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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI)  
PRESIDING**

#### PRAYER

HON. SID MICHAELS KAVULICH, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us bow our heads and pray.

In I Corinthians 12, we are told that there are different gifts but one spirit, differences of administrations but one Lord, diversities of operations but we work under the same God. But the manifestation of the spirit is given to every man, and if one is given the word of wisdom, another gets the word of knowledge; if one has faith, another has gifts of healing; to others, working of miracles, prophecy, discerning of spirits, and interpretation of tongues. But all of those work in the one and the same spirit.

Today, Father God, let us turn to You and put aside all our differences so that we may work together as You want us to. May we keep our diversity, yet understand why we are so different. Give us wisdom to make the right decisions and the knowledge to understand them. Let us heal each other and ourselves when we disagree. Help us to heal others and ourselves when we hurt or are hurt, and please grant us the gift of miracles so that we can work together here in this great hall and compromise so that we would serve the people of our districts and the Commonwealth just as You would, in a fair and just manner.

And above all, as Peter said in his gospel, let us love each other warmly because love covers many sins. May we welcome each other and use the gifts You have given us to serve all others, and we ask all of this in Your name. Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, June 27, 2016, will be postponed until printed.

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

**HB 1155, PN 3656** (Amended) By Rep. METCALFE

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in open meetings, further providing for public notice; and providing for notification of agency business required and exceptions.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 1718, PN 2471** By Rep. METCALFE

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Iran-free procurement, further providing for expiration.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 1872, PN 2893** By Rep. METCALFE

An Act amending Title 37 (Historical and Museums) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in powers and duties of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, further providing for specific powers and duties, for personal property and for documents; providing for Commonwealth archival records, for local government archival records and for access to older public records; and, in historic properties, further providing for powers over certain historic property.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 2107, PN 3657** (Amended) By Rep. METCALFE

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for prohibited contracts.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 2113, PN 3658** (Amended) By Rep. METCALFE

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Public-Private Partnership Pilot Program and the State Public-Private Partnership Board.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE****SB 1073, PN 1984** (Amended) By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive and Judicial Departments, the State Government Support Agencies and the General Assembly of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for certain institutions and organizations and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Aviation Restricted Account, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program Fund, the Banking Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Home Improvement Account, the Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement Fund, the Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund, the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account, the Justice Reinvestment Fund, the Multimodal Transportation Fund, the State Racing Fund and the ABLE Savings Program Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for the proper operation of several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund money; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HOUSE BILLS  
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED****No. 2221** By Representatives MURT, BULLOCK, DRISCOLL, GIBBONS, ROZZI and VEREB

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, further providing for disability benefits.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, June 28, 2016.

**No. 2223** By Representatives HANNA, McNEILL and O'BRIEN

An Act amending Titles 27 (Environmental Resources) and 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in environmental stewardship and watershed protection, further providing for definitions and for extension of fees; in disposal fee, further providing for disposal fee for municipal waste landfills, for deposit of disposal fee and for surcharge; in Oil and Gas Lease Fund, further providing for funds; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 28, 2016.

**No. 2224** By Representatives SIMMONS, MILLARD, MURT, THOMAS, HARHART, MACKENZIE, IRVIN, WARD, DUSH, SONNEY, WHEELAND, HEFFLEY, MAJOR, D. COSTA, COHEN, MAHONEY and DONATUCCI

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2029 in Lehigh County as the Blankstone Alpaca Farm Highway.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 28, 2016.

**No. 2225** By Representatives J. HARRIS, SIMS, HARHART, COHEN and SCHWEYER

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations; liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions and providing for granting of extended use permit or permits in certain municipalities; and, in disposition of moneys collected under provisions of act, further providing for moneys paid into Liquor License Fund and returned to municipalities.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, June 28, 2016.

**No. 2226** By Representatives J. HARRIS, SIMS, HARHART, COHEN and SCHWEYER

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for Liquor Control Board.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, June 28, 2016.

**No. 2227** By Representatives O'NEILL, BARBIN, BARRAR, DiGIROLAMO, EVERETT, GODSHALL, A. HARRIS, KOTIK, McNEILL, MILNE, ORTITAY, PEIFER, QUINN, RAPP, ROEBUCK, SCHLOSSBERG, WATSON and D. MILLER

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 exceptional children and education and training and for cost of tuition and maintenance of certain exceptional children in approved institutions; in charter schools, further providing for funding for charter schools; and, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts, further providing for special education payments to school districts and for extraordinary special education program expenses.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 28, 2016.

**SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE**

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

**SB 141, PN 1957**

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, June 28, 2016.

**SB 1226, PN 1963**

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 28, 2016.

**SENATE MESSAGE**

HOUSE BILLS  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 2034, PN 3273, and HB 2035, PN 3274**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

**BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

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

**HB 2034, PN 3273**

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 Juniata County Historical Society certain lands situate in Beale Township, Juniata County.

**HB 2035, PN 3274**

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 Mifflin County Historical Society certain lands situate in the Borough of Lewistown, Mifflin County.

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

The SPEAKER. Members, if you will please take your seats.

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. The majority whip requests leaves of absence for the following members: Representative Kristin PHILLIPS-HILL of York County for the day, Representative Kate KLUNK of York County for the day, Representative Gary DAY of Lehigh County for the day. Without objection, those requests will be granted.

The minority whip requests leaves of absence for the following members: Representative Pete DALEY of Washington County for the day, Representative Tony DeLUCA of Allegheny County for the day, and Representative Daniel McNEILL of Lehigh County for the day. Without objection, those will be granted.

**MASTER ROLL CALL**

The SPEAKER. At this time we will proceed to the master roll, and I would ask members to please vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

**PRESENT—196**

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

**ADDITIONS—0**

**NOT VOTING—0**

**EXCUSED—6**

Daley, P.	DeLuca	Klunk	McNeill
Day	Hill		

**LEAVES CANCELED—4**

Daley, P.	Day	Hill	Klunk
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The SPEAKER. One hundred and ninety-six members having voted on the master roll, the House has a quorum.

I would ask all the members to please come to the House floor. If all members could please come to the House floor. Members, we are going to be introducing our guests for the day, so I would like to give them our attention. If everybody will please take their seats. Members, thank you. Thank you very much. Please take your seats. Thank you, members. Please take your seats. We have a number of special guests with us today.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair welcomes Marla Peifer. Marla, please stand. She is shadowing with Representative Bryan Cutler for the day. It is great to have you here. Thank you.

Representative Kate Harper, chair of Local Government, welcomes these guests: Alexis Mechalas and Mark Rzezniacki, if you will both please stand. Thank you so much for joining us here today. Great to have you.

Representative Seth Grove has guests from his district office, some young folks who are interning in that office: Evan Cooper, Levi Gross, and Catherine Hallman. Please stand. Thank you so much for being with us today.

Representative Santarsiero has with him an intern from the district office, Zachary Bush. Zachary, please stand. And he is here with his parents, Heidi and Tony Bush. Please stand. Zachary just completed his freshman year at Penn State's Smeal College of Business.

Members, please take your seats, and if you could take any conversations off the House floor, that would be appreciated.

Justin Simmons brings to us a very special guest. Jeanne Haverhill was named "Miss Lehigh County High School America 2016" and will be competing for the State title this July. Heather, if you will please stand. Welcome. I am sorry; that is Jeanne, and it is her mother who is next to her, Heather Harter. Heather is right next to her. Thank you so much. Congratulations, Jeanne.

In the rear of the House, Grace Swarner, who is here with her mom, Yvonne, and her sister, Faith. Grace is working in Representative Bloom's district office this summer and will be attending Shippensburg University. Please stand. Thank you so much for being with us today.

We have another special guest, but I am awaiting our good friend, Representative Neuman.

### STATEMENT BY MR. GAINNEY

The SPEAKER. So at this time Representative Ed Gainey, whom I will be recognizing on unanimous consent, has brought with him today, in the rear of the House, members of the BME Community's Pittsburgh chapter. I am going to read the names of these very special individuals, and then I am going to turn the floor over to Representative Gainey. We have Derrick Tillman, Chris Edwards, Claudy Pierre, Harry Johnson, Leon Ford, Jasiri X, Kevin McNair, Thomas Jamison, and Ulandis Davis.

And to tell us about these fine individuals and their group, Representative Gainey, the floor is yours.

Sir, you may proceed.

Mr. GAINNEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I appreciate your giving me an opportunity for my colleagues to be able to stand up and support me as I ask you all to give BME a round of applause. They just came from DC, the White House, seeing the President. These are people that in my community do everything from building a community to helping mentor kids and doing exercise, developers. They are doing a lot of great work in the city of Pittsburgh, and I wanted them to come today to be recognized on the floor for their outstanding achievements inside the city.

So can we please give BME a hand, please.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, gentlemen, for your fine work, and thank you, Representative Gainey.

### FORMER MEMBER WELCOMED

The SPEAKER. Members, we have a special guest, a former member. So I would ask everybody to please take their seats. If all the members would please take their seats.

This past weekend I had the opportunity to be down in Washington County at CONSOL Energy Park, home of a minor league baseball team, the Washington Wild Things. Both of my older boys' teams were playing down there, and there was a wonderful plaque honoring this good gentleman, former State Representative Leo Trich of Washington County, who is the guest today of Representative Brandon Neuman. Leo was a very good friend of mine and a mentor when I first joined this legislature. He was elected to represent the 47th District in 1988 and served six more consecutive terms until 2002. I was just talking to Representative Trich, a good friend of Representative Neuman's as well, who indicated it has been 5 years since he has been in the capital area and probably about 12 years since he has been on the House floor. I would ask everybody to stand and give him a warm welcome. It is always great to bring back one of our members.

Thank you so much, Leo, for being here today.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the rear of the House, Representative Schreiber has some interns: Jordan Sanderson, Ximena Diaz, and Shaniece Brown. Would you please stand and just step forward, please, come on and step forward, and welcome. Thank you so much for being with us today.

### UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

#### RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mrs. CORBIN called up **HR 925, PN 3510**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of August 2016 as "National Immunization Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. HILL called up **HR 948, PN 3609**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of August 1 through 5, 2016, as "YMCA Advocacy Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. KAUFER called up **HR 951, PN 3627**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the third Saturday in July as "Coal Miner Heritage Day" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. KAUFER called up **HR 952, PN 3628**, entitled:

A Resolution designating July 16, 2016, as "Atomic Veterans Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—196

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—6

Daley, P. DeLuca Klunk McNeill  
Day Hill

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

The SPEAKER. The guests from the BMe Community group, if you will come up to the rostrum, please. Please come up to the side, just come up to the side right here, up to the rostrum, and Representative Gainey will be joining you.

Members, if you will please take your seats. We are waiting. Representative Benninghoff has a championship team that is coming, and they will be here shortly.

In the interim I wanted everybody to please take their seats for a short announcement. Members, we have a special introduction for a State championship team, and I would really ask that everybody please take their seats. Then we will do committee and caucus announcements following this introduction. I know everybody is excited about all the work in front of us, but I would very much ask that everybody please take their seats for this introduction.

The House will be at ease for just a few seconds here.

We are back in order.

**STATE COLLEGE AREA HIGH SCHOOL  
BOYS TRACK AND FIELD TEAM  
PRESENTED**

The SPEAKER. These young people have traveled a good distance to be honored.

And, Representative Benninghoff, the floor is yours.

Representative Conklin, I will call you after Representative Benninghoff.

Please proceed, Representative.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to say thank you to the members for your indulgence. We were waiting for the team and their coaches to get over from the Senate.

I am honored to stand here a week later to recognize another Centre County team's outstanding athleticism and good leadership. This is the State College High School Boys Track and Field Team, my alma mater, and we are very proud to have them here on the House floor today.

Joining us are their head coach, Steve Shisler; assistant coaches Chris Cipro, Jennifer Evans, Artie Gilkes, Tom Kleban, Joe Sarra, and Matt Seeland, and I believe they are in the back, if we would ask them to rise so we can acknowledge them. Thank you, guys.

Behind us we have a representation of the team, six of the players. I just want to give you a couple highlights. This is first place in the Class AAA boys team rankings during the

2016 PIAA Track and Field Championships. This is the first State team trophy in the program's history, with a score of 54 points. And I saw the article in the paper – you cannot see it from there – but one of the gentlemen is holding the trophy in the air, and he says, "We're bringing the state title back to State College!" That was Kellin Valentine, as the team around him shouted. Those are exciting moments for our young athletes. We are very, very proud of that.

Their final victory was 54 to 53, a very close match, and they clinched the victory with a second-place finish in the final race of the meet, the 1600-meter relay. As somebody who still cannot get over the hurdles, I am always proud of those who can, and I am honored to have the State College Area High School Track and Field State Champions of 2016, AAA, State College High School, here with us today.

Mr. Speaker, thank you very much for having us here.

Representative Scott Conklin.

The SPEAKER. Representative Conklin, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. CONKLIN. I want to thank you, Mr. Speaker, but most of all, I want to thank the coaches and these young men that have come out today.

It is so inspirational to see individuals in their young life who already have the drive to succeed and to see what they have done. It is even more important that Kerry and I get to stand up here for all these State champions that have come down, some that have won within our beautiful town of State College, but to have our own champions up here with us today.

I want to thank them all. I want to thank those individuals that came up today, but most of all, I want to thank the coaches and their families who give them the opportunity to be here as well. Congratulations, men; congratulations, coaches. Enjoy your day.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Conklin.

Please, let us give this team a great round of applause.

### **RULES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The SPEAKER. Chairman Adolph is recognized for committee announcements.

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

Mr. Speaker, I would like to announce two meetings. There will be an immediate meeting of the House Rules Committee in the Republican Appropriations conference room, and then at 12 o'clock there will be a House Appropriations Committee meeting in the majority caucus room. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee in the Republican Appropriations conference room, and at 12 o'clock there will be an Appropriations Committee meeting in the majority caucus room.

### **REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. Madam Chair, 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 1 p.m. I would ask our Republican members to please report to the caucus room at 1 p.m. We would be prepared to come back on the floor, Mr. Speaker, at 1:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Madam Chair.

### **DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

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

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Democrats will also caucus at 1 o'clock. Democrats will caucus at 1 o'clock. Thank you.

### **VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. Representative Steve Barrar, for a committee announcement.

Mr. BARRAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to announce an immediate meeting of the House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee in room B-31 to consider SB 1226 and HB 1858.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

There will be an immediate meeting of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee in room B-31 to consider SB 1226 and HB 1858.

Do any other members wish to be recognized for announcements?

### **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The House will stand in recess until 1:30 p.m., until 1:30 p.m.

### **AFTER RECESS**

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

### **LEAVES OF ABSENCE CANCELED**

The SPEAKER. Representative Phillips-Hill is back on the House floor and Representative Kate Klunk is back on the House floor, and they should be placed back on the master roll.

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

**HB 1838, PN 3659** (Amended)

By Rep. TAYLOR

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

TRANSPORTATION.

**HB 2157, PN 3660** (Amended) By Rep. TAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for probationary license.

TRANSPORTATION.

**HB 2203, PN 3661** (Amended) By Rep. TAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in operation of vehicles, providing for autonomous and connected vehicles.

TRANSPORTATION.

**HB 2208, PN 3602** By Rep. TAYLOR

An Act designating a portion of State Route 145 in Salisbury Township, Lehigh County, as the Cpl. Joshua B. Smith Memorial Highway.

TRANSPORTATION.

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

**SB 1155, PN 1998** (Amended) By Rep. TAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for special plates for current members of the armed forces of the United States.

TRANSPORTATION.

**BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**

**HB 1339, PN 3645** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusion, providing for the offense of unlawful use of unmanned aircraft.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 1739, PN 2610** By Rep. ADOLPH

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 1923, PN 3023** By Rep. REED

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2005 in Drexel Hill, Delaware County, as the Officer Dennis McNamara Memorial Highway.

RULES.

**HB 2013, PN 3647** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, providing for Public-Private State Park Partnership Pilot Program.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2028, PN 3608** By Rep. REED

An Act providing for outpatient psychiatric oversight.

RULES.

**HB 2071, PN 3350** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating the pedestrian walkways on the Matsonford Bridge, located on State Route 3016 over the Schuylkill River, connecting the Boroughs of West Conshohocken and Conshohocken, Montgomery County, as the Clay-Doc Walk in memory of West Conshohocken Borough Police Chief Joseph G. Clayborne III and Conshohocken Borough Police Chief James H. Dougherty, Sr.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2211, PN 3606** By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for medical assistance payments for institutional care; in children and youth, further providing for provider submissions; in nursing facility assessments, further providing for definitions and for time periods; in intermediate care facilities for persons with an intellectual disability assessments, further providing for definitions and for time periods; in hospital assessments, further providing for definitions and for time period; in departmental powers and duties as to licensing, further providing for regulations; establishing the Pennsylvania eHealth Partnership Program; providing for the Pennsylvania eHealth Partnership Fund; abrogating a related regulation; and making a related repeal.

RULES.

**SB 956, PN 1953** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1017 over Mill Creek in Ligonier Township, Westmoreland County, as the Lieutenant Eric Eslary Memorial Bridge; and designating a portion of State Route 981 in Mount Pleasant Township, Westmoreland County, as the James Paul Takitch Honorary Highway.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**SB 1216, PN 1774** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating the bridge carrying State Route 3087 over Jacobs Creek connecting Scottdale, Westmoreland County, and Everson, Fayette County, as the Private First Class Joseph Anthony Petrarca/Staff Sergeant John William Earnesty Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**SB 1217, PN 1739** By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act designating a portion of State Route 523 in Somerset County as the Private First Class Nils G. Thompson Memorial Highway.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**BILL ON CONCURRENCE  
REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

**HB 2003, PN 3536** By Rep. REED

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 Southern Lancaster County Historical Society certain lands situate in Fulton Township, Lancaster

County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey a certain tract of land and improvements thereon in Lower Oxford Township, Chester County.

RULES.

### BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

#### SB 1154, PN 1593

An Act amending the act of August 5, 1941 (P.L.752, No.286), known as the Civil Service Act, in selection of employees for entrance to or promotion in the classified service, further providing for ratings of competitors; and, in appointment and promotion of employees in the classified service, further providing for certification and for selection and appointment of eligibles.

#### SB 1192, PN 1717

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to dedicate to Cresson Township a right-of-way from lands of the Commonwealth at the State Correctional Institution-Cresson, situate in Cresson Township, Cambria County, for the purpose of laying out and constructing a public roadway.

#### SB 1225, PN 1755

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to partially release a reversionary interest and use restriction affecting certain real property situate in the Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County.

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

### BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

#### SB 1226, PN 1963

By Rep. BARRAR

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in State Veterans' Commission and Deputy Adjutant General for Veterans' Affairs, further providing for specific powers and duties and for Veterans' Trust Fund; and, in Veterans' Emergency Assistance, further providing for definitions, for purpose, for eligibility, for amounts of assistance and for appeals.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

### BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

#### HB 1858, PN 2919

By Rep. BARRAR

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in high schools, providing for graduation requirement.

Reported from Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS with request that it be rereferred to Committee on EDUCATION.

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

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 2028, PN 3608**, entitled:

An Act providing for outpatient psychiatric oversight.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1923, PN 3023**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2005 in Drexel Hill, Delaware County, as the Officer Dennis McNamara Memorial Highway.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 2211, PN 3606**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for medical assistance payments for institutional care; in children and youth, further providing for provider submissions; in nursing facility assessments, further providing for definitions and for time periods; in intermediate care facilities for persons with an intellectual disability assessments, further providing for definitions and for time periods; in hospital assessments, further providing for definitions and for time period; in departmental powers and duties as to licensing, further providing for regulations; establishing the Pennsylvania eHealth Partnership Program; providing for the Pennsylvania eHealth Partnership Fund; abrogating a related regulation; and making a related repeal.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **HENNESSEY** offered the following amendment No. **A08935**:

Amend Bill, page 10, line 27, by striking out "16" and inserting the following

Amend Bill, page 10, lines 28 through 30, by striking out "with two additional, ex" in line 28, all of line 29 and "composed" in line 30

Amend Bill, page 10, line 30, by inserting after "and"

shall be

Amend Bill, page 12, by inserting between lines 27 and 28

(12) One home care or hospice representative appointed by the secretary from a list of individuals submitted by a Statewide home care association.

(13) Two ex officio nonvoting members appointed by the other members of the board.

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

The SPEAKER. Does anybody wish to speak on the amendment?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—198

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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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?

The SPEAKER. Representative Oberlander has withdrawn her amendment. I do not believe that there are any other amendments.

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.

CALENDAR

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1156, PN 1898**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for disposition and expunction of unfounded reports and general protective services reports, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for volunteers having contact with children and for recertification.

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—197

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

Brown, V.	Gingrich	McClinton	Savage
Bullock	Godshall	McGinnis	Saylor
Burns	Goodman	Mentzer	Schemel
Caltagirone	Greiner	Metcalfe	Schlossberg
Carroll	Grove	Metzgar	Schreiber
Causer	Hahn	Miccarelli	Schweyer
Christiana	Hanna	Millard	Simmons
Cohen	Harhai	Miller, B.	Sims
Conklin	Harhart	Miller, D.	Snyder
Corbin	Harkins	Milne	Sonney
Costa, D.	Harper	Moul	Staats
Costa, P.	Harris, A.	Mullery	Stephens
Cox	Harris, J.	Murt	Sturla
Cruz	Heffley	Mustio	Tallman
Culver	Helm	Neilson	Taylor
Cutler	Hennessey	Nelson	Thomas
Daley, M.	Hickernell	Nesbit	Tobash
Davidson	Hill	Neuman	Toepel
Davis	Irvin	O'Brien	Toohil
Dawkins	James	O'Neill	Topper
Dean	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Truitt
Deasy	Kampf	Ortitay	Vereb
DeLissio	Kaufner	Parker, D.	Vitali
Delozier	Kauffman	Pashinski	Ward
Dermody	Kavulich	Payne	Warner
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Peifer	Watson
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wentling
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheatley
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Wheeland
Dush	Kinsey	Pyle	White
Ellis	Kirkland	Quigley	Youngblood
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	Zimmerman
English	Knowles	Rader	
Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp	Turzai,
Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl	Speaker
Everett	Krueger	Readshaw	

NAYS-1

Diamond

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk 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 **SB 1194, PN 1785**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 2012 (P.L.232, No.29), known as the State Military College Legislative Appointment Initiative Program Act, repealing provisions relating to expiration.

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-185

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

NAYS-13

Gabler	Metcalfe	Roae	Vereb
Knowles	Metzgar	Topper	Vitali
Marshall	Nelson	Truitt	Warner
McGinnis			

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B**

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third 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 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—198**

Acosta	Everett	Krueger	Readshaw
Adolph	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Reed
Artis	Farina	Lewis	Reese
Baker	Farry	Longietti	Regan
Barbin	Fee	Mackenzie	Roae
Barrar	Flynn	Maher	Roebuck
Benninghoff	Frankel	Mahoney	Ross
Bizzarro	Freeman	Major	Rothman
Bloom	Gabler	Maloney	Rozzi
Boback	Gainey	Markosek	Saccone
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Bullock	Gingrich	McClinton	Savage
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Deasy	Jozwiak	Oberlander	Truitt

DeLissio	Kampf	Ortity	Vereb
Delozier	Kaufert	Parker, D.	Vitali
Dermody	Kauffman	Pashinski	Ward
Diamond	Kavulich	Payne	Warner
DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Peifer	Watson
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wentling
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheatley
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Wheeland
Dush	Kinsey	Pyle	White
Ellis	Kirkland	Quigley	Youngblood
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	Zimmerman
English	Knowles	Rader	
Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp	Turzai,
Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl	Speaker

**NAYS—0**

**NOT VOTING—0**

**EXCUSED—4**

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2071, PN 3350**, entitled:

An Act designating the pedestrian walkways on the Matsonford Bridge, located on State Route 3016 over the Schuylkill River, connecting the Boroughs of West Conshohocken and Conshohocken, Montgomery County, as the Clay-Doc Walk in memory of West Conshohocken Borough Police Chief Joseph G. Clayborne III and Conshohocken Borough Police Chief James H. Dougherty, Sr.

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—198**

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Barbin	Fee	Mackenzie	Roae
Barrar	Flynn	Maher	Roebuck
Benninghoff	Frankel	Mahoney	Ross
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Delozier	Kaufer	Parker, D.	Vitali
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DiGirolamo	Keller, F.	Peifer	Watson
Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wentling
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheatley
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Wheeland
Dush	Kinsey	Pyle	White
Ellis	Kirkland	Quigley	Youngblood
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	Zimmerman
English	Knowles	Rader	
Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp	Turzai,
Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

STATEMENT BY MR. VEREB

The SPEAKER. Members, on unanimous consent, the Chair recognizes Representative Mike Vereb.

Mr. VEREB. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to take a moment to thank the body for their affirmative vote on the dedication of the pedestrian walkways on the Matsonford Bridge, specifically my good male and female friends from either side of that bridge of Montgomery County, which is where I was a police officer, who allowed me to sponsor that bill.

And to the good gentleman here, the chairman of Judiciary from Dauphin County, yes; Segways will be allowed on these walkways, but in an effort to preserve the history of the Matsonford Bridge itself, we did the walkways.

So thank you all very much for your support. Thank you, Mr. Chairman of Dauphin County.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of SB 956, PN 1953, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1017 over Mill Creek in Ligonier Township, Westmoreland County, as the Lieutenant Eric Eslary Memorial Bridge; and designating a portion of State Route 981 in Mount Pleasant Township, Westmoreland County, as the James Paul Takitch Honorary 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?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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

Donatucci	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wentling
Driscoll	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheatley
Dunbar	Kim	Pickett	Wheeland
Dush	Kinsey	Pyle	White
Ellis	Kirkland	Quigley	Youngblood
Emrick	Klunk	Quinn	Zimmerman
English	Knowles	Rader	
Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp	Turzai,
Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk 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 **SB 1216, PN 1774**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridge carrying State Route 3087 over Jacobs Creek connecting Scottdale, Westmoreland County, and Everson, Fayette County, as the Private First Class Joseph Anthony Petrarca/Staff Sergeant John William Earnesty Memorial Bridge.

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-198

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

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

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1217, PN 1739**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 523 in Somerset County as the Private First Class Nils G. Thompson 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?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

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

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

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

## SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR C

BILL ON CONCURRENCE  
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 2003, PN 3536**, entitled:

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 Southern Lancaster County Historical Society certain lands situate in Fulton Township, Lancaster County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey a certain tract of land and improvements thereon in Lower Oxford Township, Chester County.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. Moved by the gentlemen, Representatives Cutler and Kortz, that the House concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate.

Representative Cutler, for a brief description of the Senate amendments, please.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, very briefly, this land transfer was amended in the Senate to include a transfer that includes a small parcel in Lower Oxford Township, Chester County. I am supportive of it and would urge a concurrence vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—198

Acosta	Everett	Krueger	Readshaw
Adolph	Fabrizio	Lawrence	Reed
Artis	Farina	Lewis	Reese
Baker	Farry	Longietti	Regan
Barbin	Fee	Mackenzie	Roae
Barrar	Flynn	Maher	Roebuck
Benninghoff	Frankel	Mahoney	Ross
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Daley, M.	Hennessey	Nelson	Thomas
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Evankovich	Kortz	Rapp	Turzai,
Evans	Kotik	Ravenstahl	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—4

Daley, P.	Day	DeLuca	McNeill
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

### BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

Bill numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the title was publicly read as follows:

#### HB 2003, PN 3536

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 Southern Lancaster County Historical Society certain lands situate in Fulton Township, Lancaster County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey a certain tract of land and improvements thereon in Lower Oxford Township, Chester County.

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

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

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

The following report was read:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

In the House of Representatives,  
June 28, 2016

Resolved that,

Representative Gergely, Allegheny County, is elected a member of the Environmental Resources and Energy Committee *vice* Representative Barbin resigned.

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

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

Resolution was adopted.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR D

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1073, PN 1984**, entitled:

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive and Judicial Departments, the State Government Support Agencies and the General Assembly of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for certain institutions and organizations and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Aviation Restricted Account, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program Fund, the Banking Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Home Improvement Account, the Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement Fund, the Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund, the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account, the Justice Reinvestment Fund, the Multimodal Transportation Fund, the State Racing Fund and the ABLE Savings Program Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for the proper operation of several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund money; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

**BILL RECOMMITTED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 1073 be recommitted to the Appropriations Committee.

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

**RULES AND APPROPRIATIONS  
COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The SPEAKER. Chairman Adolph of the Appropriations Committee is recognized for committee announcements.

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

Mr. Speaker, I have two announcements to make for committee meetings. There will be a 3 o'clock meeting of the Rules Committee in the House Republican conference room; that is 3 o'clock. At 3:30 there will be an Appropriations meeting in the majority caucus room; at 3:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Chairman Adolph.

At 3 p.m. there will be a Rules Committee meeting in the House Republican conference room, and at 3:30 p.m. there will be an Appropriations Committee meeting in the majority caucus room.

**RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The House will now be in recess until 4 p.m. The House will be in recess until 4 p.m.

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE****HB 2150, PN 3607**

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for fantasy contests; in general provisions, further providing for legislative intent and for definitions; in Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, further providing for general and specific powers, for licensed gaming entity application appeals from board, for board minutes and records, for regulatory authority of board, for slot machine license fee, for reports of board and for diversity goals of board; in licensees, further providing for Category 3 slot machine license, for slot machine license application, for supplier licenses and for manufacturer licenses, providing for nongaming service provider and further providing for slot machine testing and certification standards and for license renewals; in table games, further providing for authorization to conduct table games, for table game tournaments, for other financial transactions, for table game device and associated equipment testing and certification standards, for table game authorization fee and for local share assessment; providing for interactive gaming, for slot machines at nonprimary locations, for slot machines in qualified airports, for casino simulcasting and for sports wagering; in revenues, further providing for establishment of State Gaming Fund and net slot machine revenue distribution, for Pennsylvania Race Horse Development Fund and for Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund and establishing the Public School Employees' Retirement Contribution Fund; in administration and enforcement, further providing for responsibility

and authority of the Department of Revenue and for compulsive and problem gambling program, providing for child endangerment protection, further providing for financial and employment interests, for political influence, for regulation requiring exclusion or ejection of certain persons, for repeat offenders excludable from licensed gaming facility, for list of persons self excluded from gaming activities, for investigations and enforcement and for prohibited acts and penalties; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for appropriations; making an editorial change; and making a related repeal.

**APPROPRIATIONS.****SB 1073, PN 2000 (Amended)**

By Rep. ADOLPH

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive and Judicial Departments, the State Government Support Agencies and the General Assembly of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for certain institutions and organizations and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Aviation Restricted Account, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program Fund, the Banking Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Home Improvement Account, the Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement Fund, the Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund, the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account, the Justice Reinvestment Fund, the Multimodal Transportation Fund, the State Racing Fund and the ABLE Savings Program Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for the proper operation of several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund money; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

**APPROPRIATIONS.****SENATE MESSAGE**

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

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1877, PN 3321**, with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The SPEAKER. Members, the House is going to stand at ease.

Members, we are going to remain at ease for probably the next 5 to 10 minutes. The calendar room is updating the calendar for the bills that we are going to be running here shortly. So we will probably be at ease for the next 5 to 10 minutes.

The House will come to order. Please, the House will come to order.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

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

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR E

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2150, PN 3607**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for fantasy contests; in general provisions, further providing for legislative intent and for definitions; in Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, further providing for general and specific powers, for licensed gaming entity application appeals from board, for board minutes and records, for regulatory authority of board, for slot machine license fee, for reports of board and for diversity goals of board; in licensees, further providing for Category 3 slot machine license, for slot machine license application, for supplier licenses and for manufacturer licenses, providing for nongaming service provider and further providing for slot machine testing and certification standards and for license renewals; in table games, further providing for authorization to conduct table games, for table game tournaments, for other financial transactions, for table game device and associated equipment testing and certification standards, for table game authorization fee and for local share assessment; providing for interactive gaming, for slot machines at nonprimary locations, for slot machines in qualified airports, for casino simulcasting and for sports wagering; in revenues, further providing for establishment of State Gaming Fund and net slot machine revenue distribution, for Pennsylvania Race Horse Development Fund and for Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund and establishing the Public School Employees' Retirement Contribution Fund; in administration and enforcement, further providing for responsibility and authority of the Department of Revenue and for compulsive and problem gambling program, providing for child endangerment protection, further providing for financial and employment interests, for political influence, for regulation requiring exclusion or ejection of certain persons, for repeat offenders excludable from licensed gaming facility, for list of persons self excluded from gaming activities, for investigations and enforcement and for prohibited acts and penalties; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for appropriations; making an editorial change; and making a related repeal.

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 George Dunbar is called upon with respect to HB 2150.

I also see that Representative Vitali is now waiving off.  
Representative Dunbar, for a summary of the bill.

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 2150 originally was legislation to regulate fantasy sports. We amended it on the House floor last week to also include Internet gaming, which allows our present casinos to offer

Internet gaming and poker. It also has iGaming at airports, slot machines at airports as well. It also allows for our Category 1 casinos to have offtrack betting parlors, with a maximum of four offtrack betting parlors for each Category 1. There are some changes for the Category 3 casinos, removing their access fee as well as allowing them to have an additional 250 machines and 15 additional table games. It also allows for the issuance of the final Category 3 license immediately as opposed to waiting until July of 2017. And there also is a section in there for sports wagering. If at the Federal level there is a Federal ruling that allows sports wagering, we would also allow it in Pennsylvania. There are also some minor changes to some local share agreements.

I appreciate the support for HB 2150. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Rosita Youngblood.

Ms. YOUNGBLOOD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am going to submit my remarks for the record.

However, I would like to thank Representative Dunbar, Chairman Kotik, and Chairman Payne, and the staff that worked on this issue.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Youngblood.

Ms. YOUNGBLOOD submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the bill before us today is a comprehensive gaming bill that makes sweeping changes to our current Gaming Act. The bill is a product of years of research, public hearings, committee meetings, and workgroups that truly encompassed the meaning of bipartisanship.

I want to acknowledge the efforts of the Republican and Democratic chairmen of the Gaming Oversight Committee and their staffs for their commitment to educating our members on the issues that are included in this legislation and for working with my office and our leader's office to put together a strong gaming bill that will allow our Commonwealth to remain competitive, while ensuring the integrity and sustainability of our regulated gaming industry.

This legislation will bring Pennsylvania's gaming laws into the modern era and provide much-needed consumer protections by addressing various new forms of gambling that have become a reality over the last several years; new forms of gambling, such as Internet gaming and daily fantasy sports contests, that will enhance the State's current investment in regulated gaming.

Mr. Speaker, this is a bill that will move our Commonwealth's investment forward without negatively impacting programs and services that many of our residents rely on, all while remaining committed to a full and transparent regulated gaming industry.

I urge support of HB 2150. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali now wishes to be recognized, but if you will please just suspend for the time being.

I have been presented by the Parliamentarian late-filed amendments to HB 2150, filed by Representative Mark Keller. They are amendments 9126, 9134, 9135, and 9139. They would require a motion to suspend with a two-thirds vote.

Representative, I am going to hold off calling on you until I find out about the amendments.

Representative Keller, amendment 9126.

Members, I want to restate that they are not late-filed. They are filed on third consideration, which requires a two-thirds vote. They are filed on third consideration.

The House will stand at ease.

Representative Keller has indicated that amendments 9126, 9134, 9135, and 9139 have been withdrawn. There are no other amendments filed on third consideration.

I might say that Representative Vitali waived off. Representative Vitali waived off from speaking on the bill or asking any questions.

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—114

Acosta	Dunbar	Kotik	Roebuck
Adolph	Ellis	Lewis	Ross
Artis	English	Mahoney	Rothman
Barrar	Evankovich	Markosek	Rozzi
Benninghoff	Everett	Marshall	Saccone
Bizzarro	Fabrizio	Marsico	Sankey
Bloom	Farina	Masser	Santora
Boyle	Flynn	Matzie	Savage
Briggs	Frankel	McClinton	Saylor
Brown, R.	Gabler	Miccarelli	Schreiber
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Bullock	Goodman	Moul	Sonney
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Carroll	Hanna	Neilson	Sturla
Causar	Harkins	Nelson	Taylor
Christiana	Harper	Nesbit	Tobash
Cohen	Harris, A.	O'Brien	Toepel
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Costa, D.	Hennessey	Pashinski	Truitt
Costa, P.	Hill	Payne	Vereb
Cruz	Irvin	Pyle	Ward
Daley, M.	James	Quigley	Warner
Dawkins	Jozwiak	Ravenstahl	Wheeland
Deasy	Kampf	Readshaw	White
Dermody	Keller, W.	Reed	Youngblood
Diamond	Kim	Reese	
Donatucci	Kirkland	Regan	Turzai,
Driscoll	Klunk	Roae	Speaker

NAYS—85

Baker	Gergely	Lawrence	Petri
Barbin	Gibbons	Longietti	Pickett
Boback	Gillen	Mackenzie	Quinn
Bradford	Gillespie	Maher	Rader
Burns	Gingrich	Major	Rapp
Cox	Godshall	Maloney	Sainato
Culver	Greiner	McCarter	Samuelson
Cutler	Hahn	McGinnis	Santarsiero
Davidson	Harhai	Mentzer	Schemel
Davis	Harhart	Metcalfe	Schlossberg
Day	Heffley	Metzgar	Schweyer
Dean	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Simmons
DeLissio	Kaufner	Miller, D.	Sims
Delozier	Kauffman	Milne	Staats
DiGirolamo	Kavulich	Mullery	Tallman
Dush	Keller, F.	Murt	Thomas
Emrick	Keller, M.K.	Neuman	Vitali
Evans	Kinsey	O'Neill	Watson
Farry	Knowles	Parker, D.	Wentling

Fee	Kortz	Peifer	Wheatley
Freeman	Krueger	Petrarca	Zimmerman
Galloway			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—3

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

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

The SPEAKER. I see that Representative Pete Daley is now on the floor and should be placed back on the master roll.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR D

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **SB 1073, PN 2000**, entitled:

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive and Judicial Departments, the State Government Support Agencies and the General Assembly of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for certain institutions and organizations and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Aviation Restricted Account, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program Fund, the Banking Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Home Improvement Account, the Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement Fund, the Insurance Regulation and Oversight Fund, the Pennsylvania Racehorse Development Restricted Receipt Account, the Justice Reinvestment Fund, the Multimodal Transportation Fund, the State Racing Fund and the ABLE Savings Program Fund to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2017, for the proper operation of several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund money; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund, the State Lottery Fund and the Tobacco Settlement Fund for the Executive and Legislative Departments of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015.

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?

Members, as I indicated, the leader has called up SB 1073, PN 2000, pages 1 and 2 of supplemental D House calendar.

Now, since it was amended yesterday evening in Appropriations, we cannot vote on this until later this evening, but we can begin consideration of the bill with respect to any members who wish to speak on it on the House floor. So while the question is, shall the bill pass finally, at this time we will just be taking consideration of it in terms of remarks on the House floor, but we would not be able to vote it until later this evening.

I would ask all the members to please take their seats. Members, please take your seats.

The first speakers, of course, will be the Appropriations chairman, Bill Adolph, and then the Democratic chair, Joseph Markosek.

### POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. Representative Ed Neilson rises. Can you please state—

Mr. NEILSON. Point of order, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Yes, sir. You may proceed.

Mr. NEILSON. There is no text coming up on our screens.

The SPEAKER. Okay. Then we will not proceed until it is up on the screen.

Mr. NEILSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

### BILLS ON CONCURRENCE REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HB 530, PN 3665** (Amended)

By Rep. REED

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, further providing for Keystone Exams; in professional employees, further providing for payment of salaries in cases of sickness, injury or death; in certification of teachers, further providing for granting provisional college certificates and providing for provisional vocational education certificate; in terms and courses of study, further providing for agreements with institutions of higher education; in opportunities for educational excellence, further providing for definitions, for responsibilities of school entities and for concurrent enrollment agreements; in charter schools, extensively revising and adding charter school provisions; in community colleges, further providing for election or appointment and term and organization of board of trustees; providing for educational tax credits; in the State Board of Education, further providing for powers and duties of the board; and repealing provisions of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 related to educational tax credits.

RULES.

**HB 1196, PN 3666** (Amended)

By Rep. REED

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; in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for general powers of board; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, providing for national event permit, further providing for wine

expanded permits, for casino liquor license, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for malt and brewed beverage retail licenses, for brand registration, for Pennsylvania Malt and Brewed Beverages Industry Promotion Board, for license auction, for unlawful acts relative to liquor, alcohol and liquor licensees and for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees; and, in distilleries, wineries, bonded warehouses, bailees for hire and transporters for hire, further providing for limited wineries; and making a related repeal.

RULES.

### CONSIDERATION OF SB 1073 CONTINUED

BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. We are going to go over SB 1073 for the time being, until it is up on the screens.

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1339, PN 3645**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusion, providing for the offense of unlawful use of unmanned aircraft.

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?

Members, we are able to vote this at 4:50 p.m. because that is when it was amended. I will need a motion to proceed and then we will take the vote. It is only about 6 minutes away.

### MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDERATION UNDER RULE 24

The SPEAKER. Representative Pyle is recognized.

Mr. PYLE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask for a motion to proceed on HB 1339.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody, on the motion to proceed on HB 1339, PN 3645.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would urge the members to support the motion to proceed.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—182

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

## NAYS—18

Davidson	Kotik	Miller, D.	Ravenstahl
Freeman	Matzie	Milne	Roae
Galloway	McGinnis	Mullery	Samuelson
Gillen	Metcalfe	Neuman	Tallman
Keller, F.	Metzgar		

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—2

DeLuca	McNeill
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A majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

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—200

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

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—2

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

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

### CONSIDERATION OF SB 1073 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. Members, it is my understanding that SB 1073, PN 2000, should be on everybody's screens. If there is any member that cannot access it, please let us know.

The House is going to stand at ease.

The House will come back to order.

The Speaker recognizes the leader, who calls up SB 1073, PN 2000, on pages 1 and 2 of supplemental D House calendar.

Members, just to update everybody, LDP, Legislative Data Processing, as everybody knows the bill was amended in Appropriations at approximately 3:45. It is a 403-page bill. According to the head of LDP, Kathy Sullivan, she has indicated that it is in the system but it has not yet completely processed. As soon as it is processed, we will know. If you punch in – this is colloquial – but if you actually put in the numbers for the bill in the LDP system, it is my understanding that the bill is coming up if you put in SB 1073, PN 2000. It is not coming up on the rolling calendar yet on our screens, but if you input SB 1073, PN 2000, the bill should come up.

The House will come to order.

Again, I would ask the members to please check LDPC (Legislative Data Processing Center), the House floor system. SB 1073, PN 2000, should be on everyone's screens. Again, if I am mistaken, please let us know.

All right. We are going to proceed.

As I indicated, the Speaker recognizes the leader, who calls up SB 1073, PN 2000, pages 1 and 2 of supplemental D House calendar.

On the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

The SPEAKER. We will not be able to vote the bill until later this evening, but at this time we will begin debate on the bill.

I would ask all members to please take their seats. I would ask all members to please take their seats. In front of us is the 2016-17 budget legislation. So I would ask everybody to please take their seats.

Members, as you do know that with respect to budget bills under our rules, everyone's remarks are limited to 5 minutes and one time to speak. However, of course, the floor leaders and the Appropriations chairs do not have a time limit and may speak more than once.

Again, I would like all members to please take their seats so that we can proceed with the debate on SB 1073.

Chairman Adolph, you are recognized.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask support for SB 1073.

The SPEAKER. Sir, please suspend.

Members in the back, if I might please ask, can you please take the conversation off the House floor, please. If all members could please take their seats. Any conversations should go off the House floor to the anterooms.

Chairman Adolph, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. ADOLPH. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for your attention.

Former Speaker Matt Ryan constantly would remind the members of this House that the most important vote that you make as a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives is that constitutional responsibility of a budget. I do not think there is anyone in this House that would like to go through what we went through last year and what the taxpayers and residents of Pennsylvania went through last year.

I constantly reminded the members of this General Assembly that there were more than just two roads to solving a budget. We did not have to go to excessive spending and taxation, nor did we have to go to excessive tax cuts to many programs that we need, many of the residents of Pennsylvania depend on. There was a middle of the road. There was a middle of the road.

What we have before us today is the middle of the road to a passage of a budget on time. Also, and I will go through this for you because I want to explain to you how we take care of our most vulnerable citizens, how we appropriate much-needed money for our educational system, and why the increase of \$1.5 billion over the year before, because I know in talking to many of my colleagues, how can this happen.

Well, this budget before you spends \$31.55 billion. This is a \$1.5 billion increase over last year. Let me explain to you how before we got started, mandated spending increases of \$1.2 billion. PSERS (Public School Employees' Retirement System), increase of \$345 million. I do not think there is anyone in this chamber that does not want to pay the contribution due. SERS (State Employees' Retirement System), \$143 million. Corrections and probation and parole, almost \$152 million; contractual responsibilities. Our State Police, almost \$12 million. Human services, Federal mandated increases, Federal mandated increases, \$324 million. In order to balance budgets in the past, we used accounting procedures, phase-in Social Security, delayed payments. County child welfare, \$226 million. Altogether, \$1.2 billion before we put one cent on the paper.

This budget leaves us \$300 million. Two hundred and sixty-six million dollars, Mr. Speaker, is going to public education; basic education, \$200 million.

Between the Republican Appropriations staff and the Democratic Appropriations staff, we went over every department in human services, in every department in human services. That is our largest, largest department in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and we decreased that by over half a billion dollars.

So now let us see what it does for us. In education, I mentioned a \$200 million increase. It brings our basic education funding spending to \$5.895 billion. Mr. Speaker, this is the highest this line item has ever been, including the years of the Federal stimulus. Pre-K Counts will increase by \$25 million; Head Start Supplemental Assistance will increase by \$5 million; special education, special education for our children will increase by \$20 million; early intervention, \$10.4 million. In total, \$266 million will be increased to our State budget. I am sure each and every one of you has received your basic education funding distribution for your school districts.

Public safety. This budget will allow us to start three new cadet classes. This will put 180 new State troopers on our highways. We also realize that maintaining our prison system and our parole process is vital to public safety; thus, the increase in the Department of Corrections of \$152 million.

Environmental protection. With this budget we acknowledge the treasure that Pennsylvania has in its open lands, State parks, and State forests. We realize that it is incumbent on us as Pennsylvania legislators to protect this environment for our future generations. We were so fortunate for many years to be able to put royalties and rents into our Oil and Gas Lease Fund from the drilling that was going on in Pennsylvania. Because this industry has slowed down, we transferred an additional \$48 million into the General Fund to take care of our environment, to protect programs for conservation and recreation, Growing Greener, and our Hazardous Sites Cleanup Fund.

I was proud to stand with many of my colleagues just last week with our Governor in the rotunda regarding sadly, just like the rest of the nation, the rise of heroin overdoses. This budget has an increase of \$5 million in the Department of Drug and Alcohol and \$10 million in DHS (Department of Human Services) to help combat this dreadful disease. We also know that we are going to have a special session on that issue alone, and I know each and every one of you will be interested on how we can solve this problem.

Our most vulnerable citizens that receive money from human services, I am sure you have received phone calls and visits from these folks. Sometimes they are 75 years of age taking care of a 50-year-old disabled child. We put money in here to take care of a couple hundred more people on the waiting list. We have also taken care of our special ed children who graduate this year so they can become viable citizens of this Commonwealth, 700 graduates of special education. We squeezed every little bit that we could from DHS but took care of our most vulnerable citizens.

We did this – I think this is important – we did this without a proposal to raise the State income tax on our hardworking businesses and hardworking people of Pennsylvania, we did not increase or expand in this proposal the State sales tax, by finding the middle of the road.

I want to thank the members of the Appropriations Committee that put together this legislation of finding the middle road. They realized the mandated expenses that we had to cover and realized the responsibility that we have of taking care of the hospitals, the nursing homes, and our children. We did this in a bipartisan way, just like we did pension reform, just like we did liquor privatization. We are moving the State forward.

I ask each and every one of you to realize this is the most important vote that you make as a State legislature. This legislature cannot control Federal mandates. It cannot control the baby boomers that are retiring and needing our help in retirement through disabilities. They are almost double the working class. This middle-of-the-road budget and plan takes care of those.

Please, please, let us move this process; let us pass this budget so we do what constitutionally we are responsible to do – pass an on-time budget, be proud to stand with you, and we did it without broad-based taxes. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Chairman Adolph.

Chairman Joe Markosek; Democratic Chair Joe Markosek.

Mr. MARKOSEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Good afternoon, members.

They say that life is a series of beginnings and endings. As we consider SB 1073, our general appropriations budget bill,

legislation, I want to suggest that our 2016-17 spending plan is both, is both an ending and a beginning. It is an ending because it does not rely as much, I say as much, on one-time sources of revenue. It does not totally eliminate them, but certainly they are at a much reasonable level this year that we are using to perhaps fund this budget. It is a beginning because it also represents a return of a more positive level of political cooperation.

I do not know if some of you remember a couple of years ago when things were much more contentious and we were at this same point in our budget where we were on final passage of the spending bill. There was a different Governor, and my colleague, the chairman from Delaware County, got up and made a very good speech on his budget and why we should vote for it, and I followed him and the first thing that I said and maybe some of you remember, I said, "Don't pay any attention to him. Now I'll give you the real story," and while he asked you to vote for it, I asked you to vote "no."

Well, we have come way beyond that this year. I am happy to say that we have worked in a very, very cooperative way in putting this budget together this year. This \$31.55 billion proposal is not everything that I want and it is not everything that my Democratic colleagues want either. Some of us want more money, as the chairman mentioned, for opioid treatment and addiction prevention, and that is understandable. We have a very, very difficult task ahead of us and a scourge in Pennsylvania relative to heroin addiction. But SB 1073 delivers significant, significant dollars now for fighting this drug problem.

Some members, like me, would like to see better investment, better investment in education. Well, this proposal does add 250 million more dollars for basic education, pre-K through 12, grade 12, which is a strong step, a strong step in the right direction. As was mentioned, there is 200 million more in the basic education line item, 25 million more dollars for pre-K, 5 million more dollars for the Head Start Program, and 20 million more dollars for special ed; 20 million more dollars for special education in Pennsylvania.

Some of the members want to spend less than the bottom line in SB 1073, but that would only make things worse for the taxpayers, our children, and Pennsylvanians who live in the shadows – those who need assistance, those who are either born into or have fallen into a situation, mostly through no fault of their own, where their problems have gone beyond them, their problems have gone beyond them and their families. We need to help them. That is what our human services programs are for. And to ignore those people, those citizens of Pennsylvania, is wrong. So sure, we would like more there and perhaps in the future we will have more for that and better programs for that.

Republicans came to the table with definite desires and wants and they got a lot of what they asked for. Democrats had a lengthy wish list also. And our desire to be civil and productive helped us to check off much of what we wanted. We were able to negotiate in a very civil and productive way with our colleagues on the other side of the aisle – because we are all in this together – on a very, very good budget this year, not quite what everybody wants, but certainly a pretty good budget.

I will vote for this budget because it works to strengthen Pennsylvania's financial foundation rather than weaken it, as we have seen in the past. I will vote for this budget because it represents a positive step forward, and I am asking all members,

both sides of the aisle, to vote "yes" so that we can move forward knowing this is a new beginning, a new beginning for Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, let me just summarize by saying that this is, I believe, my 34th budget, and the one thing I learned after I did my first one, that these budget bills that are very thick, several hundred line items in them, if you want to vote "yes" or if you want to vote "no," you can find things, it is big enough, it is broad enough that you can find things in there to justify either voting "yes" or voting "no" on any budget. But I would remind members that this year there is another reason to vote for this. We are on schedule right now to have an on-time budget by June 30. By voting for this, we can get there. And besides all those reasons in that 100-page document, I think that in itself is a very, very good reason to vote for this budget. Let us get it done; let us show the people of Pennsylvania that we can work together, both sides of the aisle, and get a budget done on time.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Chairman Markosek.

Representative Bryan Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of SB 1073 not because it disavows the most wasteful spending by the Commonwealth, because it does not. Think failing charter school compensation and fees. I rise in support of SB 1073 not because it directs scarce resources to the Commonwealth's most pressing needs, because it does not. Think pensions. I rise in support of SB 1073 not because it decreases the tax burdens for Pennsylvania's families working to make ends meet, because it does not. Think gaming and cigarette taxes. Nor do I rise in support of SB 1073 because it dismantles the overarching influence of money in formulating public policy, because it does not. Think unlimited campaign contributions.

So why then should all members of this body support SB 1073? Because it is the first duty of government to fund operations necessary to ensure peace, safety, happiness of its citizens before the commencement of the next fiscal year. No factions of government, whether they be legislative, executive, or judicial; Republican or Democrat; conservative or liberal; religious or agnostic, have the right to disrupt the orderly administration of government. No faction has the right to impose interest of \$67 million as a carrying cost to ensure the success of its political ideology for moneys properly owed to counties, nonprofits, and local governments that provide human services.

I support 1073 simply to avoid the consequences of last year's 10-month-late budget. I leave to next year's budget a kinder, wiser, and more just compromise.

#### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

Mr. BARBIN. Mr. Speaker, I respectfully request the remainder of my remarks be submitted for the record.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir. Those will be accepted.

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

Each year budget crisis planning devolves into three slogans: cut spending, close loopholes, or raise taxes. The heart of the problem, however, is more nuanced. Budgets are prepared 1 year at a time, always for the short term, always waiting until the last day to enforce a take-it-or-leave-it proposal.

Each year baseline budgeting becomes the starting point with a markup for increased payroll and benefit costs. This is done without any real effort to eliminate programs that are not providing services at the most cost-effective basis.

Each year charter school interests line up to ensure their funding is camouflaged in the line item for basic education funding and special education and is largely without discussion. Charter school expenses have grown in excess of \$1.5 billion. All know that public education dollars are increased; few know or admit that such public appropriations have been and will continue to be transferred by law to fund executive compensation, for-profit management fees, and ever-expanding building surpluses of failing and successful charter schools. This transfer occurs by use of a rule stating the money should follow the student, without any requirement that the money be spent on the student. This rule is the reason 500 public schools continue to lay off teachers and cut programs.

Each year gaming interests ensure their cut, at the same time asking for their monopoly to be extended at the expense of VFWs (Veterans of Foreign Wars), VFDs (volunteer fire departments), and social clubs and publicans.

Each year Corrections increases more than \$1 million annually with little to show in rehabilitation or cost efficiencies, or safety of the public. Pennsylvania remains among the highest cost systems with the highest percentage of its population behind bars.

With a high hope for the future, I suggest that our budget could be reduced by over \$1 billion next year if we did the following:

Close failing cyber and charter schools and adopt maximum reimbursements for charter and cyber costs on the same basis as surrounding States. Limit executive compensation of cyber and charter schools, and eliminate reimbursement of for-profit management fees.

Transfer charter school building surplus in excess of public school surplus amounts to pay down pension debt.

Adjust racetrack and casino subsidies and payouts to provide additional moneys to pay down pension debt.

Require all payments to drug and alcohol providers end addiction and eliminate payments for counseling that seeks only to stabilize addictions with methadone and Suboxone.

Transfer 1,500 of the State's 5,000 inmates with veterans service to a voluntary intermediate punishment program of qualified inmates who reside outside prison walls and build conservation facilities and trails until their debt to society has been paid.

The SPEAKER. Representative Daryl Metcalfe.

Mr. METCALFE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to this budget proposal. Mr. Speaker, this budget proposal spends \$1.5-plus billion more than last year's budget. It increases spending by 4.8 percent, increases spending up to a \$31.55, \$31.6 billion budget, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, increasing spending at this rate, which is five times, approximately five times above the rate of inflation and population growth, Mr. Speaker, is not a budget that displays good stewardship to the people of this State, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the majority of people that I have been hearing from expect government to live within its means, and I know many of us last year heard those types of comments made during the budget debate last year – that government cannot spend what it does not have. I think it was even repeated last year. Government cannot spend what it does not have. And, Mr. Speaker, this year, this government, this State government, this General Assembly, this chamber of the General Assembly is proposing to spend over a billion dollars more, over a billion dollars more than we have coming into the State, Mr. Speaker, which was the reason for the previous vote to expand gambling in the State to provide additional revenue to try and fund this budget. The cigarette tax that is being proposed to fund this

budget still has not been brought up for a vote, and that is still expected to try and generate the revenue from that to pay for this budget, Mr. Speaker.

But, Mr. Speaker, this budget here tonight that is being proposed is proposing to do just what so many of us railed against last year, and that is to spend what we do not have. Families are not able to do that, Mr. Speaker. Individual taxpayers are not able to spend more than they have. If they do, they find themselves in bankruptcy. When government spends what it does not have, it sends the bill to the taxpayer, and whether there are broad-based tax increases or not, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Speaker, this proposal here before us today increases the level of spending, increases the appetite of State government for State taxpayer dollars, and will set a new floor for us in next year's budget negotiations that will be \$1 1/2 billion higher than the past year's budget, Mr. Speaker – the floor.

And as we know, the sky is the limit for the current administration, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, the Governor wanted to increase taxes by \$4.7 billion last year, \$2.7 billion this year, now this current budget does not allow him to do that, but he is still going to get his tax increases in the form of cigarette tax increases as is being proposed to fund this budget, Mr. Speaker, or maybe something else that comes out of left field, because it sure would not come out of the right field. But, Mr. Speaker, we need to rein in the excesses of government because of the people of Pennsylvania.

And I had asked many over Facebook this evening what they thought about the budget proposal, and some of them, I asked them if they oppose the budget as I do. June says she is opposed. Rob says, "Yes; I oppose the increase." Linda Cooper says— Mike says – excuse me – Mike says, "Frankly, I oppose the current administration as a whole." Sherrie says, "I absolutely oppose it." Michele says, "This is unbelievable." Jake says, "Opposed." Craig says, "Opposed. Please make sure to inform one of his, his Rep, that they should be opposed. Another, Karen says, "Yes; I oppose it." Mike says, "Definitely."

Mr. Speaker, the taxpayers of Pennsylvania cannot afford to pay for the budget that is being proposed here today. I know the Appropriations chairman had mentioned that he was taking the middle of the road. Well, Mr. Speaker, we all know what happens when you get in the middle of the road. You normally get in an accident. And this proposal is setting us up for a major economic accident, but it will not be by accident; it will be by the willful choice of the General Assembly to put Wolf in a position to call for more taxes, broad-based, next year, Mr. Speaker.

I ask for a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. Representative Mike Hanna.

Mr. HANNA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I will submit my remarks for the record.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

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

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of SB 1073.

Mr. Speaker, as the good gentleman from Allegheny County mentioned yesterday in the Appropriations Committee hearing, this proposal closely meets Pennsylvanians' expectations for investments in education and quality-of-life programs all while avoiding layoffs of State employees who are needed to deliver these services.

Mr. Speaker, this is a good compromise budget and one that we can all live with after enduring such a difficult budget impasse last year.

As mentioned by the previous speakers, this budget takes care of our greatest assets by investing approximately \$250 million more in pre-K through 12 education funding than last year. Specifically, this budget allows us to avoid a repeat of last year's disastrous impasse and actually provides for some historic investments: \$200 million in basic education for a total of nearly \$6 billion, which is the highest in Commonwealth history; and \$345 million increase for the school employee retirement obligation, which is the first time in 15 years that the State has met the actuarial required contribution.

Mr. Speaker, after the last arduous budget impasse that we all endured, this budget cycle has been somewhat refreshing. Leaders in all four caucuses worked hard to come to an agreement without a broad-based tax increase, something we can all be proud of.

In addition, we have been able to provide: a \$25 million increase for Pre-K Counts; a \$5 million increase for Head Start; a \$20 million increase in special education, as well as a \$10 million increase in DHS behavioral health services; a \$153 million increase for the Department of Corrections; and provides for three additional State Police cadet classes, which will allow for 180 new troopers in Pennsylvania.

In addition, this proposal is a significant public health and safety initiative that allows human service providers to continue their valuable work while providing funding to combat the State's opioid addiction problem, ultimately giving more Pennsylvanians access to the treatment and related services they need.

Mr. Speaker, I believe this budget is the product of commonsense compromise. We have proven that we can all work together in a bipartisan manner, not only in the House and Senate, but with the Governor as well.

Mr. Speaker, we still have a lot of work to do together, but passage of this proposal moves this process forward and ensures a better future for all Pennsylvanians.

I am requesting a "yes" vote on SB 1073. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Rick Saccone.

Members, please suspend. Members, please suspend.

Mr. SACCONI. Thank you, my colleagues. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Saccone, the floor is yours, sir.

Mr. SACCONI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the budget, and I have a number of concerns I want to share because I want, definitely, the people back home to understand that.

First of all, I am very concerned at increasing percent every year of our budget. It is financed from our vices – liquor, tobacco, gaming. Every year the percentage of our budget that we depend on grows from those sources. I think that is unsustainable and I think it is unhealthy. And when that is saturated, and it will be saturated soon, what will be next? Marijuana. We will want to tax that and we will want to help that because we need it, because that is what we say up here, we need more money. Yeah; that is it. That is in line. That is the next thing.

Because it is an addiction, it is like an addiction up here: "I have got to have more money. I have got to have more money." That is what I hear all the time. "We can't make it

without more money." It has become an addiction for us. And we are not just addicted up here in this wonderful Capitol; we are addicting the people back home, because there are lines of people that come to my office and your offices I am sure every day wanting more and more money. They are addicted to the taxpayers' money.

But we never talk about controlling spending, controlling spending. And many of us here were elected to come here and to cut spending, not increase it, and yet that is what we do every year, we increase spending. And why do we assume that we have to give more money to public unions every year under the guise of education, \$200 million more in this budget. You see, no matter how much we give them, it will never be enough. We have a spending problem, Mr. Speaker.

Just the pension increase this year alone is \$500 million; \$500 million. Now, I have said it before, and I will say it again today, we could shut down this beautiful Capitol, we could send home all the Representatives and all the Senators – and I would not necessarily be opposed to that – we could send them all home for a year and that would not even cover half, half the pension increase this year. That would not cover half the pension increase this year. That is how bad it is. Yet we do not want to talk about controlling spending. The answer in Harrisburg is, just keep raising spending and raise taxes.

Even the Governor said and the other side says, we do not spend enough; we have got to spend more. It is outrageous to the taxpayers to increase spending in a down economy. When the people paying those bills have actually lost the income, it is outrageous to them. They know, they are listening, and they are watching you, because they do not get a step increase, there is no jump step for the taxpayer. They are just called upon every year to give more. And enough is enough. This type of greed is just a, just a form of covetousness; that is all it is. And what do the taxpayers get in return? Nothing. Just give more and more and more.

Now, this budget has too much spending, a growth rate of five times the rate of inflation, the largest spending increase in a decade, and when politicians say, well, we just have got to get something done, we just have got to get something done, when you hear a politician say we have got to get something done, grab your wallet, Mr. Taxpayer, and run, run, because that means they are going to raise your taxes, they are going to increase spending, and you are going to get nothing.

I tell you, yeah, I know that the deal has been cut and I know you are all going to vote for it over there, and I may be just a voice along with a few of us here crying in the wilderness, but I say woe unto you, Mr. Speaker, when you disregard the taxpayers, the will of the taxpayers. It is time for us to go back to the table and lower this spending number in this bill. Lift the yoke from the taxpayer for now and in the future. I ask you all for the sake of the taxpayer to vote "no" on SB 1073.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Pete Daley.

I only have three members who are left who have requested to speak – four members; four members.

Representative Pete Daley.

Mr. DALEY. Rhetoric is cheap. Hard work and compromise and working together are priceless. And what we see today may be, and I think the greatest lesson to be taught is to the taxpayers, that we can work together and compromise and not spend 9 months laboring on the issue. Today is a change in direction, a change in leadership. What I see after 34 years is

I see an august body of people that fight – all different nationalities, all different persuasions, all different colors working together finally for the good of the people.

But there are those among us, like the chairman said, that can pick this budget apart. You want to find something wrong, you will find something wrong. But you know what Martin Luther King said that if you are not part of the solution, you truly are part of the problem.

Now, there are those among us that want to tell you the sky is falling, and every year you hear the same speech. You heard that speech last year, that year before, the year before. But this is the 18th largest economy in the world, and, Mr. Speaker, we are working together, and you know what, that goes far to tell the taxpayers that we can do it. Let us vote "yes." Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Cris Dush.

Members, please. Members, please, every member is entitled to be heard. Every member is entitled to be heard. Please suspend.

Members, it is an important vote. Everybody is entitled to be heard. Please, let us show decorum and respect to each and every member.

Representative Dush, you may proceed, sir.

Mr. DUSH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would have loved to have had this debate back in May so at least we could have a document that we would have been working on and have public debates on the best possible way to address the spending problems; the best way we could get the funding to our schools, human service agencies, and county and municipal governments. I was calling for that back in April. We should have done it. Those agencies, those municipal governments, last year we did not give them the opportunity to plan.

Mr. Speaker, I value the time that we spend on the merits of the detrimental effects or the merits of the budgets that we had last year. I have learned a lot, a tremendous amount from those discussions. I remark to friends and family that I feel like I have worked on a master's degree last year over this whole situation.

However, with this bill we are saddling our taxpayers with higher taxes to fund higher spending, which does not address the cost drivers of our budget. You heard me remark last week about the median income dropping. Well, in my district – I got the numbers today – in 1999 the median income was \$44,114; today it is \$42,974 – a drop of \$1,140. While the rest of the State and the nation has dropped \$80, my folks have lost over \$1100 in annual income.

In this Commonwealth, while the number of people employed continues to decline, while the median income of Pennsylvanians continues to decline, while small business owners are closing down or moving across the State line, we are about to increase State government by 3 percent more than Pennsylvania's economic growth. In the midst of two-parent families, like the one I described last week, who now have to have four or more jobs to get close to what they were making with two or just cover the expenses, the civil servants they are being forced to pay for have seen tens of thousands of dollars of increase in their revenue, increases without a promotion.

In the midst of Obamacare driving up the out-of-pocket expenses by upwards of \$2,000 a year, those families have to read about how not only are university professors they employ shielded from those increases by the money coming from that family's pay, but those professors are demanding those families pay for the professors' membership to health clubs.

Mr. Speaker, when those people in the public sector, the servants of those families are making more than their employers, especially when those employers are good, hardworking people, the world is upside down. When the growth of government is five times any projected growth on our citizens' ability to pay, we are making economic decisions that, in terms of their livelihoods, it handcuffs them, it drops them to their knees.

While it is important to move the budget process forward, I know we can continue to work to improve it and ensure that we fund the priorities of Pennsylvania without taking more from the taxpayers. There are things out there that we can address, but we have to have the ability, we have to have the motivation, we have to have the desire to actually take it on. And unfortunately, because we did not do this in May, we have not done that this year.

Today I am a "no" on this, but as it moves through the legislative process, I hope I can support the next iteration. But we really do need to realize what we are doing to the people and the working class in this Commonwealth.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Members, Representative Curtis Thomas has filed six amendments. There are amendments 9243, 9244, 9245, 9246, 9247, and 9248. These amendments are timely filed, but they are filed on third consideration so they do require a two-thirds vote. For any of these amendments to be considered, Representative Thomas would have to move to suspend for the immediate consideration of an amendment on third consideration.

Representative Thomas, you are recognized.

Mr. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and let me thank you for this opportunity.

But, Mr. Speaker, the only reason I am in this situation is because in the Appropriations Committee you changed the printer's number three times, which then put these amendments in this difficult situation, or if the Appropriations chairman and/or the majority side or the minority side had responded to my request for these concerns earlier on when we started talking about this, I would not be here today.

So once again, you won and I lost, and the people of Pennsylvania lost out because you cannot continue the switch-and-bait game—

The SPEAKER. Sir—

Mr. THOMAS. —and people—

The SPEAKER. Representative—

Mr. THOMAS. —get left out totally.

The SPEAKER. Representative Thomas—

Mr. THOMAS. So that is why we are here.

The SPEAKER. Representative Thomas—

Mr. THOMAS. But, Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER. Sir, please suspend.

Sir, you have to state your motion. We are not on the bill itself. If you wish to speak on the bill itself, you have to tell us, but at this time you are making a motion, I understand, with respect to one or more of your amendments. So you would have to move to suspend for immediate consideration and you would have to say which amendment you wish to have immediate consideration. You can also do more than one amendment at a time under this motion.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, I know that the motion to suspend, those numbers are not here, so I am not going to drag this out knowing that the numbers are not there. I can count.

What I would like to do is to interrogate the majority chairman of Appropriations.

The SPEAKER. It is my understanding, Representative Thomas, that you are not going to make a motion to suspend for immediate consideration of any of the amendments?

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, no, I am not going to make the motion, because as I stated, the vote is not there. What I would like to do is to acknowledge and I would have been able to get at that if I was able to interrogate the Appropriations chairman, but let me just do it this way.

The SPEAKER. Okay. Then—

Mr. THOMAS. Because, Mr. Speaker, one of my concerns is to put public education— There are too many schools in Philadelphia and throughout the State that do not have counselors, do not have nurses, do not have working bathrooms, do not have technology, do not have enough teachers in the areas of competency. Mr. Speaker, that is a national disgrace. One of my amendments would have addressed that and kept our numbers neutral. It would not have required any more money, because I think that if you look at what we are spending on corrections, if you just operated the Department of Corrections on what was appropriated last year, then we would be able to put additional money into public education and get some of these nurses, counselors, competent teachers, clean bathrooms, technology, and safe educational environments for kids.

Mr. Speaker, secondly, another amendment would have— We know that science, technology, engineering, math, and I have added manufacturing, we know that young people, not in high school or college but in K through 8, need that early exposure. So, Mr. Speaker, one of my questions would have been, why is the Senate receiving \$107 million more than it did last year and why is the House receiving almost \$300 million – \$2 or \$3 million over the appropriation from last year? If you give me a quarter of that, then we can create a situation where every kid in Pennsylvania that is in K through 8 classes can receive early exposure to STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering, Math – and manufacturing. But those young people that want to pursue a career in that area, they need an early start.

And, Mr. Speaker, my last, one of my other amendments, government owns 916 records. Your momma's records, your daddy's records, your kid's records, government has more private information on people than anybody else, and yet in 2016 we do not have a comprehensive plan to deal with cybersecurity. We are getting information, we are getting systems hacked every day, almost every minute, and I cannot ask anyone in this House of the 203 members or the 50 members in the Senate to tell us what are the assurances, what are the systems that we have in place to protect the information that Pennsylvania has on your businesses in your district, your family, your children, or even your information. No one can provide that answer. So one of the things that I recommended is to establish a cybersecurity commission in Pennsylvania that pulls both the public and private sector together to come up with a comprehensive plan to protect personal information, and we cannot put that off too long.

And there was a ton of money in many of these departments because one of the things I noticed, the general government operations line item of every department has been increased—

The SPEAKER. Sir, sir, please suspend. Sir, please suspend.

Mr. THOMAS. —has been increased.

The SPEAKER. Sir, you have to, I apologize, but you must suspend. The 5 minutes has been completed.

Thank you, Representative.

Sir, I am sorry, but your time has been completed. Representative Thomas, I apologize, but your time has been completed.

Representative Tom Murt.

Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of SB 1073.

Mr. Speaker, one of the ways in which we try to judge whether or not to support each budget proposal is based on how it will impact those who cannot advocate for themselves. Specifically, I look at line items that fund programs that help those who depend on us for their very survival. While the budget before us is far from perfect, it is a very positive effort in the manner it funds our brothers and sisters who have intellectual disabilities and autism, and also in the way it supports Pennsylvania families who deal with Tourette syndrome. I would like to focus on these two items briefly.

In the area of funding for intellectual disabilities and autism, I am pleased to say that the budget before us this evening increases funding in this critically important area. It increases funding for waivers for adults with special needs by over \$80 million. This will translate into funding that will support 700 recent high school graduates who have already been working hard trying to get ready for when they will leave our public school system. These young men and women have been trained in life skills as well as in their academic areas and are ready to work, ready to pay taxes, and ready to fully participate in society, as they have the right to do. The funding in this budget will assist them.

This funding also includes resources to take 200 adults with special needs or autism off the waiting list for services. Mr. Speaker, these men and women are the ones who may be 60 or 65 years old and live with parents who may be in their nineties and who are struggling with their own age and health-related problems. Many of the families who care for an adult child with special needs have done so for many years, while they have patiently waited for their turn to obtain the desperately needed services they require to properly care for their family member. Every legislator in this chamber has constituents who are in this position. We need to continue to help these families, and this budget accomplishes this objective.

Mr. Speaker, one other aspect of this budget that deserves mention is the continued funding that has been given to the mission of working with those who suffer from Tourette syndrome. This funding provides critical services to Pennsylvanians who suffer from Tourette's and their families. We have maintained this critical funding that will support the needs of individuals with Tourette's across the Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, many parents who care for a child with Tourette's cannot afford an advocate or legal counsel and badly need this assistance in navigating the complicated IEP (individualized education program) process. This funding will assist these families, work with their school districts, and to make recommendations for the supports that will help these students to be successful in school.

Mr. Speaker, many of these families have absolutely no other place to turn as they fight for services and supports for their child. They desperately need this funding.

While the budget is far from perfect, it faces our economic reality and still helps those who cannot help themselves. That is one litmus test and one of the reasons why I believe it deserves our support.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

Representative Mike Vereb. Waives off.

Representative Kate Harper.

Ms. HARPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I will be short and sweet. Okay; short.

Let me tell you what I tell the folks back home, 40 percent of our budget goes to education. Almost all of that, K through 12; a little bit for community colleges and otherwise. Forty percent of our budget goes to health and human services. Most of that is for seniors on Medicaid on fixed incomes. Education, health and human services, both completely appropriate things for us to be spending our budget on. But guess what? They go up every year before we even start working on the budget. Education is a very labor-intensive business. Salaries, pension costs, and benefits rise every year. On health and human services, we all know the costs of medicines and medical care and nursing home care rise every year. So before we even sit down and start working on the budget, 80 percent of it is going up.

At the same time, in this bad economy – and it is still a bad economy – sales and income taxes, our mainstays, do not rise every year. So our obligations are rising; our revenues are flat or sometimes down. The fact that we were able to get a budget done this year with no increases in sales taxes, no increases in income taxes, still meeting our obligations, raising the amount of money we spend on education, K through 12, making the full payment that we are supposed to make for our pension funds, which we all know are not fully funded, but this year we are going to make that payment, is a very good budget.

I am proud to vote for this budget. I am happy I do not have to vote to raise taxes on people during a recession. We have never had a perfect budget in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and this one is not perfect, but it is not bad, and if we do it tonight, we will get it done on time.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative.

At this time no other members have requested the opportunity to speak.

I would turn it to the floor leaders and the Appropriations chairs at this time.

First of all, do any other members wish to speak before I turn it to the floor leaders and the Appropriations chairs?

### MOTION TO PROCEED TO CONSIDERATION UNDER RULE 24

The SPEAKER. Representative Dermody.

Mr. DERMODY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to make a motion to proceed for immediate consideration for final passage of SB 1073.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER. Representative Reed.  
 Mr. REED. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.  
 I would ask the members to support the motion to proceed.  
 Thank you.  
 The SPEAKER. At this time the motion in front of us is to proceed with voting on the bill.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—157

Acosta	Dunbar	Keller, W.	Reese
Adolph	Ellis	Kim	Regan
Artis	Emrick	Kinsey	Roebuck
Baker	English	Kirkland	Ross
Barbin	Evans	Knowles	Rozzi
Barrar	Everett	Kortz	Sainato
Benninghoff	Fabrizio	Lewis	Sankey
Bizzarro	Farina	Longietti	Santarsiero
Boback	Farry	Mackenzie	Santora
Boyle	Fee	Mahoney	Savage
Bradford	Flynn	Major	Saylor
Briggs	Frankel	Markosek	Schemel
Brown, R.	Gabler	Marshall	Schlossberg
Brown, V.	Gainey	Marsico	Schreiber
Bullock	Gergely	McClinton	Schweyer
Caltagirone	Gillespie	Mentzer	Simmons
Carroll	Gingrich	Miccarelli	Sims
Causar	Godshall	Millard	Snyder
Christiana	Goodman	Moul	Sonney
Cohen	Greiner	Murt	Staats
Conklin	Grove	Mustio	Stephens
Corbin	Hahn	Neilson	Sturla
Costa, D.	Hanna	Nesbit	Taylor
Costa, P.	Harhai	O'Brien	Thomas
Cruz	Harhart	O'Neill	Tobash
Culver	Harkins	Oberlander	Toepel
Cutler	Harper	Ortitay	Toohil
Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Parker, D.	Vereb
Daley, P.	Harris, J.	Pashinski	Vitali
Davis	Heffley	Payne	Ward
Dawkins	Helm	Peifer	Watson
Day	Hickernell	Petrarca	Wheatley
Deasy	Hill	Petri	Wheeland
DeLissio	Irvin	Pickett	White
Delozier	James	Pyle	Youngblood
Dermody	Jozwiak	Quigley	Zimmerman
Diamond	Kampf	Quinn	
DiGirolamo	Kaufer	Rader	Turzai,
Donatucci	Kavulich	Readshaw	Speaker
Driscoll	Keller, M.K.	Reed	

NAYS—43

Bloom	Hennessey	McCarter	Ravenstahl
Burns	Kauffman	McGinnis	Roae
Cox	Keller, F.	Metcalfe	Rothman
Davidson	Klunk	Metzgar	Saccone
Dean	Kotik	Miller, B.	Samuelson
Dush	Krueger	Miller, D.	Tallman
Evankovich	Lawrence	Milne	Topper
Freeman	Maher	Mullery	Truitt
Galloway	Maloney	Nelson	Warner
Gibbons	Masser	Neuman	Wentling
Gillen	Matzie	Rapp	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

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A majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

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—132

Adolph	Everett	Lewis	Reed
Baker	Fabrizio	Longietti	Reese
Barbin	Farina	Major	Ross
Barrar	Farry	Markosek	Rozzi
Benninghoff	Fee	Marshall	Sainato
Bizzarro	Flynn	Marsico	Samuelson
Boback	Frankel	Matzie	Sankey
Bradford	Freeman	Mentzer	Santarsiero
Briggs	Gabler	Miccarelli	Santora
Brown, R.	Gainey	Millard	Savage
Bullock	Gingrich	Miller, D.	Schemel
Caltagirone	Godshall	Milne	Schlossberg
Carroll	Goodman	Moul	Schreiber
Causar	Greiner	Mullery	Schweyer
Conklin	Hahn	Murt	Simmons
Corbin	Hanna	Neilson	Snyder
Costa, D.	Harhai	Nesbit	Sonney
Costa, P.	Harhart	Neuman	Staats
Culver	Harkins	O'Neill	Stephens
Cutler	Harper	Oberlander	Sturla
Daley, M.	Harris, A.	Ortitay	Taylor
Daley, P.	Heffley	Parker, D.	Thomas
Day	Helm	Pashinski	Toepel
Deasy	Hennessey	Payne	Toohil
DeLissio	Hickernell	Peifer	Vereb
Delozier	James	Petri	Watson
Dermody	Jozwiak	Pickett	Wheatley
DiGirolamo	Kampf	Pyle	White
Driscoll	Kaufer	Quigley	Youngblood
Dunbar	Kavulich	Quinn	Zimmerman
Ellis	Kim	Rader	
Emrick	Kirkland	Ravenstahl	Turzai,
English	Kortz	Readshaw	Speaker
Evans	Kotik		

NAYS—68

Acosta	Evankovich	Krueger	Rapp
Artis	Galloway	Lawrence	Regan
Bloom	Gergely	Mackenzie	Roae
Boyle	Gibbons	Maher	Roebuck
Brown, V.	Gillen	Mahoney	Rothman
Burns	Gillespie	Maloney	Saccone
Christiana	Grove	Masser	Saylor
Cohen	Harris, J.	McCarter	Sims
Cox	Hill	McClinton	Tallman
Cruz	Irvin	McGinnis	Tobash
Davidson	Kauffman	Metcalfe	Topper
Davis	Keller, F.	Metzgar	Truitt
Dawkins	Keller, M.K.	Miller, B.	Vitali
Dean	Keller, W.	Mustio	Ward
Diamond	Kinsey	Nelson	Warner
Donatucci	Klunk	O'Brien	Wentling
Dush	Knowles	Petrarca	Wheeland

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

DeLuca

McNeill

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.

## SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B CONTINUED

### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2013, PN 3647**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, providing for Public-Private State Park Partnership Pilot Program.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Representative Samuelson, you are recognized.

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 2013 involves our Pennsylvania State park system. Our State parks are a treasure. Our State park system is the envy of our nation. By area, Pennsylvania is the 33d largest State in the country, but we have the third largest State park system in the United States. Nearly 1 percent of the land area of our State is part of our State park system. Our State park system is 123 years old. Today we are considering a bill that could make permanent and irreversible changes to the magnificent park system that we enjoy, to the magnificent park system that we are elected to be stewards of.

The budget bill we just voted a few minutes ago affects our State for 12 months. This bill before us today could affect our State park system for decades to come.

Take a look at the bill in front of you. On page 3, line 22, this bill introduces into our State parks the concept of hotels, amusement parks, water parks, outdoor sports facilities, and golf courses. On page 8, line 8, this bill empowers a private consultant to inventory our State parks and look for development opportunities, a private consultant.

Our first State park was Valley Forge, which was purchased by Pennsylvania in 1893. It remained a State park for 83 years until Valley Forge was transferred to the National Park System on the day of our nation's bicentennial in 1976. Thank goodness

that our Pennsylvania State park system was an excellent steward over those years and that this historic site was preserved for future generations.

And we should be thankful that our legislators of one century ago did not follow the same path that this bill asks us to follow today. What if those State officials had decided to take these acres and add a velodrome for bicyclists or a bicycle built for two or maybe add a man-made lake for paddle boats or other recreational opportunities? What if they decided to add an amusement park, a merry-go-round, a roller coaster, or maybe some more roads for the motor cars which were new in that time? There were lots of recreational opportunities available to the public a century ago, but thank goodness that our State leaders did not think it would be appropriate to remake our State park system with this kind of development.

I had talked yesterday about how our State park system expanded during the tenure of Dr. Maurice Goddard, who served six Governors as a Cabinet Secretary. The number of State parks was expanded by 45. In fact, the goal has been nearly reached to have a State park within 25 miles of everyone's home in Pennsylvania.

And think about it, you do not need a water park in our State parks to appreciate our State's water resources. Just think of the limitless view of Lake Erie at Presque Isle State Park. Think of the sparkling waterfalls at Ricketts Glen. Remember and appreciate the recreational opportunities available at Nockamixon or so many other State parks in Pennsylvania. You do not need an amusement park in your State parks to be amused by the wonders of nature here in Penn's Woods. Just think of the natural wonder of Archbald Pothole State Park. Just think of the magnificent treasure that we have. I have a list of all 123 State parks, from Hickory Run to Bald Eagle to Beltzville; you name it. In every corner of this State there is a magnificent State park to be appreciated by our generation and by future generations.

Our State parks are spectacular all on their own. Why are we talking about building amusement parks, golf courses, and water parks in the natural beauty that surrounds us in our State parks? How can we think that mankind can improve upon the handiwork of God? We are blessed in Pennsylvania with a wonderful legacy of preservation and conservation. Let us appreciate our State parks. Let us not turn our magnificent State park system into a series of public-private partnerships. Let us preserve our State parks for future generations.

I urge a "no" vote on HB 2013.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I also urge a "no" vote on HB 2013. What I would like to do is to relay the opposition of a number of people in groups who are expert in this issue.

First, I would like to read a couple of passages from a letter of opposition from the PA Parks and Forests Foundation and the Pennsylvania Environmental Council. They say that this bill as amended "...represents a frontal assault"—a frontal assault—"on Pennsylvania's State park system and the reasons that it has been so successful." I continue; this is the group: "The parks are not broken—they are award-winning, generate over a billion dollars a year in economic activity, and return over \$12 for every dollar invested."

I would like to read you the letter of opposition from the Conservation and Natural Resources Advisory Council: "...would like to express its opposition to this bill..." The bill "...would authorize DCNR to be involved in private-public partnerships within the Pennsylvania State Park system, which is unnecessary" – it is "unnecessary," quote, unquote – "since that authority was given to DCNR in the act that created the department in 1995. DCNR has taken advantage of this authority to expand its recreation and park opportunities since its inception."

I do not know if any of you remember John Oliver, but John Oliver was a Republican DCNR Secretary, very well thought of on both sides of the aisle and still is to this day, and this is what John Oliver, that very well-respected former DCNR Secretary says about this specific bill: "Besides undermining the principle of our public lands, this legislation would result in unsustainable projects that cost taxpayers more, and hurt those providers who have made tremendous investments close by the parks who depend on park visitors." This is a former DCNR Secretary.

And this is also what John Oliver says: "This idea has been rejected by past administrations as bad policy that didn't make environmental or economic sense." John Oliver says, "Our state lands have been painstakingly built and protected by over a century of public..." sentiment.

I am just about through. I have two more letters. One is a joint letter from many environmental groups, including PennFuture, Sierra Club, National Resources Defense Council, PennEnvironment, and on and on. They express their opposition, quote, "Forcing DCNR's attention and limited budget on new recreational assets only deepens the existing backlog and could exacerbate it more by placing...pressure on its budget to hire consultants or staff the proposed P3 Board."

And finally, this is from the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy, their letter of June 28, which is today: "The Western Pennsylvania Conservancy is opposed to HB 2013, Printer's Number 3647," which is the current printer's number. They say, "...34,000 acres have been conveyed to the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources..." by the Western Conservancy, "to provide for public outdoor recreation and long-term conservation."

"...The Western Pennsylvania Conservancy respectfully asks you to recognize that development such as called for in HB 2013 is not in keeping with the intended use of the lands conveyed to state parks by the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy."

I ask for a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. Representative McCarter.

Mr. McCARTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There are 121 State parks in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Of the 67 counties in the State, 61 have parks. Many of them are historic like our first park, Valley Forge State Park, on the outskirts of Philadelphia, that has now become a national park. Others were established simply to preserve and restore the abundant natural beauty of the Commonwealth. We are the 33d largest State, but only Alaska and California have more park land. We are better for it. The natural resources of our State, which our Constitution says, "...are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come," are one of our most valuable assets. "As trustee of these resources," all of us in this room have sworn to, quote, "conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people."

"Conserve and maintain" are not my words, they are not Democratic words or Montgomery County words; they are the actual words used in the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Adding waterslides is not conserving and maintaining. Adding golf courses and amusement parks and tourist attractions is not conserving and maintaining. It is cheapening, some would even say harming what we already have. And what we have are award-winning parks that generate more than \$1 billion a year in economic activity and return \$12 for every dollar invested in them and are ably overseen by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Undertaking the study that we are talking about in this bill to see what is best for our parks is something that I think we can all agree on, if we look at the parks in total. We would like to see something where we look at the parks and how well they are doing in comparison with other State systems, and the fact is, we could also study what defined uses may well be best located on private lands adjacent to our State parks, but not the concept of turning our parks into theme parks. Walley World will survive without using our State lands.

This bill does not represent strategic thinking. It does not make environmental or economic sense. More pavement from additional roads and parking lots would disturb the natural water cycles and create pollution and runoff. Looking at our biodiversity, again, that could be hit by, again, impacting our old growth trees, which could be cut down for creating new buildings and surfaces; more CO2 (carbon dioxide) from cars, construction vehicles, and routine deliveries would be released into the air; and light pollution would disturb wildlife's natural habitats. More consumerism and more trash. I repeat, these costs – and they are not insignificant or inconsequential – are largely borne by the very land we are charged with protecting. To conserve and maintain is our constitutional duty.

Mr. Speaker, I have a family in my district who has visited all 121 of our parks in the past 10 years. They did not visit them to ride roller coasters or go down waterslides. They can do that at any time by going over to New Jersey or other places in Pennsylvania. They went there for the natural beauty. They went to enjoy the wildlife. They went there because of the absence of light, to be able to see the stars.

Mr. Speaker, this is not a good idea, even to study it from the limited way that this is doing. We have something that is so beneficial for the people of Pennsylvania that we need to make sure that we uphold our constitutional duty and preserve and protect these, to conserve and maintain them, in a way that will be beneficial for all future generations and all the people today.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I urge a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative John Lawrence.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise, briefly, to speak in favor of the bill, HB 2013. I appreciate the rhetoric that we have heard on the floor today, but I think some of it is a little bit overblown. This bill calls for a study, Mr. Speaker. It does not call for any construction of anything. It calls for a study, reviewing the park system in Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, very briefly, the National Park System, the Old Faithful Inn, the hotels that are run in the Grand Canyon, Yosemite, national treasures, those hotels – by the way, which are privately run – give folks the opportunity to come and enjoy the natural wonder of those parks.

Mr. Speaker, I recall as a child visiting the West Virginia State park system with my family where we went for a week. I believe it was the Pipestem Resort within one of the West Virginia State parks. That opportunity created a lifetime of memories for my sister and me. I see nothing wrong with taking a look at whether some of the State parks in Pennsylvania could offer similar opportunities and open the door for more people to enjoy the parks right here in Pennsylvania. Again, this bill simply calls for a study looking at that possibility, and I would encourage an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Paul Costa.

Mr. P. COSTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I stand in support of HB 2013. As a longtime member of the Tourism Committee, I had the good fortune and opportunity to visit West Virginia, to visit Maryland, and to visit other State parks and see what they have done. All we are trying to do here is emulate what those States have already done. It may not work everywhere, but it may work in some places. So give us the opportunity to do that, and I would encourage a "yes" vote for this bill that Representative Ellis has worked very hard on.

Thank you very much.

The SPEAKER. Representative Paul Schemel.

Mr. SCHEMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Not far from my home is the beautiful Caledonia State Park. It is a beautiful park that has a summer professional theater, which is operated by a private entity on leased land from the State. It has a golf course managed by a private entity on leased land from the State. It has a large swimming pool with a large waterslide-like feature. We do many things with our State parks. Let us not be such snobs as to think that we cannot make these enjoyable properties for people in the year 2016. I stand in support of HB 2013.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Madeleine Dean.

Mrs. DEAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to HB 2013, and I will be very brief and submit most of my remarks for the record.

I think it is an unnecessary measure, because DCNR already has the opportunity to look into this kind of development, and let us face facts: this is more than a study; this is a pilot program. But it is also worrisome, because I think it really goes against the mission of our park system.

A separate board is opposed by the numerous environmental agencies, including the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, and the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests opposes this.

I fear the objective of the board would not be in the best interest of the Commonwealth or its citizens, for whose benefit these lands are maintained and preserved, but rather for the benefit of private interests wishing to obtain inexpensive land to build environmentally unfriendly, perhaps, amusement parks, water parks; maybe a national developer of golf courses might want to come into Pennsylvania. These attractions would be environmentally unfriendly, but they would also limit Pennsylvanians' access to taxpayer land by making these lands more exclusive, more expensive.

I will conclude with a reminder of what my good colleague from Montgomery County was talking about, our Pennsylvania Constitution, one of its wisest sections, Article I, section 27, "The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the

preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations...to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people," and I will repeat, "generations...to come."

I urge a "no" vote. Thank you.

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to this bill.

Pennsylvania's system of over 120 parks has been a source of pride for its residents, both for its accessibility and the preservation of its aesthetic qualities. We owe the success of our nationally recognized park systems in great part due to the dedicated and experienced work of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Therefore, it is unclear to me why it is necessary to create a duplicative and potentially expensive board to oversee public-private partnerships, a function that the DCNR can and has shown to be more than capable of handling.

A separate board is opposed by numerous environmental agencies, including the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Nature Conservancy, and the Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation.

I fear the objective of this board would not be in the best interest of the Commonwealth or its citizens, for whose benefit these lands are maintained and preserved, but rather for the benefit of private interests wishing to obtain inexpensive land to build environmentally unfriendly golf courses, amusement parks, water parks, and other attractions. Not only would building these attractions be environmentally unfriendly, but it would also limit Pennsylvanians' access to taxpayer land by making them exclusive and expensive.

What is also concerning is that leases under this bill are not to exceed more than 25 years, at which point the DCNR can choose to renew or vest with the Commonwealth. At 25 years old, the depreciated value and deteriorating facilities and maintenance costs may be a huge financial burden on the State.

Because it will ultimately be the decision and burden of the DCNR whether to renew or inherit these partnerships, it makes no sense to remove them from the decisionmaking process in the beginning for an investment that will be their responsibility at the end.

The creation of a separate board does not make environmental or economic sense, and I will end with a reminder that we have a constitutional obligation to preserve these lands not for the benefit of private business, but for our citizens, our constituents, and for those to come after us.

Article I, section 27, of the Pennsylvania Constitution reads: "The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people." For the benefit of all the people.

DCNR already has this ability now. It goes against the mission of the State parks. I urge a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. Representative John Maher.

Mr. MAHER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It seems much of the consternation about this proposal really grew from the way the bill was originally written, and I had concerns with it myself, but the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources negotiated and came up, I think, with a good result.

As has been mentioned, the department wishes it had more resources to do more things. It has a backlog of projects it would like to undertake.

We have heard concerns about these horrible waterslides that are going to be invading the parks, and it is correct in Caledonia there is a waterslide and there are other parks that have waterslides, and I have never heard this great waterslide concern mentioned on this floor before. Maybe someone should take up a waterslide vigilante legislation to deprive those who enjoy the waterslides from being able to have that recreation.

I have heard about the horrors of man-made lakes. Well, you should understand that many of the lakes that are in our State parks are man-made lakes. I do not understand why it is so darn frightening.

Public-private partnerships. DCNR has thousands of public-private partnerships in place right now, as their judgment the best way to serve the public and the needs of the park system. Why you have an inherent opposition to these public-private partnerships – you would have to go ahead and uproot most of the operations at most of the parks, and I do not think that is a very good idea.

It may be right that this bill might not even be necessary, but it certainly does no harm. I think giving some structure to the future forecast, the wish list, the imagination for DCNR and the parks will also elevate our attention to what is necessary to make these parks the best they can be for Pennsylvanians, and I welcome that sort of attention on our parks.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Representative Bob Freeman.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I also rise to oppose HB 2013. In my opinion, this legislation takes us down the wrong road. Not every public asset needs to be commercialized or developed or privatized. There are ample opportunities on private land to build the kind of amusements that are being considered in this legislation. They can be adjacent to our public parks and public lands, but they need not intrude upon that pristine setting that we have in our 121 public parks.

The great gift of our State park system is that it has preserved the natural environment of our Commonwealth. Those 121 great green lawns are a public asset that needs to be preserved, that needs to be preserved for future generations, and should not be developed. We need not undermine the great natural setting and the great natural legacy that they offer us.

I think it is worth reading again the words that were read about our Constitution by the lady from Montgomery County. Article I, section 27, of our Constitution states: "The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment. Pennsylvania's public natural resources are the common property of all the people, including generations yet to come. As trustee of these resources, the Commonwealth shall conserve and maintain them for the benefit of all the people."

HB 2013 flies in the face of this very special and very important provision of our State's Constitution. We need to preserve our State parks, not develop them, not turn them into amusement parks, not turn them into something that can be had elsewhere. Let us keep one corner of Pennsylvania the way it was meant to be. Let us preserve it. Let us keep it in its natural setting, and let us say "no" to HB 2013.

The SPEAKER. Representative Gene DiGirolamo.

Mr. DiGIROLAMO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As geographically small as my district is, I have a State park in my hometown of Bensalem, beautiful Neshaminy State Park.

As a young boy I grew up and lived across the street from the State park on my family's farm, and, Mr. Speaker, I can assure you that neither I nor my constituents that live in my legislative district want to see a golf course or a water park or a hotel on Neshaminy State Park, and I am sure they do not even want to see a study about putting a water park, a hotel, or a golf course on Neshaminy State Park. And I cannot imagine the other people or constituents who live around our beautiful State parks across Pennsylvania would like to see those types of development, nor the people that visit them each and every year.

Mr. Speaker, I think this is a bad idea and I ask for a "no" vote on 2013. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Representative Doyle Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of HB 2013, and after much consideration and looking at the state of the parks throughout Carbon County, the district that I represent, the 122d District, I heard somebody earlier mention Beltzville State Park, which has already been closed twice this year for high bacteria levels in the water. I get complaints every week from local residents who cannot access the beach because there is not enough parking, because there are not enough garbage cans. Our DCNR rangers are taxed by the burden of having to patrol the beaches for security reasons. Our local police are taxed and cannot keep up with it. The State Police are called in.

While I am not in favor of putting a golf course at Beltzville State Park, I do think the fact that we already lease the concession stand, we already lease the boat rental stand, and if we could maybe have a public-private partnership that could come in and maintain the bath facilities, maintain the recreational areas, that would take the burden off the rangers so they could enforce the rules of the park, that we would not have to have volunteers in the community go out every year to clean up the litter.

I think with these State parks also comes the responsibilities of the people that visit them. DCNR is not allowed to charge a fee to these parks. We have no lifeguards at the beach. There have been drownings in the swimming area at this beach. Also, if you look at the Lehigh Gorge State Park and the great Glen Onoko Falls, a wonderful tourist attraction, DCNR controls the parking lot. We have already had a death up there this year. Every weekend our local volunteer firefighters are out hiking up this mountain to bring injured people down. I think if there could be some kind of a P3 or there was an avenue for a P3 project to secure some funding and provide at least safety and maybe some rescue services to that facility to take that burden off our local volunteers.

Mr. Speaker, that is why I rise to support this bill, not because I want a water park in a State park, but because we need more resources at our State park to be better managing and to help DCNR to manage that. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Chris Ross.

Mr. ROSS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I think there has been a lot of confusion and misunderstanding about what we are doing here today. We are asking the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to do their duty, to review the recreational opportunities in our

State parks. When they do their duty, they must follow the regulations and expectations that we have of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. Chief among them is to follow the State Constitution and the mandates to protect our public water, air, and environment.

I have confidence that the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources will carefully consider the ecology of each of these parks and not recommend anything that would damage them. If they do, I have tremendous confidence in all my colleagues here that they will intervene and stop anything bad from happening to our natural environment. Thank you. I think that this is going to be fine.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Barry Jozwiak.

Mr. JOZWIAK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I did a little study here of these 121 State parks. I got a list of every park and how many acres every park is, and I can tell you, about 50 percent or more have the capability of land to have ski slopes, golf courses, marinas, tennis courts, and even resorts. So do we want to run the risk of having half of our State parks have commercial enterprises in there?

Also, the State parks are really for the enjoyment of the natural beauty and for all the hikers and bikers and fishermen and everybody else to enjoy them. I do not think the State should be in competition with private enterprise, even if it is in a partnership with them. And the thing that I am concerned about is after 25 years – this is a land lease – after 25 years the State ends up owning all these buildings and things, and what are we going to do with them? Now we have to maintain them. And I am understanding there is a 25-year renewal, but at some point the State is going to end up owning all this stuff. I do not think we should destroy our natural resources.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would ask a "no" vote on this bill.

The SPEAKER. Representative Brian Ellis.

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

I would like to thank the members for what turned out to be a much more lively debate than I had originally anticipated on a concept that we had been working on for decades. But I just want to ask everyone for an affirmative vote on HB 2013 and leave you with two thoughts, and we have heard them over and over again, but remember, Mr. Speaker, with the cumulative votes in this House, we decided to not go with the original legislation. We moved it to a study with DCNR in charge of the study, and they are supportive of this amendment, and they want to, as well as a majority of us, want to look at what we have as an opportunity to advance our State parks in Pennsylvania.

Thank you very much.

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—77

Adolph	Galloway	Maher	Sankey
Benninghoff	Gergely	Major	Santora
Bizzarro	Gibbons	Markosek	Saylor
Bloom	Gingrich	Marsico	Schemel
Burns	Godshall	McGinnis	Sonney
Causar	Grove	Mentzer	Stephens

Christiana	Hanna	Metcalf	Sturla
Cohen	Harris, A.	Moul	Tallman
Costa, P.	Heffley	Mustio	Tobash
Cutler	Hennessey	Nesbit	Toohil
Daley, P.	Hickernell	Oberlander	Topper
Dermody	Hill	Ortitay	Vereb
Diamond	Irvin	Payne	Ward
Dush	Kampf	Pyle	Warner
Ellis	Kauffman	Rapp	Wentling
Evankovich	Keller, W.	Reed	Wheeland
Evans	Klunk	Regan	
Everett	Knowles	Roae	Turzai,
Fee	Kotik	Ross	Speaker
Gabler	Lawrence	Sainato	

NAYS—123

Acosta	Driscoll	Kortz	Quigley
Artis	Dunbar	Krueger	Quinn
Baker	Emrick	Lewis	Rader
Barbin	English	Longietti	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Fabrizio	Mackenzie	Readshaw
Boback	Farina	Mahoney	Reese
Boyle	Farry	Maloney	Roebuck
Bradford	Flynn	Marshall	Rothman
Briggs	Frankel	Masser	Rozzi
Brown, R.	Freeman	Matzie	Saccone
Brown, V.	Gainey	McCarter	Samuelson
Bullock	Gillen	McClinton	Santarsiero
Caltagirone	Gillespie	Metzgar	Savage
Carroll	Goodman	Miccarelli	Schlossberg
Conklin	Greiner	Millard	Schreiber
Corbin	Hahn	Miller, B.	Schweyer
Costa, D.	Harhai	Miller, D.	Simmons
Cox	Harhart	Milne	Sims
Cruz	Harkins	Mullery	Snyder
Culver	Harper	Murt	Staats
Daley, M.	Harris, J.	Neilson	Taylor
Davidson	Helm	Nelson	Thomas
Davis	James	Neuman	Toepel
Dawkins	Jozwiak	O'Brien	Truitt
Day	Kaufel	O'Neill	Vitali
Dean	Kavulich	Parker, D.	Watson
Deasy	Keller, F.	Pashinski	Wheatley
DeLissio	Keller, M.K.	Peifer	White
DeLozier	Kim	Petrarca	Youngblood
DiGirolamo	Kinsey	Petri	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Kirkland	Pickett	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

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Less than the majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the bill fell.

The SPEAKER. There will be no more votes today.

**BILLS RECOMMITTED**

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

- HB 1923;
- HB 2028; and
- HB 2211.

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

### BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that SB 1227 and SB 1229 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

### CALENDAR CONTINUED

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 267, PN 1590**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of Department of Labor and Industry, further providing for fair share fee and payroll deduction.

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

#### BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 267 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

#### BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 267 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.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 727, PN 1555**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 24 (Education), 51 (Military Affairs) and 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Title 24, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions and construction and providing for references; in retirement membership, contributions and benefits, further providing for mandatory and optional membership, for credited school service, for waiver of adjustments and for classes of service, for elections, for

eligibility points, for eligibility for annuities, for eligibility for refunds, for pickup contributions, for member contributions, for contributions for purchase of credit, for annual compensation limit, for contributions by Commonwealth, for payments by employers, for actuarial cost method, for appropriations by Commonwealth, for return of accumulated deductions, for single life annuity, for disability annuities, for termination of annuities and payment of benefits; providing for school employees' defined contribution plan; in administrative and miscellaneous provisions, further providing for the Public School Employees' Retirement Board, for administrative duties of board, for health insurance, for advisory and reporting duties, for application and election duties, for duties of employers, for rights and duties of school employees and members, for management of fund and accounts, for Public School Employees' Retirement Fund, for State accumulation account, for annuity reserve account, for State guarantee, for taxation, for attachment and assignment of funds, for approval of domestic relations orders, for irrevocable survivor annuitant and for amendment of approved domestic relations orders; providing for irrevocable successor payee; further providing for fraud and adjustment of errors and for payments to school entities by Commonwealth; providing for payments to school entities by Commonwealth commencing with the 2015-2016 school year; in health insurance for retired school employees, further providing for definitions; in Title 51, in employment preferences and pensions, further providing for military leaves of absence; in Title 71, in retirement for State employees and officers, further providing for definitions, for preliminary provisions and for membership, credited service, classes of service, and eligibility benefits, providing for State Employees' Defined Contribution Plan, further providing for contributions, for benefits and for administration, funds and accounts; and making editorial changes.

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

#### BILL TABLED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 727 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

#### BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 727 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 82, PN 482**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the life and contributions of John Patrick Stanton, humanitarian, activist and founder of the prolife movement in this Commonwealth, who died on January 31, 2014, at 86 years of age.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

**RESOLUTION TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 82 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**

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

**COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED**

The SPEAKER. Representative Payne is recognized for an announcement.

Mr. PAYNE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Gaming Oversight Committee meeting for tomorrow at 9 a.m. is canceled, since we moved the gaming bill today. No need for the Gaming hearing tomorrow at 9 a.m.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

Representative Tim Hennessey and then Representative Seth Grove.

**COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELED**

The SPEAKER. Representative Tim Hennessey is recognized.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Aging and Older Adult Services Committee meeting that had been scheduled for tomorrow morning at 9:30 is canceled. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

**REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD**

The SPEAKER. Representative Seth Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to submit comments for the record on SB 1073.

The SPEAKER. Those will be accepted, sir.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise with concerns about the general appropriations bill before us today. This being said, I want to thank Chairman Adolph and those involved for their effort to invest more into education and their attempt to meet our budget deadline on time. While I respect their hard work and appreciate their good intentions, I remain concerned about this budget.

Enshrined into our Constitution is a separation of powers, as the taxpayers of Pennsylvania expect the General Assembly to be the fiscal stewards of their hard-earned money and rein in executive excess. However, this budget does not do that, Mr. Speaker. Instead, it increases State spending by 3 percent more than the economic growth of the Commonwealth. This serves to only increase our cyclical deficit within the budget, as spending continues to outpace economic growth here in the Commonwealth.

In funding for Harrisburg alone, the increase for the general government operations line items of State agencies, executive offices, and independent commissions is over \$52 million. This is 2 1/2 times the amount of Pennsylvania's economic growth. In the face of a 4.8-percent or \$1.5 billion increase in State spending, it may seem odd to focus only on \$52 million, but these line items are a microcosm for the problem within this budget and the budget process as a whole.

During the impasse the Wolf administration utilized waivers under Act 146 to direct lapsed State funds to fund the general government operations of Harrisburg. This amounted to millions funneled in State accounts. After passage of a budget, which seems like almost yesterday, these line items were backfilled. Despite receiving State dollars from the General Fund, the administration has yet to reconcile these lapsed funds.

By reconciling these lapsed funds, among the other State spending, millions, perhaps hundreds of millions would be available for balancing the budget we vote on today. At the very least, reconciling lapsed funds reduces the amount of new taxes on Pennsylvania which are used to balance this budget. You see, Mr. Speaker, the \$52 million increase is equal to the anticipated revenue on new taxes for smokeless tobacco used to balance SB 1073.

Mr. Speaker, excess executive spending is not exclusive to the Wolf administration, as State agencies under both parties sought to withhold budget information to this body. Due to the consistent history of the Executive to manipulate or withhold budget information, I believe we need to ensure there is more transparency in the information provided to this body not only in this budget but in future budgets.

Not only does this budget need more transparency and accountability from the administration, but I believe more needs to be done to identify cost savings and identify other sources of nontax revenue. When we do this, Mr. Speaker, history has shown that the need for new tax revenue is diminished or completely eliminated.

This is what the taxpayers expect us to do; they expect us to find savings. They expect their elected officials to make tough choices to protect them, because tax increases should be a last resort.

This body has considered creative alternatives to tax revenue on multiple occasions in the past few weeks. These alternatives included votes on a tax-amnesty program championed by my good friend, Representative Quinn; Internet gaming expansion, which would not have been possible without the leadership of my friends from south central PA, Chairmen John Payne and Paul Costa. Although unsuccessful, the hard work of Representatives Dunbar, Masser, and Mustio on the VGT (video gaming terminals) amendment, again, shows a desire for creative alternatives to tax revenue. The leadership shown by my colleagues highlights a new approach to governing which protects taxpayers and reduces our reliance on tax revenue. We should embrace this approach, and I applaud their leadership. Ideas like those proposed by my colleagues represent a different approach to budgeting. This spending plan should continue to utilize these proposals among others and reduce our reliance on failed economic policies of the past.

As a member of the House Appropriations Committee for many years, I know there are often difficult decisions to be made, as budgets are a reflection of our priorities and are never perfect. In this budget there are priorities which I applaud, historic education funding and funding for antiopioid measures, but how we fund them gives me pause if it requires a return to relying on unsustainable and unreliable tax revenue sources.

Mr. Speaker, while I recognize that there are positive pieces to this budget, I believe that there is ultimately more work to be done to protect the taxpayers. I applaud the movement of a general

appropriations bill and the bipartisan work Leader Reed and Leader Dermody have done. The overall spend number and how we fund this budget needs continued work. I look forward to working with my leadership team to ensure we stand up for taxpayers. While I will be voting "no" today, I feel we can make headway on a better final product.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

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

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to thank you for your support of HR 948, which designates the week of August 1 through 5 as "YMCA Advocacy Week" in Pennsylvania.

The first Y was founded in London, England, in 1844, and the first Y in the United States was formed in Boston in 1851.

But Pennsylvania figures prominently in the YMCA nationally as it is the State in which most Y's are located. There are 174 YMCAs in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

As House cochair of the YMCA Caucus and a strong supporter of the YMCA swimming program, I can personally attest to the outstanding work of the Y in the York area.

While the YMCA is celebrating its 172d anniversary this year, its core values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility remain admirable values.

The Y continues to build strong leaders and encourages our youth by engaging 9 million youth and 13 million adults each year in our country and serving more than 45 million people in 119 countries around the world.

Thank you to the YMCA for all you do for our communities, and thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Does anybody else wish to be recognized?

### RECONSIDERATION MOTION FILED

The SPEAKER. I am in receipt, as Speaker, of a motion filed by Representative Cutler and Representative Ellis to reconsider the vote by which HB 2013, PN 3647, was defeated on the 28th day of June, that it be reconsidered.

Again, I am in receipt of a motion to reconsider the vote on HB 2013, PN 3647, and that has been filed by Representatives Cutler and Ellis.

### 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 Jerry Knowles moves that the House be adjourned until Wednesday, June 29, 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 6:53 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.