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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(The House was unable to convene on Monday, February 1, 2021, due to inclement weather.)

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

THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER) PRESIDING

PRAYER

HON. FRANCIS X. RYAN, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Members, if I could ask you, in these trying times, many people have been experiencing depression, and I would like to dedicate this prayer today to Shawn Shatto, who was encouraged to take her own life in an online forum, for which there is a bill that is being considered; and Maxwell Schollenberger, in Lebanon County, who was brutally abused by family members. And it is a prayer of wisdom and a prayer of hope.

The Gospel according to Mark, chapter 6, verse 4, Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and his own house."

And a Prayer for Hope for those suffering from depression:

"Heavenly Father, I am Your humble servant.
I come before You today in need of hope.
There are times when I feel helpless.
There are times when I feel weak. I pray for hope.
I need hope for a better future.
I need hope for a better life.
I need hope for love and kindness.
Some say that the sky is at its darkest just before the light.
I pray that that is true, for all seems dark.
I need Your light, Lord, in every way.
I pray to be filled with Your light from head to toe. To bask in Your glory.
To know that all is right in the world, as You have planned, and as You want it to be.
Help me to walk in Your light,"
and help each and every one of us to walk in Your light
"and live my life in faith and glory.
In Your name I pray, 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 Thursday, January 28, 2021, will be postponed until printed.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication in writing from the office of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Office of the Governor

January 22, 2021

The Honorable Jake Corman
President Pro Tempore
Senate of Pennsylvania
350 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

The Honorable Bryan Cutler
Speaker
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
139 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Senator Corman and Speaker Cutler:

In an effort to protect the health and safety of everyone in the Capitol and to allow for proper social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic, I will not be requesting a Joint Session of the General Assembly to present my annual budget address as in previous years.

However, I would appreciate consideration for each Chamber to allow Members to watch a presentation of this year's budget address on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, at a time that is convenient to the General Assembly during your respective sessions.

Sincerely,
Tom Wolf
Governor

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the 2021 Employment First Annual Report from the Governor's Office.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 29 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, CONKLIN, FREEMAN, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, LONGIETTI, MENTZER, NEILSON, O'MARA, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, VITALI and WEBSTER

A Resolution designating February 15, 2021, as "Plastic Pollution Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 29, 2021.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 328 By Representatives MADDEN, SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, DALEY, DAVIDSON, A. DAVIS, FIEDLER, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GUZMAN, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, INNAMORATO, KENYATTA, KINKEAD, LEE, MALAGARI, O'MARA, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, providing for rent recovery during COVID-19 disaster emergency.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, January 29, 2021.

No. 329 By Representatives MADDEN, SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, DALEY, DAVIDSON, A. DAVIS, FIEDLER, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GUZMAN, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, INNAMORATO, KENYATTA, KINKEAD, LEE, MALAGARI, O'MARA, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, prohibiting fees on late or missed rent payments or other similar charges during COVID-19 disaster emergency.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, January 29, 2021.

No. 330 By Representatives MADDEN, SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, DALEY, DAVIDSON, A. DAVIS, FIEDLER, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, GUZMAN, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, INNAMORATO, KENYATTA, KINKEAD, LEE, MALAGARI, O'MARA, SANCHEZ and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in organization and jurisdiction of courts of common pleas, further providing for housing courts.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 29, 2021.

No. 331 By Representatives R. BROWN, HILL-EVANS, OWLETT, SCHLOSSBERG, MERSKI, CIRESI, LONGIETTI, NEILSON, FREEMAN and STRUZZI

An Act authorizing certain financial institutions to conduct savings promotion programs.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, January 29, 2021.

No. 332 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, CONKLIN, DALEY, A. DAVIS, DELLOSO, GALLOWAY, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, KENYATTA, KINSEY, NEILSON, O'MARA, SAMUELSON, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, SIMS and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for public health and imposing duties on the Department of Environmental Protection.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 29, 2021.

No. 334 By Representatives JOZWIAK, HENNESSEY, MILLARD, BROOKS, RYAN, STRUZZI, SMITH, BURGOS, NEILSON, LAWRENCE, RIGBY, KAUFFMAN, PYLE, WHEELAND, BURNS, HELM, LONGIETTI, GILLEN, KNOWLES, DELOZIER, GUENST, DAY, HARKINS, IRVIN, E. NELSON, R. MACKENZIE, MUSTELLO, BERNSTINE, SCHMITT, CAUSER, O'NEAL, SANKEY, SAYLOR, WHITE, DOWLING, MOUL, MIZGORSKI, FREEMAN, JAMES, RADER, GAYDOS, HEFFLEY, FEE and T. DAVIS

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

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 29, 2021.

No. 335 By Representatives R. MACKENZIE, DeLUCA, KAUFFMAN, MILLARD, MOUL, O'MARA, QUINN and RYAN

An Act amending the act of April 13, 1887 (P.L.21, No.18), entitled "An act for the establishment of a uniform standard of time throughout the Commonwealth," observing daylight saving time year-around if authorized by the Congress of the United States.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 29, 2021.

No. 336 By Representatives R. MACKENZIE, GROVE, JAMES, MENTZER, MILLARD, MOUL, PICKETT, ROTHMAN, RYAN and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for executive officers, administrative departments and independent administrative boards and commissions, for departmental

administrative boards, commissions and offices, for department heads and for gubernatorial appointments; in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for board to license private bankers; in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for Department of Banking and for Pennsylvania Securities Commission; in powers and duties of the Department of Banking and its departmental administrative board and commission, further providing for powers and duties in general, for banking supervisory powers and for banking laws; repealing provisions relating to powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, January 29, 2021.

No. 337 By Representatives HOHENSTEIN, CIRESI, DeLUCA, FREEMAN, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, HOWARD, ISAACSON, MALAGARI, McNEILL, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER and THOMAS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in riot, disorderly conduct and related offenses, further providing for the offense of neglect of animal and for the offense of tethering of unattended dog.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 29, 2021.

No. 338 By Representatives HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, ISAACSON, DRISCOLL, FRANKEL, GUENST, HANBIDGE, McNEILL, NEILSON, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER, SHUSTERMAN, SIMS and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in falsification and intimidation, further providing for the offense of unsworn falsification to authorities; and, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms, for licenses and for sale or transfer of firearms.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 29, 2021.

No. 339 By Representatives HOHENSTEIN, A. DAVIS, CIRESI, DALEY, DEASY, DeLUCA, DRISCOLL, GALLOWAY, GUENST, HANBIDGE, HARRIS, HILL-EVANS, ISAACSON, PASHINSKI, SANCHEZ, SIMS, WARREN and WEBSTER

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in miscellaneous limitations and transfers, further providing for COVID-19 response transfers for assistance to the Commonwealth's health care system and providing for COVID-19 response transfers to restricted account.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, January 29, 2021.

No. 340 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, DELLOSO, DRISCOLL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, WEBSTER and ZABEL

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for opioid stewardship; establishing the Opioid Reparation and Accountability Fund and the Opiate Epidemic Response Advisory Council; and imposing duties on the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, January 29, 2021.

No. 341 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, DEASY, DELLOSO, DRISCOLL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, KENYATTA, PASHINSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, WEBSTER and ZABEL

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania liquor stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania liquor stores.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, January 29, 2021.

No. 342 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, CONKLIN, DELLOSO, DRISCOLL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, NEILSON, O'MARA, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG and D. WILLIAMS

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, providing for income tax credit for interest paid on student loans.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, January 29, 2021.

No. 343 By Representatives N. NELSON, WEBSTER, SANCHEZ, BURGOS, BROOKS, KENYATTA, TOOHIL, HOHENSTEIN, D. WILLIAMS and LEE

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in county correctional institutions, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, January 29, 2021.

No. 344 By Representatives N. NELSON, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, CIRESI, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, D. WILLIAMS, GUENST, GALLOWAY, ZABEL, McNEILL, HOHENSTEIN, ISAACSON, WEBSTER, DRISCOLL, PISCIOTTANO, SAINATO, LEE, INNAMORATO, GAYDOS, A. DAVIS, GLEIM and KEEFER

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for licensed places may be closed during period of emergency.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, January 29, 2021.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Turning to leaves of absence. Are there any requests for leaves of absence?

The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who indicates that there are none. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the Democratic whip, who indicates that there are also no leaves.

MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—202

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rapp
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Rigby
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longietti	Roae
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gainey	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Boback	Galloway	Madden	Rozzi
Bonner	Gaydos	Mako	Ryan
Borowicz	Gillen	Malagari	Sainato
Boyle	Gillespie	Maloney	Samuelson
Bradford	Gleim	Markosek	Sanchez
Briggs	Gregory	Marshall	Sankey
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Sappey
Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schemel
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Schlossberg
Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schroeder
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Schweyer
Causar	Harris	Merski	Shusterman
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Silvis
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Sims
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Smith
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Snyder
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Solomon
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Sonney
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Staats
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Stephens
Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Struzzi
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Sturla
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Thomas
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Tomlinson
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Toohil
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Topper
DeLissio	Kaufner	O'Neal	Twardzik
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Vitali
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warner
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Warren
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wentling
Dowling	Kinthead	Pashinski	Wheatley
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	Wheeland
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuik	White
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, C.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Krueger	Pyle	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Kulik	Quinn	
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rabb	Cutler,
Flood	Lawrence	Rader	Speaker

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

The SPEAKER. Two hundred and two members having voted on the master roll, a quorum is present.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, we are currently awaiting the start of the Governor's budget address, which will begin broadcasting at 11:30.

At this time this House will be at ease. I will bring us back to order immediately prior to that and announce when the video will start.

Members have also, I believe, been e-mailed a link. If they so choose, they may return to their offices to view the broadcast as well.

This House will be at ease.

The House will please come back to order.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The SPEAKER. While we are waiting for the Governor's budget address to start, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Millard, for a committee announcement.

Mr. MILLARD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just an announcement that the House Tourism and Recreational Development Committee met this morning. We have reorganized. We are ready to do the people's business.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. SMITH

The SPEAKER. The Chair would now recognize the gentleman, Representative Smith, for a brief announcement.

Mr. SMITH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just wanted to let everybody know that the Groundhog Caucus has come to order, and the cookies are in the back room. And Phil saw his shadow yesterday, so 6 more weeks it will be.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman. However, being from Lancaster County, I would simply point out that Octoraro Orphie is the true prognosticator, and I would encourage everyone to enjoy the cookies in the back. They are the same recipe, it is my understanding, as the original recipe and are the ones that are delivered every year.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. For what purposes does the gentleman, the majority leader, rise?

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. A quick comment on a personal note.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am not normally one to jump up on these types of things, but to start us off on a positive note, on February 1, the good Lord blessed me with another grandson, and young Parker and they are doing well. Thank you.

As a father of five, I have just never gotten over the miracle of these wonderful little lives and how they go from being with mother to being in the world, breathing on their own. So I just thank you for your acknowledgement.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and congratulates him.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from York County rise?

Mr. SAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, to announce an Appropriations Committee meeting.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order, and you may make the committee announcement.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet at 1:15 in the majority caucus room, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet at 1:15 in the majority caucus room.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, the countdown clock on PAcast has started, and in approximately 4 minutes and 30 seconds, the link will be live. It will be viewed on the televisions here in the well of the House, as well as the one we have up front.

If individuals are choosing to stay on the floor for the duration of the budget address, it is very important that you watch the screens that are here and do not utilize the link that has been e-mailed to you, as it will cause some audio issues since this is also being broadcast onto PCN (Pennsylvania Cable Network). So if you are staying in the hall of the House, you will need to listen to what is being broadcasted in here and view it on the screens. The links are for use in your office only.

The video will begin in approximately 4 minutes.

The budget address will start in approximately 20 seconds.

Several members have indicated that they are having difficulty hearing, so please move any conversations off the back of the House or to your offices.

The budget is beginning now.

The following video was presented:

FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET ADDRESS OF GOV. TOM WOLF

The GOVERNOR. My fellow Pennsylvanians: These days are different and so is this budget speech. I am talking to you from the Governor's residence in Harrisburg, and it is perhaps the only time in the last century that a Governor has not made the annual budget address in person, in the Capitol, with much of official Harrisburg arrayed in front. Instead, today I am talking to you, all of my fellow Pennsylvanians, directly. Maybe this is the way it ought to be done. After all, I work for you; I came here to do a job for you, and today I am going to tell you how I think this budget is going to make your lives better.

I arrived here in Harrisburg a little over 6 years ago. I was a newcomer to elective politics, having spent most of my life in business, and I aimed to be a different kind of Governor. I wanted to cut through the stale conventions, the entrenched interests, and the old excuses. I wanted to get things done. One of the first things I did was try to get to know the Capitol and the people who worked there, so I walked through its halls, met with Senators and Representatives of both parties, just hoping to introduce myself and put faces to names.

One of those faces belonged to a conservative Republican, sent here by rural voters from a remote area of the Commonwealth. I went into the conversation knowing that there would be some obvious differences between us. But I told him I hoped we could work together anyway, and he said he would like that. And then he said something that has stuck with me ever since. He told me that his approach to the job was pretty straightforward: he tried to always stay focused on addressing the real challenges that most of his constituents faced in their daily lives. And to maintain that focus, he told me he liked to put himself in the shoes of a young family just starting out. He tried to imagine the obstacles that might be getting in the way of their hopes and dreams, the burdens that kept them up at night. Things like paying the rent or a mortgage. Keeping up with car payments and insurance bills. And what about the kids? Braces, summer camp, maybe college applications – it is easy to dream about the better life you might be able to provide for your children, but it is mighty expensive to make it possible. A family like that, my new colleague said, what would they truly need? Then he got to his point. What they definitely would not need, he warned me, was a bigger financial burden piled on top of them in the form of higher taxes.

Well, I guess I should not have been surprised that is where the conversation wound up. Still, as I walked out of his office, it struck me that, despite coming from very different places both geographically and politically, we both came to the job of public service trying to answer the same questions. What do people need to be able to build a brighter future here in Pennsylvania? What are the barriers that get in their way? And what can we do to help remove those barriers?

If you were to ask a young family whether they enjoy paying taxes or whether they would like to pay more in taxes, well, they would look at you like you were nuts. But what if we started the conversation the way my colleague had described it? What if we asked people about the barriers standing between them and the bright future they imagined when they decided to build a life here in the Commonwealth?

When I first got to Harrisburg, the answer was almost always the same: it is the schools. Far too many parents across the Commonwealth – in Westmoreland County, in Fulton County, in Tioga County, in Philadelphia County, and beyond – they all felt like the opportunities available to their kids would be determined less by their talent and more by their ZIP (Zoning Improvement Plan) Code. No matter how great a parent you are, if your local school system lacks the resources it needs to provide your kids with a quality education, well, that is a barrier to giving them a better life. It is a barrier so big, it actually blocks out the sun.

Even if you somehow make it over that barrier, well, there is another, higher mountain to be climbed, and that is the skyrocketing cost of higher education. High-quality education is

the ticket to greater opportunity for our children. Without it, how can we hope that our kids are going to be able to lead better lives than we did? And by the way, universal high-quality education leads to healthier people and healthier communities. If it is not accessible to everyone, how will our kids be able to build a better Pennsylvania than the one we leave them?

Over the past 5 years, we have delivered an additional \$1.4 billion in funding for pre-K through college education. But that is not enough. For too many families in our Commonwealth, insufficient access to education remains a barrier to opportunity.

It is not the only one. Many parents worry about the quality of the air their kids breathe and the water they drink. They worry about the opioid epidemic ravaging so many communities across our Commonwealth, stripping hope away from so many people they know. They worry about the possibility that they are one unlucky health emergency away from the complete collapse of their lives.

They worry about the economy too. But they are not worried about the stock market or bond prices. They are worried about the economy around them. Will there continue to be good jobs? Will there still be opportunities to advance and build some financial security? Will their kids have a real chance to wind up better off than they are?

Hey, parents worry. It is what we do. And our daughters are grown now, and they have built successful lives of their own – but Frances and I still worry about them every day. In difficult times like these, too many young parents are haunted by the fear that their children's lives will simply never be better than their own. And you know, there is a real cost to that fear. These families are making the decisions that will shape their lives. And all these burdens reduce any appetite they might have to take a chance on themselves. These barriers to opportunity, they destroy hope. They encourage pessimism. They discourage the kind of broad ambition a robust free-market economy depends on. These fears – these barriers – they diminish all our lives. They destroy the optimism that drives a healthy society.

I, for one, worry about that a lot these days. After all, here I am, speaking to you via video instead of before a packed chamber, due to a pandemic that has cost more than 17,000 Pennsylvanians their lives, thrown our economy into tumult, and disrupted every part of our lives. Yes, we will defeat COVID. But we cannot say yet when it will be safe for life to return to normal – and it is hard to know what "normal" is even going to look like. But I refuse to tell any young family in Pennsylvania that they just happen to be starting out at the wrong time – that with everything going on, 2021, well, it is just not going to be the year we get around to lifting the barriers that stand between them and the future they hope to provide for their children. Indeed, I think it is more important than ever that we act boldly and courageously to remove those barriers once and for all. So today I am proposing a budget designed to do exactly that.

Let us start with taxes. I mean, nobody likes paying them. But I think we can all agree that some things can only be accomplished with everybody chipping in. Repairing roads and bridges. Keeping our communities safe. And of course, giving every child in this Commonwealth the education they need to thrive. So the question is not whether taxes are unpleasant or necessary. They are both. The real question is whether everybody is paying a fair share – and whether we are all getting our money's worth. And the truth is, the answer to both questions right now is "no." Right now Pennsylvania has one of the lowest personal income tax rates in the nation. And yes, for folks like me who

have been lucky enough to build some real financial security, that is a pretty sweet deal. But if you are just starting out, now that is a different story.

For one thing, when you go to file your taxes every year, you have to pay the same exact rate as I do. What is more, those taxes you pay are not getting you nearly enough in return. Too many communities across the Commonwealth are still being left behind, especially when it comes to our schools. So local communities, especially rural towns and struggling cities like York and Reading and Scranton wind up raising property taxes. Homeowners and renters alike wind up paying more, and even then, their schools lag behind. Meanwhile, in order to keep that personal tax rate low, we charge Pennsylvania businesses one of the highest tax rates in the country, even as we underfund the schools and job training programs that are supposed to be building our future workforce. Now, what sense does that make?

So today, I am proposing that we do things differently. The first big change: We need to stop asking working families to pay the same tax rate my family does. I want to help working families get ahead by reducing – reducing – their taxes. This is not about pitting the rich against the poor and the middle class. This is about asking folks who have already made it to shoulder a little more of the burden so that folks who have not made it yet have a better chance to do that. That is the thing about financial security. Most people who have it had to earn it. And if you are one of those people, think back to the early days, when you were first starting out, when you had not yet overcome the barriers that stood between you and your success. Back when you were maxing out your credit card every month, back when you were hoping the old car would make it through one more winter, trying to save up enough for that down payment on a home. If you could go back in time and give your younger self just a little bit more help, would you not do it? Well, that is exactly what I am proposing we do for young families all across the Commonwealth. If you are married with two kids, and you earn less than \$84,000 per year, I suggest we give you a tax cut.

Second big change: My plan cuts taxes for Pennsylvania businesses – by 25 percent. No longer will we ask the businesses that power our economy to pay the highest rate in the nation. And not only does my plan help lift that burden, it levels the playing field by closing the loophole that lets too many corporations benefit from doing business in our Commonwealth without paying their fair share.

Third big change: Even with these tax cuts for working families and businesses, my plan more than doubles our investment in education. Finally, we will be able to fully and fairly fund every school, in every school district, in every part of the Commonwealth. Putting all this funding through the fair funding formula means that struggling schools will finally get the resources they need without taking away from schools already being adequately funded. Imagine: No more chronic underfunding. No more budget gimmicks, shifting around money to hide our shortfalls. No more picking winners and losers. No more last-minute, one-time bailouts for school districts because, well, they cannot make ends meet. And no more passing on the cost of our broken system in the form of skyrocketing property taxes.

On top of that, my budget has new funding for early childhood education, for special education, and for higher education – including funding for our GI Bill and a new community college in Erie. And it creates a tuition assistance program to help more Pennsylvanians attend the PASSHE (Pennsylvania State System

of Higher Education) schools – that is our State universities – opening up new opportunities for people to get degrees and other important workforce credentials.

Our commitment to education is not just about funding. It is also about quality. My budget includes reforms that would finally hold charter schools accountable for the results they deliver. It lowers administrative costs in the Educational Improvement Tax Credit program so that we can fund \$36 million more in scholarships. And it gives the teachers to whom we entrust our children's future the security of a \$45,000 minimum annual salary.

We can make 2021 a year when we cut taxes for working families. A year when we level the playing field for businesses. A year when we finally and fully and fairly fund every school in the Commonwealth so that no parent in Pennsylvania, no matter where they live or what they earn, will ever have to worry that their child will be unable to get a world-class public education.

While we are at it, let us do something else for our businesses. The COVID pandemic has put a heavy burden on Pennsylvania businesses and the workers they employ. So for starters, let us move quickly to help struggling businesses weather the storm. We can immediately – immediately – allocate \$145 million to help them make it through the last months of the pandemic. Let us do this now.

But my budget also makes historic investments in our workforce and our infrastructure to help our economy come roaring back once we return to business as usual. And that includes a multibillion-dollar investment in our workforce and economic development systems. That is enough to fund recommendations from our Bipartisan Workforce Command Center's report. And it includes a major investment in our infrastructure – and not just roads and bridges, but infrastructure projects ranging from broadband Internet in rural communities to getting lead and asbestos out of our school buildings.

At every stage, we will be knocking down barriers to advancement for workers and businesses alike. I mean, a road that is not paved – that is a barrier. The job with no prospects for advancement – that is a barrier. A classroom poisoned by lead paint, mold, and asbestos – that is a barrier. And by the way, a paycheck that does not cover basic necessities is a barrier too. And that is why we should immediately raise the minimum wage with a clear path to getting it to \$15 per hour as quickly as possible.

There is a lot more in this budget, including a number of things that I know have bipartisan support: Building on progress and continuing to reform our criminal justice system. Improving the professional licensing process to knock down barriers to entering high-demand professions. Legalizing recreational marijuana. And heeding Senator Corman's call to make government reform a priority by implementing a wide-ranging ethics plan that would make our State government more accountable and more responsible to the people we serve.

There is no reason why we cannot work together, Democrats and Republicans, to pass these initiatives. But if you are skeptical about the prospects for bipartisanship in the wake of what we have seen our politics become recently, well, I cannot say that I blame you. So I want to close by saying this. I think it is incumbent on every public official, no matter what party you belong to or how much responsibility you bear for the events of last month, to look for ways to fix our broken politics. After all, as my conversation with my conservative colleague demonstrated, we all come here with the same goal in mind:

helping the people we represent build the lives they want for their families.

But while a lot of the anger and division in our politics comes from overheated rhetoric and selfish partisanship, I think there is something else going on here too. The people who sent us here are frustrated. They keep telling us what they need. They need good schools. They need safe roads. They need more opportunities to advance their careers, start businesses, and build economic security. And then we come to Harrisburg and all we do is nibble around the edges of these problems. A little more funding here. A new pilot program there. We do what the politics of the moment allows. And we promise to try again next year.

But if you are one of those Pennsylvanians starting out, one of those young families surrounded by all these imposing barriers, well, that is just not good enough. You know, you only get to go through life once, and every year we do not act to solve these problems, well, that is a year you can never get back. It is another year where it feels like you are only working all those hours so you can write those checks to your landlord or your health insurance company. It is another year where you pay your taxes right on time, but there never seems to be enough money in the State's budget to fix that pothole on your way to work. It is another year where your kids get taller, your local schools do not get better, and college does not get any more affordable.

No wonder people get frustrated. It is no wonder they get angry. It is no wonder people start to feel like nobody in government cares. It is no wonder they start looking to politicians who promise to shake everything up. So let us stop with the excuses; let us move beyond the chronic timidity. Let us do something. Let us lift those barriers, and let us stop making excuses for why we cannot.

This budget makes major changes to our tax system. It actually reduces the tax burden on Pennsylvania families earning \$84,000 or less. It also proposes a major tax reduction for Pennsylvania businesses. Still, I know that folks on the other side of the aisle are going to point to this budget and tell you all the things it does wrong or all the things they do not like. But you know what? We are not in the chamber today. There is no one here to clap or boo or sit stoically and not react at all. So I am not talking to them. I am talking to the people of Pennsylvania. I am talking to you. And here is what I am telling you. I am telling you that there is a way out of this cycle of disappointment and half-measures, frustration, and division. I am telling you we can lift these barriers once and for all, and we can do it this year. I am telling you we can have a great public school for every child in every neighborhood in Pennsylvania, good job opportunities for everyone who wants them, and an economy strong enough to provide for everyone. I am telling you it is possible to pursue a legislative agenda for this Commonwealth that is good for families, good for businesses, and good for the economy. And most of all, I am telling you I think your family's future is important enough that we ought to just have this argument right now instead of putting it off until next year, and the year after that, and the year after that.

So go online. Look at my budget. Look at what it would mean for your family, for your community, and for our Commonwealth. And if you agree that your family would be better off in a Pennsylvania with fairer taxes and better schools, raise your voice. At the end of the day, we all work for you. If you have had enough of being told why your government cannot solve your problems, make it crystal clear that, this time, you do not want to hear that anymore; that you will not accept any more

excuses. Call your Representatives. Help me get this budget through the legislature, and let us make Pennsylvania an even better place to live, work, and dream big dreams for your kids. And for our future.

Thank you.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

The SPEAKER. While we are waiting for the Appropriations chairs to come to the front so that they can each speak about the budget, I am in receipt of the Committee on Committees Supplemental Report.

The following report was read:

Committee on Committees Supplemental Report

In the House of Representatives
February 3, 2021

RESOLVED, That

Representative George Dunbar, Westmoreland County, resigns as a member of the Appropriations Committee.

Representative Natalie Mihalek, Allegheny and Washington Counties, is elected a member of the Appropriations Committee.

Representative George Dunbar, Westmoreland County, resigns as a member of the Finance Committee.

Representative Josh Kail, Beaver and Washington Counties, is elected a member of the Finance Committee.

Representative George Dunbar, Westmoreland County, resigns as a member of the Commerce Committee.

Representative Chris Quinn, Delaware County, is elected a member of the Commerce Committee.

Representative George Dunbar, Westmoreland County, resigns as a member of the Gaming Oversight Committee.

Representative Meghan Schroeder, Bucks County, is elected a member of the Gaming Oversight Committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Stan Saylor, Chairman
Committee on Committees

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

The SPEAKER. While the Appropriations chairs are approaching the front, I believe the gentlewoman, Representative Boback, has a committee announcement – waives off. The Chair thanks the lady.

STATEMENT BY MR. BRADFORD

The SPEAKER. The Chair will recognize the gentleman, Chairman Bradford, for comments on the '21-'22 budget address.

The House will please come to order. Members, please take your seats. Move any conversations off the back of the House.

Chairman Bradford, you are in order and may proceed.

Mr. BRADFORD. Thank you.

I would just like to point out to my good whip that the Governor had the advantage of production value. So thank you so much for that.

Thank you to our Governor, who I know wishes he could be here, and thank you to the members that are here today. I think we have heard the Governor speak about as honestly and forthrightly about the challenges in front of our Commonwealth than we have heard in quite a while, and while we can disagree, I think we have to agree that this Governor deserves credit for coming before us today, if only virtually, to really lay out a vision for the next year in Pennsylvania. And when we think about what the next year looks like, I think it is only appropriate that we look back on the year that we have just concluded, in terms of budgeting.

In March of last year, a pandemic came to this world, and it wrecked our world, if we are being honest, but it also opened our eyes. And we learned new words, words that we thought we would never learn and challenges we never thought we would face. But one of the terms that we learned was "essential worker," and I think it really opened many of our eyes, because I have got to tell you, where I live is largely a white-collar community. And pandemic, new words for me were things like "Zoom," and a lot of my neighbors on day one opened their laptop and they went to work without really skipping a beat because we have access to high-speed Internet and we have the ability to go to work through those means. But for others, that was not the reality because they are essential workers, and we had debates for weeks – probably months, actually – about who was an essential worker and who should be sent back into the workforce and deal with these challenges. You know, these were the health-care providers, the folks that were taking care of our grandparents in nursing homes under just God-awful conditions. They were the transit workers who were expected to get people to and from jobs so that our food stores would still be able to stock their shelves, so our food processors could still provide food for those shelves. They were the retail workers to make sure that our economy, even at a reduced level, continued to provide for us. These folks went to work every day, recognizing some made minimum wage. And let us not forget that the minimum wage in Pennsylvania last year – and if we do not do something in this body, this year – is \$7.25 an hour. These workers – and we had these debates and I do not mean to relitigate it – they do not get paid sick leave. We were not capable of providing the PPE (personal protective equipment) and the hazard pay, or even pay day care that they needed. These workers, and some cases for minimum wage – and let us be clear, \$7.25 is not just a minimum wage; it is a poverty wage – these folks went to work and provided for all of us, and I think our eyes were opened, because where those in my neighborhood were Zooming to work, not far away were communities where folks were going to work on those buses, they were going to work in those grocery stores, they were providing

so that all of us would be able to provide for our family. And amazingly, and I think we were all shocked by this, the economy for high-wage earners largely was not impacted. Were small businesses impacted? I grew up working in my own parents' small business; they were, and it is tragic. But the reality is, for many of us who Zoom to work, the impact was almost nil.

So I think there was a little bit of awakening. And then as the summer came, we obviously had the murder of George Floyd, and I think we brought a new component to what was an essential worker, because if we are being honest, we knew a lot of those essential workers were women. They were people of color. They were people that do not make the wages of those of us who are able to Zoom to work. Those inequities created an awakening in our country. For some, maybe it was just a moment, maybe it was just a willingness to go to a protest. But some of us, at least for me who has to, and my caucus, provide over this budget, it provided an understanding that we have to do better. That \$7.25 is no longer acceptable.

But there is more to it than just the fight that we have had about minimum wage. It is about systemic challenges. Education. I talk about my community, where we Zoom to work. Well, you can go literally – by golf terms, maybe a 3-iron – across the street into another school district. The inequities that you will see in funding between the Methacton School District, where my four kids go, and the Norristown School District, where so many of those essential workers send their kids – and if we are being honest, Democrat and Republican in Montgomery County in southeastern Pennsylvania, but true all across this Commonwealth – those inequities are so blown out. Go to Reading, go to Allentown, go to Scranton, go to Johnstown, go to the Mon Valley. We know in our heart that these inequities persist. We say that these children's parents are essential, we say that every child has a constitutional right to a quality public education, and then we come to this building year after year and fail. We fail them. We fail them because it is hard, because a hold-harmless formula that has been in place for too long simply says that largely those communities – those communities like Norristown – your taxes will be too high, the education provided to your kids, in many cases, will be viewed as inferior, and your ability to rebuild your own tax base will be inhibited by a property tax rate that, frankly, makes that very housing as unattractive as it otherwise would be. We have a chance for Hazleton and Wilkes-Barre. We have a chance to take on this challenge, to say that every kid, Black or White, rich or poor, Latino, born in this country or new to this country, that they have value.

We can do that if we get about dealing with our fair funding issues, but that begins by talking about hard truths and those truths make us uncomfortable. But I would go back again to the last year and I would hope that we would remember, if we were willing to send those folks to work for \$7.25 an hour, or even \$12 an hour, if we were willing to have our eyes opened to the challenges of racial inequity and systemic racism at least for a moment, then 65 years after *Brown v. Board of Education*, knowing that across township lines in Montgomery County, the difference between Methacton and Norristown, the difference between Hatboro-Horsham and Upper Dublin, the difference between Clarks Summit and Scranton – we know these differences exist. There is a moral component to budgeting, and it has gone on too long.

So let us talk about those hard truths. Some are going to say today, and I already read some of the social media posts, that you are looking at a 46.25-percent increase in the personal income tax. Come on. For some, make that argument, but let us have the argument for those who this is a tax cut. The majority of Pennsylvanians are looking at a tax cut. We need to have an intellectually honest argument. There is a moral component to the challenges we face, but there is also an obligation for us to start to have intellectually honest debate in this building. If the alternative that you propose to deal with school funding, or a more inequitable funding, is "no" to the Governor's proposal, then you have an obligation to propose what is your alternative, because 65 years after *Brown*, and with the eye-opening inequities that we see every day in this Commonwealth and this country – and heartbreakingly, in our education system here in Pennsylvania – you have an obligation to give the kids in Hazleton and Wilkes-Barre and Scranton, and yes, Norristown, an answer as to what you propose, because crickets will not educate a child and will not deal with these inequities, and crickets are all these kids have heard.

We have an obligation to propose what we would like to see, because hard truths are something that have been missing from the debate in this building over the last year. And again, I do not want to get into topics that are painful or to rehash, but leaders have an obligation to say hard truths to members.

There are big challenges on our horizon; the Governor touches on many of them. And I am a member of his party, but I recognize just his courage to stand up and say these are those challenges. But there are more challenges, and I would be remiss if I did not mention that we have challenges in transportation ahead. And I have heard some of my friends on the other side of the aisle say we would look at the PIT (personal income tax) and we would look at tax reform if it was targeted towards transportation or if it was targeted towards tax reform. Well, I would say this Governor has opened the door for that conversation. If you believe that we need these funds – and you do, in many cases, because in quiet discussions, you admit them – so let us start having the hard truths in this building, because when we do not tell members hard truths, they believe the lie. They believe the lie that we are equitably funding education, and you know it is not true. They go on the Internet and say it is a tax increase, when they know it is just as much a tax cut, and frankly, even for more Pennsylvanians.

Now, one of those hard truths is – in quiet corners in this building, members will say, "Don't worry, we'll get through this year. The Federal government will bail us out." I remember I was here for the Great Recession. I was here for those – mostly on the Republican side of the aisle – who said, "You can't use this money for one year, one time. What will happen with the funding cliff that will come the year after?" I am here to admit that they were not completely wrong. They were not. And we saw devastating cuts in social services and education. We saw property taxes soar through the roof. We have to tell people hard truths.

Now, I know that it is uncomfortable, as a Republican leader, to say, "I'm quietly crossing my fingers and hoping that Chuck Schumer and Nancy Pelosi use budget reconciliation to provide Federal money to get us through this one year." That is an uncomfortable thing to say. I know it is uncomfortable for the same Republican leaders to admit that while they never once

would sign on to one of those letters asking Pat Toomey and Bob Casey to provide Federal dollars, that it is the only thing that kept State government afloat for the last couple years. These hard truths need to be talked about in this building. Those kids that are not being educated; those essential workers that we put up signs in our lawn to say how much we appreciate, need a minimum-wage increase, and we know that. And we say we cannot afford that, but I would say this: This is a proposal that is bold, and it will be easy for demagogues to pick and they will say, "I am against that" and "I am against this and that part." So what is your alternative? Because crickets is not a policy.

This proposes business tax cuts that everyone says they are for, but it pays for them through combined reporting. It says to essential workers, not only can we provide you a minimum wage, but we can cut your tax burden. And yes, for 40 percent of Pennsylvania, this is a tax cut, and for another third of Pennsylvania, their taxes will not go up one dime. And for those school districts that have – in some cases, they are going to see hundreds of percent increases in State funding, including one of the districts in my legislative district, and frankly, one of the districts in my Republican counterpart's district – those districts for the first time will be realistically able to cut property taxes and spur the economic growth long-term that they need to create a tax base to educate their children. That is what is on the table because a Governor showed enough courage to open the conversation, to throw out his idea, and yes, it talks about changes in the PIT rate, but if you want to talk about school funding inequities – and God knows people outside this building will say they support it; they will say they are going to answer the call for Wilkes-Barre and Scranton, and they are going to say they are finally going to do right by the Mon Valley, they are going to do right by the Erie School District, not just this one-time patchwork – if you want to have that conversation, this Governor has showed us a route to have it.

And I am going to kind of sum up where I started, which is if you want to be critical of any one portion of the Governor's address, that is your right; 64,000 Pennsylvanians have put you here, and for the leaders of each caucus, you have that right by the vote of your caucus. But I am just going to ask you to ask yourselves, when I hear the crickets about what is your plan on minimum wage? What is your plan for equitable funding of schools? What is your plan to deal with the systemic challenges that we have throughout our society? What is your plan to deal with a transportation funding cliff that we know is right in front of us? What is your alternative? We need a little bit of courage in this building. We need an honest discussion about the challenges and the inequities in our society. This Governor, in this budget address, has given us that chance. Let us take it.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

STATEMENT BY MR. SAYLOR

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from York County, Chairman Saylor.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

You know, yesterday was Groundhog Day, and just like the famous movie, it appears we woke up this morning and it is still Groundhog Day. And while Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow, which means 6 more weeks of winter, it became clear that we have 2 more years of the same irresponsible budgeting by this

Governor. Once again we have a proposal before us that is asking for more money in the current fiscal year than this body appropriated in just November – just November. We are 2 months away and this Governor is asking for more money in the current budget.

The Department of Health and Human Service has once again – I do not know how many years they are going to repeat this – asked for more money, over \$940 million in overspending this year, just as they did last year. You know, we increased their line of spending this year over last year, but they still cannot control their spending. It is gross – and I repeat – gross mismanagement in DHS (Department of Human Services) that is costing the taxpayers of Pennsylvania huge proposals by this Governor to raise taxes because he cannot control his own team of Secretaries, even after the Department of Health and Human Services received over \$2 billion more this year to help control the things in this pandemic.

For the next fiscal year, the Governor presented an unsustainable budget that increases spending by over \$3 billion over this year, which is an 8.2-percent increase. The Department of Human Services alone grows by \$1.46 billion, or a 9.6-percent increase. It is gross mismanagement by this administration of taxpayers' dollars. And think about it, all this money that has come from the Federal government, and more coming, and they cannot control their spending.

Over the past year Pennsylvanians have suffered through mismanagement throughout this administration. We have had confusing and shortsighted business shutdowns. We have had record unemployment and an unemployment system that the people are still – since March of last year – trying to get their unemployment checks; since March of last year trying to get a check from the State of Pennsylvania they are owed to put food on the table, to pay for their child care, and have not gotten it from this administration. We had a Secretary of State who resigned because they failed to protect the victims of this Commonwealth of child abuse. And now our State is trailing in the national vaccine. We are ranked 44th of the 50 States. If we cannot do better than that, maybe somebody needs to look at resigning.

And now, after all this mismanagement, the Governor's solution is to propose what will be the largest tax increase in the history of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, a \$7 billion personal income tax increase that raises taxes by 46 percent. Let me make that clear: \$7 billion tax increase. Not only will that tax increase be the largest in history, it also violates the State Constitution in Article VIII, section 2.

You know, under the Governor's proposal, by the way it predicts tax cuts, some of you in here should be very happy, because according to the Governor, we make \$90,000, and those of you who have two children or more will now be considered in poverty. Now, I find it amazing that legislators are considered living in poverty because they have two children. Just amazing. I would like you to go back home and tell the taxpayers that you are making \$90,000 a year and you are living in poverty. See how that goes over with your constituents.

If you are a small business job creator who has had to negotiate the confusing shutdowns that have come about and trying to save your business in the middle of this pandemic, the Governor has a message for you: I am going to raise your taxes even higher, even though I shut you down. Many of the hopes and dreams that the Governor has talked about in his address

today have been destroyed and shattered by this administration and its mismanagement.

You know, he talks about young couples, young couples just starting out, getting married before they even have children and want to buy a home so they have a stable place for those children. They want to pay off their college loans so they also have a more solid footing for their children, and this Governor is going to raise their taxes by 46 percent before they even have children.

You know, most of the people of this Commonwealth are going to get a tax increase that already pay taxes. Yes, our seniors do not pay the personal income tax; because they are retired, they are getting Social Security. So I love the way people maneuver these numbers and say most Pennsylvanians are not going to pay this. Well, yes, if you want to count people who are retired, living on Social Security, they do not pay and they are not going to pay. But guess what? The majority of Pennsylvanians who do work every day and go to work and try to put food on the table for their children are going to pay more – a lot more.

You know, thankfully the voters have returned a Republican majority to this Capitol, because once again we can stand up against this Governor's irresponsible mismanagement of government and his fight for higher taxes once again.

You know, it is interesting, in his address, near the end, that he started talking about bipartisanship. After a year of nonpartisan, not even thinking about bipartisanship with this General Assembly, he is finally mentioning it. And yes, Governor, it is time for bipartisanship in this Capitol Building, but you need to lead the way, not like you have been doing for the past year.

So in a little over a week, our Appropriations Committee will begin to hold budget hearings, and we are going to focus on accountability for our State agencies and for the Governor's Office, and we will begin the work of crafting a responsible budget that keeps spending in check and respects the taxpayers of this Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, we have heard from the Governor today; simply what he said was not it. It does not do the job for Pennsylvania taxpayers, and I am counting on all of us working together to do a bill and a budget that does work for the taxpayers of Pennsylvania, not this budget that he has prepared today.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dunbar, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Republicans will have a virtual caucus at 1:30. We will be prepared to be back on the floor at 2:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dan Miller, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. D. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Democrats will also caucus at 1:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

ETHICS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Stephens, for a committee announcement.

Mr. STEPHENS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Committee on Ethics will meet at the break in 205 Ryan. So Committee on Ethics, at the break, here in 205 Ryan.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks gentleman.

The House Committee on Ethics will meet at the break in 205 Ryan.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Hennessey, for a committee announcement.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Transportation Committee will hold a voting meeting tomorrow, February 4, at 10 o'clock, in room G-50 of the Irvis Office Building. This is a rescheduled meeting that had been canceled on Tuesday because of the snow. The committee will consider HBs 113, 140, and several bridge and highway naming bills. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The House Transportation Committee will hold a voting meeting tomorrow, February 4, at 10 o'clock, in room G-50 of the Irvis Office Building.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Rapp, for a committee announcement. The lady waives off.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Boback, for a committee announcement.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee will conduct a voting meeting today in room G-50, Irvis Building, at 12:50; that is 12:50 today in room G-50 in Irvis.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee will conduct a voting meeting today in room G-50, Irvis Building, at 12:50.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Seeing no further announcements, this House will stand in recess until 2:30 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Chair.

RECESS EXTENDED

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

AFTER RECESS

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

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

HB 196, PN 162 By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in military leave of absence, further providing for employment discrimination for military membership or duty.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

HB 326, PN 301 By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Titles 35 (Health and Safety) and 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in COVID-19 disaster emergency, providing for Pennsylvania National Guard; in the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, further providing for powers of Governor; and, in Pennsylvania National Guard, providing for public health duties.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 11, PN 7 By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 92 from Apple Tree Road to Rustic Lane in Exeter Township, Luzerne County, as the Robert F. Kile, Sr., Memorial Highway.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 12, PN 8 By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 46475, carrying State Route 1021 over the Susquehanna River in Wyoming Borough, Luzerne County, as the George J. Dennis, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 16, PN 10 By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 40269, on that portion of US 219 Southbound over State Route 2047, Summit Township, Somerset County, as the SP4 Michael William Twig Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HOUSE RESOLUTIONS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 42 By Representatives KENYATTA, GALLOWAY, KINSEY, HANBIDGE, MALAGARI, BENHAM, BURGOS, SANCHEZ, McNEILL, SCHWEYER, FIEDLER, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, ISAACSON, SCHLOSSBERG, SIMS, WEBSTER, DeLUCA, NEILSON, GUENST, CIRESI, STURLA, A. DAVIS, LEE, FREEMAN and INNAMORATO

A Resolution condemning President Donald J. Trump for his involvement in the insurrection against the United States Capitol Building on January 6, 2021.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 43 By Representatives A. DAVIS, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, HARRIS, DEASY, WEBSTER, SCHWEYER and PISCIOTTANO

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study of the salaries and training of police officers in this Commonwealth.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 346 By Representatives ISAACSON, A. DAVIS, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, KINSEY and SANCHEZ

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1959 (P.L.1913, No.694), known as the Equal Pay Law, providing for pay ranges.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 347 By Representatives KRUEGER, SHUSTERMAN, HANBIDGE, SANCHEZ, FREEMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, LONGIETTI, McNEILL, CIRESI, DAVIDSON, HILL-EVANS, SAPPEY, SIMS, NEILSON, A. DAVIS, DRISCOLL, DEASY, O'MARA, GALLOWAY, YOUNG, SCHWEYER, KIRKLAND, WARREN and LEE

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, establishing the COVID-19 Nonprofit Assistance Grant Program.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, February 3, 2021.

No. 348 By Representatives KRUEGER, KOSIEROWSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, HOWARD, HOHENSTEIN, SANCHEZ, ZABEL, A. DAVIS, CIRESI, T. DAVIS, DeLUCA, KENYATTA, ISAACSON, GALLOWAY, O'MARA, SCHWEYER and WARREN

An Act providing for violence prevention committees in health care facilities, for duties of committees, for workplace violence reporting requirements and for powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry; and imposing fines and administrative penalties.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 349 By Representatives KRUEGER, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, O'MARA, PISCIOTTANO and DELLOSO

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in employees, providing for police canine training standards.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 350 By Representatives BENHAM, KOSIEROWSKI, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, A. DAVIS, KRAJEWSKI, HOWARD, FIEDLER, DRISCOLL, SCHLOSSBERG, KENYATTA, HOHENSTEIN, OTTEN, ISAACSON, DEASY, FRANKEL, GALLOWAY, D. WILLIAMS, CIRESI, WEBSTER, WARREN and SIMS

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in casualty insurance, providing for COVID-19 care coverage.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, February 3, 2021.

No. 351 By Representatives ISAACSON, CONKLIN, DALEY, A. DAVIS, DELLOSO, DRISCOLL, GALLOWAY, HARRIS, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, KENYATTA, KIRKLAND, LEE, McCLINTON, O'MARA, PASHINSKI, SANCHEZ, SHUSTERMAN, WEBSTER, D. WILLIAMS and KINKEAD

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, in preliminary provisions, providing for effect of declaration of disaster emergency.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 352 By Representatives ISAACSON, GALLOWAY, HOHENSTEIN, SCHWEYER and SHUSTERMAN

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sexual offenses, providing for the offense of unsolicited dissemination of intimate image.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 353 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, LEE, SANCHEZ, SHUSTERMAN, SIMS and WEBSTER

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in development, providing for hydraulic fracturing fluid tracer.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, February 3, 2021.

No. 354 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, DRISCOLL, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, KENYATTA, NEILSON, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, SIMS and D. WILLIAMS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in miscellaneous provisions relating to institutions of higher education, providing for payment of salary in cases of leave due to COVID-19.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 355 By Representatives ISAACSON, DeLUCA, HOHENSTEIN, KINSEY, NEILSON and SANCHEZ

An Act prohibiting the harassment of homeowners by real estate professionals and construction companies and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 356 By Representatives ISAACSON, DEASY, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, SCHWEYER and WEBSTER

An Act amending the act of December 12, 1986 (P.L.1559, No.169), known as the Whistleblower Law, further providing for remedies and for enforcement.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 358 By Representatives MARSHALL, PICKETT, BERNSTINE, R. BROWN, GLEIM, HICKERNELL, HILL-EVANS, JOZWIAK, MOUL, NEILSON, ORTITAY, ROWE, RYAN, SMITH and WHEELAND

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for agreements with institutions of higher education; and, in opportunities for educational excellence, further providing for definitions, for responsibilities of school entities and for concurrent enrollment agreements.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 359 By Representatives MARKOSEK, HILL-EVANS, A. DAVIS, ZABEL, GALLOWAY, NEILSON, SANCHEZ, KINSEY, KIRKLAND, CIRESI, SCHWEYER, DeLUCA, SCHLOSSBERG, FREEMAN, DRISCOLL, PISCIOTTANO, SIMS and RYAN

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in emergency finance and tax provisions, providing for exemption from taxation.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, February 3, 2021.

No. 360 By Representatives CIRESI, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, NEILSON, KENYATTA, FREEMAN, BURGOS, O'MARA and D. WILLIAMS

An Act providing for off-campus student housing rights.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 361 By Representatives ISAACSON, DRISCOLL, FRANKEL, HOHENSTEIN, McCLINTON, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER, WEBSTER and ZABEL

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for limitation on the regulation of firearms and ammunition; and, in general provisions relating to home rule and optional plan government, further providing for limitation on municipal powers.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 362 By Representatives ISAACSON, BURGOS, CIRESI, FREEMAN, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, KENYATTA, LONGIETTI, MADDEN, MERSKI, NEILSON, O'MARA, PASHINSKI, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER, SIMS, WEBSTER and DELLOSO

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in charter schools, providing for study of charter school academic and financial practices.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 363 By Representatives ISAACSON, HARRIS, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, McNEILL and NEILSON

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, in recovery of possession, further providing for escrow funds limited.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 364 By Representatives ISAACSON, CIRESI, DRISCOLL, FRANKEL, HANBIDGE, HOHENSTEIN, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER, WEBSTER and ZABEL

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for sale or transfer of firearms, for duties of the Pennsylvania State Police and for altering or obliterating marks of identification and providing for destruction of confiscated or recovered firearms.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 365 By Representatives HARKINS, GALLOWAY, SAMUELSON, SANCHEZ, FREEMAN, HILL-EVANS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, KINSEY, McNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, MALAGARI, NEILSON, BRIGGS, LONGIETTI, SCHWEYER, FRANKEL, CIRESI, HOWARD, DELLOSO and McCLINTON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 366 By Representatives KENYATTA, KOSIEROWSKI, FREEMAN, HANBIDGE, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, HOWARD, DALEY, SANCHEZ, SHUSTERMAN, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS, D. WILLIAMS, CIRESI, CONKLIN, SIMS, NEILSON, O'MARA, ISAACSON, WEBSTER, McCLINTON, WARREN, STURLA and LEE

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, providing for early in-person voting in elections; and, in voting by qualified absentee electors, further providing for canvassing of official absentee ballots and mail-in ballots.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 367 By Representatives JAMES, MIZGORSKI, MOUL and FREEMAN

An Act amending Title 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in elected officers and elections, further providing for nominations and elections.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 368 By Representatives A. DAVIS, KRAJEWSKI, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, ZABEL, GUENST, DALEY, HOWARD, PASHINSKI, CIRESI, CONKLIN, HARRIS, BRADFORD, DEASY, SIMS, HOHENSTEIN, KIRKLAND, DeLUCA, O'MARA, GALLOWAY and WARREN

An Act imposing duties on employers for the health and safety of employees relating to limiting exposure to COVID-19; and providing for right to bring own personal protective equipment, for notification of illness in the workplace, for whistleblower protection and for enforcement.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 369 By Representatives A. DAVIS, KRAJEWSKI, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, ZABEL, DALEY, HOWARD, PASHINSKI, CIRESI, CONKLIN, HARRIS, BRADFORD, DEASY, SIMS, HOHENSTEIN, KIRKLAND, DeLUCA, O'MARA and GALLOWAY

An Act establishing the Child Care Grant Program for Front Line Medical Facility Personnel; providing for duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development; establishing the Child Care Grant Program for Front Line Medical Facility Personnel Fund; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH, February 3, 2021.

No. 370 By Representatives A. DAVIS, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, PISCIOTTANO, BRADFORD, CIRESI, DEASY, SIMS, DRISCOLL, O'MARA, SCHWEYER, McCLINTON, WARREN, KIRKLAND and DELLOSO

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Low-Income Water and Wastewater Assistance Program and the Pennsylvania Low-Income Water and Wastewater Assistance Fund; and conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Human Services and the Auditor General relative to the administration of the program.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 371 By Representatives A. DAVIS, LEE, PISCIOTTANO, SANCHEZ, HENNESSEY, KINSEY, CONKLIN, HILL-EVANS, BURGOS and NEILSON

An Act designating the portion of Pennsylvania Route 837, also known as Duquesne Boulevard, between Center Street in the City of Duquesne, Allegheny County, and Hoffman Boulevard in West Mifflin Borough, Allegheny County, as the Clifton P. Pitts Memorial Highway.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 372 By Representatives A. DAVIS, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, PISCIOTTANO, HOHENSTEIN, LEE and CIRESI

An Act providing for foreclosed property maintenance; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Community and Economic Development and municipalities; and prescribing penalties.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 373 By Representatives A. DAVIS, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, N. NELSON, DRISCOLL, CIRESI, BRADFORD and SCHWEYER

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts, further providing for State reimbursement for health services.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 374 By Representatives A. DAVIS, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, PISCIOTTANO, CONKLIN, DEASY, HOHENSTEIN, LEE, GALLOWAY, CIRESI, SCHWEYER and McCLINTON

An Act providing for water hardship funds and for powers and duties of the Public Utility Commission and the Auditor General.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 375 By Representatives A. DAVIS, ZABEL, FRANKEL, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, HOHENSTEIN, WEBSTER, SCHWEYER, SIMS and LEE

An Act amending the act of January 8, 1960 (1959 P.L.2119, No.787), known as the Air Pollution Control Act, further providing for powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection and for civil penalties.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, February 3, 2021.

No. 376 By Representatives A. DAVIS, BURGOS, SNYDER and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in service and facilities, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 377 By Representatives A. DAVIS, DeLUCA, LEE and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in residential real property, providing for individual dwelling unit water metering.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, February 3, 2021.

No. 378 By Representatives A. DAVIS, SANCHEZ, DALEY, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, HOHENSTEIN, LEE, ISAACSON, DEASY, GUZMAN, O'MARA, SCHWEYER and DELLOSO

An Act providing for a prohibition on employer prescreening of criminal records and history of job applicants; establishing the Ex-offender Increased Access to Employment Enforcement Fund; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 379 By Representatives A. DAVIS, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, HOWARD, HOHENSTEIN, LEE, CIRESI and SIMS

An Act amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), known as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, in patient safety, further providing for definitions, for powers and duties of Patient Safety Authority, for patient safety committee and for confidentiality and compliance.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, February 3, 2021.

No. 380 By Representatives A. DAVIS, BROOKS and WARNER

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for windshield obstructions and wipers; and abrogating regulations.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 3, 2021.

No. 381 By Representatives A. DAVIS and HOWARD

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to home rule and optional plan government, further providing for limitation on municipal powers.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 382 By Representatives A. DAVIS, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, KRAJEWSKI, HOWARD, McNEILL, CIRESI, CONKLIN, HARRIS and KIRKLAND

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal history record information, further providing for expungement.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 383 By Representatives A. DAVIS, HILL-EVANS, DEASY, BURGOS, CIRESI, SCHWEYER and PISCIOTTANO

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for Municipal Police Enhancement Consolidation Grant Program and establishing the Municipal Police Enhancement Consolidation Grant Program Fund.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 384 By Representatives A. DAVIS, SANCHEZ, HARRIS, DeLUCA, O'MARA and BURGOS

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in incapacitated persons, further providing for provisions concerning powers, duties and liabilities.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 385 By Representatives DUNBAR, ROTHMAN, BROOKS, CIRESI, SCHLEGEL CULVER, GLEIM, GREINER, GROVE, HILL-EVANS, KNOWLES, MIHALEK, MILLARD, E. NELSON, PICKETT, PISCIOTTANO, ROWE, RYAN, SMITH, STAATS, STAMBAUGH, STRUZZI, WARREN, WHEELAND, MERCURI, SANKEY, THOMAS, GILLEN and MARKOSEK

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.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, February 3, 2021.

No. 386 By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, HILL-EVANS, A. DAVIS, McNEILL, BURGOS, CONKLIN, N. NELSON, DRISCOLL, DeLUCA, DEASY, CIRESI, SAINATO, MARKOSEK, KINSEY, PARKER, SHUSTERMAN and T. DAVIS

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in State lottery, further providing for statement of purpose, for powers and duties of secretary and for disposition of funds and providing for instant lottery game to benefit veterans.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, February 3, 2021.

No. 387 By Representatives O'NEAL, BOBACK, DAVANZO, PICKETT, CAUSER, HILL-EVANS, N. NELSON, KAUFFMAN, OWLETT, HOWARD, HAMM, RYAN, GLEIM, ECKER, ZIMMERMAN, JAMES, GAYDOS, TOPPER, STRUZZI, CIRESI, MOUL, WEBSTER, SAINATO, PISCIOTTANO and ROWE

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in professional and occupational licenses, further providing for retention of licenses and certifications of persons entering military service.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, February 3, 2021.

No. 388 By Representatives O'NEAL, BOBACK, DAVANZO, HILL-EVANS, N. NELSON, OWLETT, JONES, HAMM, RYAN, MILLARD, ECKER, NEILSON, JAMES, GAYDOS, TOPPER, DRISCOLL, STRUZZI, MOUL, WEBSTER, SAINATO, ROWE and KEEFER

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in professional and occupational licenses, further providing for definitions and providing for a policy for the award of academic credit for military training; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, February 3, 2021.

No. 389 By Representatives O'NEAL, DAVANZO, HILL-EVANS, N. NELSON, KAUFFMAN, OWLETT, HOWARD, RYAN, GLEIM, ROTHMAN, JAMES, GAYDOS, TOPPER, STRUZZI, MOUL, WEBSTER, JOZWIAK, SAINATO, ROWE and POLINCHOCK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in professional and occupational licenses, providing for military medical personnel pilot program.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, February 3, 2021.

No. 390 By Representatives ECKER, BROOKS, SCHLEGEL CULVER, GLEIM, GROVE, HAMM, HERSHEY, JAMES, JOZWIAK, MILLARD, MOUL, PASHINSKI, ROWE, RYAN, STAMBAUGH and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 3, 2021.

No. 391 By Representatives DOWLING, BOBACK, DUNBAR, TOPPER, ROWE, CIRESI, JAMES and MOUL

An Act repealing the act of April 25, 1933 (P.L.74, No.49), entitled "An act relating to baseball and football on Sunday; prohibiting baseball and football on Sunday during certain hours, and also during certain other hours unless the electors of a municipality are in favor of the same and, in certain cases, a license has first been secured from the municipal authorities; providing for referendums to ascertain the will of the electors, and for the enactment and repeal of licensing ordinances and resolutions in accordance therewith; providing penalties; and repealing inconsistent laws."

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 392 By Representatives DOWLING, BOBACK, RYAN, DUNBAR, STEPHENS, TOPPER, ROWE, CIRESI, JOZWIAK, JAMES, NEILSON and MOUL

An Act repealing the act of October 25, 1973 (P.L.314, No.99), entitled "An act relating to the conducting, staging, managing, operating and engaging in sport, musical, theatrical and dramatic performances, exhibitions and contests other than motion picture exhibitions on Sundays and providing for a referendum in connection therewith in municipalities and townships and the suspension of certain laws."

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 3, 2021.

No. 393 By Representatives SIMS, GUENST, SANCHEZ, KINSEY, McNEILL, HOHENSTEIN, ISAACSON, WARREN and SCHLOSSBERG

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for definitions, for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms, for sale or transfer of firearms, for Pennsylvania State Police, for firearm sales surcharge, for Firearm Records Check Fund, for retail dealer required to be licensed and for licensing of dealers and providing for ammunition purchase authorization permits and for transporting ammunition into this Commonwealth.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 3, 2021.

No. 394 By Representatives SIMS, GUENST, SANCHEZ, McNEILL, PARKER, BURGOS, SCHWEYER, HOHENSTEIN, DRISCOLL, HOWARD, SAMUELSON, SCHLOSSBERG, PISCIOTTANO, WEBSTER, HILL-EVANS, DeLUCA, MALAGARI, WARREN, CIRESI, FREEMAN, O'MARA, INNAMORATO and SAINATO

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for filing of claim.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, February 3, 2021.

CALENDAR

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 186, PN 154**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for permit for movement during course of manufacture; and, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for power of Governor during emergency.

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 203, PN 239**, entitled:

An Act providing for living donor protection; and imposing duties on the Department of Health and the Insurance Department.

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 157, PN 122**, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of July 1, 1978 (P.L.584, No.109), entitled "An act establishing an agency to create the linkage necessary for the planning of an economic development system for Pennsylvania, and making an appropriation."

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 178, PN 146**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, in determination of compensation, appeals, reviews and procedure, further providing for determination of compensation appeals and for decision of referee and further appeals and reviews.

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 284, PN 282**, entitled:

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 and providing for Commonwealth archival records, for local government archival records and for access to older public records; and, in historic properties, further providing for title to historic property and for powers over certain historic property.

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

BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. HB 284 will be passed over temporarily.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 11, PN 7**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 92 from Apple Tree Road to Rustic Lane in Exeter Township, Luzerne County, as the Robert F. Kile, Sr., Memorial Highway.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—202

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rapp
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Rigby
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longietti	Roae
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gainey	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Boback	Galloway	Madden	Rozzi
Bonner	Gaydos	Mako	Ryan
Borowicz	Gillen	Malagari	Sainato
Boyle	Gillespie	Maloney	Samuelson
Bradford	Gleim	Markosek	Sanchez
Briggs	Gregory	Marshall	Sankey
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Sappery
Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schemel
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Schlossberg
Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schroeder
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Schweyer
Causer	Harris	Merski	Shusterman
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Silvis
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Sims
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Smith
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Snyder
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Solomon
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Sonney
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Staats
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Stephens
Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Struzzi
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Sturla
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Thomas
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Tomlinson
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Toohil
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Topper
DeLissio	Kaufner	O'Neal	Twardzik
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Vitali
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warner
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Warren
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wentling
Dowling	Kinkead	Pashinski	Wheatley
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	Wheeland
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuik	White
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, C.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Krueger	Pyle	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Kulik	Quinn	
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rabb	Cutler,
Flood	Lawrence	Rader	Speaker

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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 12, PN 8**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 46475, carrying State Route 1021 over the Susquehanna River in Wyoming Borough, Luzerne County, as the George J. Dennis, Jr., 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.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—202

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rapp
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Rigby
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longietti	Roae
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gainey	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Boback	Galloway	Madden	Rozzi
Bonner	Gaydos	Mako	Ryan
Borowicz	Gillen	Malagari	Sainato
Boyle	Gillespie	Maloney	Samuelson
Bradford	Gleim	Markosek	Sanchez
Briggs	Gregory	Marshall	Sankey
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Sappery
Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schemel
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Schlossberg
Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schroeder
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Schweyer
Causer	Harris	Merski	Shusterman
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Silvis
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Sims
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Smith
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Snyder
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Solomon
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Sonney
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Staats
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Stephens
Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Struzzi
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Sturla

Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Thomas
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Tomlinson
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Toohil
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Topper
DeLissio	Kaufer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Vitali
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warner
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Warren
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wentling
Dowling	Kinthead	Pashinski	Wheatley
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	Wheeland
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuick	White
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, C.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Krueger	Pyle	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Kulik	Quinn	
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rabb	Cutler,
Flood	Lawrence	Rader	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

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 16, PN 10**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 40269, on that portion of US 219 Southbound over State Route 2047, Summit Township, Somerset County, as the SP4 Michael William Twigg 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.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schroeder
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Schweyer
Causer	Harris	Merski	Shusterman
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Silvis
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Sims
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Smith
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Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Sturla
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Thomas
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Tomlinson
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Toohil
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Topper
DeLissio	Kaufer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Vitali
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warner
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Warren
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wentling
Dowling	Kinthead	Pashinski	Wheatley
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	Wheeland
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuick	White
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, C.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Krueger	Pyle	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Kulik	Quinn	
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Flood	Lawrence	Rader	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

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.

CALENDAR CONTINUED**CONSIDERATION OF HB 284 CONTINUED**

The SPEAKER. At this time we are going to return to HB 284 on page 2 of today's House calendar.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 109, PN 102**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, establishing the Hospitality Industry Recovery Program, providing for emergency education relief to nonpublic schools and for emergency education relief to area career and technical schools, intermediate units and other educational entities and repealing provisions relating to Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency; establishing the Rental and Utility Assistance Grant Program; in additional special funds and restricted accounts, providing for Workers' Compensation Security Fund transfer to COVID-19 Response Restricted Account; in 2020-2021 Restrictions on Appropriations for Funds and Accounts, further providing for fund transfers; and making appropriations.

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

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that all of the amendments put on to this bill have been withdrawn. Just seeking confirmation from the leaders on SB 109, all the amendments are withdrawn by your members? The Chair thanks the leader.

The Chair understands the same thing for the majority leader, that all amendments have been withdrawn. However, Representative Lawrence is seeking recognition.

For what purpose do you rise, sir?

Mr. LAWRENCE. If I may, Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak on amendment A00288?

The SPEAKER. If the gentleman will just please suspend briefly for one minute, we will get order to the House.

The House will please come to order. Members will please take your seats.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment A00288 would require the Wolf administration to request a waiver from the U.S. Department of Education for administration of the Keystone Exams for the 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. Speaker, we need to get focused on getting teachers vaccinated and students safely back in school learning. Administering Keystone Exams in the current environment is extremely problematic, if not impossible. Parents want their kids safely learning. Students back in a brick-and-mortar facility should be focused on getting back on track with their studies. Administering standardized testing after everything that has happened this year is not the right approach. And the Governor's guidance, which school administrators have had to sign off on, requires on-campus students to be sent home if COVID cases

spike. What happens if this spike comes during the testing week? Where is the guidance from PDE (Pennsylvania Department of Education) on how to handle this situation?

Many students across the State are still in a virtual, remote learning environment. How are these students supposed to take a standardized test remotely while ensuring accuracy and fidelity? Remote administration would be challenging to say the least.

With that being said, Mr. Speaker, I realize that my amendment is not timely filed, so I will pull the amendment at this time with the hope that the House will address this issue quickly before the anticipated testing window in a few weeks.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and appreciates the gentleman pulling his amendment.

It is the Chair's understanding that all remaining amendments have been pulled.

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

The SPEAKER. A couple items of housekeeping.

In consultation with the Parliamentarian, we did want to share with the members of the body that today's videoconference, while it was the first for the video, was not actually the first time that the Governor did not personally attend for a budget address. In 1966 Governor Scranton presented his fiscal budget for the '66-'67 General Fund budget in writing with a cover letter, and he did not personally make an appearance before the General Assembly due to a snowstorm. It seemed somewhat timely given the events of this last week.

Additionally, there will be no further votes today. There will be some items of housekeeping, however, which we will conduct with the intent to then adjourn until 11 a.m. tomorrow, upon the conclusion of all of the housekeeping.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time recognizes the gentleman, Representative Peifer, for a committee announcement.

Mr. PEIFER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, there will be a House Finance Committee meeting, voting, tomorrow, in room 205, Ryan Office Building. It will begin at 9:30 for the purpose of reorganizing, as well as to consider HBs 230, 273, 359, and 385, as well as any other business brought before the committee.

For members of the committee, please be aware that you may submit a designation form, if you wish. Please hand off to my office before the meeting. Again, Mr. Speaker, tomorrow morning, 9:30, 205 Ryan Office Building.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

There will be a House Finance Committee meeting, voting, tomorrow, in room 205, Ryan Office Building, at 9:30.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Hennessey, for a committee announcement.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just a reminder, the House Transportation Committee will meet tomorrow at 10 o'clock in G-50, Irvis Office Building, to consider a number of bills that I have already announced. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The House Transportation Committee will meet tomorrow at 10 o'clock in G-50, Irvis Office Building.

Turning to housekeeping.

BILLS RECOMMENDED

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that the following bills be recommended to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 157;
HB 178;
HB 186;
HB 203;
HB 284; and
SB 109.

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

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

HB 101;
HB 110;
HB 187; and
HB 326.

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. The Speaker is in receipt of a motion to adjourn made by Representative Labs, who so moves that this House adjourn until Thursday, February 4, 2021, 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 3:38 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.