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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI) PRESIDING

PRAYER

HON. KAREN BOBACK, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you.

God in heaven, we enter into this prayer this day, knowing the important tasks at hand. Give us courage to uphold our commitment to represent those who depend on our judgment to make our Commonwealth a place where people can live, work, and play in freedom, harmony, and security. Help us to realize and respect the diversity of this great State in casting votes that reflect our home districts.

Dear Lord, while we may agree to disagree in matters that will impact our great State, remind us of why we are here and how our vote will affect those at home. And, dear God, may we always be cognizant that in our dealings with one another, in our thoughts, in our words, and in our deeds, that we represent You first and then those who sent us to this great House.

In Your name we say, Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, June 23, 2015, will be postponed until printed.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority whip, Representative Cutler. He has indicated that Representative Mark KELLER of Perry County requests leave for the day. That request will be granted.

The minority whip, Representative Hanna, has indicated that Representative DeLUCA would like to be marked on leave of absence for the day. That request will be granted.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. We are about to take the master roll. Would all members please take your seats. We will proceed to the master roll. Members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT-194

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

ADDITIONS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca

Gabler

Keller, M.K.

Pyle

LEAVES ADDED-1

Kirkland

LEAVES CANCELED-1

M. K. Keller

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES

HB 48, PN 1884 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in conservation and natural resources, providing for water well construction standards.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 271, PN 1882 (Amended)

By Rep. HENNESSEY

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

AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES.

HB 820, PN 1811

By Rep. GODSHALL

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

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 965, PN 1885 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions, for proposed regulations and procedures for review, for final-form regulations and final-omitted regulations and procedures for review and for procedures for subsequent review of disapproved final-form or final-omitted regulations by the commission.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 969, PN 1211

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in computer offenses, providing for the offense of phishing and for protection from liability under certain circumstances.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1098, PN 1414

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for the definition of "new motor vehicle."

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1210, PN 1584

By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act amending the act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79), known as the Older Adults Protective Services Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for the definition of "exploitation."

AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES.

HB 1241, PN 1886 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for the definition of public utility.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1326, PN 1787

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, providing for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems for ratemaking purposes.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1329, PN 1883 (Amended) By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act requiring certain hospitals to allow patients an opportunity to designate caregivers in patients' medical records and imposing duties on hospitals.

AGING AND OLDER ADULT SERVICES.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1393 By Representatives WARNER, MILLARD, DIAMOND, SANKEY and NESBIT

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in gaming, further providing for Category 1 slot machine license, for change in ownership or control of slot machine licensee, for multiple slot machine licensee prohibition; and prohibiting undue economic concentration.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1394 By Representatives MUSTIO, KOTIK, D. COSTA, READSHAW, GODSHALL, COHEN and HARHAI

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in storm sewers and watercourses, further providing for authority of boroughs and for manner of financing work.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1395 By Representatives CRUZ, YOUNGBLOOD, THOMAS and COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for county assessments.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1396 By Representatives CRUZ, YOUNGBLOOD and O'BRIEN

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in nuisances, further providing for the offense of posting advertisements on property of another.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, June 24, 2015.

No. 1397 By Representatives NESBIT, DAVIS, DIAMOND, LAWRENCE, D. COSTA, WARNER, EVERETT and KORTZ

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to gaming, further providing for definitions; in licensees, further providing for Category 3 slot machine license; and providing for nongaming service providers.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1398 By Representatives A. HARRIS, THOMAS, MACKENZIE, STAATS, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, GIBBONS, ROZZI, McGINNIS, GREINER, BARBIN, COHEN, MILNE, MARSICO, PETRI, DeLISSIO, DAVIDSON, JAMES, PEIFER, DAY, GROVE, FARRY, ELLIS, BENNINGHOFF, P. COSTA, F. KELLER, R. BROWN, D. PARKER, KORTZ and EVERETT

An Act amending Titles 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) and 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, modernizing the law on limited liability partnerships, general partnerships, limited partnerships and limited liability companies; and making conforming changes with respect to associations, corporations, unincorporated nonprofit associations and business trusts by doing the following: As to general provisions, making conforming changes by revising definitions. As to corporations, making conforming changes by revising provisions on distributions by business corporations and by adding provisions on the use of special litigation committees by business corporations and nonprofit corporations. As to partnerships generally: extensively revising provisions on: interchangeability of partnership, limited liability company and corporate forms of organization; and ownership of certain professional partnerships; and adding a provision on failure to observe formalities. As to limited liability partnerships: extensively revising provisions on: scope; definitions; limitation on liability of partners; extraterritorial application of subchapter; foreign registered limited liability partnerships; and annual registration; and adding provisions on: distributions; and dissolution. As to general partnerships, repealing existing Chapter 83 and replacing it with a new Chapter 84 relating to: general provisions; nature of partnership; relations of partners to persons dealing with partnership; relations of partners to each other and to partnership; transferable interests and rights of transferees and creditors; dissociation; dissociation as partner if business not wound up; and dissolution and winding up. As to limited partnerships, repealing existing Chapter 85 and replacing it with a new Chapter 86 relating to: general provisions; formation and filings; limited partners; general partners; contributions and distributions; dissociation; transferable interests and rights of transferees and creditors; dissolution and winding up; and actions by partners. As to limited liability companies, repealing existing Chapter 89 and replacing it with a new Chapter 88 relating to: general provisions; formation and filings; relations of members and managers to persons dealing with limited

liability company; relations of members to each other and to limited liability company; transferable interests and rights of transferees and creditors; dissociation; dissolution and winding up; and actions by members. As to unincorporated nonprofit associations, making conforming amendments by revising provisions on ownership and transfer of property. As to business trusts, making conforming changes by revising provisions on application and effect of chapter and liability of trustees and beneficiaries. As to names, revising provisions on register established.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, June 24, 2015.

No. 1399 By Representatives KAUFER, DAVIS, KOTIK, BOBACK, DIAMOND, MILLARD, THOMAS, D. COSTA and COHEN

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in gaming, providing for bingo.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the senate, being introduced, presented the following bill for concurrence:

SB 352, PN 1059

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, June 24, 2015.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Mitchell Rothermel, who is interning with Representative Sue Helm this summer. Thank you for being with us. Mitchell will be a junior at Roanoke College and is studying international relations and Spanish.

Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Amy, Heather, Madison, and Judy Barto. Please stand. They are guests of Representative Warren Kampf. Thank you for joining us today.

Located to the left of the rostrum, I am pleased to welcome a good friend of mine and a guest from the 28th Legislative District, Anita Feldman. Anita, thank you for being here.

Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Cameron Ohrwashel. Please stand. Cameron is the recipient of the 2015 Prudential Spirit of Community Award for exemplary volunteer service. He is here with his parents, Michael and Monique – if you could stand – and his sister, Taylor, and his grandmother, Ida. If you could all stand as well. And they are the guests of Representative Joe Emrick. Thank you for being here today.

STATEMENT BY MR. EMRICK

The SPEAKER. On unanimous consent, Representative Emrick.

Mr. EMRICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Please join me in welcoming to the hall of the House Cameron Ohrwashel from Nazareth and his parents, Michael and Monique. Thank you for coming today. Cameron is a senior at Nazareth High School and a recipient of the 2015 Spirit of Community Award presented by Prudential Financial. This national award recognizes the importance that our country places on service to others and honors youth volunteers for outstanding achievement.

Through a variety of projects, Cameron helped raise more than \$47,000 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The money supported the wishes of 12 children in the foundation and was raised in part by a Wish Club Cameron founded at his school. He recruited 80 people to join the club, and their efforts included a fundraiser that produced a world record for the most people whistling simultaneously -672.

Cameron is an excellent role model to his peers and a shining example of what is possible through hard work and perseverance. His father and mother should also be commended, as the spirit of volunteerism runs in their family. Cameron's sister, Kendall, won the same award 4 years ago for her fundraising efforts.

Michael and Monique, thank you very much for your contribution to this effort. Please join me in a round of applause for Cameron Ohrwashel.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Cameron, that is outstanding. We are very, very appreciative of that great work.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Located in the rear of the House, the Chair welcomes Christina Smith. Christina is an intern in Representative Davis's district office. Thank you for being here today.

LEGISLATIVE FELLOWS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. We have four Legislative Fellows who began their internships with the House in May. If we could, we have four great students who have been working for our House, and we want to recognize their efforts.

Drew Greenwald. Drew, would you stand. He is a student at Duquesne University, and he is working with Chairman Caltagirone and the Democratic Urban Affairs Committee. Welcome. Thanks for being a part of our fellows program.

Tyler Kitzmiller. He is a student at Clarion University. He has been working with Chairman Wheatley and the Democratic Finance Committee. Great to have you here. Thank you.

Sheryl Thomas. She attends Penn State University at Harrisburg and has been working with the Republican Urban Affairs, the majority Urban Affairs chair, Scott Petri, and his committee. Thank you for being with us today.

Jessica Valen. Jessica is a student at Penn State Harrisburg, and she has been working with Chairman John Payne and the Republican members of the Gaming Oversight Committee. Thank you so much for being here today.

ARCHIVES INTERNS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the rear of the House, we have had some interns working in our House Archives Office this summer.

Stephanie Dougherty, will you rise. Stephanie attends Shippensburg University and is a resident of Representative Adam Harris's district. Thank you for being with us today.

Sarah Wakefield attends Dickinson and resides in Representative Marsico's district. Please rise. Thank you.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the rear of the House, a young man who is here with Representative Fred Keller. Tony Rice is interning in Representative Keller's office, and he is presently an officer in the FFA (Future Farmers of America) and will be going on to college this fall at Penn State University. Welcome, Tony.

Annmarie Kelly, please stand. She is the founder and convener of the Victorious Woman Project and is joined by her husband, George. They are the guests of Representative Duane Milne. Thank you for being with us today.

Nathan Kinser and Jesse Anzelone are interns in Representative George Dunbar's district office. Thank you for joining us today. Great to have you.

In the gallery, we welcome the participants in the American Legion's Ladies Auxiliary Keystone Girls State Program. Young ladies, please stand up. Now, I am sure one of our members may be giving you more details about the young ladies, but there are approximately 150 girls and 20 of their advisers visiting the Capitol today, and the young ladies completed their junior year in high school.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mrs. HILL called up HR 403, PN 1866, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the Pennsylvania American Legion Auxiliary Keystone Girls State Program, which will be held during the week of June 22, 2015.

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Ms. RAPP called up HR 404, PN 1867, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Borough of Centerville.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-194

Acosta	Evankovich	Kortz	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Evans	Kotik	Readshaw
Baker	Everett	Krieger	Reed
Barbin	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Reese
Barrar	Farina	Lewis	Regan
Benninghoff	Farry	Longietti	Roae
Bishop	Fee	Mackenzie	Roebuck
Bizzarro	Flynn	Maher	Ross
Bloom	Frankel	Mahoney	Rozzi
Boback	Freeman	Major	Saccone
Boyle	Gainey	Maloney	Sainato
Bradford	Galloway	Markosek	Samuelson
Briggs	Gergely	Marshall	Sankey
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Marsico	Santarsiero
Brown, V.	Gillen	Masser	Santora
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Saylor
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Schemel

Carroll Causer	Godshall Goodman	McGinnis McNeill	Schlossberg Schreiber
Christiana	Greiner	Mentzer	Schweyer
Cohen	Grove	Metcalfe	Simmons
Conklin	Hahn	Metzgar	Sims
Corbin	Hanna	Miccarelli	51111 5
Coroni	Hanna Harhai	Millard	Snyder
Costa, D.		1,1111414	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harhart	Miller, B.	Staats
Cox	Harkins	Miller, D.	Stephens
Cruz	Harper	Milne	Sturla
Culver	Harris, A.	Moul	Tallman
Cutler	Harris, J.	Mullery	Taylor
Daley, M.	Heffley	Murt	Thomas
Daley, P.	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Davidson	Hennessey	Nesbit	Toepel
Davis	Hickernell	Neuman	Toohil
Dawkins	Hill	O'Brien	Topper
Day	Irvin	O'Neill	Truitt
Dean	James	Oberlander	Vereb
Deasy	Jozwiak	Ortitay	Vitali
DeLissio	Kampf	Parker, C.	Ward
Delozier	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Warner
Dermody	Kauffman	Pashinski	Watson
Diamond	Kavulich	Payne	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Peifer	Wheatley
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Wheeland
Driscoll	Killion	Petri	White
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Youngblood
Dush	Kinsey	Quigley	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kirkland	Quinn	
Emrick	Klunk	Rader	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Rapp	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca Gabler Keller, M.K. Pyle

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

STATEMENT BY MRS. HILL

The SPEAKER. Representative Phillips-Hill is recognized on unanimous consent to speak on HR 403, which will extol the Keystone Girls State Program.

Members, you will please grant the floor to Representative Phillips-Hill. Would all members please take your seats.

Representative Phillips-Hill, the floor is yours.

Mrs. HILL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Members of the House, I rise today to thank you for your support of HR 403, which recognizes the Pennsylvania American Legion Auxiliary Keystone Girls State Program being held this week at Shippensburg University. Keystone Girls State is a government simulation experience for young women who have successfully completed their junior year of high school and who have at least one more semester remaining before graduation.

The students are selected to participate in the program by their individual schools. This week at Shippensburg, the girls are assigned mock cities where they assume roles in the fictional national and Federal political parties, run for and hold offices that mirror their State's elective offices. They learn the fundamentals of the legislative process, the three branches of government, and parliamentary procedure.

As a part of the program, two young ladies are selected to attend American Legion Auxiliary Girls Nation as Senators for a week in Washington, DC. While there, they run for political office, campaign for the passage of legislation, and meet with Congressmen and Senators from their State and possibly the President of the United States. This prestigious program teaches them life lessons and helps grow future leaders in our communities. It links them to friends for life and keeps them moving on a career path toward public service.

Thank you for joining me in support of this tremendously rewarding program by voting to support HR 403. And a great big thank-you to the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary for defending our nation and continuing to build our nation by extending this wonderful opportunity to the young men and young women of Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES

HB 1296, PN 1889 (Amended)

By Rep. HARPER

An Act amending the act of July 25, 1973 (P.L.217, No.53), entitled "An act authorizing cities of the first class and second class to invest all funds received and deposited with the city treasurer in certain commercial paper under certain terms and conditions," providing for investment of public corporation or authority funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1330, PN 1812

By Rep. HARPER

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, in fiscal affairs, further providing for limits on counties of the second class.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1331, PN 1813

By Rep. HARPER

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for limitation on tax increase after countywide reassessment.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. MATZIE called up HR 406, PN 1869, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the 175th anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Monaca, Beaver County.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-194

Acosta	Evankovich	Kortz	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Evans	Kotik	Readshaw
Baker	Everett	Krieger	Reed
Barbin	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Reese
Barrar	Farina	Lewis	Regan
Benninghoff	Farry	Longietti	Roae
Bishop	Fee	Mackenzie	Roebuck
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Cruz	Harper	Milne	Sturla
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Cutler	Harris, J.	Mullery	Taylor
Daley, M.	Heffley	Murt	Thomas
Daley, P.	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Davidson	Hennessey	Nesbit	Toepel
Davis	Hickernell	Neuman	Toohil
Dawkins	Hill	O'Brien	Topper
Day	Irvin	O'Neill	Truitt
Dean	James	Oberlander	Vereb
Deasy	Jozwiak	Ortitay	Vitali
DeLissio	Kampf	Parker, C.	Ward
Delozier	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Warner
Dermody	Kauffman	Pashinski	Watson
Diamond	Kavulich	Payne	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Peifer	Wheatley
Donatucci	Keller, W.	Petrarca	Wheeland
Driscoll	Killion	Petri	White
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Youngblood
Dush	Kinsey	Quigley	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kirkland	Quinn	
Emrick	Klunk	Rader	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Rapp	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca	Gabler	Keller, M.K.	Pyle
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES

HB 1161, PN 1512

By Rep. HARHART

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.306, No.84), known as the Board of Vehicles Act, further providing for definitions and for license to engage in business.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

HB 1275, PN 1685

By Rep. HARHART

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), known as The Dental Law, further providing for definitions and for restricted faculty license.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

SB 538, PN 1108 (Amended)

By Rep. HARHART

An Act amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.345, No.48), entitled "An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities; providing for hearing examiners in the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs; providing additional powers to the Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs; and further providing for civil penalties and license suspension," further providing for definitions; providing for reporting of sanctions and criminal proceedings and for temporary and automatic suspension; and further providing for civil penalties.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

The SPEAKER. We will turn to announcements.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Appropriations chair, Bill Adolph, is recognized for an announcement.

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be a House Appropriations Committee meeting at 11:30 in the majority caucus room; 11:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

The Appropriations Committee will meet in the majority caucus room at 11:30.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Our majority caucus chair, Sandy Major, for an announcement, please.

Ms. MAJOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce Republicans will caucus today at 12:30. I would ask our Republican members to please report to our caucus room at 12:30. We would be prepared to come back on the floor, Mr. Speaker, at 1 p.m. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Madam Chair.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Frankel, the minority caucus chair, is recognized for an announcement.

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Democrats will caucus at 12:30. Democrats will caucus at 12:30. Thank you.

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Appropriations chair is recognized for another announcement.

Thank you, sir.

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

Mr. Speaker, there will be an immediate Rules meeting in the majority leader's conference room, majority leader's conference room. Thank you.

That is downstairs on the first floor. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Rules Committee will meet immediately in the majority leader's conference room.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. There being no further announcements at this time, we will be recessed until 1 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 1:15 p.m.; further extended until 1:30 p.m.; further extended until 1:45 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Mark Keller has indicated that he would like to be placed back on the master roll. That will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative KIRKLAND has requested leave of absence. That request for leave will be granted.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

HB 605, PN 678

By Rep. REED

An Act renaming the bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 219 over U.S. Route 422 in Ebensburg Borough, Cambria County, as the Alexander Miller Abercrombie Memorial Bridge.

RULES.

HB 758, PN 1880

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judgments and other liens, further providing for personal earnings exempt from process; and, in sentencing, further providing for payment of court costs, restitution and fines.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 810, PN 963

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, further providing for Second Stage Loan Program.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 871, PN 1727

By Rep. REED

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in certificate of title and security interests, further providing for transfer to scrap metal processor.

RULES.

HB 1114, PN 1443

By Rep. REED

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 3007 over the Redbank Creek, Summerville Borough, Jefferson County, as the Summerville Veterans Memorial Bridge.

RULES.

HB 1319, PN 1879

By Rep. ADOLPH

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.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1346 By Representatives P. DALEY, McNEILL, YOUNGBLOOD, THOMAS and COHEN

An Act amending Titles 12 (Commerce and Trade) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for fair franchises; and, in limitation of time, further providing for one year limitation and for four year limitation.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, June 24, 2015.

No. 1348 By Representatives CUTLER, NEUMAN, DIAMOND, ROZZI, HICKERNELL, TOPPER, McNEILL, MARSICO, MATZIE, SNYDER, KAUFFMAN, MILNE, FEE and D. COSTA

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in lobbying disclosure, further providing for prohibited activities, for penalties and for registration fees, fund established, system and regulations.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1349 By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, MILLARD, MENTZER, DIAMOND, CUTLER, CAUSER, THOMAS, LONGIETTI, KAUFFMAN, WARD, FEE, HICKERNELL, A. HARRIS, B. MILLER, RADER, D. PARKER, GREINER, WARNER, PHILLIPS-HILL and KLUNK

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in restructuring of electric utility industry, further providing for additional alternative energy sources; and abrogating or repealing provisions relating to the production of electrical power from biologically derived methane gas.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, June 24, 2015.

No. 1354 By Representatives MOUL, MILLARD, DIAMOND, KORTZ, BARRAR, McGINNIS, KAUFFMAN, A. HARRIS, GABLER and MURT

An Act amending the act of November 30, 2004 (P.L.1672, No.213), known as the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, further providing for the definitions of "alternative energy sources" and "Tier II alternative energy source."

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 24, 2015.

No. 1355 By Representatives MOUL, PICKETT, MILLARD, D. COSTA, M. K. KELLER, JAMES, MURT, KORTZ and WATSON

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in support matters generally, providing for indirect criminal contempt for violation of support order.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, June 24, 2015.

No. 1356 By Representatives MOUL, KOTIK, PICKETT, KLUNK, MILLARD, GROVE and COHEN

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, further providing for definitions, for games of chance permitted, for prize limits, for distributor licenses, for registration of manufacturers and for licensing of eligible organizations; and imposing a club licensee tax.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1357 By Representatives CHRISTIANA, MUSTIO, CALTAGIRONE, DUNBAR, GODSHALL, ROZZI and SANTORA

An Act providing for licensure of plumbing contractors, master plumbers, journeyman plumbers and apprentice plumbers; establishing the State Board of Plumbing Contractors and providing for its powers and duties; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Labor and Industry; establishing fees, fines and penalties; establishing the Plumbing Contractors Licensure Account; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, June 24, 2015.

No. 1358 By Representatives GROVE, MURT, ROZZI, YOUNGBLOOD, THOMAS, MILLARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, PEIFER, CAUSER, MARSICO, PICKETT, MARSHALL, BAKER, EVERETT, ZIMMERMAN, WARD, M. K. KELLER, HARHART, SIMMONS, GIBBONS, WARNER, JOZWIAK, LAWRENCE and GILLEN

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in exclusions from tax, excluding the sale of Christmas trees by Christmas tree farms from the sales tax.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 24, 2015.

No. 1359 By Representatives MULLERY, D. COSTA, COHEN, McNEILL, CALTAGIRONE, HELM, HARHAI, MURT, GILLEN, MAHER, TOOHIL, PASHINSKI, PEIFER, SCHLOSSBERG and SCHREIBER

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for penalties.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, June 24, 2015.

No. 1360 By Representatives DeLUCA, KOTIK, BARRAR, SCHREIBER, McNEILL, COHEN, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, FARINA and D. COSTA

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, further providing for pedalcycle helmets for certain persons.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1361 By Representatives DeLUCA, THOMAS, KOTIK, DAVIS, McNEILL, COHEN, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, BROWNLEE, FARINA and D. COSTA

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, further providing for lamps and other equipment on pedalcycles.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1362 By Representatives DIAMOND, D. COSTA, DUNBAR, KAUFER, KOTIK and SANTORA

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, further providing for slot machine license fee; and, in licensees, further providing for supplier licenses, for manufacturer licenses and for license renewals.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1365 By Representatives KNOWLES, SANTORA, HARHAI, GROVE, HEFFLEY, HELM, ROZZI, KOTIK, MACKENZIE, SCHLOSSBERG, THOMAS, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, D. COSTA, KAUFFMAN, DeLUCA, MURT, TRUITT and WATSON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for physical education; and, in charter schools, further providing for provisions applicable to charter schools and cyber charter schools.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1366 By Representatives SANTORA, KNOWLES, HARHAI, GROVE, HEFFLEY, HELM, ROZZI, BISHOP, KOTIK, SCHLOSSBERG, THOMAS, LONGIETTI, COHEN, D. COSTA, KAUFFMAN, DeLUCA, MURT and WATSON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school health services, establishing the Childhood Wellness Council and providing for its powers and duties.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1368 By Representatives BOYLE, FRANKEL, COHEN, O'BRIEN, YOUNGBLOOD, V. BROWN, McCARTER, BROWNLEE, DEAN and ROEBUCK

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for large capacity ammunition magazine permit and for large capacity ammunition magazines prohibition; authorizing the Attorney General to issue permits; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, June 24, 2015.

No. 1371 By Representatives BURNS, BIZZARRO, HENNESSEY, READSHAW, DIGIROLAMO, DAVIS, COX, BENNINGHOFF, KOTIK, COHEN, KNOWLES, DUSH, SONNEY, WHEELAND, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, HAHN, GIBBONS, D. COSTA, KINSEY, WARD, DONATUCCI, ELLIS, SCHWEYER, CONKLIN, MARSICO, A. HARRIS, VEREB, O'NEILL, JOZWIAK, FARINA, MAHONEY, SANKEY, GOODMAN, TALLMAN, MAJOR and PAYNE

An Act renaming the bridge on Tower Road spanning U.S. Route 219 in Croyle Township, Cambria County, as the Trooper Herbert A. Wirfel Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1372 By Representatives D. PARKER, HEFFLEY, THOMAS, KOTIK, DAVIS, MILLARD, D. COSTA, WARNER, KAVULICH, RADER, COHEN, DIAMOND, R. BROWN, SAYLOR and WARD

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in gaming, further providing for slot machine testing and certification standards and for table game and associated equipment testing and certification standards.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, June 24, 2015.

No. 1374 By Representatives FARINA, GODSHALL, CALTAGIRONE, GERGELY, McNEILL, KORTZ, DAVIS, FLYNN, EVANKOVICH, DELUCA, FARRY, HANNA, MURT, GOODMAN, DEASY, BIZZARRO, JOZWIAK,

D. MILLER, HARHAI, WARNER, WHEATLEY, D. COSTA, ORTITAY, STAATS, GROVE, EVERETT, KILLION, PHILLIPS-HILL, KIM, ROZZI, DAWKINS, MATZIE, MULLERY, HARKINS, GALLOWAY, TOOHIL and MAHONEY

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for prohibition on Sunday hunting and providing for regulation of Sunday hunting by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, June 24, 2015.

No. 1376 By Representatives MURT, BISHOP, BOBACK, BRADFORD, COHEN, D. COSTA, DeLUCA, DRISCOLL, DUNBAR, FEE, GIBBONS, HARHART, A. HARRIS, JOZWIAK, KILLION, MAHONEY, McNEILL, READSHAW, ROZZI, SAYLOR, SNYDER, TOEPEL and WARNER

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 24, 2015.

No. 1380 By Representatives KRIEGER, MILLARD, BAKER, REESE, WARD, DUNBAR, MASSER, WARNER, HEFFLEY, JAMES, CUTLER, CAUSER, METZGAR, COX, MALONEY, METCALFE, RAPP, WHITE, FEE, TOPPER, PICKETT, ZIMMERMAN, M. K. KELLER, D. COSTA, MARSICO, A. HARRIS, JOZWIAK, MAHONEY, GILLEN and B. MILLER

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 responsibilities and obligations of department, applicants and recipients and for verification of eligibility; and providing for written questionnaire to screen for drug use.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 24, 2015.

No. 1381 By Representatives R. BROWN, CALTAGIRONE, EMRICK, GIBBONS, GROVE, J. HARRIS, MENTZER, MILLARD, ZIMMERMAN, D. COSTA and RADER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school directors, providing for county-wide board of school directors pilot program.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

No. 1384 By Representatives SIMMONS, THOMAS, QUINN, MURT, McGINNIS, SANKEY, MACKENZIE, REGAN, EVANKOVICH, KAUFER, WARNER, COHEN and GABLER

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in general provisions relating to insurance companies, associations and exchanges, further providing for service contract exclusion.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 24, 2015.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 590, PN 566

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

SB 655, PN 650

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, June 24, 2015.

SB 861, PN 978

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, June 24, 2015

SB 880, PN 1024

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 24, 2015.

SENATE RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SR 149, PN 1049

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 24, 2015.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of SB 42, PN 1025, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for issuance and content of driver's license.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **HANNA** offered the following amendment No. **A02410:**

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by inserting after "license"; and, in rules of the road, further providing for vehicles required to stop at railroad crossings

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 6 and 7, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Sections 1510(a.1) and 3342(b)(2) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 26 and 27 § 3342. Vehicles required to stop at railroad crossings.

(b) Vehicles subject to stopping requirement.—Subsection (a) shall apply to the following vehicles:

(2) A school bus <u>or school vehicle</u>, whether or not carrying passengers.

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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. Okay. It is my understanding that the amendment has been ruled – we are ruling that out of order.

Does Representative Hanna have anything to state on that?

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, can you tell me why the amendment is out of order?

The SPEAKER. Yes. It violates the single-subject.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. There are no other amendments to SB 42.

On the question recurring,

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 **SB 284**, **PN 783**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for special motorcycle plates for veterans.

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 **SB 405**, **PN 1075**, entitled:

An Act designating Exit 30 from Interstate 84 onto State Route 402, in Pike County, as the Corporal Bryon K. Dickson, II, Exit.

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 **SB 285**, **PN 163**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for Veterans' Trust Fund.

On the question,

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 605**, **PN 678**, entitled:

An Act renaming the bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 219 over U.S. Route 422 in Ebensburg Borough, Cambria County, as the Alexander Miller Abercrombie 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 871**, **PN 1727**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in certificate of title and security interests, further providing for transfer to scrap metal processor.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. It is my understanding there are no remaining amendments. Amendment 2402 has been ruled out of order.

On the question recurring,

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 1114**, **PN 1443**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 3007 over the Redbank Creek, Summerville Borough, Jefferson County, as the Summerville Veterans Memorial Bridge.

On the question,

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Members, we have some guests. They are guests of Representative Marcia Hahn and Representative Rader. They are from Northampton Community College, and they are visiting Harrisburg today for the Green Ribbon Schools Recognition Ceremony. Mark Erickson, please stand. That is the school's president. Sir, nice to see you. He is joined by Silvia Hoffman, Mark Culp, Kelly Allen, Christine Pense, Deb Bohr, Jeff Kapcsos, Helene Whitaker, and Jaden Makovsky. It is great to have you here in the chamber. Thank you so much.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS AS AMENDED

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to the following **HB 911, PN 1878,** as further amended by the House Rules Committee:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for emergency telephone service; and establishing the 911 Fund.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended by the Rules Committee?

The SPEAKER. And moved by Chairman Barrar that the House concur in these amendments, both the Senate amendments and the House amendments to the Senate amendments.

The Chair recognizes Representative Barrar for a brief description of the Senate amendments as amended again by the House

Chairman Barrar.

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my understanding is that there are a couple members who would like to speak and probably a few interrogations. If I could make comments at the end of that.

But I will read— I will also give the description of some of the amendments that were made in the Senate for the benefit of the members. There were four major additions made by the Senate. One was a \$52 county option tax on residents and businesses. That amendment was put in in the Senate, but it was removed yesterday during the Rules Committee. There is also amended language in the bill that would amend the funding formula for 911. There is the reinstatement of the Allentown and Bethlehem exemption and also an expansion of the 911 board and addition of nonvoting members to that board.

That really covers most of the major amendments. The other amendments that were put in the bill are pretty technical in nature, and unless there were questions on that, I would say that is all I have, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The chairman provided a description of the amendments. He will be called upon to speak on the bill subsequently. We do have members who wish to speak on the bill.

Representative Petri.

Mr. PETRI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

May I interrogate the maker of the bill?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman has indicated he will stand for interrogation. Please proceed.

Mr. PETRI. Thank you.

Sir, for legislative intent, I have a couple questions that I would like to ask. In section 5307, subsection 6, on page 47, line 47, there is a word used, "increase." Can you describe for me the reason for the insertion of the word "increase?"

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, I will, Mr. Speaker.

PRI (primary rate interface) technology was never contemplated years ago. It became new technology but is now fast becoming the old technology. Simply put, the use of the term "increase" is to continue the policy applying the surcharge to one circuit or access line. One circuit has the capability of having 23 simultaneously outbound calls.

Mr. PETRI. Thank you.

In that same section, is it the legislative intent that both wire line PRI and VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) PRI are subject to the same terms, meaning essentially that the lines are capable of dialing 911, are subject to a fee, and the fee is not imposed on outbound only or lines only used for data?

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you.

Yes, Mr. Speaker, meaning the outbound is the same. PRI and VoIP surcharges are applied to the capacity of outbound calls only.

Mr. PETRI. Okay.

My last interrogation, with regard to apportionment and 911 fees, can you tell me if, for instance, my son goes off to college and uses his phone out of State, how would the bill deal with where those fees should be paid? Would they be paid in Pennsylvania, out of State, or how would that be determined?

Mr. BARRAR. Mr. Speaker, the billing address determines where that 911 fee is going, but there is a process that could be used – let us say your son goes to school in California – that you could actually have that charge, if you have three, four lines that you are paying off one phone bill, you could literally have that charge removed from your bill.

And this is a problem that we have been trying to get straightened out. It is a very technical but complicated problem to get done, and hopefully in the next couple years we will be able to do that better.

Mr. PETRI. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, on the bill?

The SPEAKER. Representative Petri, on the bill.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I support the bill, while generally we try not to vote, if you will, fee increases and the like. In Bucks County we have a system which is subject to a lot of dropped calls, particularly along the Delaware River, and so one of the concerns I always have had for my residents and constituents billed out of that system is to ensure that someone's life and safety is not at issue.

Now, this system has always cost our county a lot more money than we would have liked to have spent on the 911 system, but part of that is really to blame in the result of rollout of technology that did not work as promised. And I will not mention any company names or the like, but nonetheless, I think our counties are doing a fine job in trying to protect our citizens, and this is a reasonable way to try to address public safety.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Schweyer, the floor is yours.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I was wondering if the chairman would stand for very brief interrogation.

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

Mr. SCHWEYER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, if I read the changes to this legislation correctly, sir, as a result of these negotiations, there is a new

window for the Lehigh Valley to determine, to figure out the best regional approach to 911. Is that correct, sir?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, there is.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Thank you, sir. That is a 4-year window. Correct, sir?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Okay.

Finally, one last question. The funding will continue to be distributed similarly as the way it was before, during that 4-year window. And that is correct, sir?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes. Mr. Speaker, as you remember, we debated the Allentown-Bethlehem issue quite extensively here on the House floor, and your delegation fought a very valiant fight to try to keep that funding in there. When the bill left here, we had not approved that funding for Allentown and Bethlehem, but in the Senate that language was put back in. In the meantime, our intentions were, if that bill had come back with that language in there, that we were going to try to again remove that exemption. But after sitting down with some of your members and the Senate leadership, we have worked out an agreement that the goal of Allentown and Bethlehem will be to move toward consolidation, saving the taxpayers money.

As I told you before, I do have two letters from the city of Allentown, the city of Bethlehem, saying that consolidation will be their intent over the next 4 years. So the funding formula for the next 4 years will stay the same unless Allentown and Bethlehem can come to an agreement on consolidation sooner than today.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Fair enough. Thank you, sir.

Mr. Speaker, on the bill, sir?

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir. On the bill, Representative.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would just like to ask all members to support HB 911. My concerns were of a very regional, very local nature, certainly not the intent of this bill. I believe that each and every one of us understands that there is a cost involved with public safety, there is a cost involved with making sure that when we dial 911, a police officer, firefighter, or paramedic does respond to us. God forbid one of us will have to use those services even this evening.

So, Mr. Speaker, I am asking all of my colleagues, now that a very local, a very specific concern has been addressed, Mr. Speaker, I am asking that all members vote in the affirmative on HB 911.

Thank you, sir.

The SPEAKER. Representative Payne, Chairman Payne, the floor is yours.

Mr. PAYNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the gentleman stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman has indicated he will stand for interrogation. Please proceed.

Hold on one second, sir.

Members, please, if we can, the last three members have all sought interrogation. It is getting a bit loud. I would like the opportunity here to have this interrogation heard by everybody.

Chairman Payne, please proceed.

Mr. PAYNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the question is, the intent of this legislation, in addition to the upgrades and the fee structure, is to create stand-alone 911 centers in all counties except the two carveouts. Is that correct?

Mr. BARRAR. That is correct.

Mr. PAYNE. All right.

And the intent then is that the 911 calls that go into these 911 centers, the calls are actually dispatched out of those centers instead of being transferred to 10 local municipality centers.

Mr. BARRAR. Mr. Speaker, that issue that you speak of is one that we tried very early on in this process to try to get our hands around and it was very difficult. The situation that you referred to is similar to what is currently taking place with the Pennsylvania State Police and their 911 dispatches that they, when someone calls 911 and it goes to the county dispatch, the State Police require that that call then be transferred to the 911 center, similar to the situation that is occurring in Dauphin County.

Mr. PAYNE. Okay; yeah. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We had a call center in a borough that just recently closed because the elected officials changed hands, but my concern is, if in the future that center or any other center would reopen, it seems to me to be defeating the intent of the legislation. The legislative intent is to create one 911 center in a county and to not circumvent that by either radio transmissions to the second location or by, worse yet, picking up the phone.

My real concern here, Mr. Speaker, is, that kind of secondary transmission leads to two problems: one, a misinterpretation of what you wrote down the first time; and a liability for both the county center and the local municipality center. Mr. Speaker, do you agree?

Mr. BARRAR. I agree with you. There is a delay there that sometimes can be very costly in delivering the most effective, time-effective dispatch that we can.

Mr. PAYNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, that completes my interrogation. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise and request the interrogation of the good chairman on the bill.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman has indicated he will stand for interrogation. Please proceed, Representative.

Mr. BARBIN. Mr. Chairman, when the bill left the House, we still had some unresolved issues as it related to the State Police. Is it my understanding that, as amended in the Rules Committee, the State Police are now a member of the 911 board?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, they are.

Mr. BARBIN. Okay. Is it also correct to say that the facilities of the Pennsylvania State Police are exempt from PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency) regulation under this bill?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, they are, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you.

And with regard to the distribution formula, as I understand the amendment, 80 percent of the money will be distributed. Is it correct to say that the distribution will now have a specific portion of the distribution that is determined by population?

Mr. BARRAR. Yes, that number will be 30 percent.

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

The SPEAKER. Yes. Representative Barbin, on the bill, please.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you.

I encourage all members of the House to support the concurrence motion. Most of the amendments that we had discussed have been addressed in this bill. It is something that the counties need. It also has a 15-percent portion of the moneys that we are going to collect are going to go for the specific purpose of trying to get the PSAPs (public safety answering points) to be the most cost-effective possible.

With these amendments, I believe we have balanced the cost of the next generation technology and will be bringing it in at the lowest possible cost with the best supervision of the board. The mayor of Philadelphia has also been added to the board, and I believe with that, all specific entities that are most involved in coming up with an answer for the next gen technology are now at the table and will make decisions that are most cost-effective for all members of the community.

So I ask for support of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Representative Knowles.

Mr. KNOWLES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Will the prime sponsor of the bill stand for interrogation?

The SPEAKER. I think we are approaching a record.

Representative Barrar has indicated he will stand for interrogation.

Mr. KNOWLES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, can you talk a little bit about the last time we dealt with this issue in terms of cost and in terms of the timeframe? When was the last time this issue was addressed?

Mr. BARRAR. The last time that the 911 fee was raised was actually 1990, or I should say the surcharge for 911.

Mr. KNOWLES. Mr. Speaker, you came up with the figure of \$1.65. Can you address why? Where did that number come from?

Mr. BARRAR. Mr. Speaker, through the 2 1/2 years of stakeholder meetings and formal public hearings we had, the counties had continued to ask for a \$2 fee. Many of the members of our committee that attended the hearings were kind of, they were stuck on \$1.50. I was stuck on \$1.50 for a long time. I felt that going higher than \$1.50 would be very hard to get past this committee. If you remember, we had an amendment here and a vote, and the \$1.65 figure passed by a very small margin in the House. Actually, I was very nervous. I thought we may lose that issue.

We came up with \$1.65 by looking at the total amount that the 911 surcharge would collect, and we looked going forward, the cost, the projected cost of 911, and tried to come up with what we thought was a fair fee going forward. And as much as I would have liked to have seen this stay at \$1.50, we felt \$1.65 was certainly justifiable going forward.

Mr. KNOWLES. Mr. Speaker, my final question, and if you answered this before, I apologize. How much revenue is this going to generate?

Mr. BARRAR. Between \$315 million to \$326 million, somewhere in that neighborhood.

Mr. KNOWLES. Thank you very much.

Mr. Speaker, on the bill?

The SPEAKER. Representative Knowles, you may speak on the bill.

Mr. KNOWLES. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I want to express appreciation to Chairman Barrar as well as the staff for the job that was done on this bill. I know it was something that you guys worked very hard on, and

I appreciate that. I also appreciate you removing the \$52 surcharge. I think, quite frankly, that was outrageous, and I commend you for doing that.

My background: cop, volunteer firefighter, county commissioner. So I certainly recognize the importance and the value of our 911 system and the need for adequate funding.

You know, quite honestly, this is a user fee. This is not a tax. This is a user fee. And some of you may disagree with that, but to me, there is a great difference in a user fee and a tax.

And lastly, or not lastly, but secondly, let us talk about the fact that the last time we addressed this issue was in 1990. That is a long time ago.

Most importantly, Mr. Speaker, this is a core and essential service of government. We are not talking about tax credits for making movies. We are not talking about walking trails. We are not talking about subsidies for solar power. We are talking about a core and essential service of government.

Some people have talked about the iPhones and the technology. Well, that has a lot to do with why we need to do this because much of what is going on in our com centers has to do with iPhones and has to do with cell phones and all those other gadgets that I do not really understand.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask all of you to take a look at your TV cable bill. Take a look at your TV cable bill, and I doubt that there are very few of us in this chamber that do not have cable TV, but take a look at that bill and see what the taxes are that you pay on that bill. I can assure you that they are far greater than the \$1.65, the \$1.65 that is going to go into our com centers. It is going to be certain that when you pick up that phone and you make that call, that a cop, an ambulance, or a fire truck show up at your doorstep.

Mr. Speaker, let me finish by saying that those of you who know me know that I am not big on voting for increased fees or increased taxes, but I view this as a user fee that is very much needed. I ask you to support HB 911, and quite frankly, I am very comfortable going back to my district and defending this vote.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Cherelle Parker.

Mrs. PARKER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I will be brief. I rise to support HB 911 and strongly encourage my colleagues to concur with this bill as amended by the Senate.

You may remember, Mr. Speaker, that when this bill was originally introduced here in the House, those of us who are members of the Philadelphia delegation raised several concerns we had that we thought would negatively impact the city administration, and since that time, Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to note that leadership on both sides of the aisle here in the House and also over in the Senate have worked to address those issues.

And specifically, Mr. Speaker, the city of Philadelphia will now have a voting seat on the board. In addition to that, the distribution formula is more favorable to the citizenry throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and our region. So with that in mind, I would strongly ask my colleagues to concur and support HB 911.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dush.

Mr. DUSH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to go on the record as the reason why I am a "no" vote on this.

First of all, I am very much in support of our 911 operators. As a first responder, I agree, we do need to fund these things, and the centers are not funded properly.

However, just for the record, I am not for fees for funding central – essential government services. I believe it should be done in the form of a tax and not be under the control of some committee of 30-odd people that gives a layer of insulation as to how that funding should be done.

But I just wanted to be on the record the reason for my "no" vote on this.

The SPEAKER. Representative Pam Snyder.

Mrs. SNYDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As a former county commissioner, I know what it takes to run a 911 center and I know how hard it was as the landlines disappeared and this funding disappeared.

This is an important piece of legislation for so many reasons. Our first responsibility is the safety, health, and welfare of the people we represent.

And as I was waiting for recess to end today, I got a call that my cousin's house was engulfed in flames. You cannot put a price tag on that.

So I will be voting "yes," and I would encourage my colleagues to do the same. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Does any other member wish to be recognized?

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. To submit remarks for the record.

The SPEAKER. They will be so submitted and taken. Thank you.

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

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As we all know, access to 911 services is a public necessity and our counties need any and all relief they can get.

While I do not believe this bill adequately addresses future system needs, our counties need the opportunity to develop and administer a system that more closely meets their current needs.

Once again, Mr. Speaker, while I may not agree with every aspect of this proposal, I will stand with my county commissioners, with whom I greatly respect, in support of their efforts to fight for change. However, I will not stop vigorously stating that we need and will continue to pursue full funding of our 911 needs.

Nonetheless, I would like to thank the Senate for vetting this proposal and for sending it back to the House today so that we may adequately address the system funding needs and avoid the expiration of the wireless telephone subscriber surcharge which is set to expire on June 30

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Any other members before I turn it over to the maker of the bill?

Representative Barrar, on concurrence in Senate amendments as amended by the House.

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, dialing 911 is where emergency response starts. HB 911 is probably one of the most important bills our committee and this legislative body will take up. We have

worked on this bill for 2 1/2 years. We have held six formal public hearings across the State, dozens of stakeholder meetings, and countless working group meetings with members, staff, and every stakeholder that is involved in this.

This legislation for the first time since 1990 increases the 911 surcharge fee by making it a uniform surcharge on all monthly phone plans and prepaid plans. The running of our 911 centers, which are open 7 days a week and 24 hours a day, with very expensive equipment and with the advent of next generation technologies for texting, Skyping, video, etc., has become a very expensive responsibility for our county 911 centers. Providing this service is a core responsibility of our local governments.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation brings financial stability and greater financial accountability to our county 911 center operations and will indeed greatly enhance the public safety of residents across the Commonwealth.

First of all, I would like to thank Chairman Sainato and his staff for their work on this bill and also my staff and the various 911 stakeholders, particularly the County Commissioners Association, APCO (Association of Public Safety Communications Officials), NENA (National Emergency Number Association), and Chairman Vulakovich over in the Senate and Chairman Costa for their hard work in making sure that this piece of legislation is done in time.

Mr. Speaker, this legislation must be on the Governor's desk before the 30th to be signed into law or we will lose our authority to collect this surcharge.

I would encourage all members to vote in favor of HB 911 to show their commitment to the safety and well-being of their constituency in their time of need during an emergency, and I would like to thank all the members for their very positive comments.

I would ask for a "yes" vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended by the Rules Committee?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-164

Acosta	Everett	Kotik	Reed
Adolph	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Regan
Baker	Farina	Lewis	Roebuck
Barbin	Farry	Longietti	Ross
Barrar	Fee	Maher	Rozzi
Benninghoff	Flynn	Mahoney	Saccone
Bishop	Frankel	Major	Sainato
Bizzarro	Freeman	Markosek	Samuelson
Boback	Gainey	Marshall	Santarsiero
Boyle	Galloway	Marsico	Santora
Bradford	Gergely	Matzie	Saylor
Briggs	Gibbons	McCarter	Schemel
Brown, R.	Gillespie	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Brown, V.	Gingrich	McNeill	Schreiber
Caltagirone	Godshall	Mentzer	Schweyer
Carroll	Goodman	Miccarelli	Sims
Causer	Greiner	Millard	Snyder
Cohen	Grove	Miller, B.	Sonney

Conklin	Hanna	Miller, D.	Staats
Corbin	Harkins	Milne	Stephens
Costa, D.	Harper	Moul	Sturla
Costa, P.	Harris, A.	Mullery	Tallman
Cruz	Harris, J.	Murt	Taylor
Culver	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Cutler	Hennessey	Neuman	Toepel
Daley, M.	Hickernell	O'Brien	Toohil
Daley, P.	Hill	O'Neill	Topper
Davidson	Irvin	Oberlander	Vereb
Davis	James	Parker, C.	Vitali
Dawkins	Jozwiak	Parker, D.	Ward
Dean	Kampf	Pashinski	Warner
Deasy	Kaufer	Payne	Watson
DeLissio	Kauffman	Peifer	Wentling
Delozier	Kavulich	Petri	Wheatley
Dermody	Keller, M.K.	Pickett	Wheeland
Diamond	Keller, W.	Quigley	White
DiGirolamo	Killion	Quinn	Youngblood
Donatucci	Kim	Rader	Zimmerman
Driscoll	Kinsey	Rapp	
Ellis	Klunk	Ravenstahl	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Readshaw	Speaker
Evans	Kortz		

NAYS-30

Bloom	Evankovich	Mackenzie	Petrarca
Burns	Gillen	Maloney	Reese
Christiana	Hahn	Masser	Roae
Cox	Harhai	Metcalfe	Sankey
Day	Harhart	Metzgar	Simmons
Dunbar	Heffley	Nesbit	Thomas
Dush	Keller, F.	Ortitay	Truitt
Emrick	Krieger	-	

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca Gabler Kirkland Pyle

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments as amended by the Rules Committee were concurred in.

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 810**, **PN 963**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, further providing for Second Stage Loan Program.

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 Lawrence.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Mr. Speaker, may I interrogate the maker of the bill?

The SPEAKER. Representative Thomas, will you stand for interrogation, sir? He has agreed to stand for interrogation.

You may proceed, Representative Lawrence.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, your bill makes changes to the Second Stage Loan Program. My understanding is that the Second Stage Loan Program is a program where the Commonwealth Financing Authority guarantees bank loans that banks have made to startup companies. Is this correct? Do I have a general grasp of the program?

Mr. THOMAS. Yes.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So a company who wants to borrow money then, they go to their bank and the bank does not want to make the loan because maybe it is too risky. So the Second Stage Program— What the bank could do is they could go to this Second Stage Loan Program and get a guarantee of that loan by the CFA. Is that correct?

Mr. THOMAS. Correct.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So if the borrower defaults on the loan, who makes good on it?

Mr. THOMAS. Well, I am confident that between the Department of Community and Economic Development and the commercial bank, that they will do all that they need to do to make sure that the conditions of that loan are honored.

This is primarily for small businesses, especially small businesses that are involved in marketplace industries, like manufacturing, science, technology, and these are industries that are growing, but we are not clear on what their long-term future is going to be. And so the Second Stage Loan Program has been around for a while, but it has now been reformed a little bit so that it becomes more – because it is more consumer- and bankfriendly now than it has been in the past.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you.

Mr. Speaker, may I have some order? I am having difficulty hearing the maker of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Yes, you may.

Members, Representative Lawrence has questions for the maker of the bill. I would ask everybody to please take your seats and give him the opportunity to ask these questions and for Chairman Thomas to be able to answer. Thank you.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So again my question is, if the borrower defaults on the loan, who makes good on it? Is it the Pennsylvania taxpayer who makes good on the loan if the borrower defaults?

Mr. THOMAS. Is that a question?

Mr. LAWRENCE. Yes.

Mr. THOMAS. The taxpayer would have responsibility through the Commonwealth—

Mr. LAWRENCE. Through the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Mr. THOMAS. —to deal with that.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Okay. So the taxpayer would be on the hook.

Now, Mr. Speaker, in existing law in your bill is there any limit that dictates the terms of the loan that is being offered?

Could the bank set an arbitrarily high or perhaps even a predatory interest rate? One would assume, since this is a risky loan that is requiring backing from the Commonwealth, that the interest rate would be higher than it might normally be. Are there any restrictions or guidelines within the Second Stage Loan Program that prevent a bank from setting an arbitrarily high interest rate for these loans?

Mr. THOMAS. Yes, there are restrictions with the program so that banks would not be able to become predatory in making these loans available to small businesses.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So what would be the cap on the interest rate that a bank would charge on this through this program?

Mr. THOMAS. Whatever the standard rate is for commercial loans. There is an agreement, and that is why every commercial bank is not participating, because the banks that will participate are those that have sat down with the department and have an understanding on how high these rates can be and other conditions surrounding it.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So is there anything in statute that dictates the terms, that dictates specifically the interest rate? Is there anything in statute or in regulations that says that the interest rate cannot be higher than what they would normally charge?

Mr. THOMAS. It is not in existing law, nor is it in HB 810, but as you know, the program itself has been a good program, and the commercial banks that have participated are banks that understand that this program is available to help small businesses, not make life more difficult for small businesses.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So the interest, again, the bank is getting a guarantee from the Commonwealth. They would, you know, generally under any loan they would make their money back by the repaying of principal and with interest over time. Since the taxpayer is offering a guarantee here, does the taxpayer enjoy any of the upside if the applicant, the borrower, makes their payments on time?

Mr. THOMAS. Would you repeat the question.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Since the taxpayer is providing a guarantee for this loan, would they enjoy any of the upside if the borrower pays principal and interest back on time to the bank that lent them the money?

Mr. THOMAS. I think that the taxpayer will benefit. There will be an expansion of job opportunities, there will be an expansion of businesses, and there will be an expansion of goods and services that will arise from these small businesses. So there is a benefit side.

And if I can point out in reference to your last question, because of restrictions on the age of the businesses and declining nature of the guarantee proved restrictive, it has limited the demand for loan guarantees. A loan guarantee is a promise by a lender to assume the debt obligations of a borrower if he or she defaults on the loan. Generally, these are made when a borrower is a financially unattractive loan candidate.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So that actually plays into my next question, Mr. Speaker. My understanding is, under current law the Commonwealth Financing Authority guarantees 50 percent of the loan for the first 2 years and 25 percent of the loan in years 2 through 7. So the way I read your bill, page 2, lines 25 through 30, and page 3, lines 1 through 4, these limits are removed. Is that the intent of the bill?

Mr. THOMAS. Yes.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So going forward, the Commonwealth Financing Authority could guarantee 100 percent of a risky loan for up to 7 years?

Mr. THOMAS. Well, I do not want to label this as a risky loan. I mean, it might not have a track record, but it is not risky as it would be in an angel tax credit program. So there is some history of performance and there is some evidence of the small business capacity to either sell the goods and services that they need to expand on or carry out their basic business model. So there is some history and there is some understanding between the Commonwealth and the commercial banking industry. So this is not as though we are playing Russian roulette with taxpayers.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So again, I mean, the bank, one would assume that the bank is looking for a guarantee from the Commonwealth because there is some degree of additional risk with making this loan. If there was not, I would assume they would just go ahead and make it like they make any other loan, but there must be something about the loan that would require interest in this program requiring a taxpayer-funded backup.

So again, your bill would remove the restrictions on percentages and limits so that the CFA could guarantee 100 percent of that loan for 7 years. Is that correct?

Mr. THOMAS. Yes.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Okay. On page 3, lines 5 and 6, the limit for a loan guarantee is \$1 million for any one loan. Is there anything in statute or your bill or CFA regs or anywhere else that would prevent more than one loan being issued to the same borrower?

Mr. THOMAS. I think that the program is designed in a way that it discourages that, and I guess basic facts right now would kind of bear that out. The program began with \$50 million. Today there remains a \$46.6 million program capacity, which says something about the scrutiny or the seriousness that is given to making these loans available. From its inception in '13-'14, eight projects were approved for guarantees that totaled \$3.36 million. These programs estimated to have created 138 jobs and retained 176.

So the history of the program has demonstrated, one, a return on this kind of investment, and while there might not be in statute conditions that you and I would like to have to guarantee that we get back what we expect on the investment, I think the program is managed in such a way that it maximizes on the plus side rather than on the negative side.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So getting back to my question, I do not think there is – I did not know; that is why I asked the question – but I do not think there is anything that would prevent more than one loan being issued to the same borrower.

Mr. THOMAS. I do not know of a situation where you can get multiple loans without satisfying the obligations of the first loan. So I am not aware of that.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So one borrower could get, since there apparently is no regulation to the contrary and it is not in law, one borrower could get, under the terms of the program, an unlimited number of loans up to the cap of the program, have them 100 percent guaranteed by the Pennsylvania taxpayer through the Commonwealth Financing Authority for 7 years, and if everything goes well, the lending institution makes their money, and if anything goes poorly, the taxpayer is on the hook. Am I wrong anywhere there?

Mr. THOMAS. I do not think that its correct. Number one, there is no 100-percent guarantee upfront. At some point there might be a 100-percent guarantee, but during that period of making the loan in that 7 years, there has got to be some evidence of performance and capacity to satisfy the conditions of the loan.

Mr. LAWRENCE. So, Mr. Speaker, one final question. If the Commonwealth Financing Authority guarantees at taxpayer expense a bank loan, is there any legislative oversight to that process? I guess what I mean is, does the House or the Senate have the ability to have some sort of review process, perhaps, to deny one of these taxpayer-backed loans to an organization that seems particularly risky?

Mr. THOMAS. Pardon me. Would you repeat the question?

Mr. LAWRENCE. Yes. Again, if the Commonwealth Financing Authority is going—

Mr. THOMAS. Can you speak up a little bit.

Mr. LAWRENCE. If the Commonwealth Financing Authority through the Second Stage Loan Program guarantees a loan—

THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (JOHN MAHER) PRESIDING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend, please.

Will the conferences in the aisles please break up or reduce your volume so that the two gentlemen involved in the interrogation may hear one another?

Mr. Lawrence, you may proceed.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Yes, Mr. Speaker, and this is my final question. If the Commonwealth Financing Authority guarantees a bank loan, is there any legislative oversight to that process? Does the House, does the Senate have any ability to have some sort of review to deny one of these taxpayer-backed loan guarantees to an organization that might be of particular concern or particularly risky?

Mr. THOMAS. There is oversight. The program itself requires quarterly if not annually reporting to the appropriate committees of the House and Senate. The department itself goes out to make sure that borrowers are doing what they are supposed to be doing, and I am sure that there is counsel inside DCED and within the Commonwealth to make sure that people do what they say they are able to do. So there is ongoing oversight, and then you and I have oversight when we look at those reports and see where those loans went, the status of those loans, and whether people are creating the jobs and creating the economic impact that we believe that this program has the capacity to do.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you.

Mr. LAWRENCE. That concludes my interrogation, and I appreciate the gentleman taking my questions.

Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is in order to speak on the question of final passage.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I appreciate the comments of the good gentleman from Philadelphia, my friend, and I do not doubt the sincerity or the intent of the purpose of introducing this legislation. In my view,

I think this is a bad direction to go in, and I will tell you why. This loan program has not seen a lot of participation across the Commonwealth.

Just once again to stress this, what we are talking about here is a guarantee from the Pennsylvania taxpayer to banks who are making loans that otherwise they might not make. Now, I would be of the opinion that that is questionable whether we should be in that business or not, but if we are going to be in that business, there ought to be some restrictions with it. The current legislation that authorizes this program puts some very simple and very basic parameters around the program that says in years 1 and 2, the Commonwealth can only be on the hook for 50 percent. In years 2 through 7, the Commonwealth can only be on the hook for 25 percent. This legislation removes those limits and in fact says, "The maximum..." - this is on page 3, lines 2 and 3 - "The maximum guarantee amount and percentage shall be determined by the authority...." It gives all of the authority, the blank check, to the Commonwealth Financing Authority, and I would suggest that we have very little legislative oversight once the loan is approved, because that is the entire intent of a loan guarantee program. Once you offer a loan guarantee, if anything goes bad, well, then we are on the hook for it; the Pennsylvania taxpayer is on the hook for it.

Since I see this as a tremendous weakening of the already commonsense provisions put in place on this program, I will be a "no" vote on this bill, and I would encourage my colleagues to be a "no" as well.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and, on the question of final passage, understands the gentleman from Cambria County, Representative Barbin, was seeking recognition? He waives off.

On the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-130

Acosta	Evans	Keller, W.	Ravenstahl
Adolph	Fabrizio	Killion	Readshaw
Barbin	Farina	Kim	Reed
Barrar	Farry	Kinsey	Regan
Bishop	Fee	Klunk	Roebuck
Bizzarro	Flynn	Kortz	Ross
Boyle	Frankel	Kotik	Rozzi
Bradford	Freeman	Longietti	Sainato
Briggs	Gainey	Mahoney	Samuelson
Brown, V.	Galloway	Major	Sankey
Burns	Gergely	Markosek	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Gibbons	Marsico	Santora
Carroll	Gillespie	Matzie	Saylor
Cohen	Gingrich	McCarter	Schemel
Conklin	Godshall	McNeill	Schlossberg
Costa, D.	Goodman	Mentzer	Schreiber
Costa, P.	Greiner	Miccarelli	Schweyer
Cruz	Grove	Miller, D.	Sims
Cutler	Hanna	Mullery	Snyder
Daley, M.	Harhai	Murt	Sonney
Daley, P.	Harkins	Nesbit	Sturla
Davidson	Harper	Neuman	Taylor

Davis	Harris, A.	O'Brien	Thomas
Dawkins	Harris, J.	O'Neill	Toohil
Dean	Helm	Oberlander	Vitali
Deasy	Hennessey	Parker, C.	Watson
DeLissio	Hickernell	Parker, D.	Wheatley
Delozier	Hill	Pashinski	Wheeland
Dermody	Kampf	Payne	White
DiGirolamo	Kaufer	Peifer	Youngblood
Donatucci	Kauffman	Petrarca	
Driscoll	Kavulich	Petri	Turzai,
Ellis	Keller, M.K.	Quinn	Speaker

NAYS-64

Baker	Evankovich	Maloney	Reese
Benninghoff	Everett	Marshall	Roae
Bloom	Gillen	Masser	Saccone
Boback	Hahn	McGinnis	Simmons
Brown, R.	Harhart	Metcalfe	Staats
Causer	Heffley	Metzgar	Stephens
Christiana	Irvin	Millard	Tallman
Corbin	James	Miller, B.	Tobash
Cox	Jozwiak	Milne	Toepel
Culver	Keller, F.	Moul	Topper
Day	Knowles	Mustio	Truitt
Diamond	Krieger	Ortitay	Vereb
Dunbar	Lawrence	Pickett	Ward
Dush	Lewis	Quigley	Warner
Emrick	Mackenzie	Rader	Wentling
English	Maher	Rapp	Zimmerman

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca Gabler Kirkland Pyle

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 1319**, **PN 1879**, entitled:

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.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On the question of final passage, the Chair recognizes the minority whip, the gentleman, Representative Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I believe this is a good proposal and one that provides a useful savings vehicle for many families, but there is additional work that needs to be done.

First, many of the State restrictions proposed in this bill with regards to ABLE (Achieving a Better Life Experience) accounts are not all Federal requirements. Consequently, if Federal laws or regulations are expanded, which is currently being discussed, State law would limit qualified individuals to open ABLE accounts.

Second, the amount of money a qualified individual can save as a result of the program may be more restrictive than Federal requirements. Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I believe we should allow the Department of Treasury to make changes to the program to align with the Federal changes.

Third, I believe it should be optional, not a requirement, of beneficiaries to submit monthly ABLE account statements since the statements would likely incur additional costs to beneficiaries and their families.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, along those same lines, I do not believe we should be discouraging anyone from contributing to a designated beneficiary's account. However, this bill in its current form allows a State Medicaid plan to file for reimbursement of medical assistance paid from the beneficiary's ABLE account for payment of outstanding disability expenses upon the death of the designated beneficiary. However, individuals with a means to establish a living trust are not subject to this same Medicaid reimbursement policy. Therefore, I believe this could create inequalities between individuals with varying financial situations and ultimately jeopardize the program's overall growth and success.

While I will be voting "yes" on the bill, Mr. Speaker, I am optimistic that the Senate will work to address all of these concerns that I have outlined here today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-193

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

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

NAYS-1

James

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca Gabler Kirkland Pyle

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 758**, **PN 1880**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judgments and other liens, further providing for personal earnings exempt from process; and, in sentencing, further providing for payment of court costs, restitution and fines.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Will the maker of the bill stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. She indicates that she will. You may proceed.

Mr. VITALI. So basically, this bill deals with restitution in criminal cases. In other words, when a crime was committed and damage was done to a victim, this deals with how that victim can be compensated monetarily. Correct?

Mrs. TOEPEL. That is correct.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. And this, in general, adds the remedy of wage attachment. In other words, it gives the judge in the case at sentencing the discretion to garnish wages up to 25 percent of the gross salary of the defendant?

Mrs. TOEPEL. That is correct.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. I kind of wanted— There is just one aspect to this that I wanted to get at, and it involves the priority of wage attachment as set out on page 1, lines 12, 13, 14, and 15

By way of background, for what other things can wages be garnished in Pennsylvania right now?

Mrs. TOEPEL. It is for child support, board for 4 weeks or less, and the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Act.

Mr. VITALI. I am sorry; child support, I got that. Student loan defaults?

Mrs. TOEPEL. Yes.

Mr. VITALI. What else was on that list?

Mrs. TOEPEL. Well, divorce payments and board for 4 weeks or less.

Mr. VITALI. I am sorry; one more time. I am sorry.

Mrs. TOEPEL. Board for 4 weeks or less and also landlord issues, rent.

Mr. VITALI. Right. So if one failed to pay his landlord and owed his landlord money, the landlord could garnish wages.

And what about for the failure to pay State or Federal tax? If one failed to pay his State or Federal taxes, could wages be garnered for that?

Mrs. TOEPEL. I believe you can.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. So this is the only point I am trying to make, and maybe I am making it for the benefit of Senate and Senate staffers.

Now, you have this as second priority. So this restitution garnishment, as your bill reads, the restitution wage attachment would take precedence over a previous student loan default, it would take precedence over a previous failure to pay your taxes, it would take precedence over a failure to previously pay your rent. Is that correct?

Mrs. TOEPEL. That is correct.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. If the gentlelady would suspend.

The gentleman understands that the point of interrogation is supposed to be eliciting information that one does not know. I believe you have just recited your understanding and then added an "is that correct" to the end. That is not the appropriate point of interrogation.

Do you have any actual interrogation?

Mr. VITALI. Right. By way of explanation, Mr. Speaker, my knowledge of this area is quite tentative. So I do not want to—I am trying to confirm something I am not certain of, which I believe puts me in the scope of legitimate interrogation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman have any further interrogation?

Mr. VITALI. I do.

Has any consideration been given to that particular priority? In other words, just putting it right after child support and ahead of these other equally important things, was consideration given there? I mean, is there a policy reason you are putting this garnishment ahead of taxes or student loan defaults or landlord/tenant obligations? Is there a reason for that, is my question?

Mrs. TOEPEL. Yes, there is. This recognizes the importance we place on restoring crime victims.

Mr. VITALI. As opposed to restoring landlords or government taxes or other— Okay; okay. Then I am not going to be argumentative.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

That concludes my interrogation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Would you like to speak on the bill?

Mr. VITALI. I do not.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-194

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

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

DeLuca Gabler Kirkland Pyle

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.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The clerk will read the following supplemental report from the Committee on Committees.

The following report was read:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

In the House of Representatives, June 24, 2015

Resolved that,

Representative Driscoll, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the State Government Committee.

Respectfully submitted, Rep. Mike O'Brien Chairman Committee on Committees

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution? Resolution was adopted.

STATEMENT BY MR. MARSHALL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Beaver County, Mr. Marshall, under unanimous consent.

Mr. MARSHALL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the members that supported HB 1319, the ABLE Act. I would especially like to recognize Chairman O'Neill and his staff as well as

Representatives Miller, Murt, and Stephens for their great work in this. I would like to thank everybody on this legislation.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

And before recognizing the gentlelady from Montgomery County, Mrs. Toepel, we will remind the members we expect a series of important announcements momentarily.

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlelady is recognized under unanimous consent.

Mrs. TOEPEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank my colleagues for the unanimous support of HB 758, and I have comments to submit for the record. Thank you.

Mrs. TOEPEL submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

I would like to thank my colleagues for their support of HB 758.

This bill is the result of a bipartisan effort to take the recommendations of the Restitution Task Force and draft legislation to address the weaknesses in current practice to collect court-ordered restitution. Failure to collect these costs strips the victim of the restorative justice they should be able to expect. It ultimately revictimizes the person harmed by the original crime. This bill would add to the tools available to those tasked with monitoring and collecting restitution. Our crime victims cry out for justice. To ignore their pleas for restoration and the fulfillment of the sentence is unacceptable.

Thank you for your affirmative vote today in support of victims of crime.

STATEMENT BY MR. MILLER

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

Mr. D. MILLER. Unanimous consent; unanimous consent on HB 1319.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. D. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to join my good friend in thanking everyone for their work on HB 1319. We know that there are some issues that still need to be addressed, but we have taken a big step forward in helping families with loved ones with disabilities. It has been a bill that will make a difference for many people's lives.

And I would like to join in my thanks and appreciation for the chairmen on both Finance Committees, both chairmen, as well as my friends, Representatives Murt, Stephens, and of course the maker of the bill, who did a tremendous job in making sure that we got the vote today. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

And before recognizing the gentleman, Mr. Thomas, after Mr. Thomas speaks under unanimous consent, we will move to announcements and any further recognition will be delayed until after announcements.

STATEMENT BY MR. THOMAS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Mr. Thomas, you may proceed. Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker pro tem.

I want to thank my chair, Representative Adam Harris, from the Commerce Committee and all of my colleagues on the Commerce Committee for their support for HB 810, and I especially want to thank each and every one of my colleagues here for their support. I am confident that at the end of the day HB 810 will overwhelmingly satisfy all of our expectations with the Second Stage Loan Program. So again, I want to thank each and every one of my colleagues.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For the purpose of an announcement, the Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Bucks County, Representative Watson.

Mrs. WATSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Children and Youth Committee was scheduled to meet tomorrow for a voting meeting. It is still scheduled, but the time of the meeting has changed. We will now be meeting at 11:30 to consider HB 162 in room 60 of the East Wing. So again, it is a time change for the House Children and Youth Committee for a voting meeting. It will begin at 11:30 tomorrow in room 60.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the lady.

COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For the purpose of an announcement, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks County, Representative O'Neill.

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

Mr. Speaker, the House Finance Committee meeting for tomorrow morning at 9:30, the voting meeting we had, has been postponed until 12:30 in room B-31, Main Capitol. Again, it is 12:30, B-31, Main Capitol. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

COMMITTEE MEETING POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes, for the purpose of an announcement, the gentleman from York County, Representative Saylor.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to announce that the meeting scheduled for the Education Committee tomorrow morning at 9:30 is postponed and will be at the call of the Chair tomorrow.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Other announcements?

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. I will remind the members that we expect to convene tomorrow at 1 p.m., unless sooner recalled.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. PAYNE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes, for the purpose of an announcement, the gentleman from Dauphin County, Representative Payne.

Mr. PAYNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Gaming Oversight Committee hearing scheduled for Friday, this Friday, at 9:30 has been postponed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Last call for announcements. Anyone else seeking unanimous consent recognition?

We will move forward.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 605;

HB 871;

HB 1114;

SB 42;

SB 284:

SB 285; and

SB 405.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 645 and HB 321 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 321 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Berks County, Representative Jozwiak, who moves this House do now adjourn until Thursday, June 25, 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 3:15 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.