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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

#### THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER) PRESIDING

#### PRAYER

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

As we gather here today, let us engage in the power of prayer in the name of all that is good as we implore God's blessings. Bless our world. May peace, love, freedom, and compassion prevail for the good of all mankind. Bless our nation. Under You, O God, may liberty and justice be ever present. Bless our Commonwealth. May fairness and dignity be tantamount in our rulemaking. Bless us as lawmakers with understanding, courage, patience, and a conviction so strong as to meet and overcome inevitable obstacles as we strive to make this Commonwealth a better place to live. And, dear God, bless this House, the people's House. May we always be reminded that we represent You first, O Lord, and then those who put us in this great place.

In Your holy name we say, Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, March 16, 2021, will be postponed until printed.

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

**HB 335, PN 310**

By Rep. GROVE

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.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 453, PN 952 (Amended)**

By Rep. GROVE

An Act amending the act of December 21, 1989 (P.L.672, No.87), known as the Health Club Act, providing for emergency COVID-19 provisions.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 583, PN 553**

By Rep. GROVE

An Act amending the act of September 30, 1983 (P.L.160, No.39), known as the Public Official Compensation Law, further providing for judicial salaries, for compensation of Governor and Lieutenant Governor, State Treasurer, Auditor General, Attorney General, Commissioners of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and heads of departments, for members of the General Assembly and for cost-of-living adjustment hiatus.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 648, PN 604**

By Rep. GROVE

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, providing for program for sale of used pursuit vehicles.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 746, PN 731**

By Rep. GROVE

An Act limiting assignment of State-owned vehicles.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

#### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 721** By Representatives D. MILLER, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, McNEILL, SANCHEZ, NEILSON, GALLOWAY, DELLOSO, WARREN, HOHENSTEIN, THOMAS, CIRESI, O'MARA and DEASY

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, in general provisions, repeals and effective date, providing for acute care mental health bed registry and referrals.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, March 17, 2021.

**No. 728** By Representatives D. MILLER, HILL-EVANS, KINSEY, MADDEN, SANCHEZ, A. DAVIS, LEE, GALLOWAY, SCHLOSSBERG, HOHENSTEIN, KINKEAD, SIMS and BRIGGS

An Act providing for use of force reporting and for duties of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, the Pennsylvania State Police and law enforcement agencies.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 17, 2021.

**No. 850** By Representatives VITALI, BRIGGS, ZABEL, SAPPEY, FREEMAN, HOWARD, WEBSTER, O'MARA, SHUSTERMAN, MALAGARI, ROZZI, N. NELSON, HERRIN and HILL-EVANS

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, in zoning, providing for prohibiting the location of advertising signs in certain locations.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 17, 2021.

**No. 937** By Representatives NEILSON, ECKER, KULIK, KINSEY, McNEILL, WARNER, MARKOSEK, SANCHEZ, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, HANBIDGE, DELLOSO, STURLA, HOWARD, T. DAVIS, PASHINSKI, ZIMMERMAN, BURGOS, GILLESPIE, DRISCOLL, HOHENSTEIN and CONKLIN

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further providing for resident license and fee exemptions and for elk hunting licenses.

Referred to Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, March 17, 2021.

**No. 938** By Representatives KLUNK, CEPHAS, BULLOCK, CIRESI, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DALEY, T. DAVIS, DEASY, DELOZIER, DeLUCA, FRANKEL, GALLOWAY, GILLEN, HANBIDGE, HILL-EVANS, INNAMORATO, KINKEAD, LEE, N. NELSON, O'MARA, OBERLANDER, ROTHMAN, RYAN, SAPPEY, SCHLOSSBERG, SCHWEYER, STEPHENS and THOMAS

An Act providing for nondisclosure agreements relating to sexual harassment.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 17, 2021.

**No. 939** By Representatives KLUNK, DUNBAR, FEE, GROVE, HAMM, HERSHEY, KAUFFMAN, R. MACKENZIE, MENTZER, METCALFE, B. MILLER, MIZGORSKI, MOUL, PICKETT, ROAE, ROTHMAN, ROWE, RYAN, SANKEY, STAMBAUGH, STRUZZI and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions and for existing regulations; and establishing the Independent Office of the Repealer and providing for its power and duties.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 17, 2021.

**No. 940** By Representatives RIGBY, E. NELSON, KNOWLES, RYAN, KULIK, JAMES, SMITH, GUENST, POLINCHOCK, SCHMITT, THOMAS, SANKEY, SILVIS, FARRY, KAIL, KAUFFMAN, STRUZZI, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DAVANZO, DRISCOLL, JOZWIAK, HERSHEY, CAUSER, GREGORY, ECKER, OBERLANDER, MOUL, ZIMMERMAN, WHEELAND, MERCURI and MASSER

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in cruelty to animals, further providing for police animals.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 17, 2021.

**No. 941** By Representatives BURNS, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, HILL-EVANS, KINSEY, MARKOSEK, FREEMAN, GALLOWAY, SOLOMON, HOHENSTEIN, SCHWEYER, CIRESI, LONGIETTI, CONKLIN, GUENST and WARREN

An Act amending the act of December 15, 1982 (P.L.1266, No.287), entitled "An act conferring limited residency status on military personnel, their dependents and civilian personnel assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania," further providing for residency of students.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, March 17, 2021.

**No. 942** By Representatives GROVE, RYAN, GREINER, FEE, KAUFFMAN, GLEIM, B. MILLER, MIZGORSKI, HAMM, JAMES, OWLETT, BOBACK, JONES, STAMBAUGH, PICKETT, MENTZER, MOUL, MILLARD, COX, THOMAS, DAVANZO, SMITH, HERSHEY, KEEFER, R. BROWN, PENNYCUICK, CIRESI, ROWE and WHEELAND

An Act amending Title 72 (Taxation and Fiscal Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for unspent appropriations.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, March 17, 2021.

**No. 944** By Representatives E. NELSON, LONGIETTI, HILL-EVANS, MARKOSEK, R. BROWN, SANCHEZ, PISCIOTTANO, NEILSON, BURGOS, JOZWIAK, SCHLEGEL CULVER, DUNBAR, GLEIM, ZIMMERMAN, FREEMAN, STRUZZI, KINKEAD, GUENST, KINSEY, LEWIS DELROSSO, O'NEAL, RADER, JAMES, DAVANZO, MUSTELLO, TOPPER, CRUZ and GILLEN

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, further providing for powers and duties.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, March 17, 2021.

**SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE**

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

**SB 70, PN 228**

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 17, 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 minority 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—201**

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rigby
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Roae
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longiatti	Rothman
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bizzarro	Gainey	Mackenzie, R.	Rozzi
Boback	Galloway	Madden	Ryan
Bonner	Gaydos	Mako	Sainato
Borowicz	Gillen	Malagari	Samuelson
Boyle	Gillespie	Maloney	Sanchez
Bradford	Gleim	Markosek	Sankey
Briggs	Gregory	Marshall	Sappey
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Saylor
Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Schemel
Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schlossberg
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Schmitt
Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schroeder
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schweyer
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Shusterman
Causser	Harris	Merski	Silvis
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sims
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Smith
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Snyder
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Solomon
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Sonney
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Staats
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Stambaugh
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stephens
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Struzzi
Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Sturla
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Thomas
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Tomlinson
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Toohil
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Topper
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Twardzik
DeLissio	Kaufer	O'Neal	Vitali
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warner
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warren
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Webster

DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wheatley
Dowling	Kinthead	Pashinski	Wheeland
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	White
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuick	Williams, C.
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, D.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Young
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Zabel
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zimmerman
Fee	Krueger	Quinn	
Fiedler	Kulik	Rabb	Cutler,
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

**UNCONTESTED CALENDAR****RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35****RESOLUTIONS REFERRED**

The SPEAKER. Turning to today's uncontested calendar pursuant to rule 35, the Speaker notes an objection from the majority leader to the resolutions listed on the uncontested calendar and I am hereby referring both resolutions to the State Government Committee.

**SENATE MESSAGE****HOUSE BILL  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE**

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 157, PN 122**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

**BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

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

**HB 157, PN 122**

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."

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

**COMMUNICATION FROM MAJORITY LEADER****COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

The SPEAKER. Correspondence from the majority leader.

The following communication was read:

House of Representatives  
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
Harrisburg

March 17, 2021

Speaker Bryan Cutler  
139 Main Capitol  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Speaker Cutler:

Please remove Representative Eric Nelson from the Government Oversight Committee.

Representative James Rigby will be appointed to the committee.

I appreciate your time with this matter.

Sincerely,  
Kerry A. Benninghoff  
Majority Leader  
171<sup>st</sup> Legislative District

**WRIT OF SPECIAL ELECTION**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker submits for the record a copy of the writ for the special election to be held for the 60th Legislative District on May 18, 2021.

The following writ of special election was submitted:

**WRIT OF ELECTION**

TO VERONICA DEGRAFFENREID, ACTING SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, AND TO DON MYERS, JASON RENSHAW, AND PAT FABIAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF ARMSTRONG COUNTY; AND LESLIE A. OSCHER, KIMBERLY D. GEYER, AND KEVIN E. BOOZEL OF BUTLER COUNTY; R. MICHAEL KEITH, SHERENE HESS, AND ROBIN GORMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF INDIANA COUNTY.

GREETINGS: WHEREAS, A VACANCY EXISTS IN THE OFFICE OF REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE SIXTIETH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF ARMSTRONG, BUTLER AND INDIANA CAUSED BY THE RESIGNATION OF JEFFREY PYLE, THE REPRESENTATIVE FROM SAID DISTRICT, ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRYAN CUTLER, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AND BY THE ACT OF ASSEMBLY IN SUCH CASE MADE AND PROVIDED, DO HEREBY COMMAND:

THAT YOU CAUSE AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE SAID COUNTIES OF ARMSTRONG, BUTLER AND INDIANA, ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE TO CHOOSE A PERSON TO REPRESENT SAID LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING NOVEMBER THIRTIETH, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-TWO, AND THAT YOU GIVE DUE AND PUBLIC NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION THROUGHOUT SAID DISTRICT, IN THE FORM AND MANNER DIRECTED BY LAW.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-ONE.

BRYAN D. CUTLER  
SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

(SEAL)

ATTEST:

DAVID L. REDDECLIFF  
CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**RULES COMMITTEE APPOINTED**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker submits the following appointments, which the clerk will read.

The following communication was read:

March 17, 2021

**SPEAKER APPOINTMENTS:**

The Speaker appoints the following Majority Members to the Rules Committee for the 2021-2022 Legislative Session:

Kerry Benninghoff, Chairman  
Bryan Cutler  
Lynda Schlegel-Culver  
Sheryl Delozier  
George Dunbar  
David Hickernell  
Joshua Kail  
Rob Kauffman  
Kate Klunk  
John Lawrence  
Kurt Masser  
Donna Oberlander  
Tina Pickett  
Thomas Sankey  
Stan Saylor  
Tarah Toohil  
Jesse Topper  
Martina White

The Minority Leader appoints the following Minority Members to the Rules Committee for the 2021-2022 Legislative Session:

Joanna McClinton  
Ryan Bizzarro  
Matt Bradford  
Mike Carroll  
Mary Jo Daley  
Tina Davis  
Dan Frankel

Patrick Harkins  
 Jordan Harris  
 Stephen Kinsey  
 Jeanne McNeill  
 Dan Miller  
 Darisha Parker  
 Mike Schlossberg  
 Melissa Shusterman

### APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Turning to committee announcements, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Saylor.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately at the recess of the House.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately at the recess.

### REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

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

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 12 o'clock in the majority caucus room, as well as virtually; that is 12 o'clock in the majority caucus room. We will be prepared to be back on the floor at 1 o'clock. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Freeman, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of Chairman Miller, House Democrats will caucus at noon virtually.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### STATEMENT BY MR. HENNESSEY

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Chairman Hennessey for a very brief announcement with consent of the leaders.

Mr. HENNESSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Good morning, and happy St. Patrick's Day. On behalf of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and especially the Pennsylvania House Irish Caucus, we want to wish everybody here and everybody watching on PCN (Pennsylvania Cable Network) across the Commonwealth a very happy St. Patrick's Day.

Normally, we have a little celebration here on the House floor, but the coronavirus and the restrictions we live under prevent that today. We welcome the announcement that our beautiful Capitol will open to the public soon – or reopen to the public soon – and perhaps next year our celebration can be a little more elaborate. But again, happy St. Patrick's Day to everyone.

And I would like to share a traditional Irish blessing:

May the road rise to meet you.  
 May the wind be always at your back.  
 May the sun shine warm upon your face,  
 the rains fall soft upon your fields.  
 And until we meet again,  
 May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Happy St. Patrick's Day.  
 The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House will be in recess until 1 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

### RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 1:15 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 63, PN 937**

By Rep. RAPP

An Act relating to the administration and distribution of COVID-19 vaccinations in this Commonwealth.

HEALTH.

**HB 649, PN 961 (Amended)**

By Rep. RAPP

An Act providing for access to congregate care facilities for essential caregivers, for additional safety requirements for residents of congregate care facilities, for suspension of access for essential caregivers and for personal protective equipment for essential caregivers.

HEALTH.

### RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HR 68, PN 691**

By Rep. RAPP

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study to review the availability of dental services in rural areas of this Commonwealth and to provide a report detailing the options for improving access to oral health care services.

HEALTH.



**BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO  
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**HB 741, PN 726**

By Rep. RAPP

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, providing for notification of emergency contact.

Reported from Committee on HEALTH with request that it be rereferred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES.

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

**BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

**HB 56, PN 39**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8516, carrying State Route 271 over the West Branch Susquehanna River, Northern Cambria Borough, Cambria County, as the Sergeant William Stock Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 57, PN 40**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 4001 over Crooked Creek, Armstrong Township, Indiana County, as the Sergeant Carl Roof Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 140, PN 387**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for additional parking regulations.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 196, PN 162**

By Rep. SAYLOR

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.

APPROPRIATIONS.

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

**HB 935, PN 932**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; and to provide for the appropriation of

Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 936, PN 933**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; and to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HOUSE RESOLUTION  
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

**No. 79** By Representative GROVE

A Resolution providing the State Government Committee with enhanced legislative oversight powers as authorized under House Rules 45 and 51 to properly execute its constitutional duties.

Referred to Committee on RULES, March 17, 2021.

**HOUSE BILLS  
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

**No. 945** By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, GREINER, MILLARD, RYAN, BROOKS and JAMES

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Governor and other constitutional officers, of the Executive Board and of the Pennsylvania State Police, further providing for Pennsylvania State Police Force; in powers and duties of Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, providing for Project 70; in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for Department of Environmental Resources powers not affected; in powers and duties of the Department of Community Affairs, its departmental boards, bureaus and agencies, further providing for powers and duties in general; and making related repeals.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 17, 2021.

**No. 946** By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, HAMM, KNOWLES, ROTHMAN, MARKOSEK, MILLARD, GAYDOS, STAATS, MALONEY, RYAN, GROVE, MOUL, ROWE, PENNYCUICK, OWLETT, BERNSTINE, METCALFE, SCHLEGEL CULVER, ECKER, WHEELAND, HERSHEY, PISCIOTTANO and RAPP

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 17, 2021.

**No. 947** By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, MILLARD, JAMES, JOZWIAK, GLEIM, MOUL, DRISCOLL, KEEFER, R. BROWN, FREEMAN, BURGOS, RADER, GAYDOS, JONES and IRVIN

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 furnishing claims experience to policyholders.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, March 17, 2021.

**No. 948** By Representatives CARROLL, IRVIN, KINSEY, NEILSON, R. BROWN, SCHLOSSBERG and DELLOSO

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in liquid fuels and fuels tax, further providing for definitions and providing for electric vehicle road use fee; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 17, 2021.

**No. 949** By Representatives FARRY, THOMAS, RYAN, ROTHMAN, GROVE, T. DAVIS, STAATS, MILLARD, KEEFER, SCHROEDER, STEPHENS and ROWE

An Act amending the act of August 5, 1932 (Sp.Sess., P.L.45, No.45), referred to as the Sterling Act, providing for remittance by a city of the first class to a nonresident's resident municipality and school district.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 17, 2021.

**No. 950** By Representatives METCALFE, ARMANINI, CAUSER, SCHLEGEL CULVER, HAMM, IRVIN, JAMES, JONES, JOZWIAK, KAUFFMAN, KEEFER, MALONEY, MILLARD, B. MILLER, MOUL, OBERLANDER, PICKETT, RAPP, ROTHMAN, RYAN, SAYLOR, SMITH, STAATS, STAMBAUGH and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for procedures for subsequent review of disapproved final-form or final-omitted regulations.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 17, 2021.

**No. 951** By Representative ROZZI

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in matters affecting government unites, further providing for exceptions to sovereign immunity and for exceptions to governmental immunity; and making a repeal.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, March 17, 2021.

## SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

**SB 116, PN 87**

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 17, 2021.

## CALENDAR

### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 113, PN 386**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely.

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 **SB 87, PN 64**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses), 23 (Domestic Relations) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, further providing for the offense of sexual abuse of children; in child protective services, providing for task force on child pornography; and, in sentencing, further providing for sentencing for offenses involving sexual abuse of children.

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

Mr. **SOLOMON** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00464**:

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting after line 30

(16) The Deputy Secretary for the Office of Children, Youth and Families within the department or a designee.

(17) A representative from a county agency, appointed by the Governor.

(18) A representative from an entity approved or a designated by the department that provides Statewide education and training to county child welfare agencies and mandated reporters, appointed by the Governor.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 1, by striking out "(16)" and inserting (19)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 3, by striking out "(17)" and inserting (20)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 9, by striking out "(c)(16) and (17)" and inserting

(c)(19) and (20)

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Solomon.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So the underlying bill calls for geographic diversity. Geographic diversity is an important component of any task force job that we do here in the Commonwealth. All this amendment is doing is ensuring viewpoint diversity as well. So we are going to have geographic diversity – we want to bring viewpoint diversity to any issue that this Commonwealth confronts – and this amendment specifically brings agency viewpoints, county viewpoints, and brings in people on the ground who are dealing with our youth. I would appreciate an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Kauffman, on the amendment.

Mr. KAUFFMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There are currently 20 members on a task force in this bill, several of whom are appointed by the Governor and the minority leader of the House and the Senate. It would seem that the addition of even more members would unnecessarily complicate the workings of this task force at the expense of its efficacy. So for that reason I would oppose the amendment to this legislation.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Solomon, for the second time.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I appreciate the chairman's opposing viewpoint on this. Some of the best work we do in this Commonwealth we do through task forces, we do it through commissions. That is when we get our best legislative work product. So what are we worried about ensuring a diverse grouping of folks to provide some different viewpoints? We have folks who are clearly in the law enforcement category – that is great, they are going to be part of this discussion. Why not people who are closest to our youth who work on the defense side of the house to really round out this discussion? By creating diversity of viewpoint, we ensure that the work product is going to meet all of the needs of our Commonwealth. I would really appreciate an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

(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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#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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



Mr. SOLOMON offered the following amendment No. **A00465**:

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting after line 30  
(16) A former Judge Advocate General who has significant experience working as a trial defense service attorney, appointed by the Governor.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 1, by striking out "(16)" and inserting  
(17)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 3, by striking out "(17)" and inserting  
(18)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 9, by striking out "(c)(16) and (17)" and inserting  
(c)(17) and (18)

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Solomon.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So I was talking before about the importance of viewpoint diversity. Now, when it comes to that, who else would be better suited to provide that diversity of viewpoint than the members of our armed services? So JAG (Judge Advocate General) officers in the National Guard, Army, whatever branch, they serve a critical function. They usually do various tours of duty, if you are on the active side of the house, and they are exposed to legal services, they are exposed to trial defense work, and they also represent the U.S. government when they prosecute crimes. They have it all. So while I specify that the individual would have trial defense, a trial defense background, that is only part of the experience they bring to it. This would really enrich the great work that this commission will do.

I would ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Kauffman, on the amendment.

Mr. KAUFFMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

While I appreciate the maker of the amendment and his enthusiasm to increase the number of this commission – I do appreciate the work of our nation's JAG attorneys – but I do note that our nation's JAG attorneys deal with, significantly with the military code of justice, and we are not working with that here. We are actually working with a task force that is charged with recommending the improvements that will assist investigations and prosecutions of child pornography under the laws of this Commonwealth.

I mean, seemingly this amendment is simply changing the bill and the makeup of the commission for the sake of changing it, and for that reason, Mr. Speaker, I would oppose this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Solomon, for the second time.

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Actually, the UCMJ (Uniform Code of Military Justice) and all JAG attorneys who are well versed in the UCMJ is a perfect fit. Anyone who practices military law would feel very comfortable in civil practice, in criminal practice throughout the Commonwealth. Now, come on, if we are going to— By the way, in the military most recently, the recent amendments to the

UCMJ, a core part of that dealt with this very issue – child pornography. Trial defense services would bring an essential viewpoint to this issue. Let me ask all of you this: If we are talking about a commission, a task force that is going to do this work, do we not want people who serve our soldiers, who serve our service members, who serve folks who wear the cloth of this nation as part of that dialogue?

I would ask for an affirmative vote, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

(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.

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

### HOUSE BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 954** By Representative STEPHENS

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, dealing with child abuse: in criminal history record information, further providing for information in central repository or automated systems; and, in organization and responsibilities of Child Protective Service, further providing for services for prevention, investigation and treatment of child abuse.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH,  
March 17, 2021.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Speaker is in receipt of a communication regarding one of our members.

Representative Bob Merski and his wife, Emily, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Marielle – 7 pounds 14 ounces, 20 1/2 inches – born Monday, March 15, at 2:02 p.m. Mom and baby are doing well.

### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 416**, **PN 394**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school health services, providing for seizure recognition and related first aid training.

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

Mrs. **THOMAS** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00392**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 3, by striking out "Health" and inserting Health-approved

Amend Bill, page 2, line 23, by striking out "The" and inserting No later than June 30, 2021, the

Amend Bill, page 2, line 24, by striking out "develop or" and inserting and

Amend Bill, page 2, line 26, by striking out "no later than June 30, 2021."

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 1 and 2

(b) The following shall apply:

(1) The Department of Health shall provide a nonpublic school with access to the approved online course of instruction or in-person training regarding awareness of a student with seizures that includes information about seizure recognition and related first aid at no cost. The access to and completion of seizure disorder training by nonpublic school employees shall not be construed to do any of the following:

(i) Create, establish or expand any obligations on the part of a nonpublic school to comply with section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Public Law 93-112, 29 U.S.C. § 794).

(ii) Create, establish, result in or expand any contractual obligations on the part of a nonpublic school.

(2) No nonpublic school employee or nonpublic school shall be liable for civil damages as a result of an act or omission in the course of any training or related first aid under this section except that an employee may be liable for willful misconduct.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 2, by striking out "(b)" and inserting (c)

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 3 and 4 "Nonpublic school." A nonprofit school, other than a public

school in this Commonwealth, wherein a resident of this Commonwealth may legally fulfill the compulsory school attendance requirements of this act and which meets the applicable requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Public Law 88-352, 78 Stat. 241).

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

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

Mrs. THOMAS. This is an agreed-to amendment. I would like to thank the maker of the bill, the good gentleman from Delaware County. So I would ask everybody for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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

(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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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

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

Mrs. **THOMAS** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00423**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 5, by inserting after "thereto,"  
in professional employees, further providing for definitions; and,  
Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 12, by striking out all of  
said lines and inserting

Section 1. Section 1101(1) of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,  
No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, amended October  
30, 2019 (P.L.460, No.76), is amended to read:

Section 1101. Definitions.—As used in this article,

(1) The term "professional employe" shall include those who are  
certificated as teachers, supervisors, supervising principals, principals,  
assistant principals, vice-principals, directors of career and technical  
education, dental hygienists, visiting teachers, home and school visitors,  
school psychologists, speech and language pathologists, instructional  
technology specialists, school social workers, school counselors, child  
nutrition program specialists, school librarians, school secretaries the  
selection of whom is on the basis of merit as determined by eligibility  
lists and school nurses[.] and those who are employed in professional  
positions that require a State or nationally recognized license or other  
credential, including orientation and mobility specialists, behavior  
analysts, physical therapists, occupational therapists and athletic trainers.

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Section 2. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 9, by striking out "2" and inserting  
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On the question,  
Will the House agree to the amendment?

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

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

Mrs. THOMAS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am withdrawing this amendment. And I look  
forward to all the stakeholders that have come forward and  
peppered your e-mail boxes and am looking forward to working  
with them together to come to a good and right resolution. I will  
say, I had tried to get a resolution last session and I had not heard  
back in a while so I thought we might be good to go, but I look  
forward to working on this in the future. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding the  
gentlewoman wishes to withdraw the amendment? The Chair  
thanks the lady.

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 184**,  
**PN 152**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the  
Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal homicide, further  
providing for the offense of causing or aiding suicide.

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

Mrs. **KEEFER** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00372**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 7 through 10, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Section 2505 of Title 18 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:  
§ 2505. Causing or aiding suicide.

(a) Causing suicide as criminal homicide.—A person may be convicted of criminal homicide for causing another to [commit] die by suicide only if he intentionally causes such suicide by force, duress or deception.

(b) Aiding or soliciting suicide as an independent offense.—A person who intentionally aids or solicits another to [commit] die by suicide is guilty of a felony of the second degree if his conduct causes such suicide or an attempted suicide, and otherwise of a misdemeanor of the second degree.

Amend Bill, page 1, line 17, by striking out "committed" and inserting

died by

Amend Bill, page 1, line 17, by striking out "commit" and inserting

die by

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

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

Mrs. **KEEFER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment simply corrects some grammatical errors, and I would appreciate everybody's support.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative O'Mara.

Ms. **O'MARA**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just want to commend the maker of the bill for making this amendment. As someone who lost a family member to suicide, we often use the word "committed" and not connote the crime. Making a change to something simple like "died by suicide" will help to eliminate the stigma that is left for suicide survivors and loss survivors. So thank you to the good Representative, and thank you for voting "yes" on this amendment.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the lady.

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

(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.

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

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



Mr. HOHENSTEIN offered the following amendment  
No. A00356:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 1, by inserting after "disorder."  
The sentencing enhancement following an individual  
with an intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder under  
this section shall only apply if the defendant knew or had reason  
to know of the intellectual disability or autism spectrum disorder.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Hohenstein.

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

When we decide to increase penalties for criminal conduct, we need to look primarily at what is the state of mind? What is the person who is doing the offensive conduct thinking? And in this respect, my amendment goes right to one of the stated goals of this bill, which is to protect people who have intellectual disabilities and autism by making it clear that the people who are offending against them – assaulting them, hurting them – are doing so because of their status. As the bill is currently written, without my amendment, the idea of looking at the offender's state of mind – what is going through the offender's head when they commit their crime – is not present in the bill as it is written. And so my amendment makes it clear that in order to have an offense for this provision and to increase the penalties for the conduct and to truly protect the victims, we focus on the idea that the offender knew what the victim's status was.

I would note that this bill as it is written currently was not something that was vetted or talked about with people from the intellectual disabilities community, and so as it is written, it is not something that they have asked for. And if we are going to truly protect people with disabilities, we need to include their voices at the table for the laws that relate to them.

So, Mr. Speaker, I respectfully request that this amendment receives "yes" votes from this chamber today so that we can truly reflect and protect the rights of people with intellectual disabilities and autism.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Keefer, on the amendment.

Mrs. KEEFER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

As my colleague yesterday from Mercer County explained, the laws are set up to protect the victims. If you cannot do the time, do not do the crime. So I would ask all of my colleagues to oppose this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Vitali, on the amendment.

Mr. VITALI. Real quickly, I just wanted, I think the Hohenstein amendment is a no-brainer because I think the whole point of the bill is to cause a deterrent to those with intellectual disabilities from being injured in this way. If there is no awareness, then there is no deterrent. In other words, unless there is this awareness element, I do not see the bill – that is essential to having the deterrent effect, so I really, to effectuate the lady's purpose, I really do think you need that knowledge in there. So I would urge a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

(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.

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **BRIGGS** offered the following amendment No. **A00357**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 17, by striking out "committed" and inserting

died by

Amend Bill, page 1, line 17, by striking out "commit" and inserting

die by

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The good gentleman indicates he is withdrawing the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 84**, **PN 66**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, in district attorney, assistants and detectives, further providing for filling of vacancies.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MULLERY** offered the following amendment No. **A00440**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by striking out "immediately" and inserting

in 90 days

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Mullery.

Mr. MULLERY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I will be withdrawing that amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman. The amendment will be withdrawn.

It is the Chair's understanding that the gentleman also has amendment 444 he would like to offer.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MULLERY** offered the following amendment No. **A00444**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by striking out "immediately" and inserting  
in 60 days

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the good gentleman, Representative Mullery.

Mr. MULLERY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of amendment A00444. As the clerk read, this is a very simple amendment. It seeks only to change the effective date of this legislation. That said, the impact this legislation could have in my home county without this amendment is not as simple, and for that reason I rise and ask for an affirmative vote.

In Luzerne County, our district attorney is currently a candidate for common pleas judge. I say that despite the fact that she has not said that and to this day has not admitted she is a candidate; despite filing petitions as both a Democrat and Republican nominee; despite making it through yesterday's challenge deadline without any question as to the validity of her nominating petitions; despite establishing a campaign Web site, social media accounts, and the creation of a campaign logo, she has yet to admit she is a candidate. And that is important, because under Luzerne County's Home Rule Charter, if she were a candidate, she would be required to resign her seat, thus triggering the decision to replace her that this bill and this amendment outline.

Luzerne County Council decided not to wait for her formal resignation and vacated her seat a little over a week ago. Current case law and case precedent and State law suggest that our county is tasked with replacing her, while some argue it is the home rule charter where that decision is vested – all defer to our county bench. The one thing everyone seems to agree upon is that this battle will ultimately be decided by the Commonwealth Court at the unnecessary expense of Luzerne County taxpayers.

This bill appears designed to sidestep Luzerne County's Home Rule Charter and clearly establish State law and case precedent to permit this General Assembly to decide the succession of Luzerne County's district attorney. That is not a fact lost on many in my community who believe the timing and pace of this legislation is suspect and manipulative.

Amendment 444 extends the effective date of this bill and takes this legislation out of the discussion regarding the replacement of Luzerne County's district attorney. Without this amendment, this bill will add to the litigation that is no doubt coming, and the cost related thereto to Luzerne County taxpayers, and would continue to mire our county's chief law enforcement office in limbo. We learned today that our D.A.'s office has placed temporary holds on criminal information, search warrants, wiretaps, and approval of criminal charges. We have learned they have grave concerns about liability claims related to civil rights violations.

Support of this amendment removes one legal hurdle to filling Luzerne County's district attorney seat, saves Luzerne County taxpayers thousands of dollars, and helps our D.A.'s office get back to protecting the citizens we represent. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, I ask for the Assembly's support.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Kauffman.

Mr. KAUFFMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There is absolutely no reason to delay the effective date of this legislation, as no changes would need to be implemented to facilitate this new succession plan. Furthermore, I would hearken back to Act 107 of 2001, which established the succession process of appointing the first A.D.A. in counties of the fourth through eighth class when there was a vacancy, and that legislation had an effective date of immediately as well. So I would urge the body to reject this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

(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.

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Ecker	Knowles	Pickett	Warner
Emrick	Labs	Polinchock	Wentling
Farry	Lawrence	Puskaric	Wheeland
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 85, PN 141**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L. 723, No. 230), known as the Second Class County Code, in district attorney, assistants and detectives, further providing for filling of vacancies.

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

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Representative Mullery, offers amendment 445, which the clerk will read. The gentleman indicates that amendment is withdrawn.

Does the gentleman wish to offer amendment 459? The gentleman indicates that amendment is also withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 86, PN 68**, entitled:

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.

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

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that both of the amendments 446 and 460 are also withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman. Those amendments are withdrawn.

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

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A**

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 56, PN 39**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8516, carrying State Route 271 over the West Branch Susquehanna River, Northern Cambria Borough, Cambria County, as the Sergeant William Stock 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 gentlewoman, Minority Leader McClinton.

Oh, Jordan; I apologize. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.  
The electronic board is accurate.  
The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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**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.

The SPEAKER. My apologies to the Democratic whip. I saw the leader seeking recognition.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 57, PN 40**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 4001 over Crooked Creek, Armstrong Township, Indiana County, as the Sergeant Carl Roof 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?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Struzzi.

Mr. STRUZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for your unanimous support of HB 56, and I would hope that you could honor me with a unanimous vote for HB 57 as well. These two bridge renamings recognize two American heroes, and I thank you for the opportunity to honor them with these bridge renamings.

The first bill, HB 56 – or 57. I am sorry. The one we are going to consider next is for Sgt. Carl Roof. Sgt. Carl Roof was a native of Indiana County, Armstrong Township. Sergeant Roof served in World War II and was a prisoner of war for 11 months in Stalag 12A, one of the most infamous prisoner of war camps. He survived his internment, came back to Indiana County, where he resumed life as a dairy farmer and he worked for Caterpillar. Sergeant Roof also served on the Indiana County Fair board and on the Citizens' Ambulance board. So thank you for honoring Sgt. Carl Roof with this bridge renaming.

The next bridge is for Sgt. William Stock. Sergeant Stock was from Spangler, Pennsylvania – and I should note that I do not have Spangler or Northern Cambria in my district, so I do want to thank the good gentleman from Cambria County, my friend, for allowing me and for giving me the permission to rename this bridge for Sgt. Bill Stock. Sergeant Stock served in Vietnam with the munitions maintenance squadron, the 49th Munitions Maintenance Squadron in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged. And then he worked as a coal miner, where he retired both for Barnes & Tucker and for the Tanoma mines. Sergeant Stock was also a beloved husband, grandfather, father, and a family man. How do I know this? Because Sgt. Bill Stock was my father-in-law. Yes.

So I am extremely honored to recognize both of these gentlemen. You know, when my father-in-law passed away in August of 2018, my wife said, "How can we remember my dad?" And, you know, I thought the best way to do that was to rename a bridge going into the area where he grew up. And so I appreciate your support for both of these bills. And as I said, I am extremely honored to recognize both of these gentlemen for their service to our great nation, for their sacrifices, and for all that they did in their communities. Both of these gentlemen were family men,

and so I would appreciate your support for both of these bills. And I know that sometimes it may seem trivial to rename bridges, but I can assure you, for the families and communities of these men, it means something. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

(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.

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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 140, PN 387**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for additional parking regulations.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Maloney.

Mr. MALONEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Many of us know that there have been several tragedies on our roadways. In June of 2014, Sally Miksiewicz, the chief executive officer and vice chair of East Penn Manufacturing, Berks County's largest private business, was killed by a car while she was jogging. And in 2015, shortly before HB 150 was sent to the Senate, Rachel Hall, a 22-year-old Temple University student riding her bicycle, was critically injured when she was struck by a hit-and-run driver. After extensive physical therapy, Rachel achieved her goal of walking at her 2016 graduation. But the injuries she suffered ended her dream of joining the Washington, DC, Metropolitan Police Department. And now we have the tragic deaths of two women, Susan Hicks of Pittsburgh and Emily Fredricks of Philadelphia.

HB 140, the legislation I am asking you to vote in favor of today, is now known as Susan and Emily's Law. This measure would make it easier for Pennsylvania residents to enjoy the benefits of pedestrian plazas and parking-protected bike lanes. The bill would change the Motor Vehicle Code to allow vehicles to park outside the 12 inches of a curb and create a space for a

bike lane in between the parking and the sidewalk. Yes, I am a cyclist, but I introduced these bills not out of self-interest, but because to me, every life is precious.

The measure has the support of many grassroots organizations: Families for Safe Streets Greater Philadelphia, founded by Emily's mother; the Bicycle Coalition; and BikePGH, to name a few. But nothing I could say or write carries the weight of the letter that Emily's parents wrote to the House of Representatives: "Our bright, beautiful, kind and loving daughter, Emily, was 24 years old when she was killed by the driver of a sanitation truck on November 28, 2017, as she was cycling in Philadelphia.... Our family of five, mom, dad, two sons and a daughter, now..." without a daughter. "An empty seat at our table...Our lives changed forever...Tragically, traumatically, preventable...."

There will be a couple comments I am sure today following me made by a couple colleagues.

### LETTER SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

Mr. MALONEY. I would also like, Mr. Speaker, to add the letter from the parents and put it into the record, if that is okay?

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman, and that letter will be printed in the Appendix. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. MALONEY submitted a letter for the Legislative Journal.

(For letter, see Appendix.)

The SPEAKER. The Chair proceeds to the gentleman, Representative Frankel, on final passage.

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to thank my colleague from Berks County for working to get this bill out of committee and to the floor. There have been many, many people working to get this legislation passed over the years, and if it is passed finally, it will save lives.

If we had parking-protected bike lanes in 2015, we likely would still have Susan Hicks here with us today. The street where she was killed is a busy street corner near the university where she worked. It should be a parking-protected bike lane, and if this bill passes, it will likely become one. That would be a much more beautiful memorial than the ghost bike that stays there today.

I did not know Susan, but I have many dear friends who expected to have her many more years to work with. Her loved ones thought there would be more long talks about work and making opportunities for others, more travel, more opportunities to learn together and laugh and bike and even cry together.

We will never know who would be saved by allowing cities to make their roads safer for bikes and cars, but there is no doubt that there will be many. People like Susan and Emily Fredricks, the two cyclists after whom this bill is named, were among them. I hope this bill becomes law and that Susan and Emily's Law brings a little bit of peace to Susan's loved ones, that fewer people will have to suffer as they have. And I hope that this receives the unanimous support of this chamber.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Innamorato, on final passage.



Ms. INNAMORATO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I thank my colleague, the maker of the bill, the gentleman from Berks County. Thank you for working with me to honor Susan Hicks, a resident of my district who in October of 2015 was riding her bike home from work when she was killed by a driver on Forbes Avenue in the busy neighborhood of Oakland. She was 34 years old. That is the age I am right now. But I did not know Susan personally, but as a bike commuter myself, I know many of her friends who loved her dearly. She was described as a scholar – passionate and brilliant. She loved Shakespeare, Russian films, and of course, riding her bike.

Recently I had the chance to connect with some of her family members, and I want to share something that her brother and sister-in-law sent me, and I quote: "The bill proposed today in the PA legislature is one Susan Hicks would be pleased to support. The fact that it is based on protecting cyclists rather than punishing drivers is something she would advocate for. She would not have sought out having her name used because she was never one to need excess recognition though I think this is one case where she would understand and appreciate the impact her story could have in getting this bill passed. Susan loved cycling as a way to connect with her community and be part of her environment. As a trained Anthropologist, she used the trips to and from work to observe her surroundings: the people and events that make the city distinct. This bill will go a long way to protect our sisters and brothers, sons and daughters, parents and grandparents who cycle and commute through our towns and cities" across the Commonwealth.

Their words illustrate that this bill, although a simple change in our Vehicle Code, will have a huge impact on our neighborhoods and create streets that are safer for everyone – whether you are riding your bike, using an assisted mobility device, walking your children to school, catching the bus, or even driving your car to work – all without the loss to parking in our business corridors and residential neighborhoods. When we give the tools to local governments to design safer streets for cyclists, everyone wins.

Thank you for your support of this bill, and I encourage a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. The Speaker thanks the gentlewoman and now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Hohenstein, on final passage.

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of HB 140 in large part because of advocacy that I have received from the Bicycle Coalition of Philadelphia and also the family of Emily Fredricks. And the family has written this statement, which I would like to read:

"Dear Representatives,

"As HB 140, the parking protected bike lane and pedestrian plaza bill, comes before you for a vote, what thoughts go through our" family's "minds? That this simple change to the motor vehicle code is imperative to keeping vulnerable road users, such as cyclists and pedestrians, protected from motor vehicles? That this change is coming too late for many who have been affected by unprotected bike lanes, such as our daughter," Emily? "That the advocacy work we do is worth all of the emotional strain and stress? Yes, all of those things" go through our minds "and more.

"Our bright, beautiful, kind and loving daughter, Emily, was 24 years old when she was killed by the driver of a sanitation truck on November 28, 2017, as she was cycling in Philadelphia. We know that this change in the code is too late for Emily, but we do this advocacy work for the living, for those who" continue

to "use Philadelphia and Pennsylvania roads every day...now with the pandemic and more vulnerable road users enjoying the roads, feeling safe to be outside, but yet" they are "still at such risk to traffic violence. We need to keep them safe.

"Please put yourself in our position" as the family, "even just for a second. Our family of five, mom, dad, two sons and a daughter, now" live without our other "daughter in heaven. An empty seat at our table, celebrations like birthdays and anniversaries, not quite celebrations now, longing for the missing piece to our family puzzle. Our lives changed forever, but more importantly, Emily's promising future cut short. Tragically, traumatically, preventable.

"HB 140 is just one crucial step in protection when it comes to separating a moving vehicle from vulnerable road users. Let us not stop at this piece. Let us keep taking the action necessary to keep all of us safe on our roads. Every American deserves the right to get where they are going, and arrive there alive. We need Vision Zero to be a reality, not just dream.

"Sincerely,

"Rich and Laura Fredricks, in loving memory of Emily."

And I would note my gratitude to the main sponsor of the bill and also note his dedication to even biking in our fair city on frequent occasions. And I appreciate the fact this is a bill that spans literally the breadth of our great Commonwealth, and I hope that it will continue on its passage through the Senate without hindrance or delay.

And finally, on this St. Patrick's Day, with everybody wearing green, I ask, press that green button and let us leave a sea of green on the board today. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

(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—201

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rigby
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Roae
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longietti	Rothman
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bizzarro	Gainey	Mackenzie, R.	Rozzi
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Bonner	Gaydos	Mako	Sainato
Borowicz	Gillen	Malagari	Samuelson
Boyle	Gillespie	Maloney	Sanchez
Bradford	Gleim	Markosek	Sankey
Briggs	Gregory	Marshall	Sappay
Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Saylor

Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Schemel
Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schlossberg
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Schmitt
Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schroeder
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schweyer
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Shusterman
Causer	Harris	Merski	Silvis
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sims
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Smith
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Snyder
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Solomon
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Sonney
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Staats
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Stambaugh
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stephens
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Struzzi
Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Sturla
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Thomas
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Tomlinson
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Toohil
Day	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Topper
Deasy	Kail	O'Mara	Twardzik
DeLissio	Kaufer	O'Neal	Vitali
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warner
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warren
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Webster
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wheatley
Dowling	Kinkead	Pashinski	Wheeland
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	White
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuik	Williams, C.
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, D.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Young
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Zabel
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zimmerman
Fee	Krueger	Quinn	
Fiedler	Kulik	Rabb	Cutler,
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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 196, PN 162**, entitled:

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.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Day.

Mr. DAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, HB 196 extends current employment protections that are afforded to the Pennsylvania National Guard members who are residents of Pennsylvania, and they are Pennsylvania residents that are employed in Pennsylvania but are members of a National Guard or Reserve unit in another State. If the Governor of that other State or the President would activate that unit to perform duties within that respective State, their employment is not protected right now.

I had an identical bill last session to this bill, and it was one vote away from going to the Governor's desk and we ran out of session days. So I appreciate the Speaker calling up this bill, and I appreciate all of my colleagues for considering this legislation again. This proposal has been a Department of Defense initiative for quite some time now. And I respectfully ask that my colleagues vote affirmatively.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

(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, in just one moment.

The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Harris, for vote board verification.

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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Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Saylor
Brown, A.	Grove	Matzie	Schemel
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Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schroeder
Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schweyer
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Shusterman
Causer	Harris	Merski	Silvis
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sims
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Smith
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Snyder

Cook	Herrin	Millard	Solomon
Cox	Hershey	Miller, B.	Sonney
Cruz	Hickernell	Miller, D.	Staats
Culver	Hohenstein	Mizgorski	Stambaugh
Daley	Howard	Moul	Stephens
Davanzo	Innamorato	Mullery	Struzzi
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Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Thomas
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Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wheatley
Dowling	Kinhead	Pashinski	Wheeland
Driscoll	Kinsey	Peifer	White
Dunbar	Kirkland	Pennycuik	Williams, C.
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Williams, D.
Emrick	Knowles	Pisciottano	Young
Evans	Kosierowski	Polinchock	Zabel
Farry	Krajewski	Puskaric	Zimmerman
Fee	Krueger	Quinn	
Fiedler	Kulik	Rabb	Cutler,
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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.

The SPEAKER. The House will be temporarily at ease.

The House will please return to order.

**REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker recognizes the majority leader for a caucus announcement.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Republicans will caucus in about 5 minutes, about 10 till 3. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**POINT OF ORDER**

Ms. McCLINTON. Mr. Speaker, point of order?

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

Ms. McCLINTON. I yield to the gentleman from the 126th. He has a timely motion.

Mr. ROZZI. Mr. Speaker, I rise to make a motion—

The SPEAKER. The question before the House was regarding caucus announcements. The gentleman will please suspend.

The majority leader has asked for a caucus so we will be breaking for a caucus.

I will recognize you if you wish to announce a Democratic caucus.

Ms. McCLINTON. Mr. Speaker, we would like to make a motion and be recognized before the recess—

The SPEAKER. The lady will suspend. She is not in order or being recognized for that purpose.

The majority leader has requested a caucus.

This House will stand in recess until 4 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

Ms. McCLINTON. I object, Mr. Speaker. I object, Mr. Speaker.

**DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The House will briefly come back to order for a Democratic caucus announcement made by the Democratic leader.

Ms. McCLINTON. House Democrats, we will caucus at 3 p.m. virtually; 3 p.m. virtually.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

**RECESS**

The SPEAKER. This House will stand in recess until 4 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

**RECESS EXTENDED**

The time of recess was extended until 4:15 p.m.; further extended until 4:30 p.m.

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**CALENDAR CONTINUED**

**BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 881, PN 866**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an emergency amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for courts to be open and suits against the Commonwealth.

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

Mr. **ROZZI** offered the following amendment No. **A00424**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 3, by striking out "For reasons still unknown, the" and inserting

The

Amend Bill, page 2, line 5, by striking out "malfeasance" and inserting

failure

Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by striking out the semicolon after "process" and inserting

and

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 8 through 10, by striking out "; and, threatens the very" in line 8, all of line 9 and "government" in line 10  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 14, by striking out "by an unelected bureaucrat"

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 15 and 16, by striking out "or is about to threaten this Commonwealth and"

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 12 through 18, by striking out "After a final order of a" in line 12, all of lines 13 through 17 and "resolution of the General Assembly, the" in line 18 and inserting  
The

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

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

The Speaker recognizes the gentleman, Representative Rozzi, on amendment 424.

Mr. ROZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Last session the General Assembly passed HB 963, a constitutional amendment that would create a 2-year window for victims of childhood sexual abuse to file suit, by an overwhelming bipartisan vote in both the House of Representatives and the Senate. This session we were poised to pass this constitutional amendment for the necessary second time by an equally overwhelming and bipartisan majority, and the question would have appeared on the May 2021 primary ballot.

Unfortunately, however, due to the egregious error made by the Department of State, the constitutionally required notice process for constitutional amendments was found to be deficient and we were left in the position of having to begin this process, to begin again 3 to 4 years. In response to this, my friend, the good gentleman from Blair County, introduced HB 881, an emergency amendment to the Constitution, which if passed by a two-thirds majority in each chamber would allow the question to still be placed on the 2021 primary ballot, if we pass it finally by the end of the month.

Mr. Speaker, after consulting with the majority leader and the prime sponsor, we realize that the best way to ensure that this legislation can be passed by a two-thirds majority in such a short timeframe is to have the language be identical to the language that already passed the General Assembly by a two-thirds majority. As such, if adopted, my amendment will make HB 881 mirror HB 963 of last session and HB 14 of this session, with the exception that it will be an emergency constitutional amendment.

Mr. Speaker, we have done some amazing things in a bipartisan and bicameral way on this topic, and now we just need one final push to get this over the finish line. We have an obligation to both the victims and the voters to get the language of HB 963 and HB 14 that we promised them on the primary ballot. Any effort, any effort to alter that language in any way unnecessarily risks us, everyone in this chamber, on breaking our promise to the victims. Any effort to alter the language in any way risks having the bill be found unconstitutional because it is substantively different than the language which was due to be presented to the voters, but for the posting failure of the Department of State. Any effort to alter the language in any way risks the bill not having sufficient support to pass both chambers in the General Assembly by a two-thirds majority. Any effort to alter the language in any way risks the amendment failing in referendum at the ballot.

Mr. Speaker, the opponents of this measure are in an all-out, last-ditch effort to prevent this window for victims of childhood sex abuse from becoming law. They are desperately trying to amend this language so that it is different than what we already know can pass the General Assembly by a two-thirds vote. They are trying desperately to add provisions that will make it easier for them to defeat this measure on the ballot.

Mr. Speaker, we cannot let that happen. We are at the finish line. It is not time to fall for the traps of those who want to see this proposal fail. We must be loud and we must be clear. We will not accept anything less than what we promised the victims and the voters in HB 963 and HB 14.

I want to thank my friend, my colleague, the prime sponsor of HB 881, for working with me on this amendment in a bipartisan way, and I ask you, my colleagues, to join me in adopting this amendment. Make no mistake, this is an epic failure by this administration and the Department of State for not advertising this, but it is no fault to everybody who sits in this room, and no fault of the victims. And we, as a body, have a chance to correct the damage, whether it was intentional or unintentional by the Department of State, and just like my friend, my good friend from Blair County, when that report comes back from the Inspector General, we want it made public. We want to know the truth, and people will need to be held accountable. But right now we all know our backs are up against the wall. There is a timeline here that we must get things done by.

Do not vote for this for me or Rep. Gregory; vote for this for all the victims who are suffering out there who expected the voters to go to the ballot booth and vote so that they may have an opportunity to seek justice. Everybody in this hall should be just as outraged as they are.

We have an opportunity to deliver justice for those victims who have waited years. This battle has been going on for 15-plus years, between the House and the Senate. At what point do we just stand up and do the right thing? And this battle is not between us and the Catholic Conference or us and the Insurance Federation or us and any type of religion out there. It is not between us and public schools. The battle that we are facing right now for this vote lies in each and every one of our souls. Are you willing to do the right thing to move this forward for victims? That is the battle, and we can win this together. One man may struggle at any task, and two men together are stronger – 201 of us together is united for the victims who deserve their day in court.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Grove, on the amendment.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We are here today because of one branch of government who has one insignificant role in a constitutional amendment. Constitutional amendments are derived between the legislative branch and the people, and a small, minuscule administrative function was not followed. It is sickening. It is sickening that we are here today to debate an emergency constitutional amendment for victims – something we passed two consecutive sessions by the majority of this body. There is no reason why we are here today. None whatsoever. We need accountability.

The substance of the underlying Constitution is the same that our good friend has advocated for for a number of years. What this amendment does is remove where the blame falls. The blame



does not fall on any person here. It does not fall on the countless victims who have suffered enough. That blame, that sole blame for this falls under an administration that has failed, failed to do one single job. And we should not stand idly by and allow that accountability to go to waste. Voting "no" on this amendment does not hurt our victims. What it ensures is that accountability is pointed directly to where it is at, and this amendment moves forward to go to the ballot where it is supposed to have been; it is supposed to be there. We are supposed to have four constitutional amendments – four. We have three.

Accountability is a big deal. A lot of people say we do not have accountability in this place. We can take that first step. I hope that OIG (Office of Inspector General) report is made public. It should be. We have not seen it yet. Most OIG reports have not been made public; this one should be. We need accountability. We need to bring further oversight into this administration. I know at least the State Government Committee is there. But we need to make sure that that accountability and the people know whose responsibility it is. Whether you vote "yes" or "no," whether you have voted "yes" or "no," that responsibility does not lie with the distinguished members of this body. It is not a legislative branch issue. An administrative task, sending of an e-mail, notification to the people. It is almost like clockwork. They failed. They should be held accountable for their actions.

Vote "no" on the amendment. Let us move this bill forward and let us make sure we have accountability where it stands.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Before the Speaker moves to the maker of the amendment, just a reminder to the members. It is typically past precedents that we allow the maker or prime sponsors of bills to speak last, immediately prior to the leaders.

Seeing no one else seeking recognition, I will move to the gentleman, Representative Rozzi, for the second time on the amendment.

Mr. ROZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I want to thank the good gentleman from York County for his comments. I am just equally outraged of what happened at the Department of State, and those people need to be held accountable. As we all know, nothing happens here in Harrisburg by accident. And I am equally upset with this administration and so are the victims, but that is not the only thing that my amendment does to clarify.

My amendment also cleans up the language about when the question would be placed on the ballot. HB 881 states that the question would not go to the ballot until there would be a court challenge and until the Supreme Court would make a decision. It cleans up that language and says, hey, as soon as this passes, that the question be placed on the ballot. We do not have to wait for a Supreme Court ruling and then it gets placed on the ballot, so victims will be delayed again. Justice delayed is justice denied.

And you have every right, though, to be frustrated with what happened at the Department of State. I get it. I am angry. Every victim I talked to cannot believe what has happened. More heads have to roll. It is unacceptable. But this amendment does a great thing in clarifying that language with the courts. I am asking my colleagues here to support amendment A00424 for every child who has been sexually abused who just wants their day in court.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

(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—92

Benham	Driscoll	Kinsey	Parker
Bizzarro	Evans	Kirkland	Pashinski
Boyle	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Pisciottano
Bradford	Fitzgerald	Krajewski	Rabb
Briggs	Flynn	Krueger	Rozzi
Brown, A.	Frankel	Kulik	Sainato
Bullock	Freeman	Lee	Samuelson
Burgos	Gainey	Longietti	Sanchez
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Daley	Harris	Mehaffie	Solomon
Davidson	Herrin	Merski	Sturla
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Davis, T.	Howard	Mullery	Warren
Dawkins	Innamorato	Mullins	Webster
Deasy	Isaacson	Neilson	Wheatley
DeLissio	Kenyatta	Nelson, N.	Williams, D.
Delloso	Kim	O'Mara	Young
DeLuca	Kinlead	Otten	Zabel

#### NAYS—109

Armanini	Gleim	Masser	Ryan
Benninghoff	Greiner	Mentzer	Sankey
Bernstine	Grove	Mercuri	Saylor
Boback	Hamm	Metcalfe	Schemel
Bonner	Heffley	Metzgar	Schmitt
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Gaydos	Mako	Roae	Cutler,
Gillen	Maloney	Rothman	Speaker
Gillespie	Marshall	Rowe	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

Mr. **ROWE** offered the following amendment No. **A00461**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 1, by inserting after "amendment" and other amendment  
Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by inserting after "Commonwealth" and providing for spending limitations on the Commonwealth  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by striking out "this" and inserting the  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by inserting after "amendment" under section 2(1)  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 19, by striking out "amendment" and inserting amendments  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 20, by striking out "is" and inserting are  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by inserting before "That"  
(1)  
Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 4 and 5  
(2) That Article VIII be amended by adding a section to read:  
§ 18. Spending limitations.  
(a) Total spending by the Commonwealth shall not exceed the spending limit in any fiscal year. The spending limit for any fiscal year shall be equal to the spending during the immediately prior fiscal year, adjusted by the sum of:  
(i) The average of the percentage change in the annual United States Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U), as reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, for each of the immediately preceding three calendar years.  
(ii) The average of the percentage change in the resident population in this Commonwealth, as reported by the United States Census Bureau for July 1 of each year, for the immediately preceding three calendar years.  
(b) The percentage of the rate of change calculated under subsection (a) used in any fiscal year to adjust the spending limit may be increased for that fiscal year by the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members elected to each House of the General Assembly. The Commonwealth's spending limit calculated under subsection (a) may be changed by the procedure outlined in section 1(a) of Article XI.  
(c) Total spending by the Commonwealth means all appropriations and authorizations from the General Fund and shall exclude refunds and the spending of Federal funds, gifts or receipts restricted by laws in effect as of January 1 of the year when this section is ratified and approved by the qualified electors of this Commonwealth. This section shall not be circumvented by transferring spending from the General Fund to special funds or restricted receipt accounts.  
Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by inserting after "3."  
(a)  
Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "this" and inserting the  
Amend Bill, page 3, line 6, by inserting after "amendment"

under section 2(1) by two-thirds of the members elected to each House

Amend Bill, page 3, line 15, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 3, line 15, by inserting after "amendment" under section 2(1)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 19, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting after line 23

(b) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of the proposed constitutional amendment under section 2(2), the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of the proposed constitutional amendment.

(c) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of the proposed constitutional amendment under section 2(2), the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of this proposed constitutional amendment. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit the proposed constitutional amendment under section 2(2) to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendment is passed by the General Assembly.

Section 4. The addition of section 18(a) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania shall become effective beginning with the first fiscal year commencing more than six months following approval of section 18 of Article VIII by the electorate.

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

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The member has indicated to the Chair that that amendment has been withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **SCHEMEL** offered the following amendment No. **A00466**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 1, by striking out "an" and inserting a separate and distinct

Amend Bill, page 1, line 1, by inserting after "amendment" and integrated amendments

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out the period after "Commonwealth" and inserting  
; and prohibiting the Executive Department and school districts from making payroll collections of dues, fees and political contributions.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 19, by inserting after "following" separate and distinct emergency

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 4 and 5

Section 3. The following integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania are proposed in accordance with Article XI:

(1) That Article IV be amended by adding a section to read:  
§ 20. Payroll collection of dues, fees and political contributions.

No agency in the Executive Department may use its payroll system to deduct from the wages of a public employee money or funds to be used for political contributions. A provision in a collective bargaining agreement which authorizes collection in violation of this section is void.

(2) That section 9 of Article IX be amended to read:  
§ 9. [Appropriation for public] **Public** purposes.

(a) The General Assembly shall not authorize any municipality or incorporated district to become a stockholder in any company, association or corporation, or to obtain or appropriate money for, or to loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution or individual. The General Assembly may provide standards by which municipalities or school districts may give financial assistance or lease property to public service, industrial or commercial enterprises if it shall find that such assistance or leasing is necessary to the health, safety or welfare of the Commonwealth or any municipality or school district. Existing authority of any municipality or incorporated district to obtain or appropriate money for, or to loan its credit to, any corporation, association, institution or individual, is preserved.

(b) A school district may not use its payroll system to deduct from the wages of a public employee money or funds to be used for political contributions. A provision in a collective bargaining agreement which authorizes collection in violation of this subsection is void.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "Section 3. Upon" and inserting

Section 4. (a) Upon

Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 3, line 6, by inserting after "amendment" under section 2 of this resolution

Amend Bill, page 3, line 12, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 3, line 12, by inserting after "amendment" under section 2 of this resolution

Amend Bill, page 3, line 19, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 3, line 19, by inserting after "amendment" under section 2 of this resolution

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting after line 23

(b) Upon the first passage by the General Assembly of the proposed constitutional amendments under section 3 of this resolution, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of the proposed constitutional amendments under section 3 of this resolution.

(c) Upon the second passage by the General Assembly of the proposed constitutional amendments under section 3 of this resolution, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of the proposed constitutional amendments under section 3 of this resolution. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit the proposed constitutional amendments under section 3 of this resolution to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as a single ballot question at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and which occurs at least three months after the proposed constitutional amendments are passed by the General Assembly.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Schemel.

Mr. SCHEMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is wrong that our 500 independent school districts should act as paymaster for independent private unions, which then direct what those school districts will do. That is wrong. It is a grave injustice. However, it is not a debate for today and I am withdrawing my amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Gaydos, who has amendment 463, but it is the Chair's understanding that amendment was late-filed, and the gentlewoman would have to seek a motion to suspend the rules for the immediate consideration.

Ms. GAYDOS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I withdraw my amendment. I also believe that an emergency is to address business liability concerns, but I withdraw my amendment today.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mrs. **KEEFER** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00467**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 1, by striking out "an emergency amendment" and inserting

separate and distinct emergency amendments

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by inserting after "Commonwealth" ; and providing for legislative day

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 10 and 11

(2) There is confusion in various statutory provisions and executive procedures involving the meaning of the term "legislative day," and this confusion should be resolved by a constitutional definition of the term.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 11, by striking out "(2)" and inserting

(3)

Amend Bill, page 2, line 11, by striking out "that the" and inserting

that:

(i) The

Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by striking out "this" and inserting the

Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by inserting after "amendment" in section 2(1)

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 18 and 19

(ii) Uncertainty about whether or not the General Assembly is able to take legislative action or approve an executive procedure constitutes a major emergency that threatens or is about to threaten this Commonwealth and the safety or welfare of this Commonwealth and therefore requires prompt amendment of the Constitution of Pennsylvania by the constitutional amendment in section 2(2).

Amend Bill, page 2, line 19, by striking out "amendment" and inserting

separate and distinct amendments

Amend Bill, page 2, line 20, by striking out "is" and inserting are

Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by inserting before "That"

(1)

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 5 through 23, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

(2) That Article III be amended by adding a section to read:

§ 14. Legislative day.

A legislative day shall be a day when both houses of the General Assembly are in voting session.

Section 3. Upon passage by the General Assembly of these proposed separate and distinct constitutional amendments, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall proceed immediately to comply with the advertising requirements of section 1(a) of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and shall transmit the required advertisements to two newspapers in every county in which such newspapers are published in sufficient time after passage of these proposed separate and distinct constitutional amendments. After a final order of a Pennsylvania court which is not subject to appeal, pursuant to the Declaratory Judgments Act (42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 75, Subch. C) or otherwise, that the subject of these amendments are within the scope of section 1(a) and (b) of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, or as otherwise determined by subsequent joint resolution of the General Assembly, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall submit these proposed separate and distinct constitutional amendments to the qualified electors of this Commonwealth as two separate and distinct ballot questions at the first primary, general or municipal election which meets the requirements of and is in conformance with section 1(a) of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

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

Mrs. KEEFER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I withdraw the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 412**, **PN 845**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in professional employees, providing for day-to-day substitutes; and, in certification of teachers, further providing for substitute teaching permit for prospective teachers and for program of continuing professional education.

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 365**, **PN 337**, entitled:

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.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Bill was agreed to.

#### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 952** By Representatives OBERLANDER, MUSTELLO, KAUFER, RYAN, MILLARD, LONGIETTI, JAMES, NEILSON, SAYLOR, PICKETT, SANKEY, BERNSTINE, METCALFE, MARSHALL, WHEELAND, SAINATO, FARRY, LABS, MIHALEK, HENNESSEY, D. WILLIAMS and CIRESI

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in computer data center equipment incentive program, further providing for definitions and for review of application, providing for applicability and for sales and use tax exemption program; imposing duties on the Department of Revenue; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, March 17, 2021.

**No. 953** By Representatives OBERLANDER, JAMES, PICKETT, LEWIS DELROSSO, CIRESI, FREEMAN, WHEELAND, THOMAS, MARSHALL, SCHLOSSBERG, MIZGORSKI, RYAN, MILLARD, SAYLOR and MASSER

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1905 (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of Health, and defining its powers and duties," further providing for the administrative structure of the Department of Health, establishing the office of Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth and providing for the powers and duties of the Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, March 17, 2021.

**No. 955** By Representatives ORTITAY, SMITH, ROTHMAN, HILL-EVANS, KEEFER, SCHLOSSBERG, R. BROWN, ZIMMERMAN, MUSTELLO, THOMAS, MERCURI, PISCIOTTANO, HICKERNELL, STRUZZI and INNAMORATO

An Act amending Title 45 (Legal Notices) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in legal advertising, providing for methods for advertising.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 17, 2021.

**No. 956** By Representatives ORTITAY, SNYDER, STAMBAUGH, HILL-EVANS, IRVIN, SMITH, CIRESI, RAPP, WHEELAND and STRUZZI

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 County Block Grant - Broadband Deployment and Development Program.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS,  
March 17, 2021.

**No. 957** By Representatives MOUL, MILLARD, JONES, STAATS, ROTHMAN, RIGBY, DAVANZO, MALONEY, B. MILLER, SCHMITT, COOK, RYAN, JOZWIAK, DIAMOND, PICKETT, SAYLOR, ECKER, M. MACKENZIE, MASSER, KAUFER, GLEIM, SCHEMEL, R. MACKENZIE, E. NELSON and HERSHEY

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for purposes and powers.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT,  
March 17, 2021.

**No. 958** By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, KAUFFMAN, MALONEY, SMITH, RYAN, COX, KEEFER, JAMES, ROWE and WHEELAND

An Act providing for vaccination schedule for pediatric and adult patients and for coverage, compensation and reimbursement for vaccinations; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, March 17, 2021.

### SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

#### **SB 69, PN 52**

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY,  
March 17, 2021.

#### **SB 120, PN 91**

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY,  
March 17, 2021.

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, there will be no further votes on the floor today. We do have some housekeeping, as well as members seeking recognition under rule 17 at the conclusion of session on Wednesday, which we will be going into upon conclusion of the housekeeping business.

It is the Chair's understanding the gentleman, Representative Jozwiak, wishes to make a brief announcement. The gentleman waives off. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### BILLS RECOMMENDED

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

HB 113;  
HB 184;  
HB 365;  
HB 412;  
HB 416;  
SB 84;

SB 85;  
SB 86;  
SB 87; and  
HB 881.

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 71;  
HB 183;  
HB 192;  
HB 245;  
HB 325;  
HB 935; and  
HB 936.

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

### STATEMENT BY MR. PASHINSKI

The SPEAKER. At this time we will be moving to the rule 17 speakers, and the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Pashinski, who wishes to speak on Music in Our Schools Month.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. PASHINSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And thank you very much for the opportunity to speak today about something that is very near and dear to my heart, and also to the hearts of so many other people as well.

I am referring to a magical power. A magical power that has the ability to inspire, excite, to soothe, to teach and heal, as well as bring joy and so many people together. Of course, I am talking about music – especially music in our schools.

Music has the power to bring children and people of all ages together through singing, dancing, performing, and listening. It is a natural, powerful, and innate art form that every school should be promoting, and that is why I am very proud to be supporting and speaking today about something we all celebrate in our Commonwealth, as well as across the nation, and that is Music in Our Schools Month 2021.

As many of you know, I spent over three decades as a music teacher and choral director in our public schools prior to receiving the honor of serving in our Pennsylvania Legislature. In college and for decades after, I had the pleasure of performing in several rock bands in northeastern Pennsylvania, gaining invaluable life experiences and a diverse set of skills that continue to enhance my life today. I have seen firsthand the incredible power of music and the incredibly positive impact music has on children from a very early age all the way to adulthood.

Music teaches so many skills that go far beyond being able to keep a beat or read some sheet music. Students and people who learn music skills have improved language skills, self-esteem,



listening skills, math skills, creativity, and tend to perform better overall academically. In fact, the research has shown that children who partake in music education at an early age are far more likely to pursue higher education, have lower high school dropout rates, and score significantly higher on standardized tests than students that are not involved in music studies.

The skills, knowledge, and confidence obtained through a music education assist learners in their daily lives by providing our students with a means to relax, and the ability to work together as a team in a choir, a marching band, or yep, a rock band. At a time when our students' lives have been severely disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic, music is an accessible and effective means to help manage stress and reconnect with one another and ourselves too.

In order to produce music, a high degree of discipline and concentration are absolutely necessary. These two very important characteristics have proven to be most important in order to become successful in life. That is why it is imperative that music education continues to be an integral part of our State's overall educational system, and that we support our music educators in Pennsylvania who are committed to maintaining and improving school music programs for students of all social backgrounds, without regard to their musical abilities. It is truly important.

By recognizing March as "Music In Our Schools Month" today, we are sending a message that Pennsylvania believes that every child should have the opportunity to succeed, and having music in their schools to enhance their knowledge will ensure a pathway to success.

I thank you once again for giving me the opportunity to recognize for the record the importance and power of music education in Pennsylvania in 2021 and beyond. Thank you very much.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The remaining speakers on the rule 17 list have currently waived off, so that will conclude the business for session on the floor.

### **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. At this time the Speaker is in receipt of a motion made by the gentleman, Representative Pashinski, that this House do now adjourn until Monday, March 22, 2021, at 12 m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 5:18 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.