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## 200TH OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

# THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (STEPHEN BLOOM) PRESIDING

# PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE DISPENSED WITH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the prayer and the Pledge will be dispensed with for today.

#### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Thursday, October 27, 2016, will be postponed until printed.

## JOURNALS APPROVED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. However, the following 2016 Journals are in print and, without objection, will be approved:

Monday, May 16, 2016; Tuesday, May 17, 2016; Wednesday, May 18, 2016; and Monday, May 23, 2016.

## COMMUNICATION FROM TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair acknowledges receipt of Temple University's consolidated financial statements for fiscal years ended June 30, 2016 and 2015.

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

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM GOVERNOR

## VETO OF HOUSE BILLS

The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House a communication in writing from the office of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following House bills had been vetoed by the Governor:

HB 245, PN 4110; HB 1618, PN 4068; and HB 1998, PN 3515.

Said bills having been returned with the following messages:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the Governor Harrisburg

November 4, 2016

TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 15 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill 245, Printer's Number 4110.

I cannot agree to sign this bill as it makes certain changes to the Local Tax Enabling Act that will result in a revenue loss for a number of school districts in this Commonwealth. More specifically, this bill amends the definition of Earned Income by greatly expanding the credit that a taxpayer make take for out-of-state tax liability. Under this bill, a taxpayer could claim a credit for out-of-state taxes against the entire amount of income earned by the taxpayer, not merely the existing base rate of Earned Income Tax. Allowing the credit to be limited against the taxpayer's base rate of Earned Income Tax would be revenue neutral for school districts. This expansion beyond the base rate, however, will result in certain school districts losing local revenue.

I cannot support a provision that would cause even a limited number of school districts to lose revenue in this fashion. All school districts are still feeling the strain from the harmful budget decisions made prior to my administration. My administration aims to continue to work with the General Assembly to invest in education to continue to increase the Commonwealth's share of funding for all school districts. Finally, I look forward to receiving a modified version of this bill that does not negatively impact the finances of school districts.

For the reasons set forth above, I must withhold my signature from House Bill 245, Printer's Number 4110.

Sincerely, Tom Wolf Governor

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the Governor Harrisburg

October 28, 2016

# TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 15 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill 1618, Printer's Number 4068.

As it is a tool utilized effectively in the private sector, I strongly believe that an internal watchdog is vital to ensuring the proper functioning of the executive branch. Every organization – regardless of public or private sector – benefits from having an internal watchdog who identifies issues or areas of concern before they become larger problems at a later point in time. Therefore, if the Office of Inspector General (OIG) becomes an independent agency, as provided under this legislation, I will be forced to establish a replacement entity to perform the tasks now undertaken by OIG. This would result in wasteful spending as both the Auditor General and Office of Attorney General already perform the functions that an independent OIG would under this legislation. This needless duplication of government services, along with unnecessary expenditures, does not amount to sound government policy. As a result, this bill should not be allowed to become the law of this Commonwealth.

For the reasons set forth above, I must withhold my signature from House Bill 1618, Printer's Number 4068.

Sincerely, Tom Wolf Governor

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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Office of the Governor Harrisburg

October 28, 2016

# TO THE HONORABLE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 15 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill 1998, Printer's Number 3515.

House Bill 1998 further erodes the accountability of the Philadelphia Parking Authority to the people it is intended to serve. The authority was founded on the principle of raising revenue to support the school district of Philadelphia. It has not once in its existence, however, met the financial allocation promised to the school district. In addition to these repeatedly broken promises, recent events have shined a light on the extensive mismanagement of the parking authority.

I cannot in good conscience sign a bill that instead of addressing these ongoing issues with the authority, allows for current management to remain in place and move outside of the City of Philadelphia. Furthermore, I seek more comprehensive legislation concerning the parking authority that contains the various reforms necessary to ensure the authority functions in an appropriate fashion in the future.

For the reasons set forth above, I must withhold my signature from House Bill 1998, Printer's Number 3515.

Sincerely, Tom Wolf Governor

# HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1114 By Representative NEILSON

A Resolution urging the Department of Transportation to implement all necessary and permissible security standards to meet Federal requirements under the REAL ID Act of 2005.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, November 3, 2016.

# HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 2433** By Representatives NEILSON, DEAN, D. COSTA, V. BROWN, DRISCOLL, SCHLOSSBERG, GAINEY, JAMES, BIZZARRO, D. MILLER, GOODMAN and BULLOCK

An Act repealing the act of May 8, 2012 (P.L.254, No.38), entitled "An act relating to compliance with the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005."

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, November 3, 2016.

**No. 2434** By Representatives ENGLISH, NELSON, READSHAW, WARD, BARBIN, D. MILLER and D. COSTA

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further providing for definitions and for registration requirement; and providing for unwanted automatic political calls.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, November 3, 2016.

**No. 2435** By Representatives FARRY, D. COSTA and WATSON

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in penalties and disposition of fines, further providing for subsequent convictions of certain offenses.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, November 3, 2016.

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

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

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to bring to the attention of the Speaker and the members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives the name of Daniel J. Dwyer, who has recently been awarded Scouting's highest honor – Eagle Scout.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to read to the members of the House of Representatives the following citation.

Whereas, Daniel J. Dwyer has earned the Eagle Award in Scouting. This is the highest award that the Boy Scouts of America can bestow and as such represents great sacrifice and tremendous effort on the part of this young man. Daniel is a member of Troop 145.

Now therefore, Mr. Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives, it is my privilege to congratulate and place in the Legislative Journal the name of Daniel J. Dwyer.

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Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to bring to the attention of the Speaker and the members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives the name of Zachary Scott Nester, who has recently been awarded Scouting's highest honor – Eagle Scout.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to read to the members of the House of Representatives the following citation.

Whereas, Zachary Scott Nester has earned the Eagle Award in Scouting. This is the highest award that the Boy Scouts of America can bestow and as such represents great sacrifice and tremendous effort on the part of this young man. Zachary is a member of Troop 145.

Now therefore, Mr. Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives, it is my privilege to congratulate and place in the Legislative Journal the name of Zachary Scott Nester.

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Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to bring to the attention of the Speaker and the members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives the name of Robert David Quinn III, who has recently been awarded Scouting's highest honor – Eagle Scout.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to read to the members of the House of Representatives the following citation.

Whereas, Robert David Quinn III has earned the Eagle Award in Scouting. This is the highest award that the Boy Scouts of America can bestow and as such represents great sacrifice and tremendous effort on the part of this young man. Robert is a member of Troop 145.

Now therefore, Mr. Speaker and the members of the House of Representatives, it is my privilege to congratulate and place in the Legislative Journal the name of Robert David Quinn III.

#### **BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE**

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

HB 1155; HB 1287; HB 1416; HB 1928; HB 1952; HB 2113; HB 2115; HB 2125; and HB 2164.

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

## **BILLS TABLED**

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

HB 1155; HB 1287; HB 1416; HB 1928; HB 1952; HB 2113; HB 2115; HB 2125; and HB 2164.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion? Motion was agreed to.

#### **CALENDAR**

## **BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1925**, **PN 3194**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in revenues, further providing for transfers from State Gaming Fund.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

# **BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1925 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 pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 1925 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 2157**, **PN 3660**, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

#### **BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 2157 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 pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 2157 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 2203**, **PN 3661**, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

#### **BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 2203 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 pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HB 2203 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 872, PN 3311, entitled:

A Resolution urging Federal and State regulatory agencies to utilize science-based, peer-reviewed data in evaluating crop protection chemistry and nutrients.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

#### RESOLUTION TABLED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 872 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

#### RESOLUTION REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 872 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Huntingdon County, Representative Irvin, who moves that this House do now adjourn until Tuesday, November 15, 2016, at 11 a.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 1:04 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.