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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI)
PRESIDING**

PRAYER

The SPEAKER. Our prayer today will be offered by Pastor Robert Brest of the Bradford First Free Methodist Church in Bradford, Pennsylvania, and the pastor is with his wife and is the guest of our good friend and colleague, Chairman Marty Causer.

PASTOR ROBERT BREST, Guest Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, it is with great delight that we open this session of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's House of Representatives with prayer. However, it is a greater privilege to stand in the presence of the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords.

We recognize as both citizens and legislators the need of God's guiding hand in the deliberations for this day. James, in his epistle, writes, "If there are any of you who lack wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives generously." We as citizens and legislators have too often attempted to legislate in our own understanding. Help us this day to legislate in Your way.

We pray for our Commonwealth, the House of Representatives, the Senate, and our Governor, Thomas Wolf. The apostle Paul commands us as citizens to pray for those who rule over us, and we do that just now, but would You also remind our legislators and our Governor that "they are the servants of the people."

Through Your Holy Spirit, may the decisions made here today bring glory, honor, and praise to the matchless name of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER. Oh my goodness, that was the best Pledge of Allegiance we have ever had. Thank you so much for joining in with us on that.

Reverend, thanks so much for taking the time to be with us today.

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, April 6, 2016, will be postponed until printed.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Phyllis Brest is with us today. Phyllis, if you will stand. I just want to introduce you, the wife of our pastor here today from Bradford, Pennsylvania. Thank you so much for joining us.

ACTUARIAL NOTE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of an actuarial note for HB 1084, PN 2316.

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 1640, PN 2388

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act providing for the display of the national motto "In God We Trust" in classrooms and other areas in public school buildings.

EDUCATION.

HB 1769, PN 3142 (Amended)

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in contract carrier by motor vehicle and broker, further providing for declaration of policy and definitions; and, in violations and penalties, further providing for unauthorized operation by carriers and brokers.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HB 1827, PN 3143 (Amended)

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for Drug and Alcohol Recovery High School Pilot Program.

EDUCATION.

SB 874, PN 1334

By Rep. GODSHALL

An Act amending the act of August 14, 1963 (P.L.1059, No.459), referred to as the Cemetery and Funeral Merchandise Trust Fund Law, further providing for deposits into merchandise trust funds; providing for price and description reports; and further providing for funds held in trust, for payments from merchandise trust funds, for filing of financial reports and for penalty.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 805 By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, SANTARSIERO, FREEMAN, COHEN, BAKER, BARRAR, BOYLE, D. COSTA, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVIDSON, DeLUCA, DiGIROLAMO, DRISCOLL, FARINA, GODSHALL, HARHART, HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, KIRKLAND, KOTIK, LONGIETTI, MACKENZIE, MAHONEY, MARSICO, MENTZER, METZGAR, MILLARD, MURT, NEILSON, O'BRIEN, O'NEILL, OBERLANDER, PASHINSKI, PAYNE, PICKETT, QUIGLEY, READSHAW, REESE, ROTHMAN, ROZZI, SACCONI, SAYLOR, TOEPEL, VEREB, WARD, WATSON, WHEELAND and COX

A Resolution commemorating the 68th anniversary of the birth of the State of Israel.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1909 By Representatives THOMAS, SCHLOSSBERG, ROZZI, A. HARRIS and COHEN

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

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, April 8, 2016.

No. 1910 By Representatives THOMAS, SCHLOSSBERG, V. BROWN, ROZZI, A. HARRIS and COHEN

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, April 8, 2016.

No. 1911 By Representatives THOMAS, MILLARD, SCHLOSSBERG, V. BROWN, ROZZI, CALTAGIRONE, KINSEY, A. HARRIS and BULLOCK

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, further providing for notification of breach.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, April 8, 2016.

No. 1919 By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, CRUZ, McCARTER, SCHREIBER, W. KELLER, YOUNGBLOOD, V. BROWN, THOMAS, O'BRIEN, ACOSTA, DAVIDSON, KIM, BULLOCK, KAUFER, CALTAGIRONE, SIMS, SANTARSIERO, GOODMAN, BURNS, D. COSTA, ROEBUCK, McNEILL and KINSEY

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, providing for lead-based paint and related hazardous conditions; and imposing a penalty.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, April 8, 2016.

No. 1957 By Representatives PYLE, HEFFLEY, MILLARD, ZIMMERMAN and OBERLANDER

An Act amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, in adoption and enforcement by municipalities, further providing for administration and enforcement.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 8, 2016.

No. 1960 By Representatives SCHWEYER, ROZZI, READSHAW, CUTLER, SCHREIBER, MACKENZIE, O'BRIEN, ACOSTA, BRIGGS, SCHLOSSBERG, YOUNGBLOOD, THOMAS, FREEMAN, D. COSTA, COHEN, V. BROWN, PAYNE, BULLOCK, DeLUCA, SIMS, DAVIS, DRISCOLL, DEAN, KORTZ, RADER, GIBBONS, HARHAI, MAHONEY, KINSEY, MASSER, KILLION, KRUEGER-BRANEKY, KIM, HARHART, JOZWIAK, FARINA and WATSON

An Act establishing the Veteran Suicide Prevention Grant Program; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; and establishing the Veteran Suicide Prevention Fund.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 7, 2016.

No. 1961 By Representatives ACOSTA, DRISCOLL, TAYLOR, O'BRIEN, BRIGGS, LONGIETTI, SCHLOSSBERG, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, MURT, THOMAS, COHEN, V. BROWN, KINSEY, BULLOCK, DAVIDSON, MAHONEY, ENGLISH, STAATS, DAVIS, ROZZI, FLYNN, SAINATO and SCHREIBER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for subjects of instruction and flag code and for economic education and personal financial literacy programs; providing for personal finance instruction and for capstone course in personal finance as graduation requirement; establishing the Personal Finance Education Fund; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 7, 2016.

No. 1962 By Representatives ACOSTA, DEAN, THOMAS, FRANKEL, V. BROWN, SANTARSIERO, SCHLOSSBERG,

M. DALEY, O'BRIEN, KINSEY, COHEN, KIM, YOUNGBLOOD, BRIGGS, SIMS and MAHONEY

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, providing for safe storage of firearms; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2016.

No. 1963 By Representatives ACOSTA, DEAN, THOMAS, FRANKEL, V. BROWN, SANTARSIERO, SCHLOSSBERG, M. DALEY, O'BRIEN, KINSEY, COHEN, KIM, YOUNGBLOOD, BRIGGS, SIMS and MAHONEY

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, providing for minor's access to firearms; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2016.

No. 1964 By Representatives ACOSTA, DEAN, THOMAS, FRANKEL, V. BROWN, SANTARSIERO, SCHLOSSBERG, M. DALEY, O'BRIEN, COHEN, KIM, KINSEY, YOUNGBLOOD, BRIGGS, SIMS and MAHONEY

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, providing for safe storage of firearms; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2016.

No. 1965 By Representatives ACOSTA, DEAN, THOMAS, FRANKEL, V. BROWN, SCHLOSSBERG, M. DALEY, O'BRIEN, COHEN, KIM, KINSEY, YOUNGBLOOD, BRIGGS, SIMS and MAHONEY

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for locking device for firearms.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2016.

No. 1966 By Representatives GABLER, CAUSER, HEFFLEY, JAMES, JOZWIAK, MILLARD, MOUL, SANKEY, THOMAS and WARD

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, April 7, 2016.

No. 1967 By Representatives GABLER, SANKEY, METZGAR, ORTITAY, GREINER, DUNBAR, CAUSER, MASSER, BENNINGHOFF, BARRAR, HEFFLEY, MCGINNIS, WARD, MAHONEY, GROVE, GIBBONS, A. HARRIS, WARNER, ZIMMERMAN, SAYLOR, PYLE, JAMES, EVERETT, LONGIETTI, KORTZ, OBERLANDER, SNYDER, KNOWLES, ELLIS, MAHER, SCHLEGEL, CULVER, HARHAI, READSHAW, CUTLER, PICKETT, MOUL and FARRY

An Act amending the act of May 31, 1945 (P.L.1198, No.418), known as the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, further providing for mining permit, reclamation plan and bond.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 7, 2016.

No. 1968 By Representative CHRISTIANA

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Governor, to grant and convey to the Bradford House Historical Association certain lands situate in the City of Washington, Washington County.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 7, 2016.

No. 1969 By Representatives DAVIS, GODSHALL, LONGIETTI, COHEN, DRISCOLL, McNEILL, KINSEY, THOMAS, EVERETT, D. COSTA, MARSICO, V. BROWN, MURT, READSHAW, VEREB, MAHONEY, JAMES, SANTARSIERO, KNOWLES, SCHREIBER, HAHN, WARD, ROZZI, COX, FARINA, BULLOCK and KAVULICH

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1970 (P.L.128, No.49), entitled "An act granting to the Governor of the Commonwealth the sole authority for regulating the display of the flag of the United States from any public ground or building and from any ground or building of certain other institutions," further providing for the display of the official POW/MIA flag.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 8, 2016.

No. 1970 By Representatives DAVIS, THOMAS, SCHWEYER, SAMUELSON, COHEN, O'BRIEN, MILLARD, FRANKEL, DAVIDSON, STURLA, PASHINSKI, V. BROWN, MURT, ROEBUCK, KORTZ, DRISCOLL, SCHREIBER, D. COSTA and READSHAW

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for older student protection; and imposing a penalty.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 11, 2016.

No. 1971 By Representatives DAVIS, ROZZI, GALLOWAY, READSHAW, V. BROWN, SCHREIBER, D. COSTA, COHEN, YOUNGBLOOD, McNEILL, SCHWEYER, PASHINSKI, DeLUCA, O'BRIEN, DRISCOLL, DAVIDSON and FARINA

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child custody, adding provisions relating to domestic violence cases; and making an editorial change.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2016.

No. 1972 By Representatives PETRARCA and KORTZ

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Commonwealth budget procedures, providing for general appropriation bill compensation suspension.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 8, 2016.

No. 1973 By Representatives LONGIETTI, YOUNGBLOOD, FREEMAN, STAATS, SAINATO, THOMAS, JAMES, MILLARD, CALTAGIRONE, D. COSTA, BURNS, BULLOCK, FRANKEL, GIBBONS, McNEILL and MOUL

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for breweries; and, in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for limited wineries and for distilleries.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, April 8, 2016.

No. 1974 By Representatives LONGIETTI, MILLARD, KOTIK, BAKER, JAMES, ROZZI, PASHINSKI, MURT, ENGLISH, THOMAS, CALTAGIRONE, NEILSON, GODSHALL, McNEILL, DRISCOLL, READSHAW, A. HARRIS, WHITE, D. COSTA, GIBBONS, PHILLIPS-HILL, COHEN, BRADFORD, PETRI, GILLEN and PETRARCA

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in dispositions independent of letters, family exemption, probate of wills and grant of letters, further providing for payments to family and funeral directors.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2016.

No. 1975 By Representatives STEPHENS, TAYLOR, SACCONI, TOOHIL, MILLARD, STAATS, THOMAS, MURT, D. COSTA, ROZZI, SCHLOSSBERG, ENGLISH, O'NEILL, NEILSON, WATSON, FARRY, YOUNGBLOOD, SAYLOR, MAHONEY and MOUL

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in support matters generally, further providing for general administration of support matters.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 11, 2016.

No. 1976 By Representatives McNEILL, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, PETRARCA, DeLUCA, DEAN, GIBBONS, PASHINSKI, DERMODY, O'BRIEN, TRUITT, D. MILLER and CONKLIN

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Commonwealth budget procedures, providing for general appropriation bill compensation suspension.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 8, 2016.

No. 1977 By Representatives NEUMAN, DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, J. HARRIS, McNEILL, D. COSTA, SCHWEYER, KIM, BULLOCK, DeLUCA,

DEAN, GIBBONS, FREEMAN, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, BARRAR, MACKENZIE, MULLERY, TRUITT, D. MILLER, SANTARSIERO, CONKLIN, DAVIS, KAVULICH, READSHAW and HARHAI

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics in public contracting, providing for definitions and for disclosure of contributions by contractors.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1978 By Representatives KRUEGER-BRANEKY, DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, PETRARCA, SCHWEYER, DeLUCA, DEAN, MULLERY, D. COSTA, D. MILLER, SANTARSIERO and DAVIS

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in lobbying disclosure, further providing for statement of intent and jurisdiction, for definitions and for prohibited activities.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1979 By Representatives KIRKLAND, DERMODY, HANNA, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, PETRARCA, McNEILL, BULLOCK, DeLUCA, DEAN, GIBBONS, O'BRIEN, MACKENZIE, MULLERY, KINSEY, TRUITT, D. COSTA, COOK-ARTIS, SANTARSIERO, DAVIS and HARHAI

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, providing for financial interest and divestiture.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1980 By Representatives DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, D. COSTA, PETRARCA, KIM, DeLUCA, DEAN, FREEMAN, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, GERGELY, O'BRIEN, MULLERY, D. MILLER, LONGIETTI, SANTARSIERO, DRISCOLL, CONKLIN, KAVULICH, FARINA, BARBIN and HARHAI

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in Secretary of the Commonwealth, further providing for powers and duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; in primary and election expenses, further providing for definitions, for organization of political committees, for registration and for reporting; in primary and election expenses, providing for limitations on contributions; in primary and election expenses, further providing for late filing fees and certificates of filing, for contributions or expenditures by national banks, corporations or unincorporated associations and for reports by business entities and publication; in primary and election expenses, providing for independent expenditures; and providing for corporate political accountability.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1981 By Representatives BIZZARRO, DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, McNEILL, D. COSTA, BULLOCK, DeLUCA, DEAN, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, MULLERY, TRUITT, D. MILLER, SANTARSIERO and KAVULICH

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for restricted activities.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1982 By Representatives DeLISSIO, DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, PETRARCA, McNEILL, D. COSTA, SCHWEYER, BULLOCK, DeLUCA, DEAN, GIBBONS, FREEMAN, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, READSHAW, TRUITT, D. MILLER, SANTARSIERO, DAVIS and KAVULICH

An Act providing for the disclosure and reporting of independent expenditures for certain political communication and for a penalty.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1983 By Representatives DAVIS, DERMODY, HANNA, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, FRANKEL, PETRARCA, KIM, DeLUCA, DEAN, PASHINSKI, O'BRIEN, WATSON, MULLERY, TRUITT, D. MILLER, SANTARSIERO, CONKLIN and FARINA

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, providing for gift ban.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1985 By Representatives DeLUCA, DERMODY, HANNA, GOODMAN, CARROLL, YOUNGBLOOD, STURLA, FRANKEL, MARKOSEK, J. HARRIS, PETRARCA, DEAN, GIBBONS, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, READSHAW, O'BRIEN, MACKENZIE, D. COSTA, D. MILLER, DAVIS, KAVULICH and HARHAI

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for statement of financial interests.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1986 By Representatives MICCARELLI, BOYLE, BAKER, SCHLOSSBERG, MURT, THOMAS, ROTHMAN, BARRAR, O'BRIEN, PHILLIPS-HILL, COX, KAUFFMAN, DeLUCA, FRANKEL, SAYLOR, CUTLER and WATSON

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting Commonwealth agencies from entering into contracts with persons who engage in boycotts against or divestment from Israel.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

No. 1987 By Representatives MICCARELLI, BOYLE, THOMAS, ROTHMAN, MURT, METZGAR, SCHLOSSBERG, O'BRIEN, COX, SAYLOR, CUTLER and WATSON

An Act amending the act of July 2, 2010 (P.L.266, No.44), known as the Protecting Pennsylvania's Investments Act, providing for divestiture of investments in companies boycotting Israel.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 11, 2016.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 374, PN 1641

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, April 7, 2016.

SB 579, PN 1605

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2016.

SB 847, PN 1639

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 7, 2016.

SB 973, PN 1667

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 8, 2016.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Turning to requests for leaves, the majority whip requests a leave of absence for Representative WATSON of Bucks County for the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

The minority whip requests leaves of absence for Representative CRUZ of Philadelphia County for the day, Representative SANTARSIERO of Bucks County for the day, Representative WHEATLEY of Allegheny County for the day, Representative EVANS of Philadelphia County for the day, and Representative BOYLE of Philadelphia County for the day. Without objection, those requests for leaves will be granted.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The Chair will now turn to the master roll, and members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—197

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

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

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| Boyle | Evans | Watson | Wheatley |
| Cruz | Santarsiero | | |

LEAVES ADDED—7

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| Brown, V. | Kampf | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | |

LEAVES CANCELED—3

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| Boyle | Santarsiero | Watson | |
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The SPEAKER. One hundred and ninety-seven members having voted on the master roll, a quorum is present.

Members, please take your seats. We have some championship teams here today, and Representative Bernie O'Neill and Representative Marguerite Quinn are invited to the rostrum to present a citation to one of those championship teams.

Representative O'Neill, how are you? Representative Quinn.

CENTRAL BUCKS EAST HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Representative O'Neill, the floor is yours, and then I will call upon Representative Quinn.

Chairman O'Neill, the floor is yours, sir.

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

Mr. Speaker, I am joined here today by Representative Quinn, and it is our honor and true pleasure to recognize a group of talented young men from Bucks County who recently achieved something very special. Former Major League Baseball player and coach, Tommy Lasorda, once said, "The difference between the impossible and the possible lies in a man's determination."

The Central Bucks East Boys Soccer Team is here with us today because their hard work and determination led them to achieve what many in the world of high school sports deem impossible: They went 26 and 0. Let me repeat that. This past season they went 26 and 0. If that was not enough, the Patriots Soccer Team capped off a stellar undefeated season with a 2-to-0 win over Seneca Valley, capturing their first PIAA AAA State championship title.

They made history at Hersheypark Stadium on November 21, finishing the first totally lossless, tieless season in program history, so the first in their program history ever to do that, which included 16 shutouts and 84 goals.

These young men set their sights high, poured their hearts into every second of every practice and every game, and came out on top, proving that if you set your mind to it and work hard, you can accomplish your goals – and after the heartbreak season they had last year at the last minute, it really showed their true accomplishments to put their wheel to the ground. They raised the bar with every game and thrived in the heat of battle.

Joining me at the front of the House today are four outstanding players representing their team from the Central Bucks East Championship Team. The first is Justin Chomik, next is J.R. Eisold, Brian Gilligan, and lastly, Evan Vare. These young men and their teammates are a tremendous source of pride for their school and their community. And behind every fearless player, every fearless team is a fearless coach who refuses to let them be anything but the best they can be.

Also joining us on the podium with these four gentlemen here at the House today is their coach, head coach Mike Gorni. After 21 seasons Coach Gorni will be hanging up the whistle and retiring, and as a final season, they cannot get any better than this. Coach Gorni has led his players to 12 State tournament appearances during his tenure. His teams have won 10 Suburban One League Continental Conference titles in the last 12 seasons.

Coach, we want to thank you for taking the time to serve as a tremendous role model for many young athletes over the years and for your years of hard work and devotion to a remarkable program. As we all know, winning seasons are never solo accomplishments. It takes a unified effort to lead a team to a championship and bring home the coveted championship trophy, and because of this, all of us here today are proud of each and every member of the Central Bucks East Boys Soccer Team and its coaching staff. We believe that the championships will be one of many successes in the lives of these many talented young players.

I am pleased to present this team with this House citation recognizing their remarkable and well-deserved accomplishment.

But before we applaud them all, I would like to turn the mike over to Representative Quinn.

Ms. QUINN. Thank you, Representative O'Neill, and thank you, colleagues, for your attention to this terrific team.

That weekend in November that was the championship soccer weekend, all of Central Bucks was abuzz, following them on Twitter, on television, on the computer, and we had two teams that weekend to follow, right? The Central Bucks East girls team went to the State championships. They got that close and did not quite make it, but I would be remiss not to acknowledge their efforts.

This team that is standing behind me and in the back of the House, national polls have these guys ranked in the top 10 nationally. We are very proud to have them live in central Bucks County.

And congratulations, all the best; and coaching staff, congratulations.

Mr. O'NEILL. Thank you.

Please join me in giving a great House welcome to the undefeated Central Bucks East Boys Soccer Championship Team. Stand up in the back; guys, stand up.

The SPEAKER. The whole team should stand up, please. Thank you so much.

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

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. What an outstanding season. Coach, way to go out with an undefeated season. That is saying something. Thanks for being here, and Chairman O'Neill and Representative Quinn, thank you.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The York County delegation has guests here today. They are located in the rear of the House, and we welcome members and faculty of the early learning centers all throughout York County: Sara Gray-Bradley, Benjamin Bradley, Tiedara Marshall, and Tala Marshall. If you could all stand, please stand, and we welcome you here today. Thank you so much for being with us.

Representative Leslie Acosta welcomes two interns today – Benedict Mariano and Neressa Hart. They are in the back of the House. Please stand. Thank you so much for being with us today.

ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the gallery— Oh; this is really, really quite exciting.

Members, if you will please take your seats.

Representative Dawkins, I do not know if you are going to be speaking on this or not. You have guests from a delegation from Ethiopia. Would you like to speak on that?

Under unanimous consent, Representative Dawkins, please proceed, sir.

Mr. DAWKINS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I do have the honor and privilege to welcome to our chamber the delegation from Ethiopia that is here with me today. If they can rise; if you could all stand. There are about 20 members that have traveled to the States to be here with us today in our Capitol, so if we could give them a round of applause. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dawkins, thank you so much.

What an outstanding delegation from a great country. I know they are here on a trade mission to learn about government procurement practices, and thank you for being guests of Representative Dawkins and visiting with us today.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. We have some guest pages. Representative Hickernell welcomes guest page Noah Myers, who is a sophomore at Elizabethtown Area High School, and thank you very much, Noah, for being with us today.

Representative John Lawrence has two guest pages here today – Victoria Weston and Daniel Fisher. Thanks for being with us. I know that Victoria's parents, I believe, are here as well, Brent and Ramana, who are seated in the rear of the House. If you will all rise as well. Thank you for being with us today.

ST. MARY INTERPAROCHIAL SCHOOL INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Representative Kampf, on unanimous consent. I think you are going to be introducing some guests for us today, and we welcome that opportunity. Please take the microphone.

Mr. KAMPF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I actually intended to introduce my nephew and his mom, my sister-in-law, but they are part of the St. Mary Interparochial School, which is the guest of the good gentleman from Philadelphia.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much.

So Representative Mike O'Brien – where is Mike O'Brien? – Representative O'Brien, let me turn it over to you first to introduce everybody here from St. Mary Interparochial School, and then we will also point out Representative Kampf's nephew.

But please, Representative O'Brien, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. O'BRIEN. You know, St. Mary Interparochial School is simply one of the best schools in Philadelphia. Students come from all over the city, and the reason that they are so good is because the families – the parents, the students – are so good.

This is my fourth or fifth year that the fourth grade has come up, and each and every year they are just a little bit better.

And, Mr. Speaker, I understand that you said that they gave the best Pledge of Allegiance ever in the hall of the House, and quite honestly, we expect nothing less from St. Mary's.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative O'Brien.

If those fourth grade students and teachers from St. Mary's would please stand. Thank you so much for joining us today. It is an honor to have you.

And I stand by my contention about the Pledge of Allegiance.

Representative Kampf, your nephew is part of that group.

Mr. KAMPF. Thank you for your indulgence, Mr. Speaker.

This is a big day for our family. Young Larry is standing up back there in the fourth grade in the red and black sweatshirt, and his mom, Dori Sullivan, is up in the gallery. Dori, could you wave to us.

And I might just add, Larry's dad is a member of the Philadelphia Police Force, so he is serving our citizens every day, and we thank him and the Sullivan families for what they do. Thanks.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

STATEMENT BY MS. KRUEGER

The SPEAKER. Representative Krueger-Braneky, on unanimous consent.

Please feel free to use this microphone right here up front.

Ms. KRUEGER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I invite my two colleagues from Delaware County to join me.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today for a condolence resolution for Hal Taussig. It is a great privilege to be able to honor him on the House floor today, and I am joined by my colleagues from Delaware County who represent the towns where Hal lived and worked – Representative Killion, representing Media, PA, where Hal lived and where his business, Untours, is located; and Representative Adolph, representing Springfield, where Hal taught in the public high school for many years.

Hal Taussig, Sr., known as Hal, was an inspiring but humble entrepreneur and philanthropist who has inspired many in the socially responsible business movement.

I first met Hal in 2004 when I became the first executive director of a local business organization called the Sustainable Business Network of Greater Philadelphia. He was one of the cofounders and someone I felt honored to spend time with whenever I could and someone who inspired me to live out my Christian faith through justice.

Hal's life had humble beginnings. He was born in Denver in 1924 as the second of three sons to Paul and Elsie Taussig. He was raised on a cattle ranch in remote Colorado in the shadows of the Rockies. He joined the Army Air Corps in 1943 during World War II and met Norma Lee Black when stationed at Amarillo, Texas. They married in 1946. Hal attended Wheaton College on the GI (government issue) bill, captained the wrestling team, and majored in American civilization.

After graduation, Hal and Norma made their first entrepreneurial pursuit and bought their own ranch near Kremmling, Colorado. The ranching life was hard and Hal

taught in local schools for extra income. Despite their hard work, the ranch failed a few years later and Hal, Norma, and their three children moved to Pennsylvania, where Hal earned a master's and Ph.D. (doctor of philosophy) in American studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

Hal's next and most successful entrepreneurial pursuit came from a seed planted in 1968 during a sabbatical year spent traveling in Europe. Hal and Norma and their daughter stretched an extremely tight budget by renting apartments in small villages, using local trains, shopping in markets, and making lifelong friends with their hosts. They learned a new way of traveling, one rooted in community, that would later prove attractive to others as well. After the sabbatical, Hal returned to the U.S. with his family to try the academic life, teaching at both Kentucky Southern University and Spaulding College in Louisville before migrating back to southeastern Pennsylvania and settling in Delaware County.

In 1971 Hal published a book called "Shoestring Sabbatical," teaching others to travel the way he had in Switzerland, Germany, and France.

In 1974 Hal and Norma launched a new kind of travel business called Untours. Clients would stay at chalet apartments in the Swiss Alps, and later in other countries as well. The company grew over time, creating jobs, and the business became incredibly successful, and here is where Hal's life diverged from the life of the average entrepreneur. Believing he should not keep the profits for himself – Hal was a man of faith who believed his Christian beliefs called him to live a simple life and work for justice – Hal decided that it was not meant for him to accumulate wealth, and in 1993 Hal and Norma chose to invest the profits of the business in the Untours Foundation with a mission to offer a hand up, not a handout. Hal once said he believed "the rising gap between the rich and the poor...is not sustainable..." and "...can be addressed only by economic means. My idea is to get capital to poor people rather than charity."

The Untours Foundation invests in projects and startups that create an economic opportunity to alleviate poverty with low-interest loans on flexible terms emphasizing local businesses. Hal has invested through the foundation in many, many local companies, giving away all of his profits and making over \$8 million in loans. In 1999 Paul Newman and John F. Kennedy, Jr., recognized Untours as the "Most Generous Company in America" and awarded them a \$250,000 grant, which Hal recycled into a worker-owned company called Homecare Associates that had been serving his wife at the time.

Hal was also the founder of the fair trade movement in the country, and in 2005 led the way to make Media in Delaware County the first fair trade certified town in the U.S.

Hal also inspired another movement, the benefit corporation movement, and in 2007 Untours became the first Certified B Corporation in the world. Hal and his team would later partner with B Lab to lobby this chamber to pass legislation to form benefit corporations, a bill that passed this chamber unanimously in 2011.

Norma died in 2015 after suffering a stroke, and Hal died on January 12, 2016, at the age of 91.

We are honored, Mr. Speaker, to be joined today by Hal's nephew and employees and supporters of Untours and Untours Foundation. Please join me in recognizing the following, and please stand as I call your name: Elizabeth Killough, Brian

Taussig-Lux, Mary LeFever, Dee McConnell, Ellen Peters, and Cathrin Baumbach, in the rear of the House.

Thank you for being with us today, and I am honored to present this condolence resolution to you on behalf of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Thank you.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. SCHWEYER called up **HR 697, PN 2855**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2016 as "Alcohol Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. SCHWEYER called up **HR 719, PN 2912**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 16 through 23, 2016, as "National Infant Immunization Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. ROTHMAN called up **HR 726, PN 2933**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2016 as "Community Banking Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MURT called up **HR 751, PN 2991**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2016 as "The Month of the Young Child" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. READSHAW called up **HR 753, PN 2993**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2016 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. ROZZI called up **HR 756, PN 3025**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2016 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MURT called up **HR 766, PN 3098**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 15, 2016, as a day honoring the lifetime achievements and lasting influence of Jackie Robinson in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. SANTORA called up **HR 782, PN 3074**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of April 25 through 29, 2016, as "Every Kid Healthy Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. KIM called up **HR 784, PN 3102**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 22, 2016, as "Local Craft Beer Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

**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—196

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| Acosta | Everett | Kotik | Rader |
| Adolph | Fabrizio | Krueger | Rapp |
| Artis | Farina | Lawrence | Ravenstahl |
| Baker | Farry | Lewis | Readshaw |
| Barbin | Fee | Longietti | Reed |
| Barrar | Flynn | Mackenzie | Reese |
| Benninghoff | Frankel | Maher | Regan |
| Bizzarro | Freeman | Mahoney | Roae |
| Bloom | Gabler | Major | Roebuck |
| Boback | Gainey | Maloney | Ross |
| Bradford | Galloway | Markosek | Rothman |
| Briggs | Gergely | Marshall | Rozzi |
| Brown, R. | Gibbons | Marsico | Saccone |
| Brown, V. | Gillen | Masser | Sainato |
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| Burns | Gingrich | McCarter | Sankey |
| Caltagirone | Godshall | McClinton | Santora |
| Carroll | Goodman | McGinnis | Savage |
| Causer | Greiner | McNeill | Saylor |
| Christiana | Grove | Mentzer | Schemel |
| Cohen | Hahn | Metcalfe | Schlossberg |
| Conklin | Hanna | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Corbin | Harhai | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Harhart | Millard | Simmons |
| Costa, P. | Harkins | Miller, B. | Sims |
| Cox | Harper | Miller, D. | Snyder |
| Culver | Harris, A. | Milne | Sonney |
| Cutler | Harris, J. | Moul | Staats |
| Daley, M. | Heffley | Mullery | Stephens |
| Daley, P. | Helm | Murt | Sturla |
| Davidson | Hennessey | Mustio | Tallman |
| Davis | Hickernell | Neilson | Taylor |
| Dawkins | Hill | Nelson | Thomas |
| Day | Irvin | Nesbit | Tobash |
| Dean | James | Neuman | Toepel |
| Deasy | Jozwiak | O'Brien | Topper |
| DeLissio | Kampf | O'Neill | Truitt |
| Delozier | Kaufner | Oberlander | Vereb |
| DeLuca | Kauffman | Ortitay | Vitali |
| Dermody | Kavulich | Parker, D. | Ward |
| Diamond | Keller, F. | Pashinski | Warner |
| DiGirolamo | Keller, M.K. | Payne | Wentling |
| Donatucci | Keller, W. | Peifer | Wheeland |

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| Driscoll | Killion | Petrarca | White |
| Dunbar | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| Emrick | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |
| Evankovich | Kortz | | |

NAYS—0

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EXCUSED—7

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| Boyle | Evans | Toohil | Wheatley |
| Cruz | Santarsiero | Watson | |

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

UNCONTESTED SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. HARKINS called up **HR 791, PN 3110**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of April 10 through 16, 2016, as "Crime Victims' Rights Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. McCLINTON called up **HR 806, PN 3141**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 7, 2016, as "World Health Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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| Acosta | Everett | Kotik | Rader |
| Adolph | Fabrizio | Krueger | Rapp |
| Artis | Farina | Lawrence | Ravenstahl |
| Baker | Farry | Lewis | Readshaw |
| Barbin | Fee | Longietti | Reed |
| Barrar | Flynn | Mackenzie | Reese |
| Benninghoff | Frankel | Maher | Regan |
| Bizzarro | Freeman | Mahoney | Roae |
| Bloom | Gabler | Major | Roebuck |
| Boback | Gainey | Maloney | Ross |
| Bradford | Galloway | Markosek | Rothman |
| Briggs | Gergely | Marshall | Rozzi |
| Brown, R. | Gibbons | Marsico | Saccone |
| Brown, V. | Gillen | Masser | Sainato |
| Bullock | Gillespie | Matzie | Samuelson |
| Burns | Gingrich | McCarter | Sankey |
| Caltagirone | Godshall | McClinton | Santora |
| Carroll | Goodman | McGinnis | Savage |
| Causer | Greiner | McNeill | Saylor |
| Christiana | Grove | Mentzer | Schemel |
| Cohen | Hahn | Metcalfe | Schlossberg |
| Conklin | Hanna | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Corbin | Harhai | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Harhart | Millard | Simmons |
| Costa, P. | Harkins | Miller, B. | Sims |

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—7

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| Boyle | Evans | Toohil | Wheatley |
| Cruz | Santarsiero | Watson | |

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

The SPEAKER. Members, we have five of our colleagues that wish to be recognized on uncontested resolutions. It will go in this order: Representative Santora, followed by Representative Murt, followed by Representative Matzie, followed by Representative Harkins, followed by Representative McClinton. And so if each of the members could be prepared to speak, just subsequent to the preceding member, that should move us along.

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Santora, you are recognized to speak on, I believe, HR 782.

Mr. SANTORA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to thank you for your support of HR 782, which designates April 25 through 29 as "Every Kid Healthy Week" in Pennsylvania.

I will submit the rest of my comments for the record.

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

I rise to ask for your support of HR 782, which designates April 25-29 as "Every Kid Healthy Week" in Pennsylvania.

HR 782 is designed to bring additional recognition to the growing public health concern of obesity and physical inactivity in the children of Pennsylvania. Evidence shows that increasing physical activity has a number of benefits for kids, such as improving academic performance,

reducing the risk of becoming obese as an adult, and reducing the risk of developing chronic health conditions later in life, such as heart disease and bone and joint problems.

The obesity and physical inactivity epidemics in the United States are well known, including here in Pennsylvania, where 30 percent of children ages 10-17 are considered overweight or obese, and less than 20 percent meet the recommended levels of aerobic and muscle strengthening physical activities.

This issue has gone beyond a public health policy matter, as the increasing levels of obesity and physical inactivity are directly linked to increasing government health-care costs. Nationally, 75 percent of health-care expenditures go toward diagnosing and treating chronic diseases, many of which have been linked to obesity and physical inactivity. Here in Pennsylvania, we have some of the nation's highest health costs. Currently we rank 11 out of 51 in health-care spending per capita.

I am also proud to be a sponsor of one of the components of a bipartisan legislative package focusing on the issue of childhood obesity. Those legislative proposals include HB 1635, sponsored by Representative Jerry Knowles. HB 1635 amends the Public School Code to authorize schools to partner with local nonprofit entities to provide health, safety, and physical education to students.

HB 1636. I have sponsored HB 1636 to establish a Childhood Wellness Council within the Department of Education to coordinate strategies among State agencies, health practitioners, and educators to address the issue of childhood obesity.

HB 1637, introduced by Representative Ted Harhai. HB 1637 would authorize Pennsylvanians to designate a contribution on their State tax return to support the State Food Purchase Program, which provides financial assistance to food pantries, soup kitchens, and food banks to provide healthy food options for low-income individuals.

These legislative proposals came out of the findings and recommendations of the work conducted by the Joint State Government Commission and its Advisory Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention, which was created when this body adopted HR 243 on June 3, 2013.

I am encouraging the legislature to recognize the importance of a physically active lifestyle and the role it plays in the physical, psychological, and academic well-being of Pennsylvania's children by supporting HR 782, which will designate April 25-29 as "Every Kid Healthy Week" and help draw attention to this important issue.

STATEMENT BY MR. MURT

The SPEAKER. Representative Murt, the floor is yours.

Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, 69 years ago this month the Brooklyn Dodgers president, Branch Rickey, approached a young athlete from Cairo, Georgia, about joining the Brooklyn Dodgers. He was no ordinary player, Mr. Speaker. At UCLA (University of California, Los Angeles) this young man became the very first athlete in the history of the university to win varsity letters in four different sports – baseball, basketball, football, and track. In 1941 he was named to the All-American Football Team. It would not be the last time Jackie Robinson would make history.

"In 1942," Jackie "Robinson was drafted and assigned to a segregated Army cavalry unit in Fort Riley, Kansas. Having the requisite qualifications," Jackie "Robinson and several other black soldiers applied for admission to an Officer Candidate School...then located at Fort Riley.... Upon finishing OCS," Jackie "Robinson was commissioned as a second lieutenant in January 1943."

Mr. Speaker, the major leagues had not had an African-American player since 1889. When Jackie Robinson first donned a Brooklyn Dodgers uniform, he pioneered the

integration of professional athletics in America. By shattering segregation in baseball, the national pastime, the nation's preeminent sport, he courageously challenged the deeply rooted custom of racial segregation both in the North and in the South.

The SPEAKER. Please suspend, sir.

Members, please take your seats.

Representative Murt, you may proceed on your resolution for Jackie Robinson Day. Please proceed.

Mr. MURT. Mr. Speaker, the major leagues and their affiliated minor leagues were racially segregated for more than half a century. Jackie Robinson broke that color line first in the minor leagues in 1946 and then in the majors with his 1947 Dodgers debut. In pioneering the integration of baseball, Mr. Speaker, Jackie Robinson became the target of its institutionalized racism and of White individuals who supported and had benefited from its segregated culture. In accepting this challenge, Jackie Robinson agreed to Dodgers president and general manager Branch Rickey's request that he not respond to the racial taunts of opponents and fans. Many people do not realize that he was targeted by opposing White pitchers, and led the league in being hit by pitch in his rookie year in 1947. By the season's end, Jackie Robinson had become a hero to millions of Americans from all racial and ethnic backgrounds due to how he responded to this intense public trial by fire. Robinson led the Dodgers to the National League pennant and the World Series appearance in his rookie year.

Jackie "Robinson had an exceptional 10-year baseball career. He was the recipient of the inaugural" Major League Baseball "Rookie of the Year Award in 1947, was an All-Star for six consecutive seasons from 1949 through 1954, and won the National League Most Valuable Player Award in 1949 – the first black player so honored." Jackie "Robinson played in six World Series and contributed to the Dodgers' 1955 World Series championship.

To the nation, Jackie Robinson represented the fulfillment of the American dream. He showed that anyone could succeed if given the opportunity. Robinson's victory also opened the door of opportunity for all Latino and Hispanic players. While the major leagues allowed lighter-skinned Hispanic players to join teams, those with darker skin were exiled to the so-called Negro leagues.

Mr. Speaker, Jackie "Robinson's character, his use of nonviolence, and his unquestionable talent challenged the traditional basis of segregation which then marked many other aspects of American life. He had an impact on the culture of and contributed significantly to the Civil Rights Movement." Jackie Robinson is truly a monument to freedom and achievement.

I thank my colleagues for supporting this resolution today. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Murt.

Representative Matzie waives off, I understand. Representative Matzie waives off.

Representative Harkins. Representative Harkins waives off.

STATEMENT BY MS. McCLINTON

The SPEAKER. Representative McClinton.

Please, go right ahead; you are fine.

Representative McClinton, the floor is yours.

Ms. McCLINTON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, fellow House members, for helping me recognize the need to

improve the health of people both in Pennsylvania and around the world.

HR 806 declares that April 7 is "World Health Day" in Pennsylvania. April 7 was selected as World Health Day to honor the founding of the World Health Organization, which was created on April 7, 1948.

Health concerns have changed over the years thanks to the development of many vaccines and better medications such as antibiotics, but for 2016 the theme for World Health Day is obesity and how it leads to diabetes in both low- and middle-income families. Obesity is the second leading cause of preventable death in the United States, trailing only the use of tobacco. Obesity is an epidemic in the United States, with nearly two out of every three Americans being overweight. The percentage of overweight Americans continues to grow at a dangerous rate. The World Health Organization has set a goal to cut the rise in diabetes and obesity by 50 percent by 2025.

Adopting this resolution today shows that we in the legislature acknowledge the need to reduce obesity and the need to work together to fight negative health consequences. While obesity and diabetes are the theme of this year, health crises of all types continue to affect people all over the world, including AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome) and HIV (human immunodeficiency virus), cancer, and the Zika virus.

We can never take our health for granted. In the 191st Legislative District, we had our first health expo in December, and we are looking forward to having another one before the summer ends in 2016.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, colleagues.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative McClinton.

At this time we are going to turn to third consideration, and I do have two other resolutions that need to be run on the regular House calendar, but we are just going to briefly turn to third consideration.

CALENDAR

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1787, PN 2733**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 1013 in Philadelphia County as the Michael R. Goodwin, Sr. Memorial Highway.

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 White, the floor is yours.

Members, this is in commemoration of a naming of a State route.

Representative White, the floor is yours.

Ms. WHITE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On April 6 we lost a brave, humble, and admirable member of our family, fireman Michael R. Goodwin, Sr.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

Ms. WHITE. Members of the family, as well as some firefighters from Philadelphia, are here today, and if you could please rise when I say your name – his wife, Kelly; daughter, Dorothy, and son-in-law, Tim; grandson, Tim; son, Michael, Jr., and his girlfriend, Meg; brothers, Rob and Jim; Capt. Brian Foley; Capt. Dan Cowden; and firefighter Chip Kelly. Thank you all for joining us.

I would also just like to thank our local leaders of the IAFF (International Association of Fire Fighters) 22 Firefighters Union – Jack Eltman, Tommy McKiernan, Chuck McQuilkin, and Tim Plakas – for being here today to support the family.

A native to Philadelphia, Michael exemplifies the strength of our community through his unwavering service and support for the protection and safety of Americans. After being honorably discharged from the United States Navy in 1983, he joined the Philadelphia Fire Department, where he was promoted to lieutenant in 2003. Within only 5 years, he took the role of captain, receiving three unit citations along the way. Every day firefighters leave home with one objective: to save lives. I think we could all agree that there are few jobs as selfless as this. Being a firefighter is a hard, demanding career that at any moment can send a person into a blazing room filled with heat, smoke, and cries for help. Many say that a firefighter's first act of bravery is taking the oath to serve, and Michael did just that, without hesitation, knowing that his life was on the line. Talk about selfless.

On April 6, 2013, Mike answered his last call. That afternoon he entered the third floor of a fabric factory when the floor collapsed, trapping Mike inside the inferno. His life is one that will always be remembered, and today I ask that we honor his memory through HB 1787.

Prior to his passing, Mike was on the list to be promoted to the rank of battalion chief. He received the promotion posthumously.

He was proud to work alongside the men and women of the department, but nothing made him happier than the love of his family. Mike and his wife, Kelly, shared 30 years of love and memories. He will live on through his daughter, Dorothy, and son, Michael, Jr. More than that, he will live on through our community. HB 1787 will designate a portion of State Route 1013 in Philadelphia County as the Michael R. Goodwin, Sr. Memorial Highway.

As new generations of Philadelphians pass by the road and see that sign, they will remember the sacrifice Mike made that day. In a bigger way, they will understand the courage all firemen possess when the fire alarm rings. In honoring Mike, we honor all the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice in protecting us.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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| Acosta | Everett | Kotik | Rader |
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| Conklin | Hanna | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Corbin | Harhai | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Harhart | Millard | Simmons |
| Costa, P. | Harkins | Miller, B. | Sims |
| Cox | Harper | Miller, D. | Snyder |
| Culver | Harris, A. | Milne | Sonney |
| Cutler | Harris, J. | Moul | Staats |
| Daley, M. | Heffley | Mullery | Stephens |
| Daley, P. | Helm | Murt | Sturla |
| Davidson | Hennessey | Mustio | Tallman |
| Davis | Hickernell | Neilson | Taylor |
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| DeLuca | Kauffman | Ortitay | Vitali |
| Dermody | Kavulich | Parker, D. | Ward |
| Diamond | Keller, F. | Pashinski | Warner |
| DiGirolamo | Keller, M.K. | Payne | Wentling |
| Donatucci | Keller, W. | Peifer | Wheeland |
| Driscoll | Killion | Petrarca | White |
| Dunbar | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| Emrick | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |
| Evankovich | Kortz | | |

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—7

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| Boyle | Evans | Toohil | Wheatley |
| Cruz | Santarsiero | Watson | |

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.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much, guests, for being with us today, and may God bless. We are very, very appreciative that you could be with us today. Thank you.

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. STURLA called up **HR 773, PN 3035**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the life, memory and public service contributions of Nelson M. Polite, Sr., of the City of Lancaster and extending condolences to his family.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On the resolution, Representative Sturla is recognized.

Mr. STURLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this condolence resolution honors the life of Nelson Polite, Sr., who passed away on February 22 of this year at the age of 92.

For anyone who knew Nelson, he was an icon in the Lancaster community, but he also became an ambassador throughout the State. There were numerous times in my career here in the legislature where I had members of the legislature come up to me and say, "I met a gentleman from your district, and he is a great man," and I would go, "Nelson Polite," and they would go, "Yes, that is who it was."

Anyone who knew Nelson knew that he dedicated his entire life to making his hometown a better place to live. He served with the Boy Scouts, he served on the Crispus Attucks Community Center board, with the Lancaster Recreation Commission, the United Way, he was a Mason with a 33d Degree Mason honor, and a member of the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

He protested during the civil rights era, but then also helped to calm the streets during the time that Martin Luther King was assassinated.

Mr. Speaker, anyone who had the opportunity to know Nelson Polite, Sr., knew what a great citizen he was. And so we are joined here today by members of his family, who are over to the left of the Speaker's dais, and I would ask that you help us commemorate this great man along with his children, his grandchildren, and his great-grandchildren.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. If all the guests could please rise, we would certainly appreciate it. Thank you so much for being with us today.

Representative Thomas, you are recognized.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to join my colleague in lifting up Grand Inspector General Nelson Polite.

I had the opportunity to help elevate Nelson Polite to the 33d degree. I was aware of his history and contributions not just in the Lancaster community, but across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. So I say to his family, keep your head up and keep that smile on your face. Grand Inspector General Nelson Polite was a great man. He did not stand that tall, but his stature was taller than most of us.

And to my colleague, thank you for lifting him up.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Thomas.
Does anybody else wish to be recognized on the resolution?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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| Costa, P. | Harkins | Miller, B. | Sims |
| Cox | Harper | Miller, D. | Snyder |
| Culver | Harris, A. | Milne | Sonney |
| Cutler | Harris, J. | Moul | Staats |
| Daley, M. | Heffley | Mullery | Stephens |
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| Dunbar | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| Emrick | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |
| Evanovich | Kortz | | |

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—7

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

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Mr. SANTORA called up **HR 725, PN 2932**, entitled:

A Resolution commending and congratulating the Honorable Luis Felipe "Phil" Restrepo upon becoming the first Hispanic American to be appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On that, Representative Santora is recognized.

Mr. SANTORA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
I ask for your support of this resolution.

Phil Restrepo is what is described by his colleagues as one of the fairest judges that they have ever known. He gets that from both the defenders' and the plaintiffs' attorneys. He also has been distinguished by the Hispanic Bar Association for all his efforts within that community. Phil was one of the youngest judges appointed as magistrate, and then moved up to Federal judge in the eastern district and very quickly was elevated to Third Circuit, with an overwhelming majority of the United States Senate giving approval for his nomination after a long period of time waiting for that approval to be done.

Phil is an amazing family man, and I am very happy to offer this resolution. And again, I ask you for your support.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |
| Evanovich | Kortz | | |

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

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. MALONEY

The SPEAKER. Representative Dave Maloney is recognized on unanimous consent.

Mr. MALONEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just wanted to welcome, Friday, 4:30 in the afternoon, weighing in at 6 pounds 9 ounces, my seventh grandchild was born. And 36 weeks, all is well. Mom and baby are back home, and I just wanted to welcome Beckett Jon.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, Grandpa. Outstanding news.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative Tina Pickett is recognized for a committee announcement, chair of the Insurance Committee, and Representative Pickett, the floor is yours.

Ms. PICKETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce that the House Insurance Committee will meet tomorrow, Tuesday, April 12, at 9 a.m., in room G-50. The committee will be considering HB 1064. That is tomorrow, 9 a.m., in G-50. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Madam Chair.

There will be an Insurance Committee meeting tomorrow at 9 a.m. in room G-50.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Representative Bill Adolph, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, 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. Thank you, sir.

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

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Sandra Major, the majority caucus chair, for an announcement.

Ms. MAJOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce Republicans will caucus today at 2:30. I would ask our Republican members to please report to our caucus room at 2:30. We would be prepared to come back on the floor, Mr. Speaker, at 3 p.m. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Madam Chair.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Representative Dan Frankel, the minority caucus chair, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Democrats will caucus at 2:30. Democrats will caucus at 2:30.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Members, the House will stand in recess at this time until 3 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker. Thank you.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 3:15 p.m.; further extended until 3:30 p.m.; further extended until 3:45 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**HB 1907, PN 3108**

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for definitions, providing for attendance policy at charter, regional charter and cyber charter schools, further providing for penalties for violation of compulsory attendance requirements, providing for procedure by school when child habitually truant, for procedure upon filing of citation and for penalties for violating compulsory school attendance requirements and further providing for suspension of operating privilege.

APPROPRIATIONS.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE CANCELED

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

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative Gene DiGIROLAMO has requested to be placed on leave of absence for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

The following members have requested to be placed on leave of absence for the rest of the day: Representative SAVAGE, Representative PASHINSKI, and Representative THOMAS. Without objection, those requests for leaves of absence will be granted.

CALENDAR CONTINUED**BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1739, PN 2610**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2034 in Montgomery County as the Cpl. Carl F. Hynek III Memorial Highway.

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

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

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1739 CONTINUED

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 498, PN 556**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 9, 1965 (P.L.497, No.251), known as the Newborn Child Testing Act, further providing for the Newborn Child Screening and Follow-up Program.

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

Mr. **ROZZI** offered the following amendment No. **A04131**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 11, by inserting after "amended" where it occurs the second time
and the subsection is amended by adding a paragraph

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 9 and 10
(3) A screening test for newborn children for vision abnormalities, using the red reflex assessment as a component of the vision evaluation.

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

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Rozzi on amendment 4131.

Mr. **ROZZI**. Mr. Speaker, I will be dropping that amendment.

The SPEAKER. Okay. Thank you, Representative Rozzi. Amendment 4131 has been withdrawn.

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

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BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. We are going to go over HB 1947 at this time, just for this period of time. We will be back to that bill shortly.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 791, PN 3024**, entitled:

An Act authorizing public school districts to implement senior local tax reduction incentive volunteer exchange programs.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

On the bill, the Chair calls upon Representative Tim Hennessey.

Mr. **HENNESSEY**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just by way of summary, HB 791 gives express statutory authority to our school districts statewide to implement tax credit programs where, by volunteering their times and talents to our school districts and especially to our students, senior citizens can earn credit against some of their property tax. Our former colleague, Dick Hess, shepherded this legislation through the House to unanimous votes in the two prior sessions but it was not taken up in the Senate. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Does anybody else wish to be recognized on the bill?

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—194

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| Acosta | Evankovich | Kortz | Rader |
| Adolph | Everett | Kotik | Rapp |
| Artis | Fabrizio | Krueger | Ravenstahl |
| Baker | Farina | Lawrence | Readshaw |
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| Driscoll | Killion | Petrarca | White |
| Dunbar | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| Emrick | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |

NAYS—1

Keller, F.

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

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| Cruz | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | 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.

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Hennessey.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have additional remarks I would like to submit for the record.

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you very much.

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

I am pleased to offer HB 791, an initiative of our former colleague, the late Dick Hess.

HB 791 gives express statutory authority to our 500 school districts statewide to implement tax credit programs where, by volunteering their time and talents to our school districts and especially to our students, senior citizens can earn credit against some of their school property tax.

Dick shepherded this legislation through the House to unanimous votes on two prior occasions, but on neither occasion did it come to a vote in the Senate. In prior years, upwards of 30 of our school districts offered these types of programs, but concerns about whether they needed to be expressly authorized in statutory form have lessened the number of school districts currently offering such programs to about 20. Still, where they are offered, they have been well-received.

The Pennsylvania School Boards Association supports passage of HB 791 and testified in its favor at a hearing before the House Aging and Older Adult Services Committee on Wednesday, March 16. The bill was thereafter amended with a technical amendment at a voting meeting on March 23, 2016, and then passed unanimously by the committee.

I thank the House for its passage of HB 791, which would establish the STRIVE (Senior Tax Reduction Incentive Volunteer Exchange) program, and hope that our Senate will give it favorable consideration and send it soon to Governor Wolf for his signature.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 176, PN 3088**, entitled:

An Act providing for grants to regional police departments; establishing the Law Enforcement Grant Program Fund; imposing powers and duties on the Center for Local Government Services, the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency; providing for transfers from the State Gaming Fund; and establishing the Law Enforcement and Treatment Grant Program.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—176

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| Barbin | Fabrizio | Lawrence | Readshaw |
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| Christiana | Goodman | Mentzer | Saylor |
| Cohen | Greiner | Metcalfe | Schlossberg |
| Conklin | Grove | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Corbin | Hahn | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Hanna | Millard | Simmons |
| Costa, P. | Harhai | Miller, B. | Sims |
| Cox | Harhart | Miller, D. | Snyder |
| Culver | Harkins | Milne | Sonney |
| Cutler | Harper | Moul | Staats |
| Daley, M. | Harris, A. | Mullery | Sturla |
| Daley, P. | Harris, J. | Murt | Tallman |
| Davidson | Heffley | Mustio | Taylor |
| Davis | Helm | Neilson | Topper |
| Dawkins | Hennessey | Nelson | Vitali |
| Day | Hickernell | Neuman | Ward |
| Dean | Hill | O'Brien | Warner |
| Deasy | James | O'Neill | Watson |
| DeLissio | Kampf | Ortitay | Wentling |
| Delozier | Kaufner | Parker, D. | Wheeland |
| DeLuca | Kauffman | Payne | White |
| Dermody | Kavulich | Peifer | Youngblood |
| Donatucci | Keller, W. | Petrarca | Zimmerman |
| Driscoll | Killion | Petri | |
| Dunbar | Kim | Pickett | Turzai, |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pyle | Speaker |
| Ellis | Kirkland | | |

NAYS—19

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| Causer | Keller, F. | Nesbit | Tobash |
| Diamond | Keller, M.K. | Oberlander | Toepel |
| Gillen | Knowles | Rader | Truitt |
| Irvin | Maher | Schemel | Vereb |
| Jozwiak | Masser | Stephens | |

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

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| Cruz | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | 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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 879, PN 1618**, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment of a savings program by the Treasury Department to encourage savings accounts for individuals with disabilities; establishing the Pennsylvania ABLE Savings Program and the ABLE Savings Program Fund; and imposing duties on the Treasury Department.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—195

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| Acosta | Everett | Kortz | Rader |
| Adolph | Fabrizio | Kotik | Rapp |
| Artis | Farina | Krueger | Ravenstahl |
| Baker | Farry | Lawrence | Readshaw |
| Barbin | Fee | Lewis | Reed |
| Barrar | Flynn | Longietti | Reese |
| Benninghoff | Frankel | Mackenzie | Regan |
| Bizzarro | Freeman | Maher | Roae |
| Bloom | Gabler | Mahoney | Roebuck |
| Boback | Gainey | Major | Ross |
| Boyle | Galloway | Maloney | Rothman |
| Bradford | Gergely | Markosek | Rozzi |
| Briggs | Gibbons | Marshall | Saccone |
| Brown, R. | Gillen | Marsico | Sainato |
| Brown, V. | Gillespie | Masser | Samuelson |
| Bullock | Gingrich | Matzie | Sankey |
| Burns | Godshall | McCarter | Santarsiero |
| Caltagirone | Goodman | McClinton | Santora |
| Carroll | Greiner | McGinnis | Saylor |
| Causer | Grove | McNeill | Schemel |
| Christiana | Hahn | Mentzer | Schlossberg |
| Cohen | Hanna | Metcalfe | Schreiber |
| Conklin | Harhai | Metzgar | Schweyer |
| Corbin | Harhart | Miccarelli | Simmons |
| Costa, D. | Harkins | Millard | Sims |
| Costa, P. | Harper | Miller, B. | Snyder |
| Cox | Harris, A. | Miller, D. | Sonney |
| Culver | Harris, J. | Milne | Staats |
| Cutler | Heffley | Moul | Stephens |
| Daley, M. | Helm | Mullery | Sturla |
| Daley, P. | Hennessey | Murt | Tallman |
| Davidson | Hickernell | Mustio | Taylor |
| Davis | Hill | Neilson | Tobash |
| Dawkins | Irvin | Nelson | Toepel |

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| Day | James | Nesbit | Topper |
| Dean | Jozwiak | Neuman | Truitt |
| Deasy | Kampf | O'Brien | Vereb |
| DeLissio | Kaufer | O'Neill | Vitali |
| Delozier | Kauffman | Oberlander | Ward |
| DeLuca | Kavulich | Ortitay | Warner |
| Dermody | Keller, F. | Parker, D. | Watson |
| Diamond | Keller, M.K. | Payne | Wentling |
| Donatucci | Keller, W. | Peifer | Wheeland |
| Driscoll | Killion | Petrarca | White |
| Dunbar | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Dush | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| Emrick | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| English | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |
| Evankovich | | | |

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EXCUSED-8

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| Cruz | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | 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 return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1823, PN 3020**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, further providing for ordinances.

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 Maloney, on the bill.

Mr. MALONEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is probably no surprise that I have a serious problem with this bill. Last week we had an opportunity with two amendments to fix this bill, and we got close. It just did not happen. So this week we have the opportunity to send it back.

If you look at this bill, there is a lot of talk about personal responsibility, and for me, I have a problem when we are going to blame and charge, without limit, the fees and charges to an individual for somebody else's bill. You know, I often think of this, and I said this in committee, sort of think of this as like a Morton bill, where you throw salt in the wound.

And it is a problem to me when we have certain instances that I am going to give you an example of. Last week we heard

there is no free lunch. Okay. If you have certain HUD (Department of Housing and Urban Development) clearances that allow you to collect a payment for somebody else while they are in your home to pay their rent, if they do not pay their water bill, you get charged. We also have circumstances where we have private entities that own water authorities. And so now for me, it looks pretty clear to me, that this regarding personal responsibility, we have three instances of free lunch. I am not so sure why we would allow this to continue. In some instances, I know it already does, but to continue to charge somebody else for somebody else's bill.

I want to give you another example. I talked to several realtors in the past weekend, who contacted me and said this is such a problem—

The SPEAKER. Representative Maloney, please suspend.

Members, please give the good gentleman an opportunity to be heard. Also, the maker of the bill will also be speaking, as well as anybody else that wishes to, but at this time if everybody could just please take their seats. We have a good bit of ground to cover here on this bill and other bills.

Representative Maloney, you may proceed.

Mr. MALONEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And so where I was at was that several realtors came to me, who manage properties and those who own them on their own, and said to me, you know, we have to watch what the tenant is doing at certain instances or what the township or borough is going to do so that we do not get blindsided. Okay? So now you have 20 days of notice. Of course, that does not match 30- and 60-day standards that we have; however, that is not really a fix as far as I am concerned. And so I have been thinking about how, going forward, knowing that you cannot only be blindsided, but the lien gets put on your property with no limits – I want to remind you, no limits to fees and charges, no limits.

So for me, I am definitely a "no." I would like and appreciate that we send this Morton bill back where it belongs. Let us vote for Beckett, my grandson; your grandsons; and those in the future who will be implicated and impacted by this bill that would possibly go on the property that they inherit.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Harper, on the bill.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is a Local Government Commission bill, done by the bipartisan, bicameral Local Government Commission, and does not really change the law in that municipalities already have the power to lien properties that have received services – water, sewer, electric, trash – and have not paid for them.

The one good thing about this bill, which conforms the Second Class Township Code to all the other municipal codes, is that we amended it to give the property owner 20 days' notice before a lien could be filed. So this bill is not breaking any new ground other than it gives landowners 20 days' notice, but if they do not pay for the water, sewer, electric, or trash service used by the property, a lien will be filed against the property.

I would ask for your support because we do have something like 1500 second-class townships, and when one property owner does not pay for the municipal services they have received, the price goes up for everyone else. Everybody who pays their bills on time will pay higher rates for water, sewer, electric, and trash. Everybody else will pay more to cover those property owners who do not pay their bills.

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—111

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| Acosta | Deasy | Kavulich | Petri |
| Adolph | DeLissio | Keller, W. | Quinn |
| Artis | DeLuca | Killion | Rader |
| Barbin | Dermody | Kim | Ravenstahl |
| Benninghoff | Donatucci | Kinsey | Readshaw |
| Boback | Driscoll | Kirkland | Roebuck |
| Boyle | Everett | Klunk | Ross |
| Bradford | Fabrizio | Kortz | Rozzi |
| Briggs | Farry | Kotik | Sainato |
| Brown, R. | Fee | Krueger | Samuelson |
| Brown, V. | Frankel | Lewis | Santarsiero |
| Bullock | Freeman | Longietti | Schemel |
| Burns | Gainey | Maher | Schlossberg |
| Caltagirone | Galloway | Mahoney | Schreiber |
| Carroll | Gergely | Markosek | Schweyer |
| Cohen | Gingrich | Matzie | Sims |
| Conklin | Hanna | McCarter | Snyder |
| Corbin | Harhai | Miller, B. | Stephens |
| Costa, D. | Harkins | Milne | Sturla |
| Costa, P. | Harper | Mullery | Taylor |
| Cutler | Harris, A. | Murt | Topper |
| Daley, M. | Helm | Mustio | Vereb |
| Daley, P. | Hennessey | Neilson | Vitali |
| Davidson | Hickernell | Nesbit | Watson |
| Davis | Irvin | O'Brien | Wheeland |
| Dawkins | Kampf | O'Neill | White |
| Day | Kaufner | Parker, D. | Youngblood |
| Dean | Kauffman | Petrarca | |

NAYS—84

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| Baker | Godshall | McGinnis | Regan |
| Barrar | Goodman | McNeill | Roae |
| Bizzarro | Greiner | Mentzer | Rothman |
| Bloom | Grove | Metcalfe | Saccone |
| Causer | Hahn | Metzgar | Sankey |
| Christiana | Harhart | Miccarelli | Santora |
| Cox | Harris, J. | Millard | Saylor |
| Culver | Heffley | Miller, D. | Simmons |
| Delozier | Hill | Moul | Sonney |
| Diamond | James | Nelson | Staats |
| Dunbar | Jozwiak | Neuman | Tallman |
| Dush | Keller, F. | Oberlander | Tobash |
| Ellis | Keller, M.K. | Ortitay | Toepel |
| Emrick | Knowles | Payne | Truitt |
| English | Lawrence | Peifer | Ward |
| Evankovich | Mackenzie | Pickett | Warner |
| Farina | Major | Pyle | Wentling |
| Flynn | Maloney | Quigley | Zimmerman |
| Gabler | Marshall | Rapp | |
| Gibbons | Marsico | Reed | Turzai, |
| Gillen | Masser | Reese | Speaker |
| Gillespie | McClinton | | |

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

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| Cruz | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | 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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1500, PN 2343**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in land banks, further providing for legislative findings and purpose, for powers and for disposition of property.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—195

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—8

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| Cruz | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | Thomas | 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.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Representative Vanessa BROWN has requested 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 1683, PN 2507**, entitled:

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

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?

Does anybody wish to be recognized on HB 1683?
Representative Warner, you are recognized, sir.

Mr. WARNER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, today we have an opportunity to thank and support those who sacrifice their time, who put their lives on the line for our communities. Community fire and EMS (emergency medical services) volunteers are often the first ones on the scene and the first to come to our rescue in times of crisis. They are

moms, dads, friends, and neighbors who willingly sacrifice their time and put themselves in harm's way to protect our loved ones, homes, and businesses. Although we hope the times we rely on their services are few and far between, we all, at some point, will need to depend on their bravery and dedication.

In addition to keeping our communities safe, these volunteers also keep money in our pockets. According to the recent testimony from Pennsylvania State Fire Commissioner Tim Solobay, these volunteers save taxpayers between \$8 billion and \$10 billion annually. However, these organizations are facing some major challenges. As a consequence of climbing costs, busy schedules, fundraising demands, and training requirements, fire and EMS volunteering is on a major decline. Our volunteers, who are already being stretched thin, are being asked for more and more. I believe it is critically important that we provide support for these brave and dedicated volunteers and start asking what we can do for them.

HB 1683 provides one small way to do that. The legislation before us today would authorize municipalities, county governments, and school districts to enact earned income or property tax liability tax credits for active volunteers of a fire company or EMS company. For those governing bodies who wish to participate, it would be a small way to say thank you and we appreciate all that you do to the volunteers who give so much – so much time, so much bravery, so much heart, sweat and tears, and so many sleepless nights – to ensure the safety of their communities. Supporting our volunteers is the right thing to do.

I ask that my colleagues vote "yes" and support HB 1683. 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—194

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| Acosta | Everett | Kortz | Rader |
| Adolph | Fabrizio | Kotik | Rapp |
| Artis | Farina | Krueger | Ravenstahl |
| Baker | Farry | Lawrence | Readshaw |
| Barbin | Fee | Lewis | Reed |
| Barrar | Flynn | Longietti | Reese |
| Benninghoff | Frankel | Mackenzie | Regan |
| Bizzarro | Freeman | Maher | Roae |
| Bloom | Gabler | Mahoney | Roebuck |
| Boback | Gainey | Major | Ross |
| Boyle | Galloway | Maloney | Rothman |
| Bradford | Gergely | Markosek | Rozzi |
| Briggs | Gibbons | Marshall | Saccione |
| Brown, R. | Gillen | Marsico | Sainato |
| Bullock | Gillespie | Masser | Samuelson |
| Burns | Gingrich | Matzie | Sankey |
| Caltagirone | Godshall | McCarter | Santarsiero |
| Carroll | Goodman | McClinton | Santora |
| Causer | Greiner | McGinnis | Saylor |
| Christiana | Grove | McNeill | Schemel |
| Cohen | Hahn | Mentzer | Schtarsberg |
| Conklin | Hanna | Metcalfe | Schreiber |
| Corbin | Harhai | Metzgar | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Harhart | Miccarelli | Simmons |
| Costa, P. | Harkins | Millard | Sims |
| Cox | Harper | Miller, B. | Snyder |
| Culver | Harris, A. | Miller, D. | Sonney |

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| Daley, P. | Helm | Mullery | Sturla |
| Davidson | Hennessey | Murt | Tallman |
| Davis | Hickernell | Mustio | Taylor |
| Dawkins | Hill | Neilson | Tobash |
| Day | Irvin | Nelson | Toepel |
| Dean | James | Nesbit | Topper |
| Deasy | Jozwiak | Neuman | Truitt |
| DeLissio | Kampf | O'Brien | Vereb |
| Delozier | Kaufer | O'Neill | Vitali |
| DeLuca | Kauffman | Oberlander | Ward |
| Dermody | Kavulich | Ortitay | Warner |
| Diamond | Keller, F. | Parker, D. | Watson |
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| Driscoll | Keller, W. | Peifer | Wheeland |
| Dunbar | Killion | Petrarca | White |
| Dush | Kim | Petri | Youngblood |
| Ellis | Kinsey | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Emrick | Kirkland | Pyle | |
| English | Klunk | Quigley | Turzai, |
| Evankovich | Knowles | Quinn | Speaker |

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—9

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| Brown, V. | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| Cruz | Pashinski | Thomas | Wheatley |
| DiGirolamo | | | |

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

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

REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. On unanimous consent, Representative Tom Caltagirone.

Mr. CALTAGIRONE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to thank the members and leaders for the unanimous support for HB 1500. I have some remarks for the record.

And this will go a long way in helping the homeless veterans. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

We will accept those remarks for the record.

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

HB 1500 seeks to address the serious problem of blighted properties and homelessness in the Commonwealth. The bill will expand the power of land banks to enter into partnerships with organizations in the private sector to create local solutions to address the lack of housing for the homeless population within their communities.

Specifically, the bill would amend the Land Bank Act, Act 153 of 2012, to add a clause to the legislative findings and purpose section of the act which recognizes the link between blighted property and homelessness.

The bill would also add a homelessness component to the scope of powers of a land bank by giving such entities the ability to enter into public-private partnerships to address homelessness.

Finally, the legislation would add homelessness to the list of priorities for the use of real property conveyed by a land bank.

The SPEAKER. Members, the House is going to stand at ease for a few moments.

We have one more bill before us on second consideration.

The House will come to order.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1947, PN 3085**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitation of time, further providing for infancy, insanity or imprisonment, for no limitation applicable and for other offenses; and, in matters affecting government units, further providing for exceptions to sovereign immunity and for exceptions to governmental immunity.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. Now, we have a number of amendments. We have a number of amendments.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **ROZZI** offered the following amendment No. **A06694**:

Amend Bill, page 5, lines 23 and 24, by striking out "5533(b)(2)(i),"

Amend Bill, page 5, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

(3) The amendment of 42 Pa.C.S. § 5533(b)(2)(i) shall be applied retroactively, including to revive an action which was barred by a statute of limitations prior to the effective date of this section.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. ROZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to speak on my amendment, A06694. Going forward, HB 1947 raises the age for victims of child sex abuse to bring suit from 30 to 50. My amendment allows past victims of child sex abuse to likewise bring civil suit to the age of 50. This is a matter of fairness – and justice – for some.

Mr. Speaker, on this exact day 4 years ago, I attended a press conference here on the same issue with my childhood friend, Joe Behe. Joe was raped by the same priest who raped me. To deal with his trauma, Joe made up a friend. This friend thought about killing himself. Over the years Joe went from therapist to therapist and was prescribed so many prescriptions he ended up in rehab. Joe had eight personalities. Joe ended his life last Good Friday, when I got the call from his sister that it was the end. He could not deal with the pain and suffering anymore. He was 44 years old.

Last week Cass Spoerl buried her son, Jimmy. Cass appeared in my video, "You Have the Power." Jimmy was referred to as "Billy" in the 2005 Philadelphia Archdiocese grand jury. At the

age of 11, Jimmy was repeatedly and brutally raped by Father James Brzyski. At 6' 5", 220 pounds, this man of the cloth terrorized more than 100 kids. He told his young victims that their parents were in on it. Jimmy said he had "no God to turn to, no family."

And what about Father Brzyski? Two years ago neighbors in a Dallas suburb noticed his suspicious behavior with young boys in the community pool. They checked him out and learned he was a defrocked pedophile priest from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Since Philadelphia, he has lived in Virginia, West Hollywood, Kenosha, and Dallas. Brzyski did not have to register as a sex offender because the Philadelphia Archdiocese kept his case under wraps in the 1980s. How many more "Jimmys" are out there today?

Fast-forward to March 1, 2016, the Altoona-Johnstown Archdiocese grand jury report. Father Francis McCaa was so respected in the diocese, he was made a Monsignor, but the Monsignor was a monster. He would bring altar boys in a group, make them take off their pants under their cassocks, squeeze their genitals, and finger their anuses before sending them off to church functions. McCaa was eventually sent for the standard "self-reported treatment" after meeting with Cambria County officials. But guess what? He was reassigned as a hospital chaplain with a glowing recommendation. McCaa died in 2007 and he was never prosecuted. The number of his victims is estimated to be in the hundreds. Several have called my office.

Read the Altoona-Johnstown report if you have the stomach to. The depravity, the coverup by the bishops, and the collusion with public officials is nauseating. Where else in this Commonwealth do we have a bishop or a Monsignor appointing the police chief of your town? Think about that. The victims were stonewalled, never had a chance for justice.

Mr. Speaker, we know this problem will never go away, not while these archaic and arbitrary statute of limitations exist for civil cases. It is true, criminal statutes of limitation cannot be retroactive – think double jeopardy for murder – but civil statutes can and have been lifted in other States and have been upheld constitutionally in other States, and Pennsylvania will be no exception. In every State that a retroactive window was brought up, the Catholic Conference tried to fight them on the constitutionality, and then in every State it was found to be constitutional, and it will be constitutional here in Pennsylvania.

My amendment does not help everyone, but it at least opens the door. More work needs to be done. We cannot change what happened to the innocents of the past, but we can make it right. In the end, this bill, this amendment is about helping victims – past, present, and future.

I respectfully ask my colleagues to stand with me to support them by passing HB 1947 with my amendment. It is way past time to do the right thing.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—166

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| Acosta | Everett | Kotik | Quigley |
| Adolph | Fabrizio | Krueger | Quinn |
| Artis | Farina | Lawrence | Rapp |
| Baker | Farry | Lewis | Ravenstahl |
| Barbin | Fee | Longietti | Readshaw |
| Barrar | Flynn | Mackenzie | Reed |
| Benninghoff | Frankel | Maher | Reese |
| Bizzarro | Freeman | Mahoney | Regan |
| Boback | Gainey | Major | Roae |
| Boyle | Galloway | Maloney | Roebuck |
| Bradford | Gergely | Markosek | Ross |
| Briggs | Gibbons | Marshall | Rothman |
| Brown, R. | Gillen | Marsico | Rozzi |
| Bullock | Gillespie | Masser | Sainato |
| Burns | Gingrich | Matzie | Samuelson |
| Caltagirone | Godshall | McCarter | Sankey |
| Causar | Goodman | McClinton | Santarsiero |
| Christiana | Hahn | McNeill | Santora |
| Cohen | Hanna | Mentzer | Saylor |
| Conklin | Harhai | Metcalfe | Schlossberg |
| Corbin | Harhart | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Costa, D. | Harkins | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, P. | Harper | Millard | Simmons |
| Cox | Harris, A. | Miller, D. | Sims |
| Culver | Harris, J. | Milne | Snyder |
| Daley, M. | Heffley | Moul | Sonney |
| Daley, P. | Helm | Mullery | Stephens |
| Davidson | Hennessey | Murt | Sturla |
| Davis | Hickernell | Neilson | Tallman |
| Dawkins | Irvin | Nelson | Taylor |
| Day | Kampf | Nesbit | Tobash |
| Dean | Kaufner | Neuman | Toepel |
| Deasy | Kauffman | O'Brien | Verab |
| DeLissio | Kavulich | O'Neill | Warner |
| Delozier | Keller, F. | Ortitay | Watson |
| DeLuca | Keller, M.K. | Parker, D. | Wentling |
| Dermody | Keller, W. | Payne | Wheeland |
| Donatucci | Killion | Peifer | White |
| Driscoll | Kim | Petrarca | Youngblood |
| Dunbar | Kinsey | Petri | |
| Ellis | Kirkland | Pickett | Turzai, |
| Emrick | Kortz | Pyle | Speaker |

NAYS—28

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| Bloom | Gabler | Knowles | Schemel |
| Carroll | Greiner | McGinnis | Staats |
| Cutler | Grove | Miller, B. | Topper |
| Diamond | Hill | Mustio | Truitt |
| Dush | James | Oberlander | Vitali |
| English | Jozwiak | Rader | Ward |
| Evankovich | Klunk | Saccione | Zimmerman |

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—9

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| Brown, V. | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| Cruz | Pashinski | Thomas | Wheatley |
| DiGirolamo | | | |

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. **BARBIN** offered the following amendment No. **A06561**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 11, by inserting after "amended" and the subsection is amended by adding a paragraph
Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 3 and 4
(3) In any action to which paragraph (2) applies, the plaintiff shall file with the complaint or within 60 days after the filing of the complaint, a certificate of merit signed by a licensed professional with sufficient education, training, knowledge and experience to provide credible, competent testimony, stating that there exists a reasonable probability that the alleged abuse did occur and that the individual bringing the action had met with a licensed mental health professional, including, but not limited, to a sexual assault counselor as defined in 42 Pa.C.S. 5945.1(a) (relating to confidential communications with sexual assault counselors), regarding the conduct underlying the action before attaining 30 years of age.

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

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

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

Mr. BARBIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

At this time I would like to address the issue of retroactivity. That is what this amendment would do. It would provide a certificate of merit similar to a legal or medical malpractice action where we use those tools to ensure that a particular revived or particular action has a basis of reasonable certainty to a medical provider.

At this time I will be withdrawing this amendment. I hope that some tool is added as the bill moves to the Senate that will address the question to ensure that everyone receives justice, whether it is this certificate of merit or some other tool, but at this time I will be withdrawing the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The amendment will be withdrawn.

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

Mr. **MURT** offered the following amendment No. **A06556**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 11, by inserting after "amended" and the section is amended by adding a subsection
Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 3 and 4
(c) Revival of claims.—
(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) or any other provision of law to the contrary, in the case of an individual entitled to bring a civil action arising from childhood sexual abuse where the 12-year period has expired, the individual shall have an additional period of two years from the effective date of this subsection to commence an action.
(2) For purposes of this subsection, the 12-year period refers to the limitation period in effect immediately prior to the effective date of this subsection.

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

The SPEAKER. On that amendment, Representative Murt.
Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I just want to begin with a quote. This was from Dave Pelzer: "Childhood should be carefree, playing in the sun; not living a nightmare in the darkness of the soul."

Mr. Speaker, I want to make a couple comments, and I want to thank Representative Marsico, Chairman Marsico and Chairman Petrarca for bringing this bill forward.

Just a little bit of background about the statute of limitations. We know what the statute of limitations is and why it exists. This population of victims of child sex abuse is a very special population. It is a wounded population, a population that is hiding in shame, humiliation, and silence. And sometimes there is a question about whether or not a window or retroactivity on civil claims is constitutional, and as my colleague from Berks County articulated very well, retroactivity in the civil sense is absolutely constitutional, as manifested in 1994 in the *Landgraf v. USI Film Products* case, and in 2003 in the *Stogner v. California* case.

But, Mr. Speaker, there exists three grand jury reports that have come to light in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I just want to read a couple excerpts, if I could.

From 2003, the Philadelphia district attorney issued a grand jury report that I have right here. No, I am not going to read all of it – I heard that – but I do want to read an excerpt, Mr. Speaker. "Unfortunately, the law currently stands in the way of justice for the victims of childhood sexual abuse. Although we have a wealth of evidence against many of the abusers – including their own admissions (and, in many cases, the Archdiocesan Review Board's own determination that the charges against the priest are 'credible')" – that is the Archdiocese of Philadelphia – "we cannot indict any priest who abused a child for any of the crimes of which we are currently aware, because the relevant statutes of limitation have expired for every single act of abuse known to us. Offending priests are, therefore, immune from prosecution for all the crimes detailed in this report" – and I apologize for this verbiage – "all the anal, oral and vaginal rapes, all the fondlings, all the caressings, and all the unwanted and inappropriate touchings and undressings they perpetrated upon Archdiocesan children. Nothing changes this result – not the severity of the sexual assault, the degree of force or psychological coercion, or the age of the victim at the time of the abuse. Under present Pennsylvania law, the single...fact is the date of the final act of abuse, and we do not know of any act of priest child sexual abuse recent enough to permit prosecution in the Commonwealth under the current statutes of limitation.

"Pennsylvania's statutes of limitation for sexual crimes have been revised numerous times since 1982. The most recent amendment, as of 2002, requires child sexual abuse cases to be initiated by the date of the child victim's 30th birthday. The experts have told us that this statute is still too short. We ourselves have seen that many victims do not come forward until deep into their thirties, forties and even later."

And I remind you about our distinguished colleague, Louise Bishop, from Philadelphia who came forward when she was in her seventies. She was raped when she was 12 years old, in Georgia, in the Old South before World War II.

"Moreover, even the 2002 amendment cannot be applied to the cases we have seen, because changes that lengthen a limitations period cannot be used to revive criminal prosecutions that were already barred under the original deadline – as the United States Supreme Court has recently made clear. *See Stogner v. California*....

"Even a former official of the Archdiocese has recognized the need for this proposal. Edward Cullen, who was Cardinal Bevilacqua's Vicar of Administration, and who has since himself been elevated to bishop, was asked about the issue during his grand jury testimony." Bishop Cullen responded, and I quote, "I think it would be good for society if they had no statute of limitations," acknowledged Bishop Cullen. "I really do. Yes, I do."

The last thing from this grand jury report in 2003, Mr. Speaker, is recommendation number seven. "We recognize the reality...that civil liability may also provide a disincentive to the kind of systemic sexual abuse that occurred here. Indeed, Archdiocese officials never seemed to believe that clergymen could ever go to jail for abusing, or allowing the abuse of, children; but they did display an obvious fear that they would be sued for such conduct. For many victims of sexual abuse by priests, civil liability may be the only available means to seek recognition of their injuries and a measure of repose. Moreover, unlike statutes of limitation for criminal offenses, the time for bringing a civil suit can be lawfully extended or revived even after the original limitations period has expired. Accordingly, we ask the legislature to consider lengthening or suspending civil statutes of limitation...of child sex abuse." That is from 2003, Mr. Speaker.

In 2008 the Philadelphia district attorney issued another grand jury report, and I am only going to read the recommendation. And this is number one, first recommendation. "Enact a two-year window to allow child sexual abuse victims to have their cases heard.

"We recommend that the Pennsylvania legislature suspend for two years the civil statute of limitations on child "sexual abuse claims. Such a 'window of opportunity,' appropriately limited to two years, would allow adults who were victims of sexual crimes as children to have their cases heard in a court of law. The statute of limitations in force when many of these victims were abused required that any civil litigation begin within two years of the time of the abuse. Thus, a 10-year-old rape victim had until he was 12 years old to file suit against his abuser.

"It is well established that most victims of childhood sexual abuse do not come forward with allegations for many years, or even decades, after they were molested or raped. For this reason, the civil statute of limitations in recent years has been extended. However, as a result of the law's past inadequacy, sexual predators who prey on children continue to be shielded from exposure.

"The vast majority of complaints received by the Philadelphia Archdiocese's victim assistance program, in fact, have fallen beyond the statute of limitations. Without a window in which their cases can be heard, victims must depend on the Archdiocese hierarchy's willingness to validate their allegations, acknowledge their suffering, and compensate them for expenses incurred, such as for psychological counseling or drug treatment.

"A two-year window in the statute of limitations might offer the best hope these victims have of finding" a measure of "justice. More than that, the possibility of civil liability would increase church officials' incentive to make meaningful reforms and institutionalize intolerance of child" sexual "abuse."

The grand jury report from Altoona and Johnstown, Mr. Speaker. I will only read the recommendation:

"Open a window to allow child sexual abuse victims to have their civil actions heard.

"The Grand Jury recommends that the Pennsylvania legislature suspend the civil statute of limitations on sexual abuse claims for a designated and finite period of years. This relief would allow adults who were victims of child sexual abuse to have their cases heard in a court of law. The statute of limitations in effect leaves insufficient time to seek relief for crimes that are inherently underreported or are delayed in reporting.

"The Grand Jury took testimony and reviewed evidence which showed many of the child sexual abuse victims who sought relief from the Allegation Review Board alleged conduct which was beyond the civil statute of limitations. The lives of child abuse victims are permanently altered by their assaults; they deserve to be made whole."

Someone called child sex abuse murder of a child's soul.

"Organizations which have a history of secrecy in regards to child abuse allegations will consider meaningful reform when their failures have financial cost. Victims deserve the opportunity to seek a full and fair settlement, not as one Church official stated, 'settle for what they can get.' "

Mr. Speaker, these amendments relative to retroactivity still require a victim of child sex abuse to prove their victimization, to prove their case or cases. Much of the proof exists sitting in church archives someplace in the form of memoranda, e-mail, incident reports, interview reports, and so forth.

Mr. Speaker, some people are curious whether or not window legislation has been the status quo in other States, and the answer is affirmative. Eight States have already enacted window legislation. California, with a population of 35.25 million people, enacted a 1-year window. Guess how many people filed claims? 1100. Delaware, population of 935,000, 175 people filed claims. Minnesota, population 5.5 million, 44 plus 419 people filed claims. Hawaii, population 1.42 million, 125 claims have been filed.

The last thing I want to say, Mr. Speaker, this issue, I resent anyone saying that this issue is being driven by special interests, by trial lawyers. This issue is being driven by victims, some of whom are sitting up in the gallery, some who have suffered, as I said before, in silence and in humiliation and in shame. As I said before, the shame is not theirs. The shame is ours if we do not take action on this issue to help these victims and to prevent the victimization of any other children.

One of the worst things that has come out of some of these grand jury reports is the fact that the Archdiocese of Philadelphia or the Diocese of Altoona and Johnstown actually knew that many priests were child molesters. They were worse than pedophiles – they were child molesters. They knew it, and instead of taking action, they sent the priest on retreat, they moved him to another parish, sometimes they offered a cash settlement to the victims – despicable behaviors.

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

Mr. MURT. The amendments that I have on this bill I believe are in order. I believe they would provide a measure of justice – not complete justice, but a measure of justice to our victims. But I am going to withdraw both amendments that I have on this bill at this time in order for the Marsico and the Petrarca bill to move quickly from the House in the hope that our colleagues in the Senate will provide some measure of retroactivity.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Murt.

It is my understanding that all amendments have been withdrawn other than the amendment that we passed.

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.

There will be no further votes.

Representative Jozwiak, you wish to be recognized?

Mr. JOZWIAK. Mr. Speaker, my amendment was not withdrawn on that bill.

The SPEAKER. Members, please stay and let me just check on the status of the amendments here.

Representative Jozwiak, we do not have that amendment in front of us, but we are asking staff to locate it.

Representative Jozwiak has filed amendment 6679, which we will call up at this time.

DECISION OF CHAIR RESCINDED

The SPEAKER. So without objection, the Chair rescinds its announcement that the bill has been agreed to on second consideration as amended.

This is a late-filed amendment. It is amendment 6679.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **JOZWIAK** offered the following amendment No. **A06679**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by inserting after "abuse."

Where the individual is 30 years of age or older, an action may be brought and damages shall be awarded solely on the basis of the personal liability of an individual defendant.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

The SPEAKER. Okay. For the House to agree to the amendment, there would have to be a motion to suspend to be made.

Representative Jozwiak, do you wish to make that motion?

Mr. JOZWIAK. Yes, sir. Mr. Speaker, I wish to make a motion that we suspend the rules for amendment A06679.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. On the motion, sir, please proceed.

Mr. JOZWIAK. The motion is, for civil lawsuits brought pursuant to the extended statute of limitations may only be brought against individuals on the basis of personal liability where the victim is over the age of 30.

Now, the reason I put this amendment in is because I think we need to go after the perpetrators, the people that committed these crimes, not the institutions. If it is somebody from the church, I do not think the parishioners should pay the fees to keep the church going. If it is a school district, I do not think the school taxpayers should pay the bill. We should go after the perpetrators. They are the ones that commit the crime.

It also involves small businesses. The businesses should not have to pay for it. The people that committed the crimes. And if it is a coverup, the bill says individuals, that means the perpetrator and the person that covered it up, should be sued civilly.

So that is why I am bringing this amendment up. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir, and I do apologize.

On a motion to suspend, the maker of the motion, the leaders, and the maker of the bill are permitted under our rules to speak on that motion.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

CONSIDERATION OF HB 1947 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. It appears that nobody wishes to speak on the motion at this time who would be appropriate.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

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| Baker | Greiner | Major | Rader |
| Barrar | Grove | Maloney | Ross |
| Bloom | Hahn | Marshall | Rothman |
| Boback | Harhart | Marsico | Saccone |
| Brown, R. | Harris, A. | Masser | Sankey |
| Causer | Heffley | McGinnis | Saylor |
| Christiana | Helm | Mentzer | Schemel |
| Corbin | Hennessey | Metcalf | Simmons |
| Cox | Hickernell | Millard | Sonney |
| Culver | Hill | Miller, B. | Staats |
| Cutler | Irvin | Milne | Tallman |
| Day | James | Moul | Taylor |
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| Dush | Kaufner | Nelson | Toepel |
| Emrick | Kauffman | Nesbit | Topper |

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| English | Keller, F. | O'Neill | Truitt |
| Evankovich | Keller, M.K. | Oberlander | Ward |
| Everett | Klunk | Ortitay | Warner |
| Fee | Knowles | Parker, D. | Wentling |
| Gabler | Lewis | Peifer | White |
| Gillespie | Mackenzie | Pickett | Zimmerman |
| Gingrich | Maher | Quinn | |

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| Acosta | Dermody | Kinsey | Ravenstahl |
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| Artis | Driscoll | Kortz | Reed |
| Barbin | Dunbar | Kotik | Reese |
| Benninghoff | Ellis | Krueger | Regan |
| Bizzarro | Fabrizio | Lawrence | Roae |
| Boyle | Farina | Longietti | Roebuck |
| Bradford | Farry | Mahoney | Rozzi |
| Briggs | Flynn | Markosek | Sainato |
| Bullock | Frankel | Matzie | Samuelson |
| Burns | Freeman | McCarter | Santarsiero |
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| Carroll | Galloway | McNeill | Schlossberg |
| Cohen | Gergely | Metzgar | Schreiber |
| Conklin | Gibbons | Miccarelli | Schweyer |
| Costa, D. | Gillen | Miller, D. | Sims |
| Costa, P. | Godshall | Mullery | Snyder |
| Daley, M. | Goodman | Murt | Stephens |
| Daley, P. | Hanna | Neilson | Sturla |
| Davidson | Harhai | Neuman | Vereb |
| Davis | Harkins | O'Brien | Vitali |
| Dawkins | Harper | Payne | Watson |
| Dean | Harris, J. | Petrarca | Wheeland |
| Deasy | Kavulich | Petri | Youngblood |
| DeLissio | Keller, W. | Pyle | |
| Delozier | Killion | Quigley | Turzai, |
| DeLuca | Kim | Rapp | Speaker |

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

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| Brown, V. | Evans | Savage | Toohil |
| Cruz | Kampf | Thomas | Wheatley |
| DiGirolamo | Pashinski | | |

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

On the question recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. Does anybody else have any other amendments that we were not made aware of?

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.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 498;
HB 1739; and
HB 1947.

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

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

HB 1084;
HB 1843;
SB 1022; and
SB 1068.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 501, PN 1516**, entitled:

An Act providing for protection of paychecks of certain workers and for the collection of political contributions.

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 SB 501 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 501 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 183, PN 977**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a comprehensive review of data maintained by the Department of Education and the Department of Human Services

on the number of transition-age youth and young adults diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorders.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

RESOLUTION TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 183 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 183 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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

The SPEAKER. The clerk will read the following supplemental reports of the Committee on Committees.

The following reports were read:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

In the House of Representatives,
April 5, 2016

Resolved that,

Representative Savage, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Tourism and Recreational Development Committee.

Representative Savage, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Environmental Resources and Energy Committee *vice* Representative Gibbons resigned.

Representative Savage, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committees *vice* Representative Galloway resigned.

Representative Cook-Artis, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Commerce Committee *vice* Representative Gibbons resigned.

Representative Cook-Artis, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee *vice* Representative Gibbons resigned.

Representative Cook-Artis, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Urban Affairs Committee.

Representative Schlossberg, Lehigh County, is elected a member of the Education Committee *vice* Representative Carroll resigned.

Representative Ravenstahl, Allegheny County, is elected a member of the Professional Licensure Committee *vice* Representative Galloway resigned.

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

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

In the House of Representatives,
April 11, 2016

Resolved that,

Representative Savage, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the Aging and Older Adult Services Committee *vice* Representative Schweyer resigned.

Representative Cook-Artis, Philadelphia County, is elected a member of the State Government Committee *vice* Representative Schlossberg resigned.

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

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolutions?
Resolutions were adopted.

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The SPEAKER. The clerk will read a further supplemental report from the Committee on Committees.

The following report was read:

Committee on Committees Supplemental Report

In the House of Representatives
April 11, 2016

RESOLVED, That

Representative Tedd Nesbit, Mercer and Butler Counties, resigned as a member of the Human Services Committee.

Representative Jamie Santora, Delaware County, is elected as a member of the Commerce Committee and resigned as a member of the Local Government Committee.

Representative Parke Wentling, Crawford, Erie, Lawrence and Mercer Counties, is elected as a member of the Local Government Committee.

Representative R. Lee James, Venango and Butler Counties, is elected as a member of the Environmental Resources & Energy Committee and resigned as a member of the Commerce Committee.

Representative Eric Nelson, Westmoreland County, is elected as a member of the Aging & Older Adult Services and Human Services Committees.

Representative Eli Evankovich, Allegheny and Westmoreland Counties, is elected as a member of the Health Committee and resigned as a member of the Aging and Older Adult Services Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Godshall, Chairman
Committee on Committees

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

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 Rosemary Brown moves that the House be adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 12, 2016, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

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