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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI) PRESIDING

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR HAROLD E. ROACH

The SPEAKER. I would ask all the members to please stand, and our guests. I am going to be talking a little bit more about him shortly, but as we move into our prayer, some very, very sad news. Our close friend and colleague, Hal Roach, whom many of you would see greeting us here or towards the back of the chamber, who is the head of House Security, passed away last evening. It is so sad. He had a heart attack, my understanding is, while shoveling. And just may God bless; just so very, very sad. Just a class individual.

I have asked our Guest Chaplain today to make mention of him in the prayer too. So we are going to just have a moment of silence right now as a mark of respect for this great friend and coworker, and then I will turn it over to a guest of Representative Rozzi, Rev. Felipe Santiago Fana, who is with the Salem Pentecostal Church, to give our prayer today, and then we will recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

(Whereupon, the members of the House and all visitors stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Harold E. Roach.)

The SPEAKER. Reverend.

PRAYER

REV. FELIPE SANTIAGO FANA, Guest Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Holy Father, in the name of Jesus, we come to You today. Father, please put good intention into all of the blessings that we have here in the branch of the government. Bless all the families represented here. Father, give the power and the smarts to all the men and women in this room to make the right decisions for the State of Pennsylvania.

Father, in the name of Jesus, I come at this time to present, Father, this man whom You call into Your presence, Sgt. Hal Roach. Bless his family; take care of them.

Father, in the name of Jesus, all the things You have done, You have done right. All the things You are doing for the people who believe, You are doing right. This country is founded by the people who believe You are the God to bring the united, to bring the blessing for the country. Father, in the name of Jesus, I ask You to be Yahweh's eyes, to believe You continue to bless this country. This is a great country. This is a great State. People, you were led to come here. You were selected to come here to do the right thing.

Father, bless this, the whole people in this room. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER. The Sergeants at Arms are asked to open the doors of the House. All members and guests may be seated. And for our House Security team, please just stay with us for a few minutes. Just stay with us for a few minutes, and then once more members have arrived, we are going to be talking about Hal.

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, February 9, 2016, will be postponed until printed.

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 693 By Representatives ACOSTA, THOMAS, SCHLOSSBERG, ROZZI, BULLOCK, SCHWEYER, PASHINSKI, MURT, CALTAGIRONE, O'BRIEN, FARINA, M. DALEY, MAHONEY, YOUNGBLOOD, W. KELLER, STURLA, KORTZ, V. BROWN, COHEN, DAWKINS and KINSEY

A Resolution urging the Congress and President of the United States to develop a comprehensive plan to address the humanitarian and fiscal crisis facing Puerto Rico.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 10, 2016.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1847 By Representatives OBERLANDER, WARNER, ADOLPH, BAKER, BOBACK, CAUSER, CORBIN, DUSH, EVERETT, GROVE, HARHART, A. HARRIS, HEFFLEY, HICKERNELL, KAUFFMAN, MARSICO, MASSER, METZGAR, MILLARD, MILNE, MURT, MUSTIO, PETRI, READSHAW, ROSS, ROTHMAN, SAYLOR, SONNEY, STAATS, STEPHENS, TOEPEL, TOPPER, WARD, WATSON, WHEELAND, MOUL and HAHN

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Health for the purpose of diabetes programs for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, February 10, 2016.

No. 1848 By Representatives TOOHIL, BAKER, BOBACK, CAUSER, GROVE, HARHART, A. HARRIS, HICKERNELL, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, MAJOR, MARSICO, MILLARD, MILNE, ORTITAY, REGAN, ROSS, STAATS, STEPHENS, WARD and WATSON

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of medical assistance payments - obstetrics and neonatal services for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, February 10, 2016.

No. 1850 By Representatives KAUFER, CUTLER, MASSER, MAJOR, BARRAR, MILLARD, BOBACK, WARD, O'NEILL, JAMES, KNOWLES, MURT, CAUSER, CORBIN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, HAHN and ADOLPH

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Education for the purpose of mobile science and math education programs for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, February 10, 2016.

SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 568, PN 541

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 10, 2016.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 1589, PN 2811 By Rep. CAUSER

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in additional special funds, further providing for distributions from the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Fund; and providing for allocations from the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account.

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS.

HB 1703, PN 2849 (Amended) By Rep. HICKERNELL

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, further providing for operation by persons under age sixteen and for mufflers and noise control.

TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

HR 616, PN 2848 (Amended) By Rep. CAUSER

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission, with assistance from the Independent Fiscal Office, to conduct a study on the impact of regulations and policies concerning Pennsylvania's horse racing industry.

AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS.

HR 622, PN 2671 By Rep. TAYLOR

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a comprehensive review of the appropriate and justifiable level of Motor License Fund support for the Pennsylvania State Police given the constitutional protection of that fund.

TRANSPORTATION.

SR 55, PN 653 By Rep. MAHER

A Concurrent Resolution establishing a forestry task force to study issues concerning the renewal and management of this Commonwealth's forests; providing for an advisory committee; and directing the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee to provide administrative support to the task force.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

SENATE MESSAGE

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1296, PN 2553**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The majority whip indicates that the following members would like to be placed on leave for the day: Representative TOOHIL of Luzerne County, and Representative DAY of Lehigh County. Without objection, those requests will be granted.

And the minority whip requests leaves of absence for the following individuals: Representative SIMS of Philadelphia County for the day, Representative COHEN of Philadelphia County for the day, Representative GAINNEY of Allegheny County for the day, Representative KIRKLAND of Delaware

County for the day, and Representative THOMAS of Philadelphia County for the day. Without objection, those leave requests will be granted.

Members, we do have quite a large group of visitors to introduce today and quite a few resolutions that people wish to speak on today, so I am going to need everybody working together here to give proper attention.

But I would like members, if you could, to take your seats. Members, please take your seats so that we can start with visitor recognition and resolutions.

REMARKS BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. And as I told the members prior to our prayer – we had a moment of silence – I want to just reiterate this point. Hal Roach, our director of House Security, passed away last night from a heart attack. We did have a moment of silence for him right prior to our prayer, and the good Reverend was able to also put him in our prayers.

You know his wife, Jen, also works in this institution. She works down in Purchasing. So it is very, very sad. We will be having, obviously, when we get back, a condolence resolution with his family here.

But right now I have House Security personnel standing at the rear of the House, and may God bless each and every one of you. We know Hal was a dear friend and a great boss and a great colleague to you. With us are Pat Stoops, Ryan Nissly, Seamus Smith, Lance Chisholm, Marc Daniel, Bill Dennison, Joe Marshall, Tim Plakas, Marcel Smullen, and Candice Valencia. Thank you so much for your service, and God bless you in the loss of your colleague and friend. Thank you so much for being with us and for all you do for the protection and good graces of this institution. Thank you for being with us today.

Thank you. Thank you all.

We are going to proceed with the master roll call, and then we will move into visitor recognition and resolutions.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take the master roll. Members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—192

Acosta	Evans	Krueger	Rapp
Adolph	Everett	Lawrence	Ravenstahl
Baker	Fabrizio	Lewis	Readshaw
Barbin	Farina	Longietti	Reed
Barrar	Farry	Mackenzie	Reese
Benninghoff	Fee	Maher	Regan
Bizzarro	Flynn	Mahoney	Roae
Bloom	Frankel	Major	Roebuck
Boback	Freeman	Maloney	Ross
Boyle	Gabler	Markosek	Rothman
Bradford	Galloway	Marshall	Rozzi
Briggs	Gergely	Marsico	Saccone
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Masser	Sainato
Brown, V.	Gillen	Matzie	Samuelson
Bullock	Gillespie	McCarter	Sankey

Burns	Gingrich	McClinton	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Godshall	McGinnis	Santora
Carroll	Goodman	McNeill	Saylor
Causser	Greiner	Mentzer	Schemel
Christiana	Grove	Metcalfe	Schlossberg
Conklin	Hahn	Metzgar	Schreiber
Corbin	Hanna	Miccarelli	Schweyer
Costa, D.	Harhai	Millard	Simmons
Costa, P.	Harhart	Miller, B.	Snyder
Cox	Harkins	Miller, D.	Sonney
Cruz	Harper	Milne	Staats
Culver	Harris, A.	Moul	Stephens
Cutler	Harris, J.	Mullery	Sturla
Daley, M.	Heffley	Murt	Tallman
Daley, P.	Helm	Mustio	Taylor
Davidson	Hennessey	Neilson	Tobash
Davis	Hickernell	Nesbit	Toepel
Dawkins	Hill	Neuman	Topper
Dean	Irvin	O'Brien	Truitt
Deasy	James	O'Neill	Vereb
DeLissio	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Vitali
DeLozier	Kampf	Ortitay	Ward
DeLuca	Kaufner	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	Pyle	Zimmerman
Ellis	Klunk	Quigley	
Emrick	Knowles	Quinn	Turzai,
English	Kortz	Rader	Speaker
Evankovich	Kotik		

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—1

Kinsey

EXCUSED—7

Cohen	Gainey	Sims	Toohil
Day	Kirkland	Thomas	

LEAVES ADDED—18

Cox	Gergely	Miller, D.	Schreiber
Cruz	Keller, W.	Milne	Simmons
Davidson	Kinsey	Pyle	Vitali
Gabler	Kotik	Roebuck	Wheatley
Galloway	McNeill		

LEAVES CANCELED—4

Davidson	Day	Kinsey	Pyle
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The SPEAKER. One hundred and ninety-two members having voted on the master roll, a quorum is present.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Representative Culver's district office manager, Angie Lambousis, and her husband, Jason. It is an honor to have you here, and thank you for your great service to the district and to the Commonwealth. Great to have you. Thank you.

LEGISLATIVE FELLOWS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Now, members, if you could please take your seats. I think it is only fitting that we as a group get to meet our Legislative Fellows who have been interning with us since January. So if you could take your seats, please.

As I introduce you, please stand.

Cameron Cochran attends California University of Pennsylvania, and he is working with the Democratic State Government Committee and Representative Mark Cohen.

Olivia Edwards attends Lebanon Valley College and has been assigned to the Republican Local Government and Consumer Affairs Committees under Representative Harper and Representative Godshall.

Abigail Lombard attends Allegheny College, and she is working with Representative Barrar and Representative Taylor with respect to the Veterans Affairs and Transportation Committees.

Robyn Moore attends Temple University, and she has been assigned to work with the Democratic Caucus chair under Representative Rosita Youngblood.

Brittney Sylvia attends Penn State's Harrisburg campus and is working with Representative Cruz and the Human Services Committee.

Members, if you could give them a warm welcome. It is really great to have you working with us.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the rear of the House, there are some students that are guests of Representative Schreiber. They are homeschool students. Jarod and Devon Maurer, Welland Ferris, and Tori Krout are part of a civics class that is being taught by Pastor Bob Tome. Representative Schreiber is with them. Welcome to the hall of the House. Thank you very much for being here today.

Representative Klunk has a guest here in the well of the House, guest page Ben Shaw. Ben, if you could stand. Ben is a sophomore at Hanover High School and is a member of the student council and tennis team. Welcome, and thanks for your service today, Ben.

We also have guest page Madeline Eby, and she is an eighth grade student at Ephrata Middle School. And in the rear of the House, her parents are here, Phil and Crystal, and sister Erin, and they are the guests of Representative Zimmerman from Lancaster County. So, Madeline, thank you so much for being with us today. Thanks for your service.

And Representative Metzgar has some guests in the gallery. There is a group of homeschool students who are here with Mr. and Mrs. Gerber. Could you please rise, everybody there with Mr. and Mrs. Gerber. Come on, stand up. It is a big group, I see. Everybody, go ahead, stand up. And I take it you are all from Somerset County. So great to have you here. Thank you.

I know that Representative Rozzi is going to be introducing some guests with respect to HR 690. I will leave those introductions to him.

And Representative Diamond will have some guests to introduce with respect to HR 668.

So we are going to turn to resolutions, and then we will have those individuals recognized at that time.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR**RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Ms. V. BROWN called up **HR 628, PN 2801**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of February 2016 as "Black History Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. R. BROWN called up **HR 645, PN 2730**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of February 21 through 27, 2016, as "Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MURT called up **HR 662, PN 2775**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of February 2016 as "Career and Technical Education Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. SCHREIBER called up **HR 667, PN 2791**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing February 3, 2016, as "Four Chaplains Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. DRISCOLL called up **HR 669, PN 2803**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of March 2016 as "Irish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. READSHAW called up **HR 672, PN 2805**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of February 14 through 20, 2016, as "Random Acts of Kindness Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. READSHAW called up **HR 673, PN 2806**, entitled:

A Resolution designating March 1, 2016, as "Saint David's Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. CHRISTIANA called up **HR 675, PN 2808**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of January 31 through February 6, 2016, as "Physician Anesthesiologist Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. MAJOR called up **HR 677, PN 2809**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of February 14 through 20, 2016, as "Cardiac Rehabilitation Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. DONATUCCI called up **HR 678, PN 2810**, entitled:

A Resolution designating March 13, 2016, as "K9 Veterans and Services Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MATZIE called up **HR 679, PN 2822**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the importance of finding the cause and cure for multiple sclerosis; expressing appreciation to the Pennsylvania chapters of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society for their work; and recognizing the week of March 7 through 13, 2016, as "Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MATZIE called up **HR 680, PN 2823**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing March 14, 2016, as "Charter Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. FABRIZIO called up **HR 683, PN 2826**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of February 2016 as "National Cancer Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. GOODMAN called up **HR 685, PN 2828**, entitled:

A Resolution designating February 16, 2016, as "Lithuanian Independence Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. NEILSON called up **HR 688, PN 2831**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of February 2016 as "National Senior Independence Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. BOBACK called up **HR 689, PN 2832**, entitled:

A Resolution designating February 7 through 14, 2016, as "Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. ROZZI called up **HR 690, PN 2833**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing February 27, 2016, as "Dominican Republic Independence Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. It is my understanding Representative KINSEY should be marked on leave, at the request of the minority whip.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS
PURSUANT TO RULE 35 CONTINUED**

On the question recurring,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

Cohen	Gainey	Kirkland	Thomas
Day	Kinsey	Sims	Toohil

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

The SPEAKER. And at this time members wish to speak on these resolutions.

STATEMENT BY MR. ROZZI

The SPEAKER. Representative Rozzi is recognized to speak on HR 690.

Representative Rozzi, wait just— Members, we are going to turn the floor over to our colleagues. I ask all members to please take your seats. Colleagues are going to have the opportunity to speak on a number of the uncontested resolutions.

We will begin with Representative Rozzi. Representative, the floor is yours.

Mr. ROZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like my guests to please rise over there. I do not know if they can hear me. If my guests could please stand up.

I would like to thank my friend, Pastor Felipe Fana, for his prayer today, especially with what happened with Hal last night. I think it is important that we hold those thoughts in our hearts, and it is horrible what happened, and if we have an opportunity just to thank our security team on our way out of here today, I think it is important.

I would like to thank Felipe Fana today, Delfin Vasquez, Maria Oneal, Rafael Nunez, and Antonio Lista.

On February 27 they and many thousands of Dominican-Americans will celebrate the 127th anniversary of the independence of the Dominican Republic. This joyous occasion coincides with the month-long carnival on the island.

It might surprise you to know that Dominicans are the 5th largest population of Hispanic origin living in the United States, and Reading is the host to the 10th largest community of Dominicans here. My friends, they care about the city of Reading and will do whatever it takes to make sure that their children will follow in their footsteps and really take in what immigrants that come to this country believe in so much: the American dream. And you know, they came to this country with the hopes and dreams to have the life that they could not get in the Dominican Republic.

And I thank my friends so much for coming up here today and being part of this celebration. So if I can just get the House to give them a warm welcome, I would truly appreciate it.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Rozzi.

In Pittsburgh, two very famous individuals from the Dominican Republic include players for the Pittsburgh Pirates, our outfielders, Polanco and Marte. You may know them. So welcome, and congratulations on the anniversary. That is just outstanding.

We have with us now Representative Rosemary Brown, who is recognized to speak on HR 645.

Representative Cruz, did you wish to speak? I apologize.

Representative Brown, I am just going to let, on that same resolution, and then I will just—

STATEMENT BY MR. CRUZ

The SPEAKER. Representative Cruz, please proceed. I am sorry; I apologize.

Mr. CRUZ. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just wanted to take the opportunity to thank everyone, especially from being of Latino descent, welcoming our

brothers from the Dominican Republic and wishing them all, all the best. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the opportunity to vote on this resolution.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir. Thank you.

STATEMENT BY MRS. BROWN

The SPEAKER. Representative Rosemary Brown, I do apologize. I had not seen Representative Cruz. Representative Brown, the floor is yours. Please come down. Thank you.

Mrs. R. BROWN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today to remind the members of this chamber and the people of Pennsylvania about automatic external defibrillators, otherwise known as AEDs. First, I would like to thank the 59 members of this chamber for their cosponsorship of my resolution, which designates February 21 through February 27 as "AED Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

This resolution, of course, is geared to educate our public of what an AED is and the importance of having one readily available in public places, including work environments and schools, to respond to an emergency cardiac event. The end goal, of course, is to save lives.

So, Mr. Speaker, this is what an AED looks like, in case anyone has never seen an AED. You can see it is very, very small. It is easy to use and it is voice activated, giving the user very, very simple instructions.

AEDs are used in the event of a sudden cardiac arrest, where the heart suddenly stops pumping blood and becomes erratic. Approximately 360,000 cases of sudden cardiac arrest occur yearly, typically without any warning signs. Currently a person has about a 5-percent chance of surviving an incident of cardiac arrest. Optimal AED placement and access allows a person to return to a victim usually within 90 seconds, giving that person a stronger chance of surviving. And we do have about six or seven AEDs in the Capitol, and there is one in the back of the House as well that security, I believe, is all trained on as well.

But I dedicate this AED Awareness Week to Gregory Moyer, the son of my constituents, John and Rachel Moyer. Gregory passed away at the young age of 15 after experiencing sudden cardiac arrest during a high school basketball game. The Moyers continue to be extremely active both locally and at the State level with AED policy, awareness, and improving AED accessibility for public safety.

So I am requesting that all members and people watching today question whether their workplace has an AED, their children's school, and specifically, where that AED is located. I also request that you think of many other public places that you visit, such as a church, a community association, a shopping mall, among many others, and whether they currently have an AED on hand and where it is located as well, but most importantly, if there is not an AED, that you become active in working to encourage one to be installed.

So once again, I thank all of the members, and I encourage you in your leadership positions to be very creative in communicating AED Awareness Week in your districts. I ask your constituents, organizations, schools, and businesses to review if they have an AED available, and if they do not, to make it a priority to obtain one to best be prepared for a cardiac emergency and to save lives back home.

And, Mr. Speaker, as we are saddened today by the loss of our friend, Hal, in Security, as a result of a cardiac event, again it does remind us that life is very, very precious, and we have to be best prepared for emergency events, if possible.

So with that, I would like to send my prayers to Hal, and his family, as well.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. The Chair notes that Representative Kinsey and Representative Day are both on the House floor and should be placed on the master roll.

STATEMENT BY MS. BROWN

The SPEAKER. Representative Vanessa Brown is recognized to speak on HR 628. Come on down to the front to the well, please. Representative Vanessa Brown has the floor.

Ms. V. BROWN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

To my fellow members, thank you for your support in recognizing February as Black History Month in Pennsylvania as we acknowledge the life of one of the greatest civil rights leaders of our time, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King.

As I rise on behalf of my resolutions, in my position as chairwoman of the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus, I cannot help but to think about the phrase and the rallying cry that we have heard so often in the last year or so: Black Lives Matter. While the phrase "Black Lives Matter" has been involved more so in the context of social justice, I would like to take this opportunity to share with you just how much Black lives matter, not only in this Commonwealth, but to the entire United States Republic. It was the labor and ingenuity of Black lives that helped to build the very infrastructure of our nation. It was the same toiling and brilliance that helped to dramatically improve the quality of life for our nation's citizens.

It is the carbon filament in the light bulbs that are right here in this House, invented by Lewis Latimer, that allows us to enjoy the bright and radiant lighting in the hall of this beautiful chamber. It is the artificial heart pacemaker control unit, invented by Otis Boykin, that has literally extended our life expectancy and enables us to serve our legislative districts for 20, 30, and in some cases of our colleagues, 40 years.

In addition, despite our philosophical differences on the issue of gun control within this chamber, it is products like the fireproof safe, which was invented by Henry Brown, that allow us to store our goods and valuables with peace of mind that they are in safekeeping.

It is also other devices that we rely heavily upon but often take for granted, like the personal computer that sits in front of all of our desks, which was coined by Mark Dean, that allows us to conduct our business of serving our constituents remotely and often from all the corners of the Commonwealth.

Other forms of technology that have come to revolutionize our commerce and our nation, such as mobile refrigeration – and this is for Russ Diamond – so all the trucks that travel all over the Commonwealth, it is because of that mobile refrigeration that you are able to exist. This was invented by Frederick Jones.

The list of vitally important products and technologies invented by Blacks is endless, and includes, but is not limited to, the railroad lubrication machine, the modern-day home video game console, 3-D graphic applications that were used in movies such as "Jurassic Park," and the shoe lasting machine that builds all the shoes that we have on, amongst others.

That said, when you hear the phrase "Black Lives Matter," I would encourage all of my colleagues to simply consider the phrase in the context of the innumerable and critically important contributions that Black lives have made and continue to make in our nation.

Once again, I would like to thank all of our colleagues for their support of my resolution. I look anxiously forward to talking with you more at our Black History celebration in March.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

STATEMENT BY MS. QUINN

The SPEAKER. Representative Matzie and Representative Quinn are together recognized to speak on HR 679.

Ms. QUINN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, colleagues.

Representative Matzie and I rise today to recognize and to empower every person living with multiple sclerosis in the Commonwealth. There are more than 19,000 Pennsylvanians diagnosed with this debilitating neurological disease, the fifth highest incident rate in the country, and sadly, the number continues to rise. Colleagues, there is no known cause or cure for multiple sclerosis, which is why we ask you to support us in recognizing Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week in Pennsylvania.

STATEMENT BY MR. MATZIE

Mr. MATZIE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is personal to me, as my father has coped with this horrible disease for many years. Unfortunately, he was misdiagnosed for decades, believing his vision issues were caused by optic nerve damage. His situation serves as an example of the need for awareness and understanding of symptoms which lead to a proper diagnosis. He is legally blind in one eye. He is 82 now, and you can see as he gets older how this debilitating issue has caused his quality of life to deteriorate, but he is in great spirits.

But we appreciate your support for this very important measure, as what we do here is so important, especially when we have the opportunity to raise awareness about something like multiple sclerosis. So thank you, members.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representatives.

STATEMENT BY MS. BOBACK

The SPEAKER. Representative Boback is recognized to speak on HR 689.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank my colleagues on the House floor for your support of Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week. Congenital heart defect disease is considered to be the most

common birth defect and is the leading cause of birth defect-related deaths worldwide. This affects over 40,000 babies every year in the United States alone. Despite the fact that CHD affects approximately 1.8 million families in the United States, a relatively small amount of funding is currently available for parent/patient educational services, research, and support. Most of the time CHD is serious and requires surgery and/or medications, which often presents an emotional and financial hardship for families.

My hope is that by introducing this resolution it will raise more awareness across the State for those families who have a child suffering from CHD. Once again, thank you for your support.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

STATEMENT BY MR. MURT

The SPEAKER. Representative Tom Murt is recognized to speak on HR 662.

Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, while it is important that we help everyone who can benefit from a college or university education receive the financial aid and guidance to achieve that goal, it is important that we recognize the importance of career and technical education. It is why we declare February as national "Career and Technical Education Month."

Nationally, technical schools are ever changing to meet the country's education and skill needs. These schools create an educational environment that combines core academics with real-world applications. These programs affect the lives of 14 million students daily in 1300 public high schools and 1700 2-year colleges nationwide.

At its core, the mission is to help students develop the skills, technical knowledge, academic rigor, and real-world experience for high-skill, high-demand, and highly successful careers.

Mr. Speaker, we must help our high schools partner with technical schools and employers so students can receive the real-world education and hands-on training that will lead to high-paying jobs and careers that will benefit all Pennsylvanians.

Mr. Speaker, the truth is, not everyone needs a 4-year college degree to be successful. They do, however, need a combination of postsecondary education and industry-recognized credentials that lead to family-sustaining jobs and careers.

Our economic growth is dependent on these jobs, and unfortunately, many of these positions go unfilled for lack of trained workers. We must reverse that trend. We must do everything in our power, Mr. Speaker, to make sure these students are prepared not only for college, but for successful careers.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

UNCONTESTED SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. BLOOM called up **HR 692, PN 2847**, entitled:

A Resolution designating February 11, 2016, as "PA 2-1-1 Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—194

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cohen Kirkland Thomas Toohil
 Gainey Sims

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

STATEMENT BY MR. BLOOM

The SPEAKER. On unanimous consent, Representative Bloom is recognized.

Mr. BLOOM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Thank you, colleagues, for your unanimous vote in favor of HR 692. It was my pleasure to introduce HR 692 recognizing February 11 as 2-1-1 Day in Pennsylvania. The 2-1-1 system is a free service provided by the United Way, which partners local nonprofits and social service groups to help assist Pennsylvanians.

Folks in need simply dial 2-1-1 and are instantly connected to a wealth of knowledge related to their area's nonprofit and human services providers, both governmental and nongovernmental. This one-stop shop connects the individual in need directly with these organizations, ensuring that when folks are in need of help and often lost in the bureaucratic sea of the county assistance office, they are able to be helped by the hundreds of well-trained volunteers and organizations which dedicate their efforts to lifting people out of poverty. These services are offered on a regionalized basis, ensuring that people are helped by their neighbors and people in their own communities.

By recognizing 2/11, or February 11, which is tomorrow, as 2-1-1 Day in Pennsylvania, the House of Representatives salutes the 2-1-1 system in helping to empower folks seeking to fulfill their own version of the American dream. Initiatives like this program provide a needed public benefit, and I applaud the United Way for providing these services for the common good of our Commonwealth.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Ms. V. BROWN called up **HR 635, PN 2716**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

On the question,
 Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-194

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cohen Kirkland Thomas Toohil
 Gainey Sims

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

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Mr. DEASY called up **HR 664, PN 2788**, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating the Bishop Canevin High School girls volleyball team on winning the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association Class A State Championship.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barbin	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Readshaw
Barrar	Farina	Lewis	Reed
Benninghoff	Farry	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Fee	Mackenzie	Regan
Bloom	Flynn	Maher	Roae
Boback	Frankel	Mahoney	Roebuck
Boyle	Freeman	Major	Ross
Bradford	Gabler	Maloney	Rothman
Briggs	Galloway	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gergely	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sainato
Bullock	Gillen	Masser	Samuelson
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Sankey
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Santarsiero
Carroll	Godshall	McClinton	Santora
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Culver	Harper	Miller, D.	Staats
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Daley, P.	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Davidson	Helm	Murt	Taylor
Davis	Hennessey	Mustio	Tobash
Dawkins	Hickernell	Neilson	Toepel
Day	Hill	Nesbit	Topper
Dean	Irvin	Neuman	Truitt
Deasy	James	O'Brien	Vereb
DeLissio	Jozwiak	O'Neill	Vitali
Delozier	Kampf	Oberlander	Ward
DeLuca	Kaufman	Ortitay	Warner
Dermody	Kauffman	Parker, D.	Watson
Diamond	Kavulich	Pashinski	Wentling
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Payne	Wheatley
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Wheeland
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petrarca	White
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	Youngblood
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kinsey	Pyle	
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Quinn	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cohen	Kirkland	Thomas	Toohil
Gainey	Sims		

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

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Mr. HEFFLEY called up **HR 666, PN 2790**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the Carbon Career and Technical Institute for its success in receiving the highest score from among all career and technical schools in this Commonwealth on the Pennsylvania School Performance Profile for the second consecutive year.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barrar	Farina	Lewis	Reed
Benninghoff	Farry	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Fee	Mackenzie	Regan
Bloom	Flynn	Maher	Roae
Boback	Frankel	Mahoney	Roebuck
Boyle	Freeman	Major	Ross
Bradford	Gabler	Maloney	Rothman
Briggs	Galloway	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gergely	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sainato
Bullock	Gillen	Masser	Samuelson
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Sankey
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Santarsiero
Carroll	Godshall	McClinton	Santora
Causser	Goodman	McGinnis	Saylor
Christiana	Greiner	McNeill	Schemel
Conklin	Grove	Mentzer	Schlossberg
Corbin	Hahn	Metcalfe	Schreiber
Costa, D.	Hanna	Metzgar	Schweyer
Costa, P.	Harhai	Miccarelli	Simmons
Cox	Harhart	Millard	Snyder
Cruz	Harkins	Miller, B.	Sonney
Culver	Harper	Miller, D.	Staats
Cutler	Harris, A.	Milne	Stephens
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Moul	Sturla
Daley, P.	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Davidson	Helm	Murt	Taylor
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Deasy	James	O'Brien	Vereb
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DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Payne	Wheatley
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	Wheeland
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petrarca	White
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	Youngblood
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kinsey	Pyle	
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Quinn	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cohen Kirkland Thomas Toohil
 Gainey Sims

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

STATEMENT BY MS. YOUNGBLOOD

The SPEAKER. Upon unanimous consent, Representative Youngblood is recognized.

Ms. YOUNGBLOOD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Members, please, Representative Youngblood has the floor. Please give her your attention.

Ms. YOUNGBLOOD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, to align with some of the comments today regarding our guests of Hispanic descent, I just want to take the time today to recognize the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators. The National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators was founded in 1989 as a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that represents over 300 elected Hispanic State legislators throughout United States, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

Since the founding of this organization, its primary mission has been to organize Hispanic State legislators who advocate on behalf of Hispanic communities across the United States. They continue to lead the fight for additional resources at all levels of government on behalf of Hispanics nationwide who may benefit from better housing, education, health care, and business opportunities in both the public and private sectors.

Mr. Speaker, for the first time in the organization's history, members have elected a State Representative from Pennsylvania as its president, placing the Commonwealth at the forefront of advocacy for policies that would help Hispanic communities across the nation.

I want to recognize Representative Angel Cruz, el presidente of the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, and if members could recognize this great accomplishment. I am very proud of Representative Cruz. This is a major accomplishment.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Youngblood.

Representative Cruz, congratulations; what an honor. Thank you so much for your service here too.

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. DIAMOND called up **HR 668, PN 2802**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing and commemorating the 150th anniversary of the founding of Lebanon Valley College.

On the question,
 Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On that resolution, Representative Diamond.

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Sitting on 357 acres in my hometown of Annville is Lebanon Valley College. This prestigious institution has been consistently ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of the best private liberal arts colleges in the country.

This year marks the 150th anniversary of the college's founding as a coeducational institution. It was established in 1866 by the United Brethren Church, a precursor of the college's current partner in education, the United Methodist Church.

Here with us to celebrate this milestone today is Lebanon Valley's president, Lewis Thayne, and its vice president of strategic initiatives, Steven O'Day. Gentlemen, please rise.

Colleagues, please give them a round of applause. Welcome to the hall of the House.

Over the last century and a half, Lebanon Valley College has produced a number of notable alumni, some of them you likely know. Among them are former Governor Tom Corbett, House Majority Whip Bryan Cutler, and our colleague, Representative Mark Cohen.

Other alumni include Bruce Metzger, who was one of the leading Biblical scholars of the 20th century and a professor at Princeton; Dr. Daniel Fox, the inventor of Lexan, which is a General Electric plastics product used in everything from DVDs (digital video disks) to car bumpers; and a host of professional athletes.

Lebanon Valley College continues to produce graduates prepared to meet the complex challenges of the 21st-century workplace. The college's master plan includes construction of a new health professions center on the north side of its campus. The new building will accommodate a growing student interest in athletic training, exercise science, and physical therapy, as well as provide flexibility for the eventual introduction of new health-related programs.

Particularly noteworthy is the college's new strategic plan, Envision 2020. The four areas of focus include graduating world-ready students, delivering educational excellence and engaged learning, developing inclusive excellence and high performance, and achieving sustainability.

In Lebanon County we are very proud of the Flying Dutchmen and the contributions they make to our community and the Commonwealth.

So, Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in passing HR 668, which honors Lebanon Valley College on 150 years of excellence. We look forward to the next 150 years.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Bizzarro	Fee	Mackenzie	Regan
Bloom	Flynn	Maher	Roae
Boback	Frankel	Mahoney	Roebuck
Boyle	Freeman	Major	Ross
Bradford	Gabler	Maloney	Rothman
Briggs	Galloway	Markosek	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gergely	Marshall	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gibbons	Marsico	Sainato
Bullock	Gillen	Masser	Samuelson
Burns	Gillespie	Matzie	Sankey
Caltagirone	Gingrich	McCarter	Santarsiero
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Ellis	Kinsey	Pyle	
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English	Knowles	Quinn	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cohen	Kirkland	Thomas	Toohil
Gainey	Sims		

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

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Mr. READSHAW called up **HR 671, PN 2804**, entitled:

A Resolution observing February 12, 2016, as the 207th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barbin	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Readshaw
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Briggs	Galloway	Markosek	Rozzi
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Corbin	Hahn	Metcalfe	Schreiber
Costa, D.	Hanna	Metzgar	Schweyer
Costa, P.	Harhai	Miccarelli	Simmons
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Cruz	Harkins	Miller, B.	Sonney
Culver	Harper	Miller, D.	Staats
Cutler	Harris, A.	Milne	Stephens
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Moul	Sturla
Daley, P.	Heffley	Mullery	Tallman
Davidson	Helm	Murt	Taylor
Davis	Hennessey	Mustio	Tobash
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DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Payne	Wheatley
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Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petrarca	White
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	Youngblood
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kinsey	Pyle	
Emrick	Klunk	Quigley	Turzai,
English	Knowles	Quinn	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-6

Cohen	Kirkland	Thomas	Toohil
Gainey	Sims		

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

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Mr. SACCONE called up **HR 686, PN 2829**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the birth of George Washington and honoring the contributions he made to this nation.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—194

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Cohen	Kirkland	Thomas	Toohil
Gainey	Sims		

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

STATEMENT BY MR. SACCONE

The SPEAKER. Representative Saccone, on HR 686.
Mr. SACCONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Our Founding Father, George Washington, was universally respected regardless of party or faction. His success in uniting our country and uniting a disparate people during the tumult of our Revolution was nothing short of miraculous.

The SPEAKER. Representative, please suspend just for a second.

Members, we have certainly given each of our colleagues the opportunity to be heard today. I know we are on our last resolution. I would appreciate if everybody could please take their seats, any conversations be taken to the anterooms outside of the chamber. If we could, if members could please take their seats. Any conversations, please take them to the anterooms outside the chamber.

Representative Saccone, the floor is yours.

Mr. SACCONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As I said, his success in uniting a disparate people during the tumult of our Revolution was nothing short of a miracle, and he continuously appealed to God for favor in our struggle for independence. Many of our Founding Fathers did the same. As many of our Founding Fathers look down upon us right here today from that grand Apotheosis, it might pay to remind ourselves that our very Constitution reflects that sentiment, because you will not get past even the very first line of our Pennsylvania Constitution and you will hear, "WE, the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of civil and religious liberty, and humbly invoking His guidance, do ordain and establish this Constitution." Did you hear what I said? Our Founding Fathers humbly invoked God's guidance when they wrote our Constitution. I think we could also benefit from some of that today.

The Appeal to Heaven flag was used by George Washington and represented the colonists' trust in God. We have hung a bunch of them in the lower rotunda today. You will see them all around. I hope you will stop by and see them. I have some smaller ones for your desks if you would like one. It was flown frequently prior to and during the Revolution.

How fitting that we celebrate it today in this resolution, as we celebrate the year of our 60th anniversary of our national motto, "In God We Trust," which was conceived and birthed right here in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, I will close with this to show the sentiment and the heart of our first President, George Washington, because he left us a really great message, I think.

The day the Bill of Rights was passed on 25 September 1789, the men who wrote the Bill of Rights – you know the Bill of Rights has 10 amendments, and of course you know the First Amendment has 5 freedoms, and the first of those freedoms is freedom of religion: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof...." The men who wrote that came in on September 25 to pass it, and they passed it, and they sent it over to the Senate, and the Senate sent it off to George Washington.

And the very next thing they did was – can you imagine what it was? – the very next thing they did, they passed the resolution thanking Almighty God for helping them write it, and they sent that over to the Senate, and the Senate sent it over to George Washington. And George Washington wrote a very nice flowery letter, our first national day of prayer and thanksgiving. You can look it up. It is beautifully written. I have a copy of it in my office, if anybody wants to see it, but it is very long and flowery. It is beautiful. It is wonderful. But the very first line I think tells us the sentiment of his heart.

And that message that he left us I think is important for us to remember today. That first line of that first national day of prayer and thanksgiving, which he wrote on October 3, 1789, says this: "...it is the duty" – not an option – "it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey his will...and humbly to implore his protection and..." guidance. Did you hear what G.W. said, folks? He told us to obey God's will. Our first President, our government told us to obey God's will. Do you not think we can benefit from more of that sentiment today?

So I close with saying, happy birthday, Mr. President. Thank you for the legacy, that godly heritage that you left us. God bless this Commonwealth, and God bless the United States of America.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 914, PN 2859 (Amended) By Rep. HARPER

An Act amending the act of January 24, 1966 (1965 P.L.1535, No.537), known as the Pennsylvania Sewage Facilities Act, further providing for permits.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1605, PN 2320 By Rep. HARPER

An Act establishing the Heritage Area Program to identify, protect, enhance and promote the historic, recreational, natural, cultural and scenic resources of this Commonwealth and to stimulate community revitalization and economic development through regional heritage conservation, recreation, tourism and partnerships; and repealing provisions in The Fiscal Code relating to heritage areas.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS

HB 1489, PN 2130 By Rep. HARPER

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the inspection and regulation of mobile food vehicles in cities of the first class that use propane or other combustible fuel.

Reported from Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT with request that it be rereferred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the bill will be so rereferred.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Chairman Adolph, majority Appropriations chair, for an announcement.

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

Mr. Speaker, there will be an immediate meeting of the House Appropriations Committee in the majority caucus room. Thank you.

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

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Major, the majority caucus chair.

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 1:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Madam Chair.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

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

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative DiGirolamo, for an announcement.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Human Services Committee in G-50 Irvis Office Building. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Human Services Committee in G-50 Irvis Office Building.

STATEMENT BY MR. DAWKINS

The SPEAKER. Representative Dawkins, do you wish to be recognized, sir?

Mr. DAWKINS. Yes. I just wanted to thank everyone. And all of the female legislators, I left you a little piece of candy. I realized yesterday it was not as warm and fuzzy, but I wanted to say happy Valentine's Day. I know we are not going to be here, so enjoy your Valentine's Day. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

Not seeing any further announcements, I would ask that Representative Caltagirone, Representative Caltagirone, if you would just stop up. Thank you, sir.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Folks, we will be in recess until 1:30.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that Representative SIMMONS has requested to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

The Chair also understands that Representatives WHEATLEY and McNEILL have requested to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

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

HB 1843, PN 2840 By Rep. DiGIROLAMO

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in administration and enforcement, further providing for compulsive and problem gambling program.

HUMAN SERVICES.

HB 1844, PN 2841 By Rep. DiGIROLAMO

An Act amending the act of June 26, 2001 (P.L.755, No.77), known as the Tobacco Settlement Act, in tobacco use prevention and cessation efforts, further providing for definitions.

HUMAN SERVICES.

**RESOLUTION REPORTED
FROM COMMITTEE**

HR 590, PN 2538 By Rep. DiGIROLAMO

A Resolution directing the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs to establish and administer a task force on access to addiction treatment through health plans and other resources.

HUMAN SERVICES.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 1219, PN 2845 By Rep. ADOLPH

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1452, PN 2042 By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, providing for a volunteer instructor license.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1722, PN 2844

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for dogs pursuing, injuring or killing big game.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1797, PN 2743

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for classes of licenses and for examination of applicant for driver's license; in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for certain passengers prohibited in autocycles; and, in accidents and accident reports, further providing for accident report forms and for department to compile, tabulate and analyze accident reports.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1801, PN 2761

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act making a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections for the purpose of State correctional institutions for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1802, PN 2762

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Executive Offices for the purpose of child advocacy centers for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1803, PN 2763

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of medical assistance payments - hospital-based burn centers for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 479, PN 437

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Resource Management Center, located in Conyngham Township, Columbia County, as the Edward W. Helfrick Resource Management Center.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 561, PN 634**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE AMENDMENTS
TO SENATE AMENDMENTS
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the Senate amendments to **HB 941, PN 2662**.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

HB 561, PN 634

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for definitions.

HB 941, PN 2662

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of independent administrative boards and commissions, providing for Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board; in organization, further providing for advisory boards and commissions; in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for distillery of historical significance license fee reduction; providing for race horse industry reform; conferring duties upon the Joint State Government Commission; making editorial changes; and making related repeals.

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

The SPEAKER. The bills that we just signed were HB 941, sponsored by Representative Regan, and HB 561, sponsored by Representative Kauffman.

**COMMUNICATION FROM
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT
COMMISSION**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of a letter from the Public Employee Retirement Commission regarding Document No. 07944.

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

CALENDAR CONTINUED

RESOLUTION

Mr. PYLE called up **HR 649, PN 2747**, entitled:

A Resolution memorializing the United States Surface Transportation Board, the United States Department of Justice, the United States Department of Transportation and the Congress of the United States to examine plans submitted to the Surface Transportation Board by Canadian Pacific Railway to acquire Norfolk Southern

Corporation and to further consider any potential negative impact of the proposal with respect to building a more efficient freight network in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—188

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

NAYS—3

Heffley	Schemel	Truitt
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—9

Cohen	McNeill	Sims	Toohil
Gainey	Simmons	Thomas	Wheatley
Kirkland			

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

The SPEAKER. Members, please take your seats.

FILMING PERMISSION

The SPEAKER. Mark Makela of the New York Times has requested the ability to take still photos on the House floor.

In addition, James Roxbury of the Roxbury News has requested the opportunity to record video and videotaping with audio on the House floor at this time.

Both have been given permission to be on the House floor.

I would remind all members, please, to be in their seats. All members, please report to the floor. I would ask both the majority whip and the minority whip just to make sure that the members voting are in fact in their seats. If not, I would ask that you please come up to the rostrum and let us know if anybody else needs to be marked on leave. Both the majority whip and the minority whip, please make sure that members who are voting are in their seats. If not, please communicate to us if anybody else needs to be marked on leave.

RESOLUTION

Mr. EVERETT called up **HR 659, PN 2760**, entitled:

A Resolution appointing a committee and empowering it to investigate the conduct of the Honorable Kathleen Kane, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. It is my understanding from the minority whip that Representative SCHREIBER wishes to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The question is, will the House adopt the resolution?

The majority Judiciary chair, Ron Marsico, has the floor.

Mr. MARSICO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Judiciary Committee a few weeks ago voted HR 659 out of committee. That vote was bipartisan and unanimous. In fact, I want to thank the members for doing that. This is a significant step in this process, the first step. I want to thank the Democrat chair for making that motion to move the resolution out of committee.

As I mentioned at the committee, I was very insistent that this committee, the Subcommittee on Courts, which will do the investigation, have a fair, balanced, deliberate, and transparent bipartisan process approach to this investigation. So like I said, this is significant, serious, and I want to thank Representative Everett for being the prime sponsor for this.

And as in the resolution, the Subcommittee on Courts will do the investigation, led by subcommittee chair Todd Stephens and also minority chair Tim Briggs.

So I ask for an affirmative vote, Mr. Speaker, and I thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative MILNE has requested to be placed on leave for the remainder of the afternoon. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. The Chair calls on Representative Todd Stephens, followed by Representative Briggs, who both wish to be recognized.

Representative Everett first, please. Representative Everett.

Mr. EVERETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

One of the questions that has come up that came up in committee when this resolution was being discussed and then had come up at our caucus today is, how does this process that we are embarking upon square with what the Senate – and I think they may still be debating it or maybe they have taken their vote; I am not sure – is doing to remove the Attorney General based on her lack of a law license and possible inability to be able to fulfill her office without a law license? The process that they are following in the Constitution is distinctly different from impeachment and has never actually been used to remove a high-ranking elected official. The process that we in the House are embarking upon, impeachment, is the constitutional process that has been used in the past to deal with these type of issues, and many legal scholars believe that this is the process that we should be using, and that came up during the Attorney General's investigation in the Senate. These processes are both in the Constitution, but they are not mutually exclusive.

The process, should we follow, the process that we are embarking upon is a process that has been used in the past and has worked in the past. We are not embarking on this investigation with any preconceived notions of where it will go, exactly how long it will take, and what the conclusions will be. I trust that the subcommittee will follow the evidence where it goes and reach some conclusions to bring back to the Judiciary Committee and possibly to the whole body for a decision. So that is where we are going and what the differences are.

Another significant difference between the two processes is where you end up. With the process being followed over in the Senate, it could result in the Attorney General being removed from office. The process, if we choose to follow it to a trial in the Senate and the removal of the Attorney General, would result not only in her removal from office, but would also result in her inability to ever hold any public office again after her impeachment and removal.

So that is kind of the thumbnail sketch of where we are going and why we are going there, and I would be happy to answer any questions anybody has before we move on to the subcommittee chairmen making their statements.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. If anybody wishes to, the good gentleman has said that he would be willing to stand for any interrogation. If anybody has any questions, please feel free, and then I will call on Representative Stephens and Representative Briggs.

Representative Carroll.

Mr. CARROLL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am wondering if you can spell out a timeline as you envision it with respect to the action of the subcommittee should this resolution be approved?

Mr. EVERETT. We have discussed this, the subcommittee chairmen and the committee chairmen, and we wish we could provide a detailed timeline, and I am going to let the subcommittee chairmen address that, but as I said in the Judiciary Committee vote on this, we are going to have to let the investigation take it where it goes. I know that the subcommittee chairmen want to move it along, but we also do not want to do something and just ram it through and be accused of we already knew where we were going and what we were going to do.

So I know that they are ready to get started right away, and I will just defer that, if it is okay, Mr. Speaker, for them to address when they come up.

Mr. CARROLL. All right. I appreciate that, Mr. Speaker. It just seems to me that it is a delicate balance here with respect to fairness, but at the same time recognizing the calendar that we are operating under and the nature of the cycle that we are in with respect to an election. So I will end there, and thank you.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The minority whip has indicated that Representative Bill KELLER and Representative Margo DAVIDSON both wish to be placed on leave for the remainder of the afternoon. Without objection, those leave requests will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Representative Stephens, followed by Representative Briggs.

Mr. STEPHENS. I just wanted to take a minute to assure the members that I recognize the tremendous responsibility that this subcommittee has to this investigation, to this body, and to the people of Pennsylvania, and we will be working together in a bipartisan manner to ensure that we conduct a thorough, fair, and impartial investigation.

As Representative Everett outlined, there certainly are no predetermined outcomes and we will follow the facts wherever they lead us and apply the appropriate constitutional and statutory provisions as it relates to this issue. But it will get the serious attention that it deserves, and I just wanted to assure the members of that as we embark upon this journey.

The SPEAKER. Representative Briggs.

Mr. BRIGGS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do want to echo your sentiment that this is a serious matter that we are starting to venture, possibly, with passage of HR 659, and there is no place for partisanship during these next couple steps. I know we are going to try to be as expeditious as possible. We also have to be as fair and thorough through the coming weeks and months as we uncover and look into the various allegations.

So with that, I look forward to working with my friend, Todd, and the rest of the committee members to really do what is best for Pennsylvania.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, gentlemen.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. It is my understanding from the minority whip that Representative GALLOWAY wishes to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

I also understand that Representative COX, from the majority whip, would like to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Does anybody else wish to speak or ask any questions on the resolution?

Representative Hanna.

Representative Hanna, if you will hold for a second.

FILMING PERMISSION

The SPEAKER. Members, Eric Heisler of WHTM would like to be on the floor for videotaping and videotaping with audio. We will grant Eric Heisler that opportunity, from WHTM.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The minority whip has indicated that Representative GERGELY has requested to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted. I also understand that Representative CRUZ wishes to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. I just want to ask the maker of the resolution a couple questions.

The SPEAKER. Representative Everett, will you stand for interrogation? Yes, he will.

Mr. VITALI. And honestly, I have not been following this as closely as I should, but I do understand that, one, there are criminal charges pending against Ms. Kane, and there also is an election coming up. I am just wondering, you know, why do we not just let the criminal charges take their course or why do we not just let the primary and the general take its course and let the voters decide? I am guessing, I am guessing, for example, if we start this process, it is going to be a long, deliberative process, and by the time we are done, I mean, we are going to be pretty close to an election anyway. I am just sort of wondering out loud, why are we not letting the criminal process take its course? Why are we not letting the electoral process take its course? Why are we doing this now?

Mr. EVERETT. This is a process that I personally, and others of us, have been trying to get moving for quite some time, and with other things that have had our attention, I think that we have now been able to move on to some other things. I wish we had started the process sooner, but I think we have an obligation here in the House of Representatives constitutionally. You do not have to have a criminal conviction to be subject to impeachment. I think it is our obligation to investigate these allegations, and I would think that anybody, whether you believe that there are grounds out there for impeachment personally yourself or whether you do not believe there are, that you would want this investigation to go forward so that we can determine whether there is something there. And the investigation itself may come back and say there is nothing there that we feel is impeachable and it will stop right there.

But I believe we have a Constitutional obligation to move this forward in parallel with what the Senate is doing, in parallel with whatever criminal cases there may be out there. I agree with you that the timing is not ideal, but I would not be doing this if I did not feel that it is the thing that we need to do and should do.

Mr. VITALI. I am just wondering what the costs associated with this will be?

Mr. EVERETT. I cannot tell you exactly. I do not have a fiscal note, but I can say that I know that the two chairmen are working together to try to agree upon one outside counsel that could serve both instead of having two outside counsels and incurring a lot of expenses. Other than a possible outside counsel, I do not think that there will be any other costs concerned with it. I mean, it is a subcommittee. We have our staff, and I believe that the— For this stage, I do not believe that the costs will be significant at this point. If we as a body choose to go forward, I think we can deal with further costs down the road at that point and what it might cost for a trial over in the Senate, but for right now I do not think that the cost will be significant.

Mr. VITALI. Okay. Could you just sort of roll out what you expect to happen and when if this resolution passes?

Mr. EVERETT. I think for that interrogation, you probably want to talk to Representative Stephens or Representative Briggs. Should this resolution pass, I know that they have already been talking and have talked with other folks including the minority leader of our House, who was involved in a previous operation like this, and that they could probably give you a better idea of how they see it unfolding.

Mr. VITALI. Right. Okay. Thank you.

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative PYLE should be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HR 659 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—170

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

NAYS—12

Acosta	Daley, P.	Flynn	Pashinski
Brown, V.	Dawkins	Kavulich	Rozzi
Carroll	Farina	McClinton	Vitali

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—18

Cohen	Galloway	Milne	Sims
Cox	Gergely	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Keller, W.	Schreiber	Toohil
Davidson	Kirkland	Simmons	Wheatley
Gainey	McNeill		

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1793, PN 2820**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Executive Offices for the purpose of the Public Employee Retirement Commission for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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 1806, PN 2767**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of medical assistance payments - critical access hospitals for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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 1398, PN 2375**, entitled:

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 provisions on application of title, definitions, defense of usury, tax clearance of certain fundamental transactions and fee schedule. As to entities generally, making conforming changes by revising requirements for foreign association names. As to entity transactions, making conforming changes by revising provisions on regulatory conditions and required notices and approvals, nature of transactions, approval by limited partnership, effect of merger, statement of division and effectiveness, effect of division and effect of domestication. As to foreign associations, making conforming changes by revising provisions on governing law. 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.

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

Mr. A. HARRIS offered the following amendment No. **A05854**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 25, by inserting after "on"
derivative actions and
Amend Bill, page 2, lines 46 through 51; page 3, lines 1 through 8; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting
As to limited liability companies:
repealing existing Subchapters A, B, C, D, E, F, I and K of Chapter 89 and replacing them 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;
and
revising provisions on restricted professional companies.
Amend Bill, page 7, line 5, by striking out ", AMENDED OR ADDED OCTOBER 22, 2014 (P.L.2640, NO.172),"
Amend Bill, page 8, line 13, by striking out "OPTIONAL"
Amend Bill, page 8, line 18, by striking out "OPTIONAL"
Amend Bill, page 14, line 30, by inserting after "(6)"
, 368(j)
Amend Bill, page 15, line 1, by striking out ", ADDED OCTOBER 22, 2014 (P.L.2640, NO.172),"
Amend Bill, page 15, by inserting between lines 19 and 20
§ 368. Allocation of liabilities in division.
* * *

(j) Taxes.—Any taxes, interest, penalties and public accounts of the Commonwealth claimed against the dividing association for periods prior to the effective date of the division that are settled, assessed or determined prior to or after the division shall be the liability of all of the resulting associations and, together with interest thereon, shall be a lien against the franchises and property of each resulting association. Upon the application of the dividing association, the Department of Revenue, with the concurrence of the Department of Labor and Industry, shall release one or more, but less than all, of the resulting associations from liability and liens for all taxes, interest, penalties and public accounts of the dividing association due the Commonwealth for periods prior to the effective date of the division if those departments are satisfied that the public revenues will be adequately secured.

Amend Bill, page 29, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 6.1. Sections 1971(a) and 3301(d) of Title 15 are

amended to read:

§ 1971. Voluntary dissolution by shareholders or incorporators.

(a) General rule.—The shareholders or incorporators of a business corporation that has [not commenced business] never transacted business or held assets other than money received from subscriptions for shares may effect the dissolution of the corporation by filing articles of dissolution in the Department of State. The articles of dissolution shall be executed in the name of the corporation by a majority of the incorporators or a majority in interest of the shareholders and shall set forth:

(1) The name of the corporation and, subject to section 109 (relating to name of commercial registered office provider in lieu of registered address), the address, including street and number, if any, of its registered office.

(2) The statute under which the corporation was incorporated and the date of incorporation.

(3) That the corporation has [not commenced business] never transacted business or held assets other than money received from subscriptions for shares.

(4) That the amount, if any, actually paid in on subscriptions for its shares, less any part thereof disbursed for necessary expenses, has been returned to those entitled thereto.

(5) That all liabilities of the corporation have been discharged or that adequate provision has been made therefor.

(6) That a majority of the incorporators or a majority in interest of the shareholders elect that the corporation be dissolved.

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§ 3301. Application and effect of chapter.

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(d) Organic [records] rules may not be inconsistent.—A provision of the articles or bylaws of a benefit corporation may not relax, be inconsistent with or supersede any provision of this chapter.

Section 6.2. The definitions of "benefit corporation," "independent," "minimum status vote" and "subsidiary" in section 3302 of Title 15 are amended to read:

§ 3302. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Benefit corporation." A business corporation that [has elected to become] is subject to this chapter [and whose status as a benefit corporation has not been terminated].

* * *

"Independent." When a person has no material relationship with a benefit corporation or any of its subsidiaries, other than the relationship of serving as the benefit director or benefit officer. A material relationship between an individual and a benefit corporation or any of its subsidiaries will be conclusively presumed to exist if:

(1) the person is or has been within the last three years an employee of the benefit corporation or any of its subsidiaries, other than as a benefit officer;

(2) an immediate family member of the person is or has been within the last three years an executive officer, other than a benefit officer, of the benefit corporation or any of its subsidiaries; or

(3) the person, or an association of which the person is a [director, officer or other manager] governor or officer or in which the person owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the outstanding [equity] interests, owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the outstanding shares of the benefit corporation. The percentage of ownership in an association shall be calculated as if all outstanding rights to acquire [equity] interests in the association had been exercised.

"Minimum status vote." As follows:

(1) In the case of a business corporation, in addition to any other required approval or vote, the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) The shareholders of every class or series must be entitled, as a class, to vote on the corporate action regardless of a limitation stated in the articles of incorporation or bylaws on the voting rights of any class or series.

(ii) The corporate action must be approved by a vote of the shareholders of each class or series entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes that all shareholders of the class or series are entitled to cast on the action.

(2) In the case of a domestic association other than a business corporation, in addition to any other required approval, vote or consent, the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) The holders of every class or series of [equity] interest in the association that are entitled to receive a distribution of any kind from the association must be entitled as a class to vote on or consent to the action regardless of any otherwise applicable limitation on the voting or consent rights of any class or series.

(ii) The action must be approved by vote or consent of the holders described in subparagraph (i) entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes or consents that all of those holders are entitled to cast on the action.

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"Subsidiary." An association in which a person owns beneficially or of record 50% or more of the outstanding [equity] interests. The percentage of ownership in an association shall be calculated as if all outstanding rights to acquire [equity] interests in the association had been exercised.

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Section 7. Sections 3321(c), 3322(e), 3323(c), 3325(b) and 4146 of Title 15 are amended to read:

§ 3321. Standard of conduct for directors.

* * *

(c) Exoneration from personal liability.—

(1) A director shall not be personally liable, as such, for monetary damages for any action taken as a director [if the director performed the duties of his or her office in compliance with section 1712 and this section.] in the course of performing the duties specified in subsection (a) unless the action constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or a knowing violation of law.

(2) A director shall not be personally liable for monetary damages for failure of the benefit corporation to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

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§ 3322. Benefit director.

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[(e) Alternative governance arrangements.—

(1) The bylaws of a benefit corporation must provide that the persons or shareholders who perform the duties of the board of directors include a person with the powers, duties, rights and immunities of a benefit director if any of the following apply:

(i) The bylaws of a benefit corporation provide that the powers and duties conferred or imposed upon the board of directors shall be exercised or performed by a person other than the directors under section 1721(a) (relating to board of directors).

(ii) The bylaws of a statutory close corporation that is a benefit corporation provide that the business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by or under the direction of the shareholders.

(2) A person that exercises one or more of the powers, duties or rights of a benefit director under this subsection:

(i) does not need to be independent of the benefit corporation;

(ii) shall have the immunities of a benefit director;

(iii) may share the powers, duties and rights of a

benefit director with one or more other persons; and

(iv) shall not be subject to the procedures for election or removal of directors in Subchapter C of Chapter 17 unless:

(A) the person is also a director of the benefit corporation; or

(B) the bylaws make those procedures applicable.]

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§ 3323. Standard of conduct for officers.

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(c) Exoneration from personal liability.—

(1) An officer shall not be personally liable, as such, for monetary damages for any action taken as an officer [if the officer performed the duties of the position in compliance with section 1712(c) and this section.] in the course of performing the duties specified in subsection (a) unless the action constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or a knowing violation of law.

(2) An officer shall not be personally liable for monetary damages for failure of the benefit corporation to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

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§ 3325. Right of action.

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(b) Parties with standing.—A benefit enforcement proceeding may be commenced or maintained only:

(1) directly by the benefit corporation; or

(2) derivatively by:

(i) a shareholder that owned at least 2% of the total number of shares of a class or series outstanding at the time of the act complained of;

(ii) a director;

(iii) a person or group of persons that owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the [equity] interests in an association of which the benefit corporation is a subsidiary at the time of the act complained of; or

(iv) such other persons as may be specified in the articles or bylaws of the benefit corporation.

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Amend Bill, page 38, line 13, by striking out "ANOTHER" and inserting

an other

Amend Bill, page 38, line 20, by striking out "ANOTHER" and inserting

an other

Amend Bill, page 40, line 29, by inserting after "REMITTED"

immediately

Amend Bill, page 49, line 24, by striking out "assessment"

Amend Bill, page 71, line 17, by striking out "2015" and

inserting

2016

Amend Bill, page 71, line 18, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 71, line 30, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 72, line 7, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 72, line 15, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 76, line 13, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 80, line 13, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 84, line 17, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 87, lines 29 and 30; page 88, lines 1 through

28; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting § 8423. Partnership property.

Property owned by a partnership is partnership property and is not owned by the partners individually.

§ 8424. When property is partnership property.

(a) General rule.—Property is owned by a partnership and not by the partners individually if the property is acquired in the name of:

(1) the partnership by a transfer to:

(i) the partnership in its name; or

(ii) one or more partners in their capacity as partners in the partnership, if the name of the partnership is indicated in the instrument transferring title to the property; or

(2) one or more partners with an indication in the instrument transferring title to the property of the person's capacity as a partner or of the existence of a partnership but without an indication of the name of the partnership.

(b) Property purchased with partnership assets.—Property is presumed to be partnership property if purchased with partnership assets, even if not acquired in the name of the partnership or of one or more partners with an indication in the instrument transferring title to the property of the person's capacity as a partner or of the existence of a partnership.

(c) Property acquired in name of partner.—Property acquired in the name of one or more of the partners is presumed to be separate property owned by the individual partner or partners, even if used for partnership purposes, if the property is acquired without:

(1) an indication in the instrument transferring title to the property of the person's capacity as a partner or of the existence of a partnership; and

(2) use of partnership assets.

Amend Bill, page 96, line 1, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 102, line 28, by inserting a comma after "indemnification"

Amend Bill, page 120, line 22, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 127, line 20, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 129, line 23, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 135, line 19, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 139, line 22, by striking out "2015" and

inserting

2016

Amend Bill, page 139, line 23, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 140, line 5, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 141, line 12, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 141, line 20, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 146, line 3, by striking out "8682(b)(2)(vi)" and inserting

8682(e)

Amend Bill, page 146, line 4, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 149, lines 4 through 7, by striking out "TO A PERSON FROM;" in line 4, all of lines 5 and 6 and "VIOLATION OF LAW" in line 7

Amend Bill, page 149, line 22, by striking out "requirement" and inserting

requirements

Amend Bill, page 149, line 23, by striking out "as"

Amend Bill, page 149, line 24, by striking out "and (d)" and inserting

, (d) and (e)

Amend Bill, page 149, line 24, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 153, line 28, by striking out "WRITING" and inserting

record form

Amend Bill, page 160, line 25, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 162, line 13, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 169, line 8, by striking out "limited to the costs of labor and materials"

Amend Bill, page 199, line 1, by striking out "8663(1)" and inserting

8663(a)(1)

Amend Bill, page 199, line 12, by striking out "8663(5)" and inserting

8663(a)(5)

Amend Bill, page 199, line 14, by striking out "8663(6)" and inserting

8663(a)(6)

Amend Bill, page 207, line 18, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 210, line 10, by striking out "not commenced business" and inserting

never transacted business or held assets other than money received as capital contributions

Amend Bill, page 210, line 19, by striking out "not commenced business" and inserting

never transacted business or held assets other than money received as capital contributions

Amend Bill, page 211, line 9, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 212, line 1, by inserting after "proceedings:"

and

Amend Bill, page 212, lines 2 through 12, by striking out all of lines 2 through 11 and "(vii)" in line 12 and inserting

(vi)

Amend Bill, page 213, by inserting between lines 15 and 16 (e) Certificate of termination.—When all debts, obligations and other liabilities of the limited partnership have been paid and discharged or adequate provision has been made therefor and all of the remaining property and assets of the partnership have been distributed to the partners, a certificate of termination shall be delivered to the department for filing along with the certificates required by section 139 (relating to tax clearance of certain fundamental transactions). The certificate of termination shall set forth:

(1) The name of the limited partnership.

(2) Subject to section 109 (relating to name of commercial registered office provider in lieu of registered address), the address, including street and number, if any, of the registered office of the partnership.

(3) That all debts, obligations and other liabilities of the partnership have been paid and discharged or that adequate provision has been made therefor.

(4) That all the remaining property and assets of the partnership have been distributed among its partners in accordance with their respective rights and interests.

(5) That there are no actions pending against the partnership in any court or that adequate provision has been made for the satisfaction of any judgment that may be entered against it in any pending action.

(6) That the partnership is terminated.

Amend Bill, page 213, line 16, by striking out "(e)" and inserting

(f)

Amend Bill, page 228, line 16, by inserting a comma after "shown:"

Amend Bill, page 234, line 20, by striking out "29 Title" and inserting

29. Title

Amend Bill, page 235, by inserting between lines 4 and 5

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Amend Bill, page 235, line 19, by striking out "2015" and inserting

2016

Amend Bill, page 235, line 20, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 236, line 2, by striking out "July 1, 2016" and inserting

April 1, 2017

Amend Bill, page 240, line 1, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 240, line 4, by striking out "8872(b)(2)(vi)" and inserting

8872(f)

Amend Bill, page 243, lines 6 and 7, by striking out "(relating to standards of conduct for members)"

Amend Bill, page 243, lines 10 and 11, by striking out "(relating to standards of conduct for managers)"

Amend Bill, page 243, line 21, by striking out "requirement" and inserting

requirements

Amend Bill, page 243, line 22, by striking out "as"

Amend Bill, page 243, line 23, by striking out "and" where it occurs the first time

Amend Bill, page 243, line 23, by inserting after "(e)"

and (f)

Amend Bill, page 243, line 23, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 244, by inserting between lines 1 and 2

(19) Vary a provision of Subchapter I (relating to benefit companies).

Amend Bill, page 244, line 2, by striking out "(19)" and inserting

(20)

Amend Bill, page 254, line 4, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 286, line 1, by striking out "limited to the costs of labor and material"

Amend Bill, page 292, line 27, by striking out "and" and inserting

or

Amend Bill, page 296, line 17, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 297, line 30, by striking out "optional"

Amend Bill, page 298, lines 28 through 30; page 299, lines 1 through 19; by striking out all of lines 28 through 30 on page 298, all of lines 1 through 18 and "(vii)" in line 19 on page 299 and inserting

(vi)

Amend Bill, page 301, by inserting between lines 3 and 4 (f) Certificate of termination.—When all debts, obligations and other liabilities of the limited liability company have been paid and discharged or adequate provision has been made therefor and all of the remaining property and assets of the company have been distributed to the members, a certificate of termination shall be delivered to the department for filing along with the certificates required by section 139 (relating to tax clearance of certain fundamental transactions). The certificate of termination shall set forth:

(1) The name of the limited liability company.

(2) Subject to section 109 (relating to name of commercial registered office provider in lieu of registered address), the address, including street and number, if any, of the registered office of the company.

(3) That all debts, obligations and other liabilities of the company have been paid and discharged or that adequate provision has been made therefor.

(4) That all the remaining property and assets of the company have been distributed among its members in accordance with their respective rights and interests.

(5) That there are no actions pending against the company in any court or that adequate provision has been made for the satisfaction of any judgment that may be entered against it in any pending action.

(6) That the company is terminated.

Amend Bill, page 301, line 4, by striking out "(f)" and inserting

(g)
Amend Bill, page 307, line 12, by striking out "not commenced"

business" and inserting

never transacted business or held assets other than money received as capital contributions

Amend Bill, page 307, line 22, by striking out "not commenced business" and inserting

never transacted business or held assets other than money received as capital contributions

Amend Bill, page 309, lines 20 and 21, by striking out "UNLESS DEMAND IS EXCUSED UNDER SUBSECTION (B)"

Amend Bill, page 317, by inserting between lines 12 and 13

SUBCHAPTER I
BENEFIT COMPANIES

Sec.

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§ 8891. Application and effect of subchapter.

(a) General rule.—This subchapter shall apply to all benefit companies.

(b) Limited application of subchapter.—The existence of a provision of this subchapter shall not of itself create any implication that a contrary or different rule of law is or would be applicable to a limited liability company that is not a benefit company. This subchapter shall not affect any statute or rule of law that is or would be applicable to a limited liability company that is not a benefit company.

(c) Laws applicable to benefit companies.—Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, the provisions of Part I (relating to preliminary provisions) and this chapter shall apply generally to benefit companies. The provisions of this subchapter shall control over inconsistent provisions of this title.

(d) Organic rules may not be inconsistent.—See section 8815(c)(19) (relating to contents of operating agreement).

§ 8892. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this subchapter shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Benefit company." A limited liability company that is subject to this subchapter.

"Benefit enforcement proceeding." A claim or action for:

(1) failure to pursue or create the general public benefit purpose of the benefit company or any specific public benefit purpose set forth in its certificate of organization; or

(2) violation of any obligation, duty or standard of conduct under this subchapter.

"General public benefit." A material positive impact on society and the environment, taken as a whole and assessed against a third-party standard, from the business and operations of a benefit company.

"Independent." When a person has no material relationship with a benefit company or any of its subsidiaries. A material relationship between an individual and a benefit company or any of its subsidiaries will be conclusively presumed to exist if:

(1) the person is or has been within the last three years an employee of the benefit company or any of its subsidiaries;

(2) an immediate family member of the person is or has been within the last three years an executive officer of the benefit company or any of its subsidiaries; or

(3) the person, or an association of which the person is a governor or officer or in which the person owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the outstanding interests, owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the outstanding interests of the benefit company. The percentage of ownership in an association shall be calculated as if all outstanding rights to acquire interests in the association had been exercised.

"Minimum status vote." As follows:

(1) In the case of a limited liability company, in addition to any other required approval or vote, the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) The members of every class or series must be entitled, as a class, to vote on the action regardless of a limitation stated in the certificate of organization or operating agreement on the voting rights of any class or series.

(ii) The action must be approved by a vote of the members of each class or series entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes that all members of the class or series are entitled to cast on the action.

(2) In the case of a domestic association other than a limited liability company, in addition to any other required approval, vote or consent, the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(i) The holders of every class or series of interest in the association that are entitled to receive a distribution of any kind from the association must be entitled as a class to vote on or consent to the action regardless of any otherwise applicable limitation on the voting or consent rights of any class or series.

(ii) The action must be approved by vote or consent of the holders described in subparagraph (i) entitled to cast at least two-thirds of the votes or consents that all of those holders are entitled to cast on the action.

"Specific public benefit." The term shall have the meaning specified in section 3302 (relating to definitions).

"Subsidiary." The term shall have the meaning specified in section 3302.

"Third-party standard." A standard for defining, reporting and assessing overall social and environmental performance which is:

(1) Comprehensive in that it assesses the effect of the business and its operations upon the interests listed in section 8895(a)(1)(ii), (iii), (iv) and (v) (relating to standard of conduct for members).

(2) Developed by an organization that is independent of the benefit company and satisfies the following requirements:

(i) Not more than one-third of the members of the governing body of the organization are representatives of any of the following:

(A) An association of businesses operating in a specific industry the performance of whose members is measured by the standard.

(B) Businesses from a specific industry or an association of businesses in that industry.

(C) Businesses whose performance is assessed against the standard.

(ii) The organization is not materially financed by an association or business described in subparagraph (i).

(3) Credible because the standard is developed by a person that both:

(i) Has access to necessary expertise to assess overall social and environmental performance.

(ii) Uses a balanced multistakeholder approach, including a public comment period of at least 30 days to develop the standard.

(4) Transparent because the following information is publicly available:

(i) About the standard:

(A) The criteria considered when measuring the overall social and environmental performance of a business.

(B) The relative weightings, if any, of those criteria.

(ii) About the development and revision of the

standard:

(A) The identity of the directors, officers, material owners and the governing body of the organization that developed and controls revisions to the standard.

(B) The process by which revisions to the standard and changes to the membership of the governing body are made.

(C) An accounting of the sources of financial support for the organization, with sufficient detail to disclose any relationships that could reasonably be considered to present a potential conflict of interest.

§ 8893. Benefit company status.

(a) Formation of benefit company.—A benefit company shall be formed in accordance with section 8821 (relating to formation of limited liability company and certificate of organization) except that its certificate of organization shall also state that it is a benefit company.

(b) Election of benefit company status.—An existing limited liability company may elect to become a benefit company by amending its certificate of organization so that it contains, in addition to the requirements of section 8821, a statement that the company is a benefit company. The amendment shall not be effective unless it is adopted by at least the minimum status vote.

(c) Election of status in a fundamental transaction.—If an association that is not a benefit company is a party to a merger or division or is the exchanging association in an interest exchange, and the surviving, new or any resulting association in the merger, division or interest exchange is to be a benefit company, then the plan of merger, division or interest exchange shall not be effective unless it is adopted by the association by at least the minimum status vote.

(d) Termination of benefit company status.—A benefit company may terminate its status as a benefit company and cease to be subject to this subchapter by amending its certificate of organization to delete the provision required by subsection (a) or (b) to be stated in the certificate of organization of a benefit company. The amendment shall not be effective unless it is adopted by at least the minimum status vote.

(e) Termination of status in a fundamental transaction.—If a plan would have the effect of terminating the status of a limited liability company as a benefit company, the plan shall not be effective unless it is adopted by at least the minimum status vote. Any sale, lease, exchange or other disposition of all or substantially all of the assets of a benefit company, unless the transaction is in the usual and regular course of business, shall not be effective unless the transaction is approved by at least the minimum status vote.

§ 8894. Purposes.

(a) General public benefit purpose.—A benefit company shall have a purpose of creating general public benefit. This purpose is in addition to its purpose under section 8818(b) (relating to characteristics of limited liability company).

(b) Optional specific public benefit purpose.—The certificate of organization of a benefit company may identify one or more specific public benefits that it is the purpose of the benefit company to create in addition to its purposes under subsection (a) and section 8818(b). The identification of a specific public benefit does not limit the obligation of a benefit company to create general public benefit.

(c) Effect of purposes.—The creation of general and specific public benefit as provided in subsections (a) and (b) is in the best interests of the benefit company.

(d) Amendment.—A benefit company may amend its certificate of organization to add, amend or delete the identification of a specific public benefit that it is the purpose of the benefit company to create. The amendment shall not be effective unless it is adopted by at least the minimum status vote.

(e) Professional companies.—A professional company that is a benefit company does not violate a restriction on its permissible purposes or activities by having the purpose to create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

§ 8895. Standard of conduct for members.

(a) Consideration of interests.—The members of a member-managed limited liability company that is a benefit company, when discharging their duties under this title or under the operating agreement:

(1) shall consider the effects of any action upon:

(i) the members of the benefit company;

(ii) the employees and work force of the benefit company and its subsidiaries and suppliers;

(iii) the interests of customers as beneficiaries of the general or specific public benefit purposes of the benefit company;

(iv) community and societal considerations, including those of any community in which offices or facilities of the benefit company or its subsidiaries or suppliers are located;

(v) the local and global environment;

(vi) the short-term and long-term interests of the benefit company, including benefits that may accrue to the benefit company from its long-term plans and the possibility that these interests may be best served by the continued independence of the benefit company; and

(vii) the ability of the benefit company to accomplish its general public benefit purpose and any specific public benefit purpose; and

(2) may consider any other pertinent factors or the interests of any other group that they deem appropriate; but

(3) shall not be required to give priority to the interests of any person or group referred to in paragraph (1) or (2) over the interests of any other person or group unless the benefit company has stated in its certificate of organization its intention to give priority to certain interests related to its accomplishment of its general public benefit purpose or of a specific public benefit purpose identified in the certificate.

(b) Coordination with other provisions of law.—The consideration of interests and factors in the manner required under subsection (a) shall not constitute a violation of section 8849.1 (relating to standards of conduct for members).

(c) Exoneration from personal liability.—

(1) A member shall not be personally liable for monetary damages for any action taken as a member of a member-managed limited liability company in the course of performing the duties specified in subsection (a) unless the action constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or a knowing violation of law.

(2) A member shall not be personally liable for monetary damages for failure of the benefit company to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

(d) Limitation on standing.—A member of a member-managed limited liability company that is a benefit company does not have a duty to a person that is a beneficiary of the general public benefit purpose or a specific public benefit purpose of the benefit company arising from the status of the person as a beneficiary.

§ 8896. Standard of conduct for managers and officers.

(a) Managers.—Each manager of a manager-managed limited liability company that is a benefit company shall consider the interests and factors described in section 8895(a) (relating to standard of conduct for members) when discharging his or her duties under this title and under the operating agreement.

(b) Officers.—If a benefit company has a person serving in the capacity of an officer, the person shall consider the interests and factors described in section 8895(a) when discharging the person's duties under this title and under the operating agreement if:

(1) the officer has discretion to act with respect to a matter; and

(2) it reasonably appears to the officer that the matter may have a material effect on the creation by the benefit company of general public benefit or a specific public benefit

identified in the certificate of organization of the benefit company.

(c) Coordination with other provisions of law.—The consideration of interests and factors by a manager in the manner described in subsection (a) shall not constitute a violation of section 8849.2 (relating to standards of conduct for managers).

(d) Exoneration from personal liability.—

(1) A manager or officer shall not be personally liable, as such, for monetary damages for any action taken as a manager or officer in the course of performing the duties specified in subsection (a) or (b) unless the action constitutes self-dealing, willful misconduct or a knowing violation of law.

(2) A manager or officer shall not be personally liable for monetary damages for failure of the benefit company to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

(e) Limitation on standing.—A manager or officer does not have a duty to a person that is a beneficiary of the general public benefit purpose or a specific public benefit purpose of a benefit company arising from the status of the person as a beneficiary.

§ 8897. Right of action.

(a) Limitations.—

(1) Except in a benefit enforcement proceeding, no person may bring an action or assert a claim against a benefit company or its members, managers or officers with respect to:

(i) failure to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit set forth in its certificate of organization; or

(ii) violation of a duty or standard of conduct under this chapter.

(2) A benefit company shall not be liable for monetary damages under this chapter for any failure of the benefit company to pursue or create general public benefit or a specific public benefit.

(b) Parties with standing.—A benefit enforcement proceeding may be commenced or maintained only:

(1) directly by the benefit company; or

(2) derivatively by:

(i) a member that owned at least 2% of the total number of interests of a class or series outstanding at the time of the act complained of;

(ii) a manager of a manager-managed limited liability company;

(iii) a person or group of persons that owns beneficially or of record 5% or more of the interests in an association of which the benefit company is a subsidiary at the time of the act complained of; or

(iv) such other persons as may be specified in the certificate of organization or operating agreement of the benefit company.

(c) Cross reference.—The provisions of Subchapter H (relating to actions by members) shall apply to derivative actions under this section.

§ 8898. Annual benefit report.

(a) Contents.—A benefit company must deliver to each member an annual benefit report, including:

(1) A narrative description of:

(i) the ways in which the benefit company pursued general public benefit during the year and the extent to which general public benefit was created;

(ii) the ways in which the benefit company pursued any specific public benefit that the certificate of organization states is the purpose of the benefit company to create and the extent to which that specific public benefit was created;

(iii) any circumstances that have hindered the creation by the benefit company of general or specific public benefit; and

(iv) the process and rationale for selecting or changing the third-party standard used to prepare the benefit report.

(2) An assessment of the overall social and environmental performance of the benefit company against a third-party standard applied consistently with any application of that standard in prior benefit reports or accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for any inconsistent application. The assessment does not need to be audited or certified by a third-party standards provider.

(3) A statement of any connection between the organization that established the third-party standard, or its directors, officers or any holder of 5% or more of the governance interests in the organization, and the benefit company or its members, managers or officers or any holder of 5% or more of the outstanding interests in the benefit company, including any financial or governance relationship which might materially affect the credibility of the use of the third-party standard.

(b) Timing of report.—A benefit company shall annually send a benefit report to each member either:

(1) within 120 days following the end of the fiscal year of the benefit company; or

(2) at the same time that the benefit company delivers any other annual report to its members.

(c) Internet website posting.—A benefit company must post all of its benefit reports on the public portion of its Internet website, if any, except that any financial or proprietary information included in the benefit report may be omitted from the benefit report as posted.

(d) Availability of copies.—If a benefit company does not have an Internet website, the benefit company shall provide a copy of its most recent benefit report, without charge, to any person that requests a copy, but any financial or proprietary information included in the benefit report may be omitted from the copy of the benefit report provided.

(e) Filing of report.—Concurrently with the delivery of the benefit report to members pursuant to subsection (b), the benefit company must deliver a copy of the benefit report to the department for filing, except that any financial or proprietary information included in the benefit report may be omitted from the benefit report as filed under this section. The department shall charge a fee of \$70 for filing a benefit report.

Amend Bill, page 318, line 7, by inserting after "(2) "

Subchapters A, B, C, D, E, F, I and K of

Amend Bill, page 318, line 7, by striking out "is" and inserting are

Amend Bill, page 318, line 8, by striking out "Section" where it occurs the second time and inserting

Sections 8995(c), (d) and (e), 8997, 8998(g) and

Amend Bill, page 318, by inserting between lines 8 and 9

§ 8995. Application and effect of subchapter.

* * *

(c) Laws applicable to restricted professional companies.—Except as otherwise provided in this subchapter, [this chapter] Chapter 88 (relating to limited liability companies) shall be generally applicable to all restricted professional companies. The specific provisions of this subchapter shall control over the general provisions of [this chapter] Chapter 88.

(d) Election of restricted professional company status.—At the time an existing limited liability company that has previously conducted a business not involving the rendering of a restricted professional service begins to render one or more restricted professional services, the company shall amend its certificate of organization to include [the statement required by section 8913(7) (relating to certificate of organization)] a statement that it is a restricted professional company. For purposes of sections [8925] 8835 (relating to taxation of limited liability companies) and 8997, the company shall be deemed to have become a restricted professional company on the first day of the taxable year of the company following the taxable year

in which the amendment of its certificate of organization required by this subsection is filed.

(e) Termination of restricted professional company status.—Except as provided in this subsection, the status of a restricted professional company as such shall terminate, and the company shall cease to be subject to this subchapter, at such time as it ceases to render any restricted professional services. Upon ceasing to render any restricted professional services, the company shall amend its certificate of organization to delete the statement required by [section 8913(7)] subsection (d). For purposes of sections [8925] 8835 and 8997, the company shall be deemed to have ceased being a restricted professional company on the first day of the taxable year of the company following the taxable year in which it ceased to render any restricted professional services.

§ 8997. Taxation of restricted professional companies.

(a) General rule.—Except as provided in subsection (b) [and in section 8925(b) (relating to taxation of limited liability companies)], for the purposes of the imposition by the Commonwealth or any political subdivision of any tax or license fee on or with respect to any income, property, privilege, transaction, subject or occupation, a domestic or qualified foreign restricted professional company shall be deemed to be a limited partnership organized and existing under Chapter [85] 86 (relating to limited partnerships), and a member of such a company, as such, shall be deemed a limited partner of a limited partnership.

(b) Exception.—A domestic or qualified foreign restricted professional company shall be subject to section [8925(a)] 8835(a), instead of subsection (a), for the whole of any taxable year of the company during any part of which the company has:

- (1) engaged in any business not permitted by section 8996(a) (relating to purposes of restricted professional companies);
- (3) been a member of a limited liability company.

§ 8998. Annual registration.

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(g) Cross [references.—See section 8907 (relating to execution of documents) and] reference.—See 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 (relating to unsworn falsification to authorities).

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

The SPEAKER. On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. A. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is an agreed-to amendment. It just has some clarifications that the Department of Revenue and the Department of State would like to see added to the bill. We have worked with the Democratic staff, and it is an agreed-to amendment.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.
Representative Longietti.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to confirm that this is indeed an agreed-to amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Representative Pyle is back on the House floor and should be placed on the master roll.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1398 CONTINUED

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—183

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—17

Cohen	Galloway	McNeill	Sims
Cox	Gergely	Milne	Thomas
Cruz	Keller, W.	Schreiber	Toohil
Davidson	Kirkland	Simmons	Wheatley
Gainey			

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 222, PN 1587**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, in public assistance, prohibiting eligibility for individuals convicted of drug distribution.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **REGAN** offered the following amendment No. **A05895**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 9, by striking out "Public Welfare" and inserting

Human Services

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 3 through 22, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 432.25. Eligibility for Individuals Convicted of Drug Distribution.—(a) (1) Notwithstanding sections 405.1 and 432.24, no individual who, after the effective date of this section, has been convicted under section 13(a)(14), (30) or (37) of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act," when the amount of controlled substances involved is equivalent to or greater than the amount of controlled substances set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 7508(a)(1)(iii), (2)(iii), (3)(iii), (4)(iii), (7)(iii) or (8)(iii) (relating to drug trafficking sentencing and penalties) while receiving public assistance shall be eligible for public assistance unless:

(i) the individual is complying with or has already complied with the obligations imposed by the criminal court; and

(ii) the individual is actively engaged in or has completed a court-ordered substance abuse treatment program and participates in periodic drug tests for ten years after the drug-related conviction or for the duration of probation, whichever is of longer duration.

(2) Upon a second or subsequent conviction under section 13(a)(14), (30) or (37) of "The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act," when the amount of controlled substances involved is equivalent to or greater than the amount of controlled substances set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 7508(a)(1)(iii), (2)(iii), (3)(iii), (4)(iii), (7)(iii) or (8)(iii), the individual shall no longer be eligible for public assistance.

(b) An individual who takes a drug test pursuant to subsection (a)(1)(ii) and fails the test shall be subject to the following sanctions:

(1) For failing a drug test the first time, an individual shall be provided an assessment for addiction and provided treatment for addiction as indicated by treatment criteria developed by the Single State Authority on Drugs and Alcohol. Assessments shall be conducted by the Single County Authority (SCA) on Drugs and Alcohol or a designee. Treatment recommended shall be provided by facilities licensed by the Division of Drug and Alcohol Program Licensure in the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs. Medicaid eligibility and determinations shall be expedited to ensure access to assessment and addiction treatment through Medicaid. If the individual cooperates with the assessment and treatment, no penalty shall be imposed. If the

individual refuses to cooperate with the assessment and treatment, the public assistance shall be suspended for six months. The department must notify the individual of the failed drug test no later than seven days after receipt of the drug test results, and the suspension in public assistance will begin on the next scheduled distribution of public assistance and for every other distribution of public assistance until the suspension period lapses. After suspension, an individual may apply for public assistance, but shall submit to a retest.

(2) For failing a drug test or retest the second time, the individual shall no longer be entitled to public assistance.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to render applicants or recipients who fail a drug test or drug retest ineligible for:

(1) a Commonwealth program that pays the costs for participating in a drug treatment program;

(2) a medical assistance program; or

(3) another benefit not included within the definition of public assistance as defined under subsection (f).

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision in this section, the department shall, in its sole discretion, determine when it is cost effective to implement the provisions of this section.

(e) This section shall not apply to benefits which are afforded to the minor children of those individuals who are denied eligibility to receive public assistance benefits under subsection (a).

(f) As used in this section, the term "public assistance" means Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), general assistance and State supplemental assistance.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Regan.

Mr. REGAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment only applies to kingpin drug felonies, which basically provides for after a first conviction, periodic drug testing would be for 10 years or the duration of probation, whichever is longer. The current law on that is only for 5 years. After a second failed drug test, benefits would then be discontinued.

The amendment also cuts off benefits to a kingpin drug dealer after its second conviction as a kingpin.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. Representative Davidson is back on the floor and should be placed on the master roll. She should be able to vote on this amendment.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 222 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—183

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

NAYS—1

Dawkins

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—16

Cohen	Galloway	McNeill	Sims
Cox	Gergely	Milne	Thomas
Cruz	Keller, W.	Schreiber	Toohil
Gainey	Kirkland	Simmons	Wheatley

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Mr. DiGIROLAMO offered the following amendment No. A01645:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 22 and 23
(c) Subsection (a) shall not apply to an individual who is receiving addiction treatment in a residential rehabilitation facility or a halfway house licensed by the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

AMENDMENT PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative DiGirolamo for a brief description of the amendment.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. May I temporarily go over the amendment for a minute, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir.

It is my understanding that amendment 1642 has been withdrawn. Representative Neuman, it has been withdrawn?

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. And then the minority whip has indicated that Representative ROEBUCK wishes to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 222 CONTINUED

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. Amendment 1645, Representative DiGirolamo. On that question, sir, if you could just give us a brief description.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Mr. Speaker, I would like to withdraw the amendment.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative DiGirolamo.

The amendment has been withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1801, PN 2761**, entitled:

An Act making a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections for the purpose of State correctional institutions for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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 Irvin has the floor, on HB 1801.
Mr. IRVIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I stand before you and my colleagues today to ask for your support in restoring the \$939 million in funding for our State's correctional institutions which were line-item vetoed from the general appropriations bill signed into law in December of last year. As approved by the House and the Senate, these correctional facilities were slated to receive nearly \$1.9 billion in funding to support their operations for this current fiscal year.

As a freshman member, I do not think it is important to come before this body and rehash or reword any kind of debate that is going on, so I have only spoken whenever I truly have a different point of view or something of value to add to this kind of debate.

This bill hits home in my district, as I have two correctional facilities, State correctional facilities located within my district – blocks away, actually. You know, mainly I have kept my ears open learning the process and the procedures of this body. I have openly defended and supported our Republican-driven budget, and I have been in favor of the votes to try to move this process forward. I believe it has— Well, I must say, it has been quite a process thus far that I have been witness to as a freshman member, but I do understand the renewed excitement that I must admit that my colleagues across the aisle have endured with the Governor coming into office and the attempt to make record gains, record 1-year gains in the education and human service funding, but in my opinion, this is a process and we will make these gains over time. We are engaged in a marathon rather than a sprint, and we all are here together to try to make this the best place to educate and employ our children and our grandchildren.

As one of the largest individual expenditures in our State budget, funding for our State correctional institutions is vital to the safety and the well-being of the people of this Commonwealth. I have been made aware of the long hours demanded of our corrections personnel and the security risks that the lack of hiring causes. Corrections officers and support staff from both prisons stop by my office on a weekly or monthly basis expressing their concerns, telling me of the long hours and the overtime that they are required to work.

It is our responsibility to see that our citizens and constituents are protected and safe from the criminals that are incarcerated in these correctional facilities. It also is the responsibility as elected Representatives to ensure those persons who work for the Department of Corrections have all the financial support necessary to manage these criminals safely and securely. These men and women who work in these facilities, many of whom work under dangerous conditions each day, deserve to know that their efforts are being supported by the State. Additionally, it is important that these institutions

have the resources needed to help rehabilitate those who find themselves imprisoned, many who suffer from mental illness.

Myself coming from a background in local government, in a smaller local county in central Pennsylvania, Huntingdon, party affiliation was never an issue. We always worked for the good of the citizens and the taxpayers of the county. So I am asking you today that we work for the good of the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We need to begin to work together, and one way of working together is to have bipartisan support for HB 1801. It is a great start to restore the vital funding for the correctional facilities. This is absolutely the last place that we should be jeopardizing safety and security in place of politics.

Please support HB 1801 with a "yes" vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to the bill, and I hope to do it with as much peace as possible.

The underlying bill is the amount that is left over from the blue-line of the Governor's budget. The problem with this bill being presented as an individual bill is there is still a large argument that is made between both sides of the aisle as to whether or not the budget, HB 1460, was balanced when it was passed. There were \$95 million of Social Security payments that were not made in this budget document, there were \$170 million of welfare payments that were moved to the next year as an accounting maneuver, and there was a decision made that PlanCon (Planning and Construction Workbook) would not be funded for this year. But for those three things, it would be a balanced budget.

The other problem was, what we are doing today, by putting the corrections unit above every other person in the budget, is picking winners and losers. I do not believe that the corrections facilities should be funded any less than I believe that Pitt or Penn State should be funded. I do not believe that they should be funded less than the agricultural extension, the ag extension group. The problem is, if we do this piecemeal, what happens is, at the very end, somebody does not get paid for, and that somebody is probably the \$2 million that still remains to be paid for public education or the \$2 million that still remains to be paid for county welfare services.

This is the wrong way to do it. We can do it the right way. The Governor had in his budget two things that could actually make this less painful. He said in his first budget that if you just cut back to the cyber school funding that all of the rest of the nation has – nobody has higher than we do – if you just went back to \$5800, you would save \$170 million. He said in this budget that if you just accepted the recommendations of the special education costs in charter schools, you would save \$180 million. We are not doing either one of those things. What we are doing today is playing musical chairs. Somebody at the end of the game of musical chairs always loses. I do not think Pitt or Penn State or Temple or whoever your person is ought to lose and I do not think that public schools ought to lose and I do not think counties should lose, and until we come to that essential fact, we are not doing our job.

And it is Ash Wednesday, and we are supposed to look at ourselves: Are we doing it the right way? This is not the right way. I will be voting "no."

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Day.

Mr. DAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of HB 1801 today.

And also, my comments will be the same for HB 1802 and HB 1803, and I just mention that so that you know I do not have to get up and speak every time, just like we try to be courteous and efficient as possible for each other. My comments will be short as well today. So I would appreciate your attention.

You will hear our leaders talk about that there is no budget, and you will hear the minority leaders talk about let us go back to the budget that is not there or that they believe could still be there. They can argue that. They are going to argue that. They are going to argue what you just heard from the previous speaker.

What I rise today to talk about is, what do you do when you are in that position? What do all the people at home in business, lawyers, businesspeople – they know what to do – arbitrators do? Arbitrators are the professionals that know what to do. This is why politicians get a bad name. This is why the Governor can say, do your job, because it looks like we are not doing our job. What you do is you go to the least common denominators. What are the things we all can agree on? Look at the funding for those from last year and fund those, and that is what an arbitrator does during a contract dispute: makes a list. Probably we used to have 56 things on our list, number one being the one that was most argumentative between the two sides, 56 estimated to be the least, and you work from the bottom up. That is what we are doing: corrections. Do we not all agree on that?

This vote today, despite what anybody says when people get up and say, "Oh, I'm in favor of corrections, but I'm going to vote against it today," I do not believe that. I think that is why the process is set up like this, so that we can move the ball forward when political ideas clash. So today we are going to have this vote and we are going to be able to show where we are on number 56, the least common denominator, corrections. Do we want to keep funding prisons? Do we want to keep the people who have violated our laws in prison? Do we want to do it in the proper way? Child advocacy centers are next; hospital burn centers are final.

I will say one thing about hospital burn centers, and I ask your indulgence so I do not have to get up later and say it again on the next one, but these are the types of things that are common government functions. You have got to move to the least common denominator. That is what we are doing today.

I appreciate you listening to this, what I have to say today, because it is very important to me. The people at home are watching us – what do they do when they cannot come to a conclusion; how do they proceed? HB 1801 is going to give us all an opportunity to put on the record where we stand with corrections, and it will let us put on the record whether we want to fund that as one of the common things that we all agree on.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for the time. I rise in support and urge all my colleagues to support it as well, HB 1801.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dean.

Mrs. DEAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today in support of full funding for our Department of Corrections and the really heroic, courageous folks who are so selfless in their public service to us in that function. I also rise in full support of some of the other supplementals we will be talking about a little later, whether it is child advocacy centers or hospital-based burn centers. I want to fully fund them. I do

not know anybody in this room who does not want to fund them and fund them fully, but I also rise in support of basic education. I rise in support of our pre-K education programs. I rise in support of those 3- and 4-year-olds that are standing in the same line who ask nothing more than, give me some basic important education in these formative years. I rise in support of community college funding, regional community college services, the State System of Higher Education funding, grants for students. I rise in support of higher education funding, of diabetes funding, regional cancer institutes, lupus, poison control, ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis), Tourette's, and so many other worthy and important line items. There are dozens of them.

What I cannot support and why I urge others to not support HB 1801, and like my colleague, HB 1802 and HB 1803, is a piecemeal, amateurish, not professional, irresponsible attempt at budgeting, at funding some things over others, at choosing winners and putting them at the head of the line – because right now we are seeing the head of the line – and also preordaining losers. And I would say to you, what is unclear to me because it has not been revealed in this strategy of piecemeal budgeting is, who is at the end of that line? Is it the 3- and 4-year-olds? Is it those families struggling with lupus or ALS? Is it basic education funding? Who is at the back of the line when the money runs out? Because we know what happened here: The budget that was sent to the Governor was badly out of balance, and so now we are going to hand out money piece by piece until there is no money left. Who is at the end of that line?

What the Governor did with his blue-line veto was say, I am going to release desperately needed funds that are now 6 months past due, that are now 6 months past due, to educate our kids and to provide human services funding, but what I will not do is continue with the rest of this out-of-balance budget. I send it back to you, the legislature, to get it done and to get it done responsibly, in a comprehensive way that actually funds those expenditures that we think are fundamental and important and a part of our government function.

This is no way to run a budget. You would not do this in your own household. You would not say, let us pay this bill but skip those three at the back of the line. You would figure out how it is you earn the money, bring in the money to pay that which you have to do. This is a very poor approach. We are preordaining losers, and picture who those losers could be.

I cannot support HB 1801, and I ask the rest of you not to support it. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Sturla.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I will be brief, and I also rise to talk about this—

The SPEAKER. Sir, just suspend for a second.

Members, if you could, please take your seats. Any conversations, if you could take them to the rooms off the floor.

Representative Sturla, you may proceed.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I will speak this time only and not about every one of these one-time line-item bills that get presented to us. But I want to speak to the flawed logic that says, well, look, this was the level that we agreed to in the budget that we passed and you guys agreed to that same level in the budget you wanted. Therefore, certainly this is common ground. It is common ground for those of us that were looking at a different budget because we were also looking at increases in revenues that not only funded these line items but numerous other line items. So

now, operating under the assumption that you all will never cooperate with increasing revenues to pay for those other line items, you are not going to increase revenue to pay for these line items either. And it is foolhardy to think that if we are limiting the revenues available that we would still supply the same amount of dollars to line items that we thought we were going to get if we had more revenue. You would not do that in your own budget. If your boss said to you, "Your funds are getting cut by 10 percent and your salary is going down," you would not go home and keep saying, "We're going to spend the same amount we did last month, and every one of those line items in our personal budget are going to be the same, because after all, we agreed to it before when we thought we were getting more dollars."

The reality is, the line items that Democrats in the House and the Senate, the Governor, and Senate Republicans agreed to were in conjunction with more revenue coming in. And you all have said you are not going to allow more revenue to come in but you still want to spend that same amount on those individual line items. That is not good fiscal policy, and that is the flawed logic in saying, those were agreed-to line items; therefore, we should all be willing to fund these. And I am not going to be part and parcel of pretending that we can fund something that there is not money for.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.
Representative Maher.

Mr. MAHER. Pennsylvania vests a great deal of discretion in the Governor to have the final word on how much an appropriation shall be. It cannot be any more than is appropriated, but the Governor can choose to make it less. In this case, our Governor chose to make a number of line items less. Of the 91 line items that he line-item vetoed, 50 of them, of course, were exactly what he had asked for.

As I have observed before, it is very difficult to expect that there is a healthy prospect of reaching agreement with someone who cannot agree with himself, but while with the enacted budget, enacted at the levels that this Governor chose, at the end of the year, Pennsylvania's General Fund is going to be billions – \$5 billion, \$6 billion, maybe more. Taxes are being collected, are being put into the Treasury, and the Governor decided, in his wisdom, he did not want to fund education, so he wrote a \$3 billion cut. He does not want to pay for prisons, \$1 billion dollar cut. He does not want to pay for a number of things. Now, he had the discretion to do that, but to suggest that the State is in a deficit position or will be in a deficit position does not add up, because with this enacted budget, enacted with the Governor's vision, there is going to be \$5 billion, \$6 billion, maybe more billions of dollars of taxes that are being collected day by day from the people that elect us to serve. It is irresponsible, in my mind, to be collecting taxes that you have no plan for.

We see needs that are unmet. We believe that it is irresponsible to operate prisons up to a point when you cannot pay prison guards. I do not know how much discretion the Governor has to set prisoners free. Maybe that is his fallback, but if that is not his plan – and I have not heard that that is his plan – we better get about providing for the operation of the prisons.

I believe we ought to get about reversing his \$3 billion cut to education. I believe we should get about restoring at least the line items that were exactly what he asked for, and this is in line with what I believe, and therefore, I am very happy to support it.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The majority whip has indicated that Representative PYLE wishes to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1801 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Representative Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Like the gentlelady from Montgomery County, I rise in support of corrections officers and our corrections system, and in fact, I voted to fund them when I voted for SB 1073 in December.

But, Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to HB 1801. Once again, it is not because our correctional institutions do not deserve the funding, but because there has never been a time where it is acceptable to piecemeal a budget together; never has there been a time when it is acceptable to piecemeal a budget together.

Mr. Speaker, we are facing a real crisis in this State and we are at a crossroads. Members on the other side of the aisle are choosing a path of destruction: higher property taxes, a huge structural deficit, fewer teachers, larger class sizes, and massive student loans.

Mr. Speaker, responsible governing means we must be honest, open, and transparent about the crisis facing our State. You are running bills and trying to pass a budget that cannot be sustained. Standard & Poor's, the Independent Fiscal Office, and even your own Appropriations chair acknowledge that your budgets are not balanced. This process is a complete abdication of your responsibility to govern. My colleagues and I have put up tough votes time and again to fight for what is right in hopes of giving the people of Pennsylvania a better future.

If we continue to piecemeal this budget, you are saying to the residents of this Commonwealth that you only care about one program or one institution or one agency, or you are legislating by sound bite and abdicating your constitutional obligation to pass a balanced budget. How can I say to the people of Pennsylvania that funding prisons is more important than education or human services?

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I will be voting "no" on HB 1801, because without a comprehensive budget, we are failing the people of Pennsylvania. And let me tell you, Mr. Speaker, our constituents are tired of these political games. When there is a fully funded compromise in front of us in the House, I will proudly vote in the affirmative. Until then, I am not giving in to more of the same. I am requesting a "no" vote on HB 1801.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative Nick KOTIK has requested to be placed on leave of absence. Without objection, that will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1801 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Representative Jim Christiana.

Mr. CHRISTIANA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support HB 1801. I think it is important for us to remember why we need this bill, what caused the gentleman to introduce this bill. And this bill is pretty simple. It is a bill to drive out funds to our corrections facilities. And the other side of the aisle says they support funding our prisons but they do not like the means by which we are trying to fund our corrections facilities. The means, they support the idea, but the means they are objecting to, the piecemeal means by which we are trying to fund our prisons, but the other side of the aisle supports the Governor's piecemeal approach to vetoing the bill that caused HB 1801 to have to be introduced. The means by which we are trying to solve the problem, which was created by the same exact means, the other side of the aisle is all of a sudden supportive of the Governor's piecemeal line-item veto. They say they want a full budget, a full budget, but they voted against a full budget.

This is a solution to a problem that was caused by this administration. They chose not to veto the entire budget. I am thankful that the Governor did not do that 6 months after the budget deadline. However, he chose to single out and put certain programs at the back of the line. I think it is irresponsible for us not to try to drive out funds to these singled-out line items by any means necessary. One party is committed to solving the problems that the other party has created, and we should deploy any, any means necessary to drive out funds at this point in the budget process.

So I thank the gentleman for his leadership, a first-term member who is looking to solve our greatest challenges. He put his name first on HB 1801. He should be commended for his leadership, and we should help solve the problems that this administration has created.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Tony DeLuca.

Mr. DeLUCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I was not going to speak until the last speaker said about this side of the aisle causing the problems. This problem was caused by both administrations, the Democrat and the Republican administrations. Let us not kid ourselves, it has been caused by Democrats in the past and Republicans in the past. Do not say this administration. This Governor is trying to correct something. You might not like it, but he is trying to correct something.

We know you have the majority over there, but we have not had a part to play in this budget process. The fact is, you forgot about the word "compromise." Government is about compromising. You better look at last night's election, because I am going to tell you, the public is so dissatisfied with what is happening in government today that they are putting in people who do not even know what they are talking about to run this country. Are you crazy? We have got to learn that we have got to work together. God forbid if you get that candidate on your

side to be your candidate for our kids and our grandkids, or we get the guy on our side for our kids and grandkids. We are in bad shape, Mr. Speaker, whether we are Democrats or Republicans.

We are Pennsylvanians. We are American citizens. We want the next generation to have the opportunity that we had. So let us not kid ourselves. I guess while we piecemeal this, we are going to have budget hearings, and I guess there is not going to be any compromise from the other side. But I just want to correct the other speaker there. This was caused by Democrat administrations and Republican administrations, not this administration.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

The only other speaker prior to the leaders speaking is Representative Dush.

Representative Hanna, at the time I had called you, there were no other members other than leaders, but folks rose, members rose to be recognized. I am sorry.

Representative Dush.

Mr. DUSH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have to agree in part with the predecessor, the previous speaker, but I would also like to remind everybody that we are here as a result of a piecemeal veto of this budget, and the bad part about the piecemeal veto is it is directed, it is targeted at items that are directly linked to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Plus we have a \$3.1 billion cut that the Governor has made to something that is constitutionally required in Pennsylvania. Now, the gentlelady from Philadelphia said she was going to throw it back to us to come up with a single reply to this whole thing. Well, in 7 months now I have not seen an alternate plan from the other side of the aisle, and that is not something that I want to bring up, but if you are going to sit there and throw it back at us, produce something, produce something for us to vote on. Give us a budget, an alternative budget, give us something that is complete, but you have not done that.

If we are going to have to address the Governor's piecemeal attack on the budget that was passed, then we are going to have to respond in kind, and the things that have to take priority are the things that are going to be applied directly to the health, safety, and welfare of this Commonwealth. And if we do end up having to pick winners and losers, those institutions, those areas in the budget have to be addressed first, and if something else has to fall behind, then we maybe should not have done a piecemeal veto in the first place.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

At this time it will be Representative Markosek. I know Representative Markosek wishes to speak, Representative Dermody wishes to speak, Representative Adolph wishes to speak, and Representative Reed.

Representative Markosek.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Good afternoon, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, first of all, I think it is important to really correct some of the incorrections that I heard here the last couple of speakers. First of all, the Governor vetoed, blue-lined the budget that was sent to him because it was out of balance and it did not include sustaining revenue. That is why he did it. It was not because he is not in favor of education. It was not done because he is not in favor of the correctional system. It

was done because the budget was out of balance and did not include sustaining revenues.

A couple of my colleagues, my good friend, the gentleman from Allegheny, mentioned that he blue-lined certain, I think he used the phraseology he wanted to reduce or he wanted to blue-line some of these items. He did not want to blue-line any of these items. He is for funding for corrections. He is for funding for child advocacy centers, which we will see in the next bill. He is for funding burn centers that we will see in HB 1803 later this afternoon. He is for all those things. He did it because this is not the way to run a budget system where we do not have enough revenue, enough sustaining revenue to fund all of the things, all of the things that all of us, not just Democrats, but all of us want to fund.

Now, the sponsor of the bill, the gentleman from Juniata County, I believe, pointed out very accurately all the good things about our corrections system and why we should fund it, and I agree. We all agree that those things are important to Pennsylvania, and the people that work in that system are very important to Pennsylvania and do a very, very difficult and very, very good job of servicing the people of Pennsylvania as they work in those very important facilities. We are all for that. But if we vote "yes" on this bill which takes an additional almost \$1 billion and puts it back into the corrections system, that money will more than likely come out of the education system. That is the problem. It is not a question of funding one by itself and living happily ever after. It is a question of trying to get all of these entities funded that we all agree with. Not just some of us, we all agree with these things.

So let us not take, as the good lady from Montgomery said, let us not form a line where certain agencies get to the front of the line and other agencies will be left when the money runs out, because there is no talk today about funding these things or additional funds for these things when the money runs out – and we all know it will run out – that those things at the end of the line, some of these might get funded but those things that are at the end of the line will not get funded. That is unfair.

And we, the Democrats, do not control the calendar. The Republican majority leadership controls the calendar, and they decided to do it this way. Our plan is to do it in a comprehensive manner which makes sense, which is a professional way to do it, which is a businesslike way to do it, instead of what we are seeing here: a piecemeal, hodgepodge, quiltwork system of funding things, or at least trying to fund things on an individual basis rather than sitting down and making the decisions that we have to make to fund all of these things.

So with that, Mr. Speaker, I would ask all members to please vote "no," and again and again and again, you have heard me say it a lot of times, we need to sit down and find a real funding, sustainable funding mechanism, agree to sustainable funding for not only these issues and these agencies, but all of our State budget, all of the things that we fund out of our State budget that we all want.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

Representative Adolph, the majority Appropriations chair.

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

Mr. Speaker, on December 29 Governor Wolf certified that we had revenue of \$29,821,000,157. On that same day, Governor Wolf signed the budget bill vetoing \$6,285,398,000, leaving us with \$23,399,000,574.

When we take in some existing lapses, etc., we have over \$6.4 billion. I do not know if anyone heard testimony from the chief counsel for the Treasury last week when he was testifying in a Senate committee hearing and he said that the Treasury has a real dilemma. This veto, blue-line of the corrections line item has really made it very difficult and it has put the Treasury in a very difficult position. It is very important that we pass this legislation to avoid any questions regarding constitutional authority.

We put a balanced budget on the Governor's desk. I mentioned the other day regarding it may have been short \$300, \$400 million and if the Governor would have signed that budget, we would have had the revenue package to him immediately. We talked about it with some casino licenses, some tobacco taxes, and he would have had a balanced budget. This whole thing is over about 1 percent of the total budget, but the Governor has chosen to pick and choose who he is going to hold hostage.

Mr. Speaker, we have the money. The taxpayers have paid their taxes. Let us protect the citizens of Pennsylvania by properly funding the corrections institutions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I commend the gentleman for introducing this bill. I do agree that I wish this process was not necessary, but we were given no other choice. So we can fund these very important line items since the taxpayers have already paid their money and the money is sitting in the Treasury to be sent out.

Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, let us set the record straight: House Democrats, along with 19 Republicans, voted for the only balanced budget that was ever presented here, HB 1073, and that is the only balanced budget that was ever on this House floor.

Now, we just listened to the majority Appropriations chairman say it was balanced, it was only \$400 million short. Well, the truth is it is \$500 million short on a good day. That is the budget that was presented to the Governor. And you have heard it and it is true: Doing a piecemeal budget does not move this process forward; it sets us back. What the people expect us to do and what we need to do is adequately fund all the worthy programs and agencies that deserve our help, that help Pennsylvanians, and we are not doing that. Once again we are back trying to pick winners and losers, and nobody sent us here to do that.

Now it is time for us to present a balanced budget to the Governor that adequately funds education, that adequately funds corrections and the burn centers, all the good things that we want to do and that we all voted for and 19 right-thinking Republicans voted for. We can do that again, and we can make that happen. We can pass a budget that does the job for all Pennsylvanians. Not this, not trying to embarrass us and trying to say the Democrats are against funding corrections and funding burn centers and whatever else you want to do. The people will know it is just a political ploy. You are just trying to play a game with their lives and it is time we stop doing that. It is time we sit down, negotiate a final budget for this year and next year, and take care of what Pennsylvania really needs. That means funding education adequately, funding it properly, funding human services, and creating jobs and economic development for our citizens.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.
Representative Reed.

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

As we have listened to the discussion this afternoon, there are really two questions that come to mind from my perspective, and the first one deals with how many folks we have heard today stand up and say they support funding for this, they support funding for that, they support our correctional officers, they support our pre-K programs, they support our schools, but yet they constantly vote against funding for them. That seems to be a funny way of showing your support for those folks and those programs, particularly our correctional officers that each and every day are putting their lives on the line in the name of public safety in this State.

We have also constantly heard today about the need to revive the \$30.8 billion spending plan that the Governor put forth as part of the original framework agreement back in November that fell apart the last week of December, and here is my question in that regard. The folks across the aisle have said they want a vote on that plan, that is the plan that has support, that is the plan the people of Pennsylvania want. Then why did they not put it up for a vote on Monday when they had the opportunity? They had the amendment filed and they withdrew the amendment. They refused to allow a vote on their own budget proposal that we constantly hear is the end-all, be-all to our budgetary problems in this State. You cannot have it both ways. You cannot be for something and then vote against it. You cannot support something and then demand a vote on something and then withdraw the very vote that you are demanding.

Now, I understand there are some complexities involved in the budgetary process. Just yesterday the Governor stood before this body and he proposed 15 new tax increases totaling \$30.6 billion and a retroactive income tax to pay for all of his new spending. And I understand at the end of the day, the Democratic Caucus sent out a press release saying, "House Democrats agree with the governor." If that is true, we are more than willing to put that tax increase proposal before this body for a vote. If folks agree with the Governor on a retroactive income tax on the people of this State, let them stand on the record and show the people of Pennsylvania.

And my second question. The Governor vetoed half of the line items for corrections, took half of the money away so that we could only fund the Department of Corrections for 6 months, but now we are told that the administration has been in talks with the Treasurer to continue to pay our correctional officers. Here is the question each and every Pennsylvanian should be asking themselves: If you are going to pay the bills anyway, if you are going to spend those dollars even without an appropriations bill, then why did you veto it to begin with? What was the point to that veto other than making a political statement?

The time for political statements is done. The time for the games is over. Let us actually get a budget done, and if we have got to do it this way, we will do it this way to get the money to our correctional officers, to get the money to our schools, to get the money to our Medicaid recipients, to get the money to our child advocacy centers. If this is the only way to release those hostages, we will do so today.

Vote in favor of HB 1801. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—116

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

NAYS—65

Acosta	Dean	Harhai	Neuman
Barbin	Deasy	Harkins	O'Brien
Bizzarro	DeLissio	Harris, J.	Pashinski
Boyle	DeLuca	Kavulich	Petrarca
Bradford	Dermody	Kim	Ravenstahl
Briggs	Donatucci	Kinsey	Readshaw
Brown, V.	Driscoll	Kortz	Rozzi
Bullock	Evans	Krueger	Sainato
Carroll	Fabrizio	Longietti	Samuelson
Conklin	Farina	Markosek	Santarsiero
Costa, D.	Flynn	Matzie	Schlossberg
Costa, P.	Frankel	McCarter	Schweyer
Daley, M.	Freeman	McClinton	Snyder
Daley, P.	Gibbons	Miller, D.	Sturla
Davidson	Goodman	Mullery	Vitali
Davis	Hanna	Neilson	Youngblood
Dawkins			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—19

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gainey	Kotik	Schreiber	Wheatley
Galloway	McNeill	Simmons	

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.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative GABLER has indicated he would like to be placed on leave for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1802, PN 2762**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Executive Offices for the purpose of child advocacy centers for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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 Toepel has the floor.
Mrs. TOEPEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I choose to believe this was an oversight on the part of the administration, as surely this funding is a public safety issue and never should have been vetoed. It is \$1 million. What can be more important to us as legislators than doing everything we can to ensure the safety of our most vulnerable constituents we represent? As the Governor pointed out earlier in his address yesterday, it is up to us to save the most vulnerable populations from cuts.

Just 2 weeks ago I stood with all of my female colleagues in the well of this House to recognize January as "Human Trafficking Awareness Month." Child advocacy centers help investigate human trafficking and treat those subjected to those horrors. Can we say that funding those services is less important than passing a resolution to raise awareness? I would submit to you that the positive steps we take to bring awareness to those issues ring hollow if today we do not vote to fund those services.

In Pennsylvania we recognize the important work of the CACs. Counties across Pennsylvania are working to implement child advocacy centers as part of their overall criminal justice system. As a result of the child protection laws, the CACs have seen an increase of 20 to 40 percent for services. The number of fully accredited CACs will rise about 25 percent, and their services are constantly in ever-increasing demand.

If the argument is purely financial, the numbers bear out the fiscally prudent investment in child advocacy centers. On the saving side, the CACs save about \$1,000 per investigation. There were 10,100 forensic interviews in Pennsylvania in 2015 alone. At \$1,000 per case, that totals more than

\$10 million. The money is there. The funding line item is only \$1 million. It is a public safety issue. It never should have been vetoed. I do have to question whether the Governor did support CACs. I know that issue was raised by the minority Appropriations chair as the Governor did remove it in his original budget. We put it back in and he vetoed it once again.

Today we have to stand with our children and improve this funding. Sometimes the only one who is going to hear the cry of an abused child is the perpetrator. Are we going to hear their cry today and restore this funding?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Markosek.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again, pretty much all the same arguments that I made for the last bill and for the next bill as well I would make here. The gentlelady offered really some very emotional reasons why this is such a good agency and activity that should be funded, and we all agree it is a great agency and activity and we share her passion to get this done, but it has to be done in a comprehensive basis, in a businesslike way, not picking and choosing just certain ones of these blue-lined items.

Again, we do not control the calendar. We would not do it this way, but I believe, you know, we should vote "no" and let us vote "no" on all of these today and move forward and actually sit down with the leaders and the members of the other caucus and negotiate real funding, real sustainable funding for our budget so that we can fund all of these. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Kathy Watson.

Mrs. WATSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I will be brief.

As chairwoman of the Children and Youth Committee in the Pennsylvania House, we fully have to support what is going on here. And there was discussion about, you know, what are we doing and is this a half process and not the other. Mr. Speaker, CACs work with the most vulnerable young people across the State. I was part of a group that was successful in a previous administration to get money in a line item so that we would promote CACs and it would not be according to your ZIP (Zoning Improvement Plan) Code if your child indeed was a victim of abuse and your child could not get that kind of help. We know the help works. We know it is important.

One of our members even had money directed from the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) fund now to the CACs, but we know there was a huge gap. So I see this as a financial matter too. We were putting the money, this \$1 million to carry over until we have – you talk about a sustaining funding source. We will have a sustaining funding source, but it has not kicked in yet. I cannot imagine, emotional or unemotional, not doing this for our most vulnerable citizens and the citizens who cannot in Pennsylvania come to the House or call us on the phone or hold up a sign. They need our help. This is in effect a kind of stopgap financial measure. It will tide us over until the funding, sustaining funding stream that we have kicks in.

I respectfully would ask you all to vote "yes" on this. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have a letter here from the executive director of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to the Secretary of the Budget, Hon. Randy Albright. It is a waiver request for a budget extension for the 2014-15 child advocacy appropriation. It says, "The General Assembly appropriated \$2.25 million in FY 2014-15 for the funding of grant programs

identified under this initiative. As of May 1, 2015, the available balance was \$391,272.80 and the remaining balance of commitments was \$1,565,454.46. While we expect a portion of the commitments will be expended, we know that the majority of the current commitments will not be fully expended during this fiscal year. This request is to extend the available balance and the remaining balance of commitments for an additional year through June 30, 2016." It ends, "We firmly believe it to be in the best interest of the Commonwealth to allow these funds to be used in fiscal year 2015-16."

This grant was approved by the administration to ensure that child safety was protected at all times. I join with the executive director. I join with the Budget Secretary requesting that these funds continue and make sure those commitments, still outstanding of about \$1.2 million, are still paid out. I hope you vote in the affirmative for HB 1802 and make sure those funds continue.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Moul.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do not normally get up and speak too much, but this is definitely an issue that touches my heart. As vice chair of the committee, as a board member of the Children's Trust Fund in Pennsylvania, and having probably one of the best children's advocacy centers in Pennsylvania just down the street from my office, let me tell you, I know a lot about this subject.

If there is ever going to be a time where you tell your Governor, "Look, this is a line we do not want to cross. This is a line you do not want to cross." Do not say no to these kids. We have professionals working in these children's advocacy centers that work with children that have just been battered, raped, abused, and all kinds of ungodly things done to them. In the scheme of things, this is a pittance amount of money compared to our budget.

We do reach a time when we have to say enough is enough. We are not going to follow this guy into the river and let him drown us. This is that line. Please do not cross that line. Stand up for your kids and make sure that the proper help for these kids that are being abused is there for them.

Please vote for this. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Julie Harhart.

Mrs. HARHART. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I feel compelled that I need to get up and stand in support of this House bill and restoring this funding. As you heard, these centers are really very vital to the children who are at risk in our State. It took 10 years to bring these child advocacy centers to the forefront. I hear here in this body when we talk about children and in their remarks, you know, how important they are and how important their well-being is, whether it be with educating them or keeping them and protecting them from abuse.

So if you really mean you care about their well-being, vote "yes" on HB 1802 and restore this funding. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

VOTE STRICKEN

The SPEAKER. Excuse me; hold up. Please withdraw the vote.

Representative Marsico and then Representative Dermody.
Hold the vote.

Representative Marsico, the floor is yours.

Mr. MARSICO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The previous speakers did a great job in advocating for our CACs. I want to congratulate them and also the maker of the amendment, or the bill. You know, back a few years ago when this House passed a resolution of a task force to protect your children, protection of children, many of you were here then and you remember that that came out of the Sandusky issues, the number one priority, recommendation that came out of that task force was to fund our CACs, make sure our CACs are adequately funded. And I know that the chairman, who was a former member of this House and Senate and is now a judge, mentioned that if there would have been a CAC in the State College area, there would have been less victims, child abuse victims. And once again, these recommendations came from the task force for protection of children, and we know what they do. They do a great job. The previous speakers mentioned that.

And I just want to say that I know it was mentioned earlier, there are lot of issues here that are the head of the line. Someone mentioned about some of them being at the head of the line. Well, I want to tell you something: this funding should be at the head of the line. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I just want to remind the members of a few things. One, as I said before, the House Democrats and 19 right-thinking people voted in HB 1073 to increase funding to the CACs, so if we want to fund the CACs, let us go pass a budget, a real budget that has real money so we can fund them.

Number two, they are fully funded this year because of the settlement money from the Jerry Sandusky settlement with Penn State University. They are getting the funding they need. There is \$35 million, I believe, there from that settlement. That is taking care of them, but we need to do our job and pass a budget. The House Democrats will stand up for kids, for everybody. You know it. We know it.

However, we need to do it with a real budget because you are just kidding, you are teasing people saying there is money there to pay all these bills because there is not. You have passed budgets that are not balanced and you want to continue to do that and suggest that we can continue this whole piecemeal process and try to fund the government. It does not work that way. So when you are ready to sit down and talk about a budget, we are too. But also understand, because of the Jerry Sandusky settlement at Penn State, they are being fully funded. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Kaufer.

Mr. KAUFER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have been to our children's advocacy center in Scranton, and when I stepped foot in there, it is not exactly what you would expect. They have all sorts of paintings and kid toys, things made up for a kid to walk into and feel safe, to step in foot and feel comfortable. I have donated to them. I have been inside their building, and from what one caseworker told me, it

is the darkest work anybody would have to do. This should not be a question. I am upset that we are even debating this today.

I urge my colleagues to vote "yes." Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Vereb.

Mr. VEREB. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Is it November 30 yet, Mr. Speaker?

I just want to correct the record, respectfully to the minority leader. We are going to vote how we are going to vote. There is no compelling story that is going to change people's vote at this point, I do not believe, but the CACs were not fully funded by the Sandusky money. In fact, there was a handful. I sit on PCCD, and there is more money to be distributed, but there are many that still need funding, and I know that PCCD has been thrown around, pro and con, to vote here. We have a lot of work to do over there to get more money to these groups, but in the meantime, there is a majority of them that did not receive funding.

So I certainly encourage a "yes" vote on this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—127

Adolph	Gillespie	Major	Regan
Baker	Gingrich	Maloney	Roae
Barrar	Godshall	Marshall	Ross
Benninghoff	Greiner	Marsico	Rothman
Bizzarro	Grove	Masser	Rozzi
Bloom	Hahn	McGinnis	Saccone
Boback	Harhart	Mentzer	Sainato
Brown, R.	Harper	Metcalfe	Sankey
Burns	Harris, A.	Metzgar	Santora
Caltagirone	Heffley	Miccarelli	Saylor
Causar	Helm	Millard	Schemel
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Conklin	Hickernell	Moul	Sonney
Corbin	Hill	Murt	Staats
Culver	Irvin	Mustio	Stephens
Cutler	James	Nesbit	Tallman
Daley, P.	Jozwiak	Neuman	Taylor
Davidson	Kampf	O'Neill	Tobash
Day	Kaufer	Oberlander	Toepel
Delozier	Kauffman	Ortitay	Topper
Diamond	Keller, F.	Parker, D.	Truitt
DiGirolamo	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Vereb
Dunbar	Killion	Peifer	Ward
Dush	Klunk	Petrarca	Warner
Ellis	Knowles	Petri	Watson
Emrick	Kortz	Pickett	Wentling
English	Krueger	Quigley	Wheeland
Evankovich	Lawrence	Quinn	White
Everett	Lewis	Rader	Zimmerman
Farry	Mackenzie	Rapp	
Fee	Maher	Reed	Turzai,
Gibbons	Mahoney	Reese	Speaker
Gillen			

NAYS—53

Acosta	Deasy	Hanna	Mullery
Barbin	DeLissio	Harhai	Neilson
Boyle	DeLuca	Harkins	O'Brien
Bradford	Dermody	Harris, J.	Pashinski
Briggs	Donatucci	Kavulich	Ravenstahl

Brown, V.	Driscoll	Kim	Readshaw
Bullock	Evans	Kinsey	Samuelson
Carroll	Fabrizio	Longiotti	Santarsiero
Costa, D.	Farina	Markosek	Schlossberg
Costa, P.	Flynn	Matzie	Schweyer
Daley, M.	Frankel	McCarter	Sturla
Davis	Freeman	McClinton	Vitali
Dawkins	Goodman	Miller, D.	Youngblood
Dean			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—20

Cohen	Galloway	McNeill	Simmons
Cox	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cruz	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Gabler	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gainey	Kotik	Schreiber	Wheatley

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.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The minority whip has indicated that Representative Dan MILLER wishes to be placed on leave, as does Representative Greg VITALI. Without objection, those requests for leave will be granted.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1803, PN 2763**, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of medical assistance payments - hospital-based burn centers for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.
The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Mackenzie.

Mr. MACKENZIE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I will be brief because we have already discussed the overall budget picture here. I would first like to give a summary of why I am asking members' support for HB 1803, what it does, and then just a couple remarks on that topic.

So HB 1803 makes an appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services for hospital-based burn centers for the fiscal year 2015-2016. DHS implemented a disproportionate share payment for qualifying medical

assistance enrolled acute care general hospital burn centers to assure readily available and coordinated burn care for the medical assistance population. These payments qualify for matching Federal funds. The remaining funding is allocated based on each center's percentage of medical assistance and uninsured burn cases and patient days compared to the statewide number of medical assistance cases in 2015-2016. Six burn centers are anticipated to qualify for the almost \$8 million. Just less than \$4 million comes from State funds, and then over \$4 million comes in matching Federal funds in disproportionate share payments. So that is the synopsis of the bill that is in front of us.

And just briefly, my comments on this topic. I would urge all members, please, get past the flimsy rhetoric that you are hiding behind when you vote against all of this legislation. Get past that. Do what is right for the citizens of Pennsylvania. Do what is right for individuals who are in hospital-based burn centers who are receiving critical and lifesaving care. The revenue is available. Compassion; compassion, that is what is needed in our budget. And if we have the money in our personal accounts, you would be putting out money for critical medical expenses that are needed. That is what we should be doing here in our State budget. If we leave this funding unallocated, we will irresponsibly leave unclaimed Federal funding, matching funding on the table, which could be used here in Pennsylvania for our hospital-based burn centers and for those who are going in using medical assistance to receive that care. Those low-income individuals are receiving great treatment in our hospitals.

So please, please, I will advocate and ask sincerely for your support of HB 1803. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Markosek.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, very briefly, I think the commonality for these three bills as I sit here and listen to the debate – HB 1801, HB 1802, and now HB 1803, which funds burn centers, funding for burn centers – the commonality is all of these bills have an emotional tie to them. You know, if we were talking today about funding our sewage infrastructure, I do not think there would be a whole lot of emotion over that. We would be looking at dollars and cents, and really, when we are talking in budget terms, that is what we should be looking at all the time as well.

The majority party that controls the calendar, as I mentioned before, has picked emotional issues to bring up here before us with the idea that it would somehow make it sound like, well, we have to fund these things because they are emotional and there is an emotional tie to it, even though we might not have the money to do it. Well, we have to look at it as legislators in both ways. Sure, there is an emotion issue. I am for burn centers. I am for child advocacy. I am for funding our prison system. I have been here a long time. I have put up a lot of tough votes to fund all of those things and a heck of a lot more things over the years, and have been criticized quite a bit for it, quite frankly. But I like to think when I go home and look in the mirror, I can say to myself that I did the right thing. We do not have the money to do all of these programs, whether they are emotional or not. That is what I have been trying to say.

I guess if I can sum up here, the commonality of what I am trying to say is, besides the emotion, we also need to look at the dollars and cents. Sure, we all, all 203 of us agree that there is an emotional tie and we want to see these things funded, but

where we also have to get an agreement to is how do we pay for it?

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—117

Adolph	Gingrich	Major	Regan
Baker	Godshall	Maloney	Roae
Barrar	Greiner	Marshall	Ross
Benninghoff	Grove	Marsico	Rothman
Bloom	Hahn	Masser	Saccone
Boback	Harhart	McGinnis	Sankey
Brown, R.	Harper	Mentzer	Santora
Burns	Harris, A.	Metcalfe	Saylor
Caltagirone	Heffley	Metzgar	Schemel
Causar	Helm	Miccarelli	Sonney
Christiana	Hennessey	Millard	Staats
Conklin	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Stephens
Corbin	Hill	Moul	Tallman
Culver	Irvin	Murt	Taylor
Cutler	James	Mustio	Tobash
Day	Jozwiak	Nesbit	Toepel
DeLozier	Kampf	O'Neill	Topper
Diamond	Kaufner	Oberlander	Truitt
DiGirolo	Kauffman	Ortitay	Vereb
Dunbar	Keller, F.	Parker, D.	Ward
Dush	Keller, M.K.	Payne	Warner
Ellis	Killion	Peifer	Watson
Emrick	Klunk	Petri	Wentling
English	Knowles	Pickett	Wheeland
Evankovich	Kortz	Quigley	White
Everett	Lawrence	Quinn	Zimmerman
Farry	Lewis	Rader	
Fee	Mackenzie	Rapp	Turzai,
Gillen	Maher	Reed	Speaker
Gillespie	Mahoney	Reese	

NAYS—61

Acosta	Dean	Hanna	Neuman
Barbin	Deasy	Harhai	O'Brien
Bizzarro	DeLissio	Harkins	Pashinski
Boyle	DeLuca	Harris, J.	Petrarca
Bradford	Dermody	Kavulich	Ravenstahl
Briggs	Donatucci	Kim	Readshaw
Brown, V.	Driscoll	Kinsey	Rozzi
Bullock	Evans	Krueger	Sainato
Carroll	Fabrizio	Longietti	Samuelson
Costa, D.	Farina	Markosek	Santarsiero
Costa, P.	Flynn	Matzie	Schlossberg
Daley, M.	Frankel	McCarter	Schweyer
Daley, P.	Freeman	McClinton	Snyder
Davidson	Gibbons	Mullery	Sturla
Davis	Goodman	Neilson	Youngblood
Dawkins			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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 1452, PN 2042**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, providing for a volunteer instructor license.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—178

Acosta	Emrick	Klunk	Quinn
Adolph	English	Knowles	Rader
Baker	Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp
Barbin	Evans	Krueger	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Bizzarro	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Bloom	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Boback	Fee	Maher	Roae
Boyle	Flynn	Mahoney	Ross
Bradford	Frankel	Major	Rothman
Briggs	Freeman	Maloney	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Gibbons	Markosek	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gillen	Marshall	Sainato
Bullock	Gillespie	Marsico	Samuelson
Burns	Gingrich	Masser	Sankey
Caltagirone	Godshall	Matzie	Santarsiero
Carroll	Goodman	McCarter	Santora
Causer	Greiner	McClinton	Saylor
Christiana	Grove	McGinnis	Schemel
Conklin	Hahn	Mentzer	Schlossberg
Corbin	Hanna	Metcalf	Schweyer
Costa, D.	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, P.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Culver	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Cutler	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Moul	Sturla
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	Mullery	Tallman
Davidson	Heffley	Murt	Taylor
Davis	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Dawkins	Hennessey	Neilson	Toepel
Day	Hickernell	Nesbit	Topper
Dean	Hill	Neuman	Truitt
Deasy	Irvin	O'Brien	Vereb
DeLissio	James	O'Neill	Ward
Delozier	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Warner
DeLuca	Kampf	Ortitay	Watson
Dermody	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Wentling
Diamond	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wheeland

DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Payne	White
Donatucci	Keller, F.	Peifer	Youngblood
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Turzai,
Ellis	Kinsey	Quigley	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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 1722, PN 2844**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for dogs pursuing, injuring or killing big game.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—177

Acosta	English	Knowles	Rader
Adolph	Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp
Baker	Evans	Krueger	Ravenstahl
Barbin	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Barrar	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Benninghoff	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Bloom	Fee	Maher	Roae
Boback	Flynn	Mahoney	Ross
Boyle	Frankel	Major	Rothman
Bradford	Freeman	Maloney	Rozzi
Briggs	Gibbons	Markosek	Saccone
Brown, R.	Gillen	Marshall	Sainato
Brown, V.	Gillespie	Marsico	Samuelson
Bullock	Gingrich	Masser	Sankey
Burns	Godshall	Matzie	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Goodman	McCarter	Santora

Carroll	Greiner	McClinton	Saylor
Causler	Grove	McGinnis	Schemel
Christiana	Hahn	Mentzer	Schlossberg
Conklin	Hanna	Metcalfe	Schweyer
Corbin	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harkins	Millard	Staats
Culver	Harper	Miller, B.	Stephens
Cutler	Harris, A.	Moul	Sturla
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Mullery	Tallman
Daley, P.	Heffley	Murt	Taylor
Davidson	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Davis	Hennessey	Neilson	Toepel
Day	Hickernell	Nesbit	Topper
Dean	Hill	Neuman	Truitt
Deasy	Irvin	O'Brien	Vereb
DeLissio	James	O'Neill	Ward
Delozier	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Warner
DeLuca	Kampf	Ortitay	Watson
Dermody	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Wentling
Diamond	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Payne	White
Donatucci	Keller, F.	Peifer	Youngblood
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Turzai,
Ellis	Kinsey	Quigley	Speaker
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	

NAYS-1

Dawkins

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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 1219, PN 2845**, entitled:

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

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-177

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-1

Davis

EXCUSED-22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 479, PN 437**, entitled:

An Act designating the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Resource Management Center, located in Conyngham Township, Columbia County, as the Edward W. Helfrick Resource Management Center.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—178

Acosta	Emrick	Klunk	Quinn
Adolph	English	Knowles	Rader
Baker	Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp
Barbin	Evans	Krueger	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Fabrizio	Lewis	Reed
Bizzarro	Farina	Longietti	Reese
Bloom	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Boback	Fee	Maher	Roae
Boyle	Flynn	Mahoney	Ross
Bradford	Frankel	Major	Rothman
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Costa, D.	Harhai	Metzgar	Snyder
Costa, P.	Harhart	Miccarelli	Sonney
Culver	Harkins	Millard	Staats
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Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Moul	Sturla
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	Mullery	Tallman
Davidson	Heffley	Murt	Taylor
Davis	Helm	Mustio	Tobash
Dawkins	Hennessey	Neilson	Toepel
Day	Hickernell	Nesbit	Topper
Dean	Hill	Neuman	Truitt
Deasy	Irvin	O'Brien	Vereb
DeLissio	James	O'Neill	Ward
Delozier	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Warner
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Diamond	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wheeland
DiGiolamo	Kavulich	Payne	White
Donatucci	Keller, F.	Peifer	Youngblood
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Zimmerman

Dunbar	Killion	Petri	
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Turzai,
Ellis	Kinsey	Quigley	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1797, PN 2743**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for classes of licenses and for examination of applicant for driver's license; in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for certain passengers prohibited in autcycles; and, in accidents and accident reports, further providing for accident report forms and for department to compile, tabulate and analyze accident reports.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—178

Acosta	Emrick	Klunk	Quinn
Adolph	English	Knowles	Rader
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Barrar	Everett	Lawrence	Readshaw
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Bloom	Farry	Mackenzie	Regan
Boback	Fee	Maher	Roae
Boyle	Flynn	Mahoney	Ross
Bradford	Frankel	Major	Rothman
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Bullock	Gillespie	Marsico	Samuelson
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DeLissio	James	O'Neill	Ward
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Dermody	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Wentling
Diamond	Kauffman	Pashinski	Wheeland
DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Payne	White
Donatucci	Keller, F.	Peifer	Youngblood
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Zimmerman
Dunbar	Killion	Petri	
Dush	Kim	Pickett	Turzai,
Ellis	Kinsey	Quigley	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—22

Cohen	Gergely	Milne	Sims
Cox	Keller, W.	Pyle	Thomas
Cruz	Kirkland	Roebuck	Toohil
Gabler	Kotik	Schreiber	Vitali
Gainey	McNeill	Simmons	Wheatley
Galloway	Miller, D.		

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 COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

The SPEAKER. 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,
February 10, 2016

Resolved that,

Representative Bullock, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Appropriations Committee.

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

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

VOTE CORRECTIONS

The SPEAKER. Representative Tina Davis is recognized on unanimous consent.

Mrs. DAVIS. I just want to correct the record, Mr. Speaker. My button malfunctioned and I want to be in the affirmative on HB 1219, please. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Yes; that will be so recorded.

Representative McClinton, on unanimous consent.

Ms. McCLINTON. Mr. Speaker, this is actually not on unanimous consent. I wanted to correct a vote earlier as well for the Journal. On HB 220, on the amendment, I wanted to be recorded as a "no" vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. On HB 222? Okay. Thank you very much.

Representative O'Neill.

Mr. O'NEILL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, to correct the record.

On the uncontested calendar that was voted today, my buttons were not working; therefore, I was not recorded at all, and I would just like to be recorded in the affirmative. Thank you.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

SB 479, PN 437

An Act designating the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Resource Management Center, located in Conyngham Township, Columbia County, as the Edward W. Helfrick Resource Management Center.

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

BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 222;
HB 1398;
HB 1793; and
HB 1806.

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

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 17 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.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1295, PN 2277**, entitled:

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

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1295 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1295 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 ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 590, PN 566**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 5, 2012 (P.L.1102, No.132), known as the State System of Higher Education Intellectual Property Act, further providing for title of act, for short title, for definitions and for repeal.

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

BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 590 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 590 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.

RESOLUTION

Mr. REED called up **HR 60, PN 2682**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to review the Commonwealth's program for beneficial use of sewage sludge by land application.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

RESOLUTION TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 60 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.

RESOLUTION REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 60 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Representative Jesse Topper moves that the House be adjourned until Monday, March 14, 2016, at 1 p.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

As the members know, the Appropriations hearings, 3 weeks of Appropriations hearings will be held in the Capitol Building during the time period from today up to and through Monday, March 14, 2016.

So the House stands adjourned until that date, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 3:38 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.