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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER (MIKE TURZAI) PRESIDING

PRAYER

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

Heavenly Father, we begin this day by asking for Your blessings on all that we say and do. Enlighten us to make decisions that are fair and just, honest and good. Give us the strength to overcome negativity and obstacles that get in the way of Your will.

May we be ever cognizant that the responsibility afforded to us will have a profound effect on the communities and the lives of the people of this great Commonwealth. And with Your guidance, may those of us who work within these walls keep our focus on that which is pleasing in Your eyes first, and then those of whom we represent.

In Your name we humbly say, Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, September 11, 2017, will be postponed until printed.

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 491 By Representatives CRUZ, VAZQUEZ, SCHWEYER, YOUNGBLOOD, SCHLOSSBERG, SOLOMON, J. HARRIS, FRANKEL, STURLA, V. BROWN, McCARTER, DEAN, GAINEY, ROZZI, CALTAGIRONE, DONATUCCI and ROEBUCK

A Resolution condemning the decision by the Trump Administration to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program and urging the Congress of the United States to act by passing the Dream Act of 2017.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2017.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1767 By Representatives YOUNGBLOOD, CRUZ, RABB, DONATUCCI, THOMAS, O'BRIEN, V. BROWN and SCHLOSSBERG

An Act providing for the Commonwealth Advisory Board on Geographic Names; and imposing duties on the Commonwealth Advisory Board on Geographic Names.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2017.

No. 1770 By Representatives GALLOWAY, READSHAW, KINSEY, THOMAS, DAVIS, COX, MILLARD, D. COSTA, DRISCOLL, V. BROWN and VAZQUEZ

An Act providing for the regulation of home construction contracts and for the registration of certain home builders; prohibiting certain acts; providing for penalties; establishing the Home Builder Guaranty Fund; and providing for claims against the fund and for notification of defective or faulty building material or product.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, September 12, 2017.

No. 1772 By Representatives D. MILLER, McNEILL, MURT, CHARLTON, SCHWEYER, SCHLOSSBERG, CALTAGIRONE, VAZQUEZ, KINSEY, KAVULICH, ROZZI, V. BROWN and ROEBUCK

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for students with disabilities at institutions of higher education.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, September 12, 2017.

No. 1773 By Representatives GABLER, JAMES, NEILSON, WARD, WHEELAND and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending Title 26 (Eminent Domain) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitations on use of eminent domain, prohibiting landlocked property under certain circumstances; and repealing the General Road Law.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, September 12, 2017.

No. 1774 By Representatives BOYLE, TAYLOR, TOOHL, DRISCOLL, SCHLOSSBERG, FREEMAN, BRIGGS, DAVIS, SCHWEYER, MURT, CHARLTON, D. COSTA, WATSON, O'BRIEN, DAVIDSON, DEAN, CALTAGIRONE, SOLOMON, NEILSON, J. HARRIS, WARD, FRANKEL, GILLEN, DeLUCA, WHEELAND, SIMS, ROZZI, BOBACK, WARREN and GAINNEY

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school health services, providing for possession and use of opioid antagonists.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, September 12, 2017.

No. 1775 By Representatives STEPHENS, MILLARD, CHARLTON, MENTZER, JOZWIAK, SCHLOSSBERG, CORR, NEILSON, WATSON, GROVE, ROZZI and WHEELAND

An Act providing for prevention of abuse of patents, for notifications concerning the assertion of rights under a patent or pending patent and for enforcement and remedies.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, September 12, 2017.

No. 1777 By Representatives WHEATLEY, DEAN, BULLOCK, ROZZI, SIMS, CALTAGIRONE, NEILSON, KIM, GAINNEY, KINSEY and W. KELLER

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, establishing an amnesty program for traffic violations.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 12, 2017.

No. 1778 By Representatives DAWKINS, CRUZ, TAYLOR, DONATUCCI, DRISCOLL, HENNESSEY, KINSEY, BARRAR, BIZZARRO, THOMAS, RYAN, BURNS, WARD, ROTHMAN, LONGIETTI, BAKER, HAHN, COX, TOEPEL, BARBIN, O'NEILL, DIGIROLAMO, O'BRIEN, SOLOMON, MILLARD, READSHAW, HEFFLEY, ROZZI, NEILSON, DAVIS, MARSICO, CALTAGIRONE, DEASY, MURT, WATSON and ROEBUCK

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 1005, also known as Castor Avenue, over the Frankford Creek in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, as the Officer Gary Frank Skerski Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, September 12, 2017.

No. 1779 By Representatives DEASY, READSHAW, KAVULICH, KINSEY, SCHLOSSBERG, SIMS, RAVENSTAHL, FREEMAN, SOLOMON, ROTHMAN, BARRAR, McNEILL, V. BROWN, SCHWEYER, GOODMAN, FARRY, MATZIE, GILLEN and ROZZI

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the Combat-to-College Program.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, September 12, 2017.

No. 1780 By Representatives GROVE, PHILLIPS-HILL, WHEELAND and ORTITAY

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 other medical assistance payments.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, September 12, 2017.

No. 1781 By Representatives F. KELLER, COX, GROVE, MCGINNIS and MILNE

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, in liability and compensation, providing for registration of status as independent contractor.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, September 12, 2017.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The majority whip requests leaves of absence for the following members: Marguerite QUINN of Bucks County for the day, Daryl METCALFE of Butler County for the day, Barry JOZWIAK of Berks County for the day, and Mark GILLEN of Berks County for the week. These Representatives have requested those leaves. Without objection, they will be granted.

The minority whip requests leaves of absence for the following members: Flo FABRIZIO of Erie County for the day, Mark ROZZI of Berks County for the day, Jared SOLOMON of Philadelphia County for the day, Curtis THOMAS of Philadelphia County for the day, and Kevin HAGGERTY of Lackawanna County for the day. These Representatives have requested a leave of absence, and without objection, they will be granted.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. Members, we are going to proceed to the master roll. Please proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—191

Baker	Dush	Krueger	Rapp
Barbin	Ellis	Kulik	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Emrick	Lawrence	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Evankovich	Lewis	Reed
Bernstine	Evans	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Everett	Mackenzie	Roae
Bloom	Farry	Madden	Roe
Boback	Fee	Maher	Roebuck
Boyle	Fitzgerald	Mako	Rothman
Bradford	Flynn	Maloney	Ryan
Briggs	Frankel	Markosek	Saccone
Brown, R.	Freeman	Marshall	Sainato
Brown, V.	Fritz	Marsico	Samuelson
Bullock	Gainey	Masser	Sankey

Burns	Galloway	Matzie	Santora
Caltagirone	Gergely	McCarter	Saylor
Carroll	Gillespie	McClinton	Schemel
Causser	Godshall	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Cephas	Goodman	Mehaffie	Schweyer
Charlton	Greiner	Mentzer	Simmons
Christiana	Grove	Metzgar	Sims
Comitta	Hahn	Miccarelli	Snyder
Conklin	Hanna	Millard	Sonney
Cook	Harkins	Miller, B.	Staats
Corbin	Harper	Miller, D.	Stephens
Corr	Harris, A.	Milne	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harris, J.	Moul	Tallman
Costa, P.	Heffley	Mullery	Taylor
Cox	Helm	Murt	Tobash
Cruz	Hennessey	Mustio	Toepel
Culver	Hickernell	Neilson	Toohil
Cutler	Hill	Nelson	Topper
Daley	Irvin	Nesbit	Vazquez
Davidson	James	Neuman	Vitali
Davis	Kampf	O'Brien	Walsh
Dawkins	Kaufner	O'Neill	Ward
Day	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warner
Dean	Kavulich	Ortitay	Warren
Deasy	Keefer	Pashinski	Watson
DeLissio	Keller, F.	Peifer	Wentling
Delozier	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheeland
Dermody	Kim	Pickett	White
Diamond	Kinsey	Pyle	Youngblood
DiGirolamo	Kirkland	Quigley	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Klunk	Quinn, C.	
Dowling	Knowles	Rabb	Turzai,
Driscoll	Kortz	Rader	Speaker
Dunbar			

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

English	Gillen	Metcalf	Solomon
Fabrizio	Haggerty	Quinn, M.	Thomas
Gabler	Jozwiak	Rozzi	

LEAVES ADDED—1

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LEAVES CANCELED—1

Gabler

The SPEAKER. There are 191 members voting on the master roll. We have a quorum.

UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. CRUZ called up **HR 451, PN 2322**, entitled:

A Resolution observing September 15 through October 15, 2017, as "Hispanic Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. CRUZ called up **HR 452, PN 2323**, entitled:

A Resolution observing the month of September 2017 as "Newborn Screening Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. CRUZ called up **HR 453, PN 2324**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of September 2017 as "Leukodystrophy Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. CRUZ called up **HR 454, PN 2325**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of September 2017 as "Krabbe Disease Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. MARSHALL called up **HR 456, PN 2327**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of August 2017 as "#ABLEtoSave Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. KINSEY called up **HR 462, PN 2353**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the weeks of August 28 through September 1, 2017, and September 4 through September 8, 2017, as "Back to School Weeks" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. DOWLING called up **HR 470, PN 2365**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of September 11 through 17, 2017, as "Boy Scout and Cub Scout Sign-Up Week" in Pennsylvania.

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Mr. ELLIS called up **HR 472, PN 2370**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of September 2017 as "Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Mrs. BULLOCK called up **HR 479, PN 2379**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of September 2017 as "Senior Center Month" in Pennsylvania.

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Ms. PICKETT called up **HR 488, PN 2391**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of September 2017 as "Hunger Action Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolutions?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—190

Baker	Dunbar	Kortz	Rader
Barbin	Dush	Krueger	Rapp
Barrar	Ellis	Kulik	Ravenstahl
Benninghoff	Emrick	Lawrence	Readshaw
Bernstine	Evankovich	Lewis	Reed
Bizzarro	Evans	Longietti	Reese
Bloom	Everett	Mackenzie	Roae
Boback	Farry	Madden	Roe
Boyle	Fee	Maher	Roebuck
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Briggs	Flynn	Maloney	Ryan
Brown, R.	Frankel	Markosek	Saccone
Brown, V.	Freeman	Marshall	Sainato
Bullock	Fritz	Marsico	Samuelson
Burns	Gainey	Masser	Sankey
Caltagirone	Galloway	Matzie	Santora
Carroll	Gergely	McCarter	Saylor
Causar	Gillespie	McClinton	Schemel
Cephas	Godshall	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Charlton	Goodman	Mehaffie	Schweyer
Christiana	Greiner	Mentzer	Simmons
Comitta	Grove	Metzgar	Sims
Conklin	Hahn	Miccarelli	Snyder
Cook	Hanna	Millard	Sonney
Corbin	Harkins	Miller, B.	Staats
Corr	Harper	Miller, D.	Stephens
Costa, D.	Harris, A.	Milne	Sturla
Costa, P.	Harris, J.	Moul	Taylor
Cox	Heffley	Mullery	Tobash
Cruz	Helm	Murt	Toepel
Culver	Hennessey	Mustio	Toohil
Cutler	Hickernell	Neilson	Topper
Daley	Hill	Nelson	Vazquez
Davidson	Irvin	Nesbit	Vitali
Davis	James	Neuman	Walsh
Dawkins	Kampf	O'Brien	Ward
Day	Kaufer	O'Neill	Warner
Dean	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warren
Deasy	Kavulich	Ortitay	Watson
DeLissio	Keefer	Pashinski	Wentling
DeLozier	Keller, F.	Peifer	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wheeland
Dermody	Keller, W.	Petri	White
Diamond	Kim	Pickett	Youngblood
DiGirolamo	Kinsey	Pyle	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Kirkland	Quigley	
Dowling	Klunk	Quinn, C.	Turzai,
Driscoll	Knowles	Rabb	Speaker

NAYS—1

Tallman

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

English	Gillen	Metcalf	Solomon
Fabrizio	Haggerty	Quinn, M.	Thomas
Gabler	Jozwiak	Rozzi	

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

STATEMENT BY MR. DOWLING

The SPEAKER. Representative Dowling will be speaking on HR 470, and then that will be followed by Representative Kinsey and Representative Bullock, if you want to just come up to be prepared to speak after Representative Dowling. They will be speaking on HR 462, and then Representative Pickett will be speaking on HR 488. Please keep in mind that all of those resolutions have already been passed by the chamber.

I would ask all the members before we start to please take their seats because we do have guests with us for some of these remarks. So I am going to wait until everybody takes their seats before we start. Members, please take your seats. Sergeants at Arms, if you could ask members to please take their seats. Actually, the Sergeants at Arms, if you can, I am going to ask you to close the doors of the House so we can get everybody seated here. If everybody could please take their seats.

Representative Dowling is recognized to speak on HR 470.

Mr. DOWLING. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today to thank my fellow members for their support of HR 470, which designates this week, the week of September 11 through 17, as "Boy Scout and Cub Scout Sign-Up Week."

For more than a century, the Boy Scouts organization has been helping young men learn not only survival skills but life skills to help them be successful contributors to our communities, our Commonwealth, and our country.

Scouting programs do much of their recruiting of new Scouts or advancing Scouts in the month of September, and today's overwhelming vote in favor of this resolution helps to raise awareness of this valuable opportunity available to young men across the State.

Scouting has been a huge part of my life, as I started out as a Tiger Cub and continued through Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and earned my Eagle Scout. After college I worked for nearly 10 years as a professional Scouter, and I continue to serve as a volunteer with my local Westmoreland Fayette Council. The friends and mentors I have met in Scouting and the opportunities I have had and the lessons I have learned have helped make me who I am today, and I know that many of my colleagues here have had very similar experiences.

Among the many great things about Scouting are the lessons learned about community service. It is estimated that in 2014, Eagle Scout projects provided more than \$183 million in service to their communities across the nation and more than 14 million hours of service at a value of more than \$323 million.

Boy Scouts is truly a win-win for boys of all ages and for our communities.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the opportunity to speak today on HR 470.

The SPEAKER. Representative Dowling, do you have some guests with you here today? Would you introduce them for us – thank you – and we will have them stand.

Mr. DOWLING. Yes. In the back of the House, we do have a group of Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts from across the Commonwealth who have joined us today. Would you please stand.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, Representative Dowling.

An outstanding organization. Many of us do not miss any Eagle Scout presentations in our respective districts, and we are so pleased to have you here today.

Please open the doors of the House.

I would ask everybody to please remain seated.

STATEMENT BY MR. KINSEY

The SPEAKER. Representative Kinsey and Representative Bullock are recognized to speak on HR 462.

I would ask everybody to please remain in their seats.

Representative Kinsey, will you be leading us off, or Representative Bullock?

Representative Kinsey, please proceed.

Mr. KINSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to thank my colleagues for their support of HR 462, and also thank my good friend, Representative Bullock, for joining me in introducing this very important resolution.

This resolution designates the weeks of August 28 through September 8 as "Back to School Weeks" in Pennsylvania.

For many families, a new school year can be an exciting time; however, for others, it can be extremely difficult. Our students need as much support as possible to ensure that they are successful and ready to tackle any issues that come their way.

As a parent of a school-age child, I know firsthand the pressure Pennsylvania students face as they enter a new school year. For many students, the stakes are high and the barriers to success are even higher. Now more than ever our students need our support. As many of you know, it is our constitutional duty to provide Pennsylvania students with a thorough and efficient system of education. Supporting this resolution in turn lets students know that we support and care about them.

Mr. Speaker, no matter the ZIP (Zoning Improvement Plan) Code or the town in which they live, all Pennsylvania students deserve to receive the best education that this Commonwealth has to offer.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and again I want to thank my colleagues for their support of HR 462.

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

STATEMENT BY MRS. BULLOCK

The SPEAKER. Representative Bullock.

Mrs. BULLOCK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you to my colleagues and Representative Kinsey for your support of HR 462.

Growing up, a new school year always presented a new challenge, a fresh start, a blank page to build upon the knowledge I gained from previous years. And this year, as I dropped off my two young boys at school last week, I am reminded of the challenges that our children go through every school year. And I reminded them that they should embrace the challenges that come their way, because in the end, they will make them stronger, they will make them smarter, and they will make them better human beings. But as my colleagues mentioned, regardless of ZIP Code, all of our children should be entitled to a quality education and a secure opportunity to seek that education and feel safe in their schools and feel prepared. However, there are far too many students in our Commonwealth who do not have someone at home reminding them of that and who do not have school supplies to help them feel prepared. School may not be easy for these young folks. They may not feel supported at home. They may not feel supported or safe in their schools, and that is where we come in.

This resolution acknowledges the challenges that countless students across the Commonwealth face, but it also affirms our commitment to helping them overcome these challenges. I often say that as a legislator, I come to this building every week to make sure my children have a quality education, to make sure they have the tools to be successful, but I also do it to make sure that the children that they play with at the playground, that the little boys they run up and down the street with and the little girls they run away from down the street with also have the tools and the resources they need to be successful.

One of my favorite quotes reads, "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together." So together we must lead by example and show the more than 1.7 million school-aged children throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that if they put their mind to it and if they work together and if they rely on those grown-ups that believe in them, those grown-ups that love them, they can accomplish anything.

Thank you again, Mr. Speaker, and thank you to my colleagues for supporting this resolution.

STATEMENT BY MS. PICKETT

The SPEAKER. Representative Tina Pickett, on HR 488.

Ms. PICKETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thanks to my colleagues for your overwhelming support of HR 488. This names September as "Hunger Action Month."

Mr. Speaker, so many of us here in this chamber are fortunate. We are fortunate to have enough food to eat and fortunate that our families do not have to fight hunger pains to fall asleep at night. For nearly 1.67 million Pennsylvanians, more than 13 percent of us, our State's residents face the reality of hunger every day. In so many communities across our great Commonwealth, getting enough to eat is a hardship affecting the youngest of children to our aging adult population, but fortunately, our State is able to do something to help these individuals and families. Food banks here in Pennsylvania serve more than 2 million people every year, including more than 482,000 children and 246,000 senior citizens.

The reason why I single out these two groups is important. Research shows that preschool and school-age children who experience severe hunger have higher levels of chronic illness, anxiety, depression, and behavioral problems. Studies have also shown that food-insecure seniors are at risk of disability, deteriorating physical and mental health, decreased resistance to infections, and lengthened hospital stays. Just as sadly, 26 percent of households do contain veterans or military personnel struggling from hunger.

The reason for this resolution is simple. It not only designates September as "Hunger Action Month," but also gives us a unified opportunity to focus greater attention on the struggle of domestic hunger.

I want to take a moment to thank everyone involved in our food bank and food distribution program. It is a difficult job and done mostly by community volunteers, but I also believe it is very rewarding to help people in this way.

Again, thank you for your support of HR 488, and I encourage people in our communities to do what they can to help fight hunger – not just in September, but every month. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. NEILSON called up **HR 490, PN 2393**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of John Hancock Demonstration Elementary School in Philadelphia, on Friday, September 15, 2017.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—191

Baker	Dush	Krueger	Rapp
Barbin	Ellis	Kulik	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Emrick	Lawrence	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Evankovich	Lewis	Reed
Bernstine	Evans	Longietti	Reese
Bizzarro	Everett	Mackenzie	Roae
Bloom	Farry	Madden	Roe
Boback	Fee	Maher	Roebuck
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Burns	Galloway	Matzie	Santora
Caltagirone	Gergely	McCarter	Saylor
Carroll	Gillespie	McClinton	Schemel
Causar	Godshall	McGinnis	Schlossberg
Cephas	Goodman	Mehaffie	Schweyer
Charlton	Greiner	Mentzer	Simmons
Christiana	Grove	Metzgar	Sims
Comitta	Hahn	Miccarelli	Snyder
Conklin	Hanna	Millard	Sonney
Cook	Harkins	Miller, B.	Staats
Corbin	Harper	Miller, D.	Stephens
Corr	Harris, A.	Milne	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harris, J.	Moul	Tallman
Costa, P.	Heffley	Mullery	Taylor
Cox	Helm	Murt	Tobash
Cruz	Hennessey	Mustio	Toepel
Culver	Hickernell	Neilson	Toohil
Cutler	Hill	Nelson	Topper
Daley	Irvin	Nesbit	Vazquez
Davidson	James	Neuman	Vitali
Davis	Kampf	O'Brien	Walsh
Dawkins	Kaufer	O'Neill	Ward
Day	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warner
Dean	Kavulich	Ortitay	Warren
Deasy	Keefer	Pashinski	Watson
DeLissio	Keller, F.	Peifer	Wentling
DeLozier	Keller, M.K.	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, W.	Petri	Wheeland
Dermody	Kim	Pickett	White
Diamond	Kinsey	Pyle	Youngblood
DiGirolamo	Kirkland	Quigley	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Klunk	Quinn, C.	
Dowling	Knowles	Rabb	Turzai,
Driscoll	Kortz	Rader	Speaker
Dunbar			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

English	Gillen	Metcalfe	Solomon
Fabrizio	Haggerty	Quinn, M.	Thomas
Gabler	Jozwiak	Rozzi	

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

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. We are going to quickly recognize some guests.

Located to the left of the rostrum is Matthew Deegan. Will you please stand. He is president of the East Stroudsburg College Republicans and is the guest of Representative Rosemary Brown. Thank you for being with us here today, Matthew.

Located to the left of the rostrum, we welcome Nathan Woods. Nathan, please stand. Nathan works in Representative Will Tallman's district office. Nice to have you. Thank you.

And to my left, we welcome Abreham Kittel. Please stand, Abreham. He interned in Representative Sid Kavulich's office this summer, and we are so glad to have you here today. Thank you very, very much.

In the well of the House, as guests of Representative Ryan Mackenzie, we welcome guest page Emily Wainwright. She is here with her father, Geoff, who is sitting to the left of the rostrum. Please stand, Geoff. And, Emily, thanks for being with us today.

And also in the well of the House, we have a guest page of Representative Patty Kim, and she is Haley – I hope I am saying this right – Clasen. Haley Clasen, please stand. Haley, thank you so much for being with us today, okay? Thank you.

We are going to turn to announcements.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Our House Appropriations chair, for a committee announcement.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The SPEAKER. Thank you, sir.

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

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The majority caucus chair, for an announcement.

Mrs. TOEPEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Republicans will caucus at 12:30. We would be prepared to return to the floor at 1 o'clock.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

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

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Democrats will caucus at 12:30. Democrats will caucus at 12:30.

The SPEAKER. Okay. So, members, at this time there is going to be an Appropriations Committee meeting in the majority caucus room. Both caucuses will be meeting in their respective rooms at 12:30.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. We are prepared to be back on the floor at 1 p.m.; back on the floor at 1 p.m.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 2 p.m.; further extended until 2:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**HB 477, PN 1711**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in public improvements, utilities and services, providing for public notice and public meeting requirements.

APPROPRIATIONS.**HB 980, PN 2153**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the exclusion of veterans' benefit payments from income for Commonwealth programs.

APPROPRIATIONS.**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. Representative Mark MUSTIO has requested to be placed on leave. Without objection, that will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELED

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 980, PN 2153**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the exclusion of veterans' benefit payments from income for Commonwealth programs.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Representative Tom Murt, on the bill.

Mr. MURT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate that we consider HB 980 during the same week that we recognize the 16th anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks on our great nation.

Mr. Speaker, consider these statistics: The total number of men and women who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan include more than 2.5 million marines, sailors, soldiers, airmen, coastguardsmen, and National Guardsmen. Mr. Speaker, of those, nearly 6,600 were killed and over 770,000 have filed disability claims through the Veterans' Administration.

Mr. Speaker, when you add in the number of veterans with a service-connected disability from previous conflicts, that number, as of 2015, was 3.8 million. Of those, 1.1 million veterans have a disability rating of 70 percent or higher – that is 70, 7-0. Many of those brave veterans living in Pennsylvania would qualify for State programs except that the Federal money they receive for their disability is considered when calculating if that veteran is impoverished enough to receive State aid. This legislation decrees that Federal veterans' compensation or pension benefits will no longer be utilized to determine a veteran's eligibility for Commonwealth assistance programs or rebates.

Mr. Speaker, just as important, it will extend the exclusion of the veteran's compensation benefits to the veteran's unmarried surviving spouse. We ask so much from our veterans; it is time we begin looking out for their well-being and the financial stability of their families.

Mr. Speaker, this is the least we can do for those who have sacrificed so much while preserving our freedoms. Thank you.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Just a parliamentary inquiry.

I do not think we quite have enough members to conduct business. I am wondering if we could just pause for just a couple minutes just to get a quorum in here. I think we are a little short right now. I think we are just a little short, I think, right now.

The SPEAKER. Representative Barbin.

Mr. BARBIN. On the bill, Mr. Speaker.

I want to commend the maker of the bill for taking the first step to put veterans in a position where we are recognizing their service. This bill allows veterans to exclude from income, on any Commonwealth program, their veterans benefit. The same needs to be done on the Federal side. It is the reason that veterans cannot get into federally subsidized housing. It is because these benefits bring them over the amount of money necessary to provide housing relief. So hopefully, with the passage of this bill, we will also be able to encourage the Federal government to take a similar step.

The SPEAKER. Representative Vitali, I just wanted to respond.

If you would take the time to meet with your leadership team, I would certainly appreciate it.

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-191

Baker	Dush	Kortz	Rapp
Barbin	Ellis	Krueger	Ravenstahl
Barrar	Emrick	Kulik	Readshaw
Benninghoff	Evankovich	Lawrence	Reed
Bernstine	Evans	Lewis	Reese
Bizzarro	Everett	Longietti	Roae
Bloom	Farry	Mackenzie	Roe
Boback	Fee	Madden	Roebuck
Boyle	Fitzgerald	Maher	Rothman
Bradford	Flynn	Mako	Ryan
Briggs	Frankel	Maloney	Saccone
Brown, R.	Freeman	Markosek	Sainato
Brown, V.	Fritz	Marshall	Samuelson
Bullock	Gabler	Marsico	Sankey
Burns	Gainey	Masser	Santora
Caltagirone	Galloway	Matzie	Saylor
Carroll	Gergely	McCarter	Schemel
Causar	Gillespie	McClinton	Schlossberg
Cephas	Godshall	McGinnis	Schweyer
Charlton	Goodman	Mehaffie	Simmons
Christiana	Greiner	Mentzer	Sims
Comitta	Grove	Metzgar	Snyder
Conklin	Hahn	Miccarelli	Sonney
Cook	Hanna	Millard	Staats
Corbin	Harkins	Miller, B.	Stephens
Corr	Harper	Miller, D.	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harris, A.	Milne	Tallman
Costa, P.	Harris, J.	Moul	Taylor
Cox	Heffley	Mullery	Tobash
Cruz	Helm	Murt	Toepel
Culver	Hennessey	Neilson	Toohil
Cutler	Hickernell	Nelson	Topper
Daley	Hill	Nesbit	Vazquez
Davidson	Irvin	Neuman	Vitali
Davis	James	O'Brien	Walsh
Dawkins	Kampf	O'Neill	Ward
Day	Kaufner	Oberlander	Warner
Dean	Kauffman	Ortitay	Warren
Deasy	Kavulich	Pashinski	Watson
DeLissio	Keefer	Peifer	Wentling
Delozier	Keller, F.	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, M.K.	Petri	Wheeland
Dermody	Keller, W.	Pickett	White
Diamond	Kim	Pyle	Youngblood

DiGirolamo	Kinsey	Quigley	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Kirkland	Quinn, C.	
Dowling	Klunk	Rabb	Turzai,
Driscoll	Knowles	Rader	Speaker
Dunbar			

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-11

English	Haggerty	Mustio	Solomon
Fabrizio	Jozwiak	Quinn, M.	Thomas
Gillen	Metcalfe	Rozzi	

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 477, PN 1711**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in public improvements, utilities and services, providing for public notice and public meeting requirements.

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-191

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Bullock	Gabler	Marsico	Sankey
Burns	Gainey	Masser	Santora
Caltagirone	Galloway	Matzie	Saylor
Carroll	Gergely	McCarter	Schemel
Causar	Gillespie	McClinton	Schlossberg
Cephas	Godshall	McGinnis	Schweyer
Charlton	Goodman	Mehaffie	Simmons

Christiana	Greiner	Mentzer	Sims
Comitta	Grove	Metzgar	Snyder
Conklin	Hahn	Miccarelli	Sonney
Cook	Hanna	Millard	Staats
Corbin	Harkins	Miller, B.	Stephens
Corr	Harper	Miller, D.	Sturla
Costa, D.	Harris, A.	Milne	Tallman
Costa, P.	Harris, J.	Moul	Taylor
Cox	Heffley	Mullery	Tobash
Cruz	Helm	Murt	Toepel
Culver	Hennessey	Neilson	Toohil
Cutler	Hickernell	Nelson	Topper
Daley	Hill	Nesbit	Vazquez
Davidson	Irvin	Neuman	Vitali
Davis	James	O'Brien	Walsh
Dawkins	Kampf	O'Neill	Ward
Day	Kaufner	Oberlander	Warner
Dean	Kauffman	Ortitay	Warren
Deasy	Kavulich	Pashinski	Watson
DeLissio	Keefer	Peifer	Wentling
Delozier	Keller, F.	Petrarca	Wheatley
DeLuca	Keller, M.K.	Petri	Wheeland
Dermody	Keller, W.	Pickett	White
Diamond	Kim	Pyle	Youngblood
DiGirolamo	Kinsey	Quigley	Zimmerman
Donatucci	Kirkland	Quinn, C.	
Dowling	Klunk	Rabb	Turzai,
Driscoll	Knowles	Rader	Speaker
Dunbar			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—11

English	Haggerty	Mustio	Solomon
Fabrizio	Jozwiak	Quinn, M.	Thomas
Gillen	Metcalfe	Rozzi	

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

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

The SPEAKER. There are no further votes at this time.

Are there any announcements? Are there any announcements at this time?

Representative Kathy Watson moves that the House be adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday— Oh, excuse me. Let me just do the housekeeping. My apologies.

Representative Watson, I will be back to you on the motion.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

HB 555;
HB 1444;
HB 1510;
HB 1602; and
HB 1608.

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 274, PN 1497**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further providing for relief.

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 274 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 274 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 332, PN 356**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income.

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 332 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 332 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 17, PN 20**, entitled:

A Resolution requesting the Congress of the United States to urge the Food and Drug Administration to reverse its directive allowing OxyContin to be prescribed to children 11 to 16 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 17 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

RESOLUTION REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, who moves that HR 17 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

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. Back to Representative Watson. She moves that the House be adjourned until Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 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 2:45 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.