn	Marshall	Schlossberg
Burns	Frankel	Matzie	Schreiber
Caltagirone	Freeman	McCarter	Sims
Carroll	Gainey	McNeill	Snyder
Christiana	Gibbons	Mentzer	Sonney
Cohen	Gillen	Miccarelli	Stephens
Conklin	Godshall	Milne	Sturla
Corbin	Hanna	Mullery	Taylor
Costa, P.	Harhai	Murt	Thomas
Cox	Harkins	Mustio	Toepel
Cruz	Harper	Neuman	Toohil
Cutler	Harris, J.	O'Brien	Vereb
Daley, M.	Hennessey	O'Neill	Vitali
Daley, P.	Hickernell	Parker, C.	Watson
Davidson	Jozwiak	Parker, D.	Wheeland
Davis	Kampf	Pashinski	White
Dawkins	Kaufer	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dean	Kavulich	Petri	Zimmerman
Deasy	Keller, W.	Pyle	
DeLissio	Killion	Quigley	Turzai,
Dermody	Kim	Quinn	Speaker
DiGirolamo	Kinsey		

NAYS—68

Baker	Goodman	Lewis	Pickett
Bloom	Greiner	Major	Rader
Boback	Grove	Maloney	Rapp
Brown, R.	Hahn	Marsico	Regan
Causar	Harhart	Masser	Roae
Costa, D.	Harris, A.	McGinnis	Saccone
Culver	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sankey
Day	Helm	Metzgar	Schemel
Delozier	Hill	Millard	Simmons
Diamond	Irvin	Miller, B.	Staats
Dunbar	James	Miller, D.	Tallman
Dush	Kauffman	Moul	Tobash
Emrick	Keller, F.	Nesbit	Topper
English	Keller, M.K.	Oberlander	Truitt
Gabler	Klunk	Ortitay	Ward
Gillespie	Knowles	Payne	Warner
Gingrich	Lawrence	Peifer	Wentling

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evanovich	Santarsiero		

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 339, PN 1693**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, further providing for emergency services.

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?

Chairman Barrar is recognized.
Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This bill will go a long way in securing the fiscal health of our Ambulance Association. I would ask the members to vote "yes."

But I would also, real quickly, I would like to thank both chairs of the Insurance Committee and their staffs, my staff, and the Ambulance Association for the work that they have put into this bill. This is one of the top priorities of the EMS (emergency medical services) community, this and another bill that we will be doing probably right after this, the direct pay bill. They are both extremely important bills to the entire EMS community.

We would ask you to vote "yes" on this and the next bill that we are going to do that deals with the ambulance.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
The SPEAKER. Thank you.

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—188

Acosta	Evans	Kortz	Quinn
Adolph	Everett	Kotik	Rader
Baker	Fabrizio	Krieger	Rapp
Barbin	Farina	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farry	Lewis	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fee	Longietti	Reed
Bishop	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Bizzarro	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Boback	Gabler	Major	Roebuck
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sankey
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Schemel
Causar	Greiner	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schreiber
Cohen	Hahn	Mentzer	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder

Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hill	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	Neuman	Topper
Day	James	O'Brien	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufner	Ortitay	Ward
Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Driscoll	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dush	Kinsey	Pickett	
Ellis	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
English	Knowles		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-10

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evankovich	Santarsiero		

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 347, PN 1754**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system, providing for emergency service system billing.

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?

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Barbin, the floor is yours.
Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the bill and submit comments of Chairman DeLuca and myself in support of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, and those are accepted for the record.

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

Mr. Speaker, in the health insurance market, networks provide access for consumers and volume for the providers. Non-network providers do not receive direct payment for any health-care services in the Commonwealth.

What brings us to this vote on HB 347 is the unique nature of the EMS industry. Consumers have no control over who provides their EMS care. Likewise, EMS providers have no option to deny service to a patient due to their insurance carrier. This strange situation brings us to the bill before us today.

Our EMS providers deserve certainty in their payments, and the insured deserve the peace of mind that they will not face large medical bills from an EMS provider who has already been paid by an insurer. EMS nonnetwork providers who choose to receive direct payment from an insurer will not be allowed to balance bill our constituents.

I fully support this legislation and recognize the very unique solution that is needed to address such a unique problem. This balanced approach is worthy of our support. I urge a "yes" 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.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-188

Acosta	Evans	Kortz	Quinn
Adolph	Everett	Kotik	Rader
Baker	Fabrizio	Krieger	Rapp
Barbin	Farina	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Farry	Lewis	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fee	Longietti	Reed
Bishop	Flynn	Mackenzie	Reese
Bizzarro	Frankel	Maher	Regan
Bloom	Freeman	Mahoney	Roae
Boback	Gabler	Major	Roebuck
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Ross
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Sainato
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Samuelson
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Sankey
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Schemel
Causer	Greiner	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Christiana	Grove	McNeill	Schreiber
Cohen	Hahn	Mentzer	Simmons
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Sims
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cox	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cruz	Harris, A.	Miller, D.	Sturla
Culver	Harris, J.	Milne	Tallman
Cutler	Heffley	Moul	Taylor
Daley, M.	Helm	Mullery	Thomas
Daley, P.	Hennessey	Murt	Tobash
Davidson	Hickernell	Mustio	Toepel
Davis	Hill	Nesbit	Toohil
Dawkins	Irvin	Neuman	Topper
Day	James	O'Brien	Truitt
Dean	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vereb
Deasy	Kampf	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLissio	Kaufner	Ortitay	Ward

Delozier	Kauffman	Parker, C.	Warner
Dermody	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Wheeland
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Peifer	White
Driscoll	Killion	Petrarca	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kim	Petri	Zimmerman
Dush	Kinsey	Pickett	
Ellis	Kirkland	Pyle	Turzai,
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Speaker
English	Knowles		

NAYS—0**NOT VOTING—0****EXCUSED—10**

Bradford	Galloway	Santora	Schweyer
DeLuca	Gergely	Saylor	Wheatley
Evanovich	Santarsiero		

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. COSTA

The SPEAKER. On unanimous consent, we recognize our colleague, Representative Dom Costa.

Mr. D. COSTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is a good announcement for some of the bad stuff we have had today. This is a good announcement. On May 30 at 10:06 a.m., we, this caucus and our delegation, got a new addition to our family. Representative Adam Ravenstahl and his lovely wife, Alisha, had a bouncing baby girl, 7 pounds 5 ounces, 21 inches. Reagan Jo Ravenstahl, welcome into the world.

The SPEAKER. Representative Ravenstahl, congratulations on the baby girl, Reagan.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. We are now moving to the majority leader, who moves that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 185;
 HB 441;
 HB 817;
 HB 834;
 HB 870;
 HB 954; and
 HB 987.

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

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 397 and SB 485 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.

VOTE CORRECTION

The SPEAKER. Representative Donatucci, on unanimous consent.

Ms. DONATUCCI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to correct the record. On HB 1099, I was recorded as a "yes" vote, and I would like to be recorded as a "no."

The SPEAKER. Representative Donatucci, that will be reflected in the record. Thank you.

Ms. DONATUCCI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

STATEMENT BY MR. PASHINSKI

The SPEAKER. Representative Pashinski, on unanimous consent.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for your support of HB 662. I certainly appreciate that, and the 80,000 grandparents that are raising those 191,000 grandchildren certainly appreciate your vote. Thank you so very much.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

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. Representative Harry Lewis moves that we adjourn until Monday, June 15, 2015, at 1 p.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,
 Will the House agree to the motion?
 Motion was agreed to, and at 5:19 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.