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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 12 m., e.d.t.

#### THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER) PRESIDING

#### PRAYER

HON. JASON SILVIS, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Dear God, You love justice and establish peace. Send Your spirit to renew us, Lord. You rule the ways of the people and govern every earthly government. Make every person in authority an agent of Your love and reconciliation. May we be a true Representative of the State that has been entrusted to us.

Bring peace and goodwill among all people, fulfilling among us the promise we made in Jesus Christ, who was born to save the world. 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 Wednesday, April 21, 2021, will be postponed until printed.

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

**HB 1010, PN 1373** By Rep. GROVE

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for proposal of amendments by the General Assembly and their adoption.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

**HB 1264, PN 1342** By Rep. GROVE

An Act regarding the past, present and future response of this Commonwealth to the COVID-19 pandemic.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

#### RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HR 91, PN 1344** By Rep. GROVE

A Resolution establishing the Select Committee on Publication of Constitutional Amendments to examine, investigate and make a complete study of the publication of constitutional amendments under Section 1 of Article XI of the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

#### BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

**HB 1014, PN 1045** By Rep. GROVE

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school directors, further providing for eligibility and incompatible offices.

Reported from Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT with request that it be rereferred to Committee on EDUCATION.

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

#### HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 92** By Representatives RYAN, KAUFFMAN, BROOKS, RAPP and GLEIM

A Resolution recognizing the foundation and advancement of the pro-life movement in Pennsylvania by John Patrick Stanton and Mr. Stanton's commitment to the pro-life movement side of the abortion controversy in debate and legislative process and in potential solution.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 23, 2021.

**No. 93** By Representatives WEBSTER, ROWE, SANCHEZ, HOHENSTEIN, KINSEY, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS and ISAACSON

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study on the feasibility of computational redistricting in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 94** By Representatives WEBSTER, SANCHEZ, DELLOSO, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, HANBIDGE, ZABEL, ISAACSON, NEILSON, WARREN, HOHENSTEIN, CIRESI, SIMS, INNAMORATO, KINKEAD, STURLA and DeLISSIO

A Resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives, further providing for standing committees and subcommittees.

Referred to Committee on RULES, April 23, 2021.

**No. 95** By Representatives WEBSTER, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, HANBIDGE, ZABEL, McNEILL, HERRIN, ISAACSON, HOHENSTEIN, NEILSON, WARREN, CIRESI, SIMS, INNAMORATO, KINKEAD, STURLA and DeLISSIO

A Resolution amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to provide for priority bills.

Referred to Committee on RULES, April 23, 2021.

**No. 96** By Representatives ROTHMAN, RYAN, WHEATLEY, C. WILLIAMS, DELLOSO, WEBSTER, E. NELSON, JAMES, BOBACK, SCHMITT, HILL-EVANS, HAMM, POLINCHOCK, COOK, MIZGORSKI, GREINER, HOWARD, KNOWLES, HICKERNELL, SAPPEY, DAVANZO, KAUFFMAN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, PICKETT, FREEMAN, JOZWIAK, R. MACKENZIE, ROZZI, LONGIETTI, SANCHEZ, PASHINSKI, STAATS, MENTZER, JONES, B. MILLER, MILLARD, ROWE, NEILSON, O'MARA, BURNS, SAINATO, SAYLOR, KEEFER, COX, DRISCOLL, MOUL, O'NEAL, INNAMORATO, GUENST, BOROWICZ, SHUSTERMAN, HELM, HENNESSEY, ZABEL, HEFFLEY, KLUNK, McNEILL, KINSEY, SAMUELSON, RAPP, OBERLANDER, STEPHENS, METCALFE, MERCURI, STRUZZI, HERRIN, M. MACKENZIE, R. BROWN, T. DAVIS, ARMANINI and BERNSTINE

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Secretary of the Navy to designate Philadelphia and both banks of the Delaware River as the site of the main celebration of the 250th birthdays of the United States Navy and the United States Marine Corps in October and November 2025.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 27, 2021.

### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 406** By Representatives COX, BOROWICZ, BURNS, CAUSER, COOK, DAVANZO, FEE, GAYDOS, GLEIM, GREGORY, GROVE, HAMM, JONES, KAUFER, KAUFFMAN, KEEFER, KLUNK, KNOWLES, LEWIS DELROSSO, R. MACKENZIE, MALONEY, MENTZER, MILLARD, MIZGORSKI, MOUL, E. NELSON, PUSKARIC, ROWE, RYAN, SAYLOR, SMITH, ZIMMERMAN and JOZWIAK

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

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1010** By Representatives ORTITAY, ROTHMAN, BERNSTINE, ROWE, JAMES, RYAN, CAUSER, GREGORY, R. BROWN, SAYLOR, KAUFFMAN, STAATS, LAWRENCE, GROVE, MOUL, COX, B. MILLER, STEPHENS, HICKERNELL, ZIMMERMAN and JOZWIAK

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for proposal of amendments by the General Assembly and their adoption.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1111** By Representatives MASSER, RIGBY, CIRESI, MOUL and FREEMAN

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in prohibitions, penalties and enforcement, further providing for political activity.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1212** By Representatives MASSER, STURLA, FREEMAN, CIRESI and WHEELAND

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in budget and finance, further providing for municipal corporation portion of fines, etc. and establishing the Municipal Law Enforcement Accreditation Account; in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices; and, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1234** By Representatives MASSER, O'NEAL, GROVE, ROZZI, MILLARD, MIHALEK, ROWE, BERNSTINE, HEFFLEY, ZIMMERMAN, WHEELAND and LAWRENCE

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in equipment standards, further providing for unlawful activities.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1265** By Representatives JONES, IRVIN, GREINER, KAUFFMAN, MALONEY, MILLARD, RYAN, ROTHMAN, HAMM, GROVE, JAMES, MOUL, PICKETT, STAATS, ZIMMERMAN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, GLEIM, ROWE, PENNYCUICK, BROOKS, SCHEMEL, RADER, KEEFER and TWARDZIK

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

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1266** By Representatives DeLUCA, KINSEY, SCHLOSSBERG, SHUSTERMAN, GALLOWAY, SANCHEZ, D. WILLIAMS, CONKLIN, PASHINSKI, FREEMAN and WEBSTER

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

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1267** By Representatives GUENST, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, N. NELSON, HILL-EVANS, WEBSTER, O'MARA, McCLINTON, KRUEGER, FITZGERALD, SHUSTERMAN, DELLOSO, DAVIDSON and ROZZI

An Act providing funding to the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs for the purpose of providing current service members and veterans with access to high-definition fiber tracking brain scans and supporting ongoing clinical research in this Commonwealth involving traumatic brain injuries.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1268** By Representatives MAKO, HILL-EVANS, ROWE, JAMES, JONES, ZIMMERMAN, KEEFER and WHEELAND

An Act amending the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law, further providing for licensure of manager-barbers and barber-teachers.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1269** By Representatives WEBSTER, KENYATTA, MALAGARI, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, GALLOWAY, HILL-EVANS, CIRESI, ISAACSON and NEILSON

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for disqualifications for service as election officer.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1270** By Representatives WEBSTER, SANCHEZ, BROOKS, N. NELSON, BURNS, KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, ISAACSON, WARREN and NEILSON

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

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1271** By Representatives WEBSTER, D. WILLIAMS, HANBIDGE, SANCHEZ, MENTZER, HILL-EVANS,

PASHINSKI, FREEMAN, ZIMMERMAN, O'MARA, SCHWEYER and NEILSON

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

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1272** By Representatives WEBSTER, ISAACSON, HANBIDGE, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, CIRESI, FREEMAN, DeLUCA, SOLOMON, SHUSTERMAN and A. DAVIS

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in primary and election expenses, further providing for definitions and providing for limitations on campaign contributions.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1273** By Representatives WEBSTER, ISAACSON, HANBIDGE, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, CIRESI, FREEMAN, DeLUCA, SOLOMON, SHUSTERMAN and A. DAVIS

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, prohibiting certain transportation, lodging, hospitality, cash and gifts and further providing for statement of financial interests.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1274** By Representatives WEBSTER, ISAACSON, HANBIDGE, N. NELSON, DeLUCA, SOLOMON and SHUSTERMAN

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for restricted activities.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1275** By Representatives PASHINSKI, CRUZ, SANCHEZ, GALLOWAY, BOBACK, McNEILL, GUENST, MERSKI, HILL-EVANS, LEE, CIRESI, DeLUCA, ROZZI, HOWARD, INNAMORATO and KINKEAD

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, establishing the Pennsylvania Preferred® Food Bucks Program.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1276** By Representatives FARRY, MILLARD, HILL-EVANS, PICKETT, THOMAS, MADDEN, GUENST, ROTHMAN, SANCHEZ, SCHLEGEL CULVER, TOPPER, SCHLOSSBERG, NEILSON, CIRESI, FREEMAN, R. BROWN, O'MARA and STEPHENS

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1277** By Representatives KRAJEWSKI, GAINNEY, LEE, SANCHEZ, FIEDLER, KENYATTA, HOHENSTEIN, ISAACSON, GUZMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, HOWARD, BULLOCK, SIMS, KIM, HILL-EVANS, McNEILL, ROZZI and KINSEY

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Temporary Disaster Emergency Inmate Transfer Program.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1278** By Representatives WHEATLEY, BURGOS, STURLA, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, GUZMAN, BRIGGS, A. DAVIS and KINSEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, providing for Relief from Administrative Suspension Program.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1279** By Representatives ZABEL, D. WILLIAMS, FRANKEL, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, HANBIDGE, DELLOSO, HOWARD, HOHENSTEIN, HARRIS, ISAACSON, WEBSTER, SIMS, McCLINTON, MADDEN, O'MARA, SCHWEYER, N. NELSON, STURLA, BOYLE, MALAGARI and SHUSTERMAN

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in public indecency, further providing for the offense of obscene and other sexual materials and performances.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 23, 2021.

**No. 1280** By Representatives JOZWIAK, RYAN, ZIMMERMAN, MILLARD, GILLEN, RADER, FLOOD, DAY, JAMES, SANKEY, FEE, HARKINS, LONGIETTI, SCHWEYER, SAINATO, SCHLOSSBERG, T. DAVIS, COX and KEEFER

An Act amending the act of October 24, 2018 (P.L.719, No.112), known as the Patient Test Result Information Act, further providing for definitions, for test results and for duties of Department of Health.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 26, 2021.

**No. 1281** By Representatives DELOZIER, JAMES and KEEFER

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in contracts for public works, providing for specifications for contracts.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 26, 2021.

**No. 1283** By Representatives BULLOCK, DALEY, KRAJEWSKI, KINSEY, SANCHEZ, HANBIDGE, WARREN, McCLINTON, SCHLOSSBERG, KINKEAD, MADDEN, FRANKEL, SCHWEYER, RABB, SIMS, FREEMAN and INNAMORATO

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to inmate confinement, providing for phone calls and electronic messages at correctional institutions.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 26, 2021.

**No. 1284** By Representatives DeLUCA, KINSEY, RYAN, ROZZI, SANCHEZ, ROWE, NEILSON and WARREN

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for declaration and payment of income taxes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 26, 2021.

**No. 1285** By Representatives C. WILLIAMS, KAIL, JAMES, STRUZZI, ROZZI, THOMAS, SMITH, MERCURI, HAMM, STAMBAUGH and PENNYCUICK

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, providing for recovery of electric vehicle infrastructure and gas system expansion costs.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, April 26, 2021.

**No. 1286** By Representatives MASSER, SCHWEYER, HILL-EVANS, PICKETT, RYAN, MILLARD, ROWE, SAINATO, WHEELAND and SCHLEGEL CULVER

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

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1287** By Representatives STRUZZI, FREEMAN, JONES, CIRESI, JOZWIAK and MERCURI

An Act amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in storm sewers and watercourses, further providing for authority of boroughs and for manner of financing work; providing for storm water management plans and facilities for incorporated towns; and, in watercourses, flood protection projects and storm water systems, further providing for establishing and changing watercourses, flood protection projects and storm water systems and for assessment of benefits and liens.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1288** By Representatives STRUZZI, FREEMAN, JONES, CIRESI and MERCURI

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, providing for storm water management plans and facilities.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1289** By Representatives MASSER, MILLARD and ROWE

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in waste transportation safety, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1290** By Representatives MASSER, MALONEY, RYAN, SMITH, MILLARD, ROWE, STRUZZI, HEFFLEY and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending the act of February 2, 1966 (1965 P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," further providing for definitions, for applicability and for liability.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1291** By Representatives MASSER, STAMBAUGH, HERSHEY, MALONEY, MOUL, MILLARD, ROWE, HEFFLEY, ZIMMERMAN, JOZWIAK and WHEELAND

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in taxation by school districts, further providing for public referendum requirements for increasing certain taxes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1292** By Representatives MASSER, MILLARD, ROWE, SAYLOR, DRISCOLL, JOZWIAK and SAINATO

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in games of chance, further providing for distributor licenses and for registration of manufacturers; in enforcement, further providing for enforcement; and, in tavern gaming, further providing for definitions, for licenses, for application, for approval, for change in ownership, for tavern raffle, for distribution of net revenue, for tavern games tax, for host municipality tavern games tax, for reports, for enforcement and for prohibitions.

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1293** By Representatives MASSER, HILL-EVANS, BOBACK, STURLA, JAMES, ROZZI, MOUL, MILLARD, PENNYCUICK, CAUSER, R. BROWN, WARNER, FARRY, CIRESI, MIZGORSKI, WHEELAND, NEILSON and LAWRENCE

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, further providing for billing.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1294** By Representatives MASSER, MATZIE, HILL-EVANS, RIGBY, JAMES, MERSKI, SCHLOSSBERG, WHEELAND and SAINATO

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1987 (P.L.246, No.47), known as the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act, in municipal financial distress, providing for municipal assistance.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1295** By Representatives PARKER, HARRIS, ISAACSON, SANCHEZ, HOHENSTEIN and NEILSON

An Act amending Titles 12 (Commerce and Trade) and 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in commercial protection, providing for indecent deceptive trade practices and imposing duties on the Secretary of Revenue and the Attorney General; and, in prevention of human trafficking, establishing the Indecent Deceptive Trade Practices Fund.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1296** By Representatives MASSER, RIGBY, SCHLEGEL, CULVER, MILLARD, HEFFLEY, ZIMMERMAN, WHEELAND and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, providing for county oleoresin capsicum spray.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1297** By Representatives MASSER, DRISCOLL, T. DAVIS, MILLARD, ROWE, HEFFLEY, JOZWIAK and KEEFER

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for wine expanded permits and for prepared beverages and mixed drinks for off-premises consumption during disaster emergency.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1298** By Representatives MASSER, JONES, MALONEY, MILLARD, DRISCOLL, R. BROWN, KEEFER, JAMES, MOUL, HERSHEY, WHEELAND, ROWE and JOZWIAK

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

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1299** By Representatives PENNYCUICK, McNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, ZABEL, POLINCHOCK, T. DAVIS, MILLARD, MIHALEK, GUENST, HOHENSTEIN, BROOKS, N. NELSON, CONKLIN, GALLOWAY, DRISCOLL, HILL-EVANS, THOMAS, HOWARD, CIRESI, KENYATTA, ISAACSON, MUSTELLO, O'MARA, WHEELAND, BRADFORD, WARREN, NEILSON, MERCURI, C. WILLIAMS, MALAGARI, DALEY and HANBIDGE

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in riot, disorderly conduct and related offenses, providing for transfer and sale of animals.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 27, 2021.

**No. 1301** By Representatives BURGOS, FREEMAN, HANBIDGE, PASHINSKI, DELLOSO, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, HOWARD, SANCHEZ, HARKINS, HOHENSTEIN, BULLOCK and McCLINTON

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Pennsylvania Socially Diverse Farmers Commission and providing for its powers and duties.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 29, 2021.

**No. 1302** By Representatives MAKO and FREEMAN

An Act amending the act of July 7, 1980 (P.L.380, No.97), known as the Solid Waste Management Act, in general provisions, further providing for powers and duties of the department.

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

**No. 1303** By Representatives ORTITAY, GROVE, RYAN, KEEFER, ROZZI and THOMAS

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in tax credit eligibility, further providing for definitions and for eligibility and providing for application and administration, for assessment, for administering agency training, for broker registration, for tax credit and tax benefit reports, for allocation of tax credits awarded upon appeal and for guidelines; in research and development tax credit, further providing for credit for research and development expenses, for carryover, carryback, refund and assignment of credit and for report to General Assembly; in keystone innovation zones, further providing for keystone innovation zone tax credits and for annual report; in procedure and administration, further providing for petition for reassessment, for petition procedure and for review by board; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 29, 2021.

**No. 1304** By Representatives METZGAR, BURNS, HILL-EVANS, LONGIETTI, FREEMAN, SCHMITT, COX, KNOWLES, RYAN, CONKLIN, SONNEY, MILLARD, KINSEY, CAUSER, STAATS, KAUFFMAN, BERNSTINE, BOROWICZ, NEILSON, WHEELAND, MASSER, WARNER, STRUZZI, ROWE, JOZWIAK, SAINATO and GILLEN

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 48382, on that portion of S.R. 4021 over the Stonycreek River, Hooversville Borough, Somerset County, as the Private First Class Howard Hahn Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 29, 2021.

**No. 1305** By Representatives METZGAR, BURNS, LONGIETTI, FREEMAN, SCHMITT, COX, RYAN, CONKLIN, JAMES, SONNEY, HILL-EVANS, MILLARD, KINSEY, CAUSER, STAATS, KAUFFMAN, BERNSTINE, NEILSON, WHEELAND, MASSER, WARNER, STRUZZI, ROWE, JOZWIAK and SAINATO

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of T.R. 413 over the Raystown Branch of the Juniata River, Juniata Township, Bedford County, as the Army Specialist Four Harold Phillip Grasser Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 29, 2021.

**No. 1306** By Representatives SANCHEZ, ZABEL, GUENST, DALEY, HOWARD, PASHINSKI, CIRESI, WEBSTER, N. NELSON, VITALI, T. DAVIS, DEASY, SIMS, HOHENSTEIN, HANBIDGE, OTTEN, ISAACSON, SCHWEYER, D. WILLIAMS, WARREN, FRANKEL and MALAGARI

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1307** By Representatives BOROWICZ, RYAN, STAMBAUGH, CAUSER, JAMES, PASHINSKI, LONGIETTI, OWLETT, HAMM, ZIMMERMAN, KEEFER, WHEELAND, ROWE, HENNESSEY, HICKERNELL, SMITH and M. MACKENZIE

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

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1308** By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, FREEMAN, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, KENYATTA, MADDEN, SAMUELSON and SANCHEZ

An Act providing for establishment of overdose fatality review teams, for duties of Department of Health, for confidentiality of overdose fatality review team records and criminal and civil liability protections.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1309** By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, FREEMAN, GUENST, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, KENYATTA, MADDEN, NEILSON, SAMUELSON and SANCHEZ

An Act providing for establishment of suicide death review teams, for duties of Department of Health, for confidentiality of suicide death review team records and criminal and civil liability protections.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1310** By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, BIZZARRO, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, McNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, BROOKS, PASHINSKI, HOWARD, SAPPEY, CIRESI and WARREN

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

Referred to Committee on GAMING OVERSIGHT, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1311** By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, N. NELSON, SCHLOSSBERG, MERSEKI, KINSEY and ROZZI

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely; and, in other required equipment, further providing for general requirements for school buses.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1312** By Representatives TOPPER, BURNS, COX, T. DAVIS, FREEMAN, GILLEN, GREINER, HENNESSEY, HICKERNELL, HILL-EVANS, JOZWIAK, KAUFFMAN, KINSEY, LONGIETTI, MILLARD, NEILSON, ROWE, ROZZI, RYAN, SAINATO, SCHMITT, SCHWEYER, SOLOMON, SONNEY, STAATS, STRUZZI, WARNER and WHEELAND

An Act designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 4142, carrying State Route 1001 over the Dunning Creek in the Borough of Bedford, Bedford County, as the CPL William Glen Imler Memorial Bridge.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1313** By Representatives DRISCOLL, CRUZ, SANCHEZ, MADDEN, CIRESI, HOHENSTEIN, NEILSON, ROZZI, DELLOSO and WARREN

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for equipment for self-propelled wheelchairs and electrical mobility devices.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1314** By Representatives DRISCOLL, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, FREEMAN, HOHENSTEIN, SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, NEILSON, GALLOWAY, ROZZI, DELLOSO, DEASY, WARREN, ISAACSON and PISCIOTTANO

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L. 1224, No. 387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further providing for definitions, for unlawful acts or practices and exclusions and for private actions.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1315** By Representatives DRISCOLL, SANCHEZ, HANBIDGE, McNEILL, FREEMAN, HOHENSTEIN, SCHWEYER, SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, NEILSON, GALLOWAY, MADDEN, ROZZI, WARREN and ISAACSON

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, providing for serial numbers for homemade firearms and for the offense of possession of do-it-yourself semiautomatic weapons prohibited; and, in trade and commerce, providing for the offense of unlawful advertising of do-it-yourself semiautomatic weapons.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1316** By Representatives DRISCOLL, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, HARKINS, D. WILLIAMS, McNEILL and GALLOWAY

An Act amending the act of May 2, 1947 (P.L. 143, No. 62), entitled "An act regulating the sale and resale for profit and the carrying on of the business of selling or reselling tickets or other devices for admission to places of amusement; providing for the licensing of persons reselling such tickets for profit; providing for the suspension and revocation of such licenses; imposing duties on licensees and owners or operators of places of amusement; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Revenue, county treasurers, district attorneys, and the receiver of taxes, and city solicitors in cities of the first class; making disposition of moneys collected and providing penalties," providing for event ticket purchase protection.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1317** By Representatives WARREN, SANCHEZ, LEE, FREEMAN, SCHLOSSBERG, HILL-EVANS, STURLA, MADDEN, HOWARD, GALLOWAY, DRISCOLL, MALAGARI, SCHWEYER, CIRESI, O'MARA, DEASY and INNAMORATO

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L. 343, No. 176), known as The Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, further providing for use of money; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1318** By Representatives WARREN, HILL-EVANS, ROZZI, VITALI, GUENST, SANCHEZ, WEBSTER, NEILSON and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties of elected officials, further providing for organization of council, quorum, participation by telecommunication device, voting, compensation and eligibility.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1319** By Representatives LEWIS DELROSSO, POLINCHOCK, RYAN, HILL-EVANS, SANKEY, SAYLOR and WHEELAND

An Act prohibiting discrimination in pharmacy benefits plans and prevention or interference with patient choice; providing for reimbursement claims methodology and for safety net protection; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1320** By Representatives SHUSTERMAN, KINKEAD, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, SCHLOSSBERG, WEBSTER, NEILSON, GUENST, KINSEY, CIRESI, D. WILLIAMS, BERNSTINE, DALEY and N. NELSON

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for legislators.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 30, 2021.

**No. 1321** By Representatives CIRESI, HOHENSTEIN, SANCHEZ, KINSEY, THOMAS, DELLOSO, GUENST, ZABEL, D. WILLIAMS, HILL-EVANS, PASHINSKI, FREEMAN, WEBSTER, NEILSON and GILLEN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school finances, further providing for fiscal year and for tax levy and limitations.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 3, 2021.

### SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

#### **SB 74, PN 684**

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 29, 2021.

#### **SB 83, PN 483**

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 29, 2021

#### **SB 106, PN 71**

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

#### **SB 108, PN 73**

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

#### **SB 190, PN 619**

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 29, 2021.

#### **SB 382, PN 638**

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 29, 2021.

#### **SB 425, PN 616**

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 29, 2021.

#### **SB 434, PN 441**

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 29, 2021.

### SENATE MESSAGE

#### HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 110, PN 78**, 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 110, PN 78**

An Act amending the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development Council Act, further providing for Hardwoods Development Council.

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

### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

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

### 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	Longietti	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	Sappety
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	Kaufner	O'Neal	Vitali
Dellosa	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	Pennyquick	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.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to take this opportunity to recognize some guests in the gallery. Located in the gallery, we welcome the Brunner family – Rayann, Ray, and Kim Brunner. They are guests of Representative Silvis. Welcome to the hall of the House.

### CALENDAR

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1101, PN 1132**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 981 from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 819 to the intersection with State Route 2021 in Mount Pleasant Township, Westmoreland County, as the Honorable Mike Reese Memorial Highway.

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

### BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 1101, PN 1132, be recommitted to the Appropriations Committee.

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

### APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. Turning to committee announcements, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Topper, for an Appropriations Committee announcement.

Mr. TOPPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately at the break, immediately at the break in the majority caucus room.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately at the break in the majority caucus room.

### 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 12:30 in the majority caucus room, both there and virtually, and we will be prepared to be back on the floor at 1:30. Republicans will caucus at 12:30.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

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

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

Democrats will caucus virtually at 12:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House will stand in recess until 1:30 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

### AFTER RECESS

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

### BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HB 609, PN 1281**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.913, No.367), known as the Engineer, Land Surveyor and Geologist Registration Law, further providing for definitions, for procedure for licensing as professional engineer, for continuing professional competency requirements and for exemption from licensure and registration.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 855, PN 1336**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, providing for application form for licenses, certificates, registrations and permits.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 1101, PN 1132**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 981 from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 819 to the intersection with State Route 2021 in Mount Pleasant Township, Westmoreland County, as the Honorable Mike Reese Memorial Highway.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**CALENDAR CONTINUED**

**BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 72, PN 48**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions, for proposed regulations and procedures for review and for final-form regulations and final-omitted regulations and procedures for review; providing for regulations deemed withdrawn; further providing for procedures for subsequent review of disapproved final-form or final-omitted regulations by the commission; and providing for concurrent resolution required for economically significant regulations.

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 139, PN 104**, entitled:

An Act providing for the administration of permits by State agencies, for a tracking system for permit applications, for the establishment of permit programs and for annual reports.

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 288, PN 254**, entitled:

An Act providing for regulatory compliance.

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 129, PN 1311**, entitled:

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

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

Mr. **MULLERY** offered the following amendment No. **A00793**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 17, by striking out "AND FOR PLACE OF HEARING"

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 23 and 24; pages 2 through 5, lines 1 through 30; page 6, lines 1 through 19; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Section 1. Section 505 of the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No. 1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, is amended to read:

Section 505. Rules of Procedure.—(a) The manner in which appeals shall be taken, the reports thereon required from the department, the claimant and employers, and the conduct of hearings and appeals, shall be in accordance with rules of procedure prescribed by the board whether or not such rules conform to common law or statutory rules of evidence and other technical rules of procedure. [Rules established by the board shall permit either party to a hearing to testify via telephone, without regard to distance of hearing location from either party.] The following apply:

(1) The board shall review and revise its rules to permit a party to a hearing or a witness to testify via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means, without regard to distance of hearing location from the parties, at the request of one or more parties when one of the following applies:

(i) The parties consent to the receipt of testimony via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means.

(ii) The party or witness is reasonably unable to testify in person.

(iii) Telephone, videoconference or other electronic means of participation are more accessible to a party or witness.

(2) In determining whether a party or witness may testify via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means under paragraph (1), the referee shall consider factors that would make in-person participation inaccessible or less accessible including issues related to:

(i) Transportation.

(ii) Lack of suitable childcare.

(iii) Existing employment or business responsibilities.

(iv) The health of the party or witness or the health of a family member under the care of the party or witness.

(3) The board shall review and revise its rules to modernize the methods by which testimony permitted under paragraph (1) may be taken. Revised rules shall:

(i) Provide a transition from testimony via telephone to testimony via videoconference no later than the effective date of the regulations promulgated in accordance with paragraph (4)(ii).

(ii) Allow parties and witnesses to participate via telephone or other electronic means when videoconferencing is not available.

(iii) Provide for contents of the hearing notice, including information on how to request to testify via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means.

(iv) Provide instructions to parties and witnesses permitted to testify via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means in accordance with paragraph (1) on how to participate via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means, which shall include:

(A) Procedures to access and participate in the hearing via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means without the need

for the board or referee to initiate contact.

(B) Procedures to submit and distribute evidence, including methods to electronically submit and distribute evidence.

(v) Provide for identity confirmation for parties and witnesses, including sworn affirmation of identity, subject to 18 Pa.C.S. § 4903 (relating to false swearing), participating via telephone, videoconference or other electronic means.

(vi) Unless otherwise required by Federal or State law, any notice or communication to a party or witness shall be mailed to the last known post office address or transmitted via telephone, email or other electronic means, as designated by the recipient.

(4) The board shall implement rules as follows:

(i) The board shall propose regulations to revise rules under this subsection no later than one year after the effective date of this paragraph.

(ii) The board shall promulgate regulations to revise rules no later than two years after the effective date of this paragraph.

(b) When the same or substantially similar evidence is relevant and material to the matter in issue in applications and claims filed by more than one individual or in multiple applications and claims filed by a single individual the same time and place for considering each such application and claim may be fixed, hearings thereon jointly conducted, a single record of the proceedings made and evidence introduced with respect to any application or claim considered as introduced with respect to all of such applications or claims: Provided, That in the judgment of the board or referee having jurisdiction of the proceeding such consideration will not be prejudicial to any party.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. MULLERY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Amendment 793 provides for default in-person hearings but requires the department to permit a party or witness to testify virtually if the parties consent to the receipt of testimony virtually, if a party or witness is reasonably unable to testify in person, or a virtual means of participation is more accessible to either party or witness. The UC (unemployment compensation) referee must consider the transportation of both parties, the lack of suitable child care for either party, the existing employment or business responsibilities of either party, and the health of a party or witness or the health of a family member under the care of the party or a witness. Finally, this amendment also requires the department or board to revise and implement rules consistent with this amendment.

Mr. Speaker, I think this is a fair amendment, it keeps all parties on equal footing, and it provides for a modernization of the current system without completely eliminating the conduction of in-person hearings. And finally, it permits judicial autonomy and fact-finding capabilities.

In committee there was an apparent desire to give all parties, both claimant and employer, the option to appear in person or virtually. This amendment, unlike the underlying bill, provides that option, and for that reason I would ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

And on the amendment, the Chair recognizes the prime sponsor of the bill, Representative Cox.

Mr. COX. I would like to thank the maker of the amendment for his efforts. This would actually take us back to pre-2011 Unemployment Compensation Law in regards to hearings. I respectfully ask for a "no" 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.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—90

Benham	Driscoll	Kirkland	Pashinski
Bizzarro	Evans	Kosierowski	Pisciottano
Boyle	Fiedler	Krajewski	Rabb
Bradford	Fitzgerald	Krueger	Rozzi
Briggs	Flynn	Kulik	Sainato
Brown, A.	Frankel	Lee	Samuelson
Bullock	Freeman	Longietti	Sanchez
Burgos	Gainey	Madden	Sappery
Burns	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Carroll	Guenst	Markosek	Schweyer
Cephas	Guzman	Matzie	Shusterman
Ciresi	Hanbidge	McClinton	Sims
Conklin	Harkins	McNeill	Snyder
Cruz	Harris	Merski	Solomon
Daley	Herrin	Miller, D.	Sturla
Davidson	Hohenstein	Mullery	Vitali
Davis, A.	Howard	Mullins	Warren
Davis, T.	Innamorato	Neilson	Webster
Dawkins	Isaacson	Nelson, N.	Wheatley
Deasy	Kenyatta	O'Mara	Williams, D.
DeLissio	Kim	Otten	Young
Delloso	Kinhead	Parker	Zabel
DeLuca	Kinsey		

NAYS—111

Armanini	Gregory	Masser	Rowe
Benninghoff	Greiner	Mehaffie	Ryan
Bernstine	Grove	Mentzer	Sankey
Boback	Hamm	Mercuri	Saylor
Bonner	Heffley	Metcalfe	Schemel
Borowicz	Helm	Metzgar	Schmitt
Brooks	Hennessey	Mihalek	Schroeder
Brown, R.	Hershey	Millard	Silvis
Causer	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Smith
Cook	Irvin	Mizgorski	Sonney
Cox	James	Moul	Staats
Culver	Jones	Mustello	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Stephens
Day	Kail	O'Neal	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufner	Oberlander	Thomas
DelRosso	Kauffman	Ortitay	Tomlinson
Diamond	Keefer	Owlett	Toohil
Dowling	Kerwin	Peifer	Topper

Dunbar	Klunk	Pennycuik	Twardzik
Ecker	Knowles	Pickett	Warner
Emrick	Labs	Polinchock	Wentling
Farry	Lawrence	Puskaric	Wheeland
Fee	Lewis	Quinn	White
Flood	Mackenzie, M.	Rader	Williams, C.
Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rapp	Zimmerman
Gaydos	Mako	Rigby	
Gillen	Maloney	Roae	Cutler,
Gillespie	Marshall	Rothman	Speaker
Gleim			

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?

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that all remaining amendments have been 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 **HB 950, PN 958**, entitled:

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.

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

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that all the amendments offered by the gentlewoman, Representative Davidson, have been withdrawn. The Chair thanks the lady.

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

## SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 855, PN 1336**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, providing for application form for licenses, certificates, registrations and permits.

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 Owlett.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We have all experienced good and bad customer service, and I would venture to say that we all have our own opinion of what good and bad customer service would look like. For me, if I can get in and out of a store very quickly and truly tell that the person cares about my best interest and interacting truly cares, then it is good customer service, but if they do not care and if they make my life inconvenient, then it is bad customer service and I tend not to go back. What happens when most of us experience bad customer service? We get frustrated and we do not return.

The government should be here to absolutely serve our constituents and be very great at customer service, because remember, we are here to work for the people and that is what elected officials are here to do. Governments should be here to help them make our taxpayers' life as easy as possible.

HB 855 simply allows for, in addition to religious exemptions, it allows for personal conviction when it comes to getting a license from the Department of State. I would like to also make mention that 12 percent of our constituents do not even have a computer, so giving them the opportunity to have a paper application is incredibly important and it allows everybody to be involved in being allowed or able to have a small business and get a license. It is 15 percent in my district.

So we have to figure out ways to best serve them. This is an issue that came up in my district. I am here to represent them and make sure that we have a way possible to serve them as best as possible, and I would appreciate your support of HB 855.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Wheatley, on the bill.

Mr. WHEATLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, would the maker of this bill stand for brief interrogation?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman indicates he will. You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. WHEATLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, can you tell me what the fiscal impact might be to our boards and commissions if we were to pass this?

Mr. OWLETT. Mr. Speaker, the analysis that came out of Appropriations was around \$10,000. I would venture to say it is significantly less than that. The Department of State currently offers a religious exemption. All this does is add personal conviction to that—

Mr. WHEATLEY. I am sorry, Mr. Speaker—

Mr. OWLETT. We do not ask—

Mr. WHEATLEY. I am sorry, Mr. Speaker. I can barely hear the gentleman, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The House will please come to order. Members, take your conversations to the rear of the House. Sergeants at Arms will please clear the aisles. We are having an important discussion about this bill. The gentleman has asked a very valid question and deserves to be able to hear the answer.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Great question—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend while members proceed to their seats.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is a great question. The fiscal impact out of Appropriations was about \$10,000. I would say it is significantly less than that. We are talking about a very small amount of people that would have a personal conviction that is not a religious objection. All we are doing is adding that statement to the religious objection part of getting a paper application.

There are a significant amount of people that do not want their credit card information given to the State, and I respect that, and they do not even have a computer. So what are we supposed to do? Are we supposed to just say, "Sorry, you're not allowed to do business here in the Commonwealth?" Is it going to increase a little bit of costs? It is very possible, but it will be very insignificant, for the tax revenue that these businesses would generate for the Commonwealth would be way more than what it would cost to offer a paper application.

Mr. WHEATLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to speak on the bill.

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

Mr. WHEATLEY. Mr. Speaker, I definitely appreciate the maker of this bill and his intentions to provide an outlet for his constituent and probably other constituents across the Commonwealth.

It is my understanding from speaking with the department that they believe that this could potentially add costs to those taxpayers who come through for their own fee renewals. They believe that – and I also share this – that there is a current process in place that allows for folks, as was mentioned previously by the speaker, that allows for folks for religious reasons, but they believe that there is a process that could be created that allows for individuals who for their own personal fear of technology or their decision not to use technology for whatever reason as long as they are willing to sign an affidavit asserting that is the case.

And you know, to be honest, I am a real believer in personal choice. I believe in freedom of choice. I definitely believe in that. It is one of the reasons why I pushed so hard for adult-use legalization. People should be able to make their choices and government should not make it harder. But I also believe what is fair for one set and group of people should be fair for all groups of people. And if we have a process in place now currently for those who have religious objections to using the technology, someone who just makes up their mind and says I just do not want to use technology to ascertain or put my information in a system – which, by the way, will delay their abilities to renew, their ability to seek their license, to get that license, their certification, it will delay it, I am told, 4 to 6 weeks potentially, maybe even more – but if they want to do that, okay, they should be able to do that. But they should be treated like all of our citizens. We should not be creating one process for one group of citizens and another for another group of citizens, again for fear or whatever their choice is for not using technology. And by the way, we just

came out of a pandemic – or we are still coming out of a pandemic where technology was very useful.

And you know, we are creating, we created this new online system thinking it was going to make it easier for our people to ascertain, get their information in the system, and to work towards their certifications and licensing, so now we are taking a step back. We are going to create another system that we just came out of for people who just make up their mind and say I just do not want to do it online. I mean, okay, that is their choice. Of course that is their choice. But again I say I think we as a system, as a government, should be encouraging people to use our proper platforms. And again, we have a platform for those who do not want to use our technology for their faith. We can certainly extend that for someone who chooses not to as long as they are willing to also sign that affidavit and say they are personally against or have a fear of technology.

And so I am just going to ask us to do something a little differently than we normally would do, not look at this as a Republican or Democrat who is pushing this idea, and let us look at it as a system and what are we creating. And I am going to ask us to be really intentional. We heard it is about \$10,000, maybe less; \$10,000, maybe less, so it is not about the cost per se, and we have to think about this. If it is going to be less than \$10,000, that means there are probably a few, few individuals who are making this choice. And again, they should be given that ability to make that choice. I am not against that. But should we create a whole new process for them or should we be encouraging them to use our current process to make that choice? And if we should be asking them to use the current process, then maybe we should be working with the department and figuring out what we need to do to change their internal process to reflect this desire for somebody who does not – and I applaud this individual from the speaker's district who said, "I don't want to lie on the form and say it's because of religious reasons. I want to be honest and say I just don't like using technology." We should acknowledge that. That does not mean we should create a whole new system.

So I would just encourage us to be rational. It is not about money. We all agree in having our citizens be able to ascertain what they need and convenience in the most effective manner that they choose to do it, but again, should we be passing bills changing systems just because of that? And I say, no, we should not. I think we have enough inside of our current practice, our current procedures, to deal with this issue.

And I would just ask us all for a "no" vote on HB 855. And again, I thank the gentleman for bringing this to our attention, and I am certainly committed to working with him and any other individual across the Commonwealth who runs into these types of issues, to work with them to make sure they get what they need to have done. So thank you again.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Owlett, for the second time.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And I appreciate those words and I appreciate the notion that we are here to work and serve. And we are not here to change a system; we are here to fix it when it is broke. When we have people that are unable to obtain unless they lie, then the system is broken and that is our job to fix it.

It shocks me that we would not want to include – I heard the statement: fair for all groups of people. That includes the 12 percent of our constituents that do not even have a computer. That is important to note, that if we are going to be fair for all

groups of people, if we are going to include everyone, that includes the 12 percent of all of your constituents and the 15 percent of mine that do not have a computer.

The question that is before us with this bill, in my mind, is, what is government here to do? Are we going to rethink government as a customer service opportunity? Are we here to make life difficult for as many people as possible? No, we are here to make it as easy as possible. The amount of time that we have tied up with this bill and talking about this, if the department would have said, "Clint, we'll make sure that we do this however we can to make sure that we serve these constituents. We are here to serve them," then we would not even have to be talking about this. But when the department says, "We're done, we're not offering paper applications anymore unless it is a religious objection," I have a problem with that. We have to have an opportunity and I agree with the gentleman and say that we have to be fair for all groups of people, all groups of people.

So I would appreciate your support. It is a good-government bill. HB 855 is so important. It is so important. And hopefully we can get this through and we can show Pennsylvania that we are here, we are open for business, we are going to make life easy for you, we are here to serve you and do our best to make sure that you can provide for your family, we are going to get you that license no matter what.

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.

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—171

Armanini	Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Rader
Benham	Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Rapp
Benninghoff	Gillen	Madden	Rigby
Bernstine	Gillespie	Mako	Roae
Bizzarro	Gleim	Malagari	Rothman
Boback	Gregory	Maloney	Rowe
Bonner	Greiner	Markosek	Rozzi
Borowicz	Grove	Marshall	Ryan
Brooks	Guenst	Masser	Sainato
Brown, R.	Guzman	Matzie	Samuelson
Burgos	Hamm	McClinton	Sankey
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Saylor
Carroll	Harkins	Mentzer	Schemel
Causar	Harris	Mercuri	Schlossberg
Ciresi	Heffley	Merski	Schmitt
Conklin	Helm	Metcalfe	Schroeder

Cook	Hennessey	Metzgar	Schweyer
Cox	Herrin	Mihalek	Shusterman
Culver	Hershey	Millard	Silvis
Davanzo	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Smith
Davidson	Innamorato	Mizgorski	Snyder
Davis, A.	Irvin	Moul	Sonney
Davis, T.	James	Mullery	Staats
Day	Jones	Mullins	Stambaugh
Deasy	Jozwiak	Mustello	Stephens
DeLissio	Kail	Neilson	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufner	Nelson, E.	Thomas
DelRosso	Kauffman	Nelson, N.	Tomlinson
DeLuca	Keefer	O'Mara	Toohil
Diamond	Kenyatta	O'Neal	Topper
Dowling	Kerwin	Oberlander	Twardzik
Driscoll	Kim	Ortitay	Vitali
Dunbar	Kinkead	Otten	Warner
Ecker	Klunk	Owlett	Warren
Emrick	Knowles	Pashinski	Wentling
Evans	Kosierowski	Peifer	Wheeland
Farry	Krueger	Pennyuccic	White
Fee	Kulik	Pickett	Williams, C.
Fitzgerald	Labs	Pisciotano	Williams, D.
Flood	Lawrence	Polinchock	Zimmerman
Flynn	Lee	Puskaric	
Freeman	Lewis	Quinn	Cutler,
Fritz	Longietti	Rabb	Speaker
Gaine			

NAYS—30

Boyle	Dawkins	Kirkland	Sims
Bradford	Delloso	Krajewski	Solomon
Briggs	Fiedler	McNeill	Sturla
Brown, A.	Frankel	Miller, D.	Webster
Bullock	Hohenstein	Parker	Wheatley
Cephas	Howard	Sanchez	Young
Cruz	Isaacson	Sappey	Zabel
Daley	Kinsey		

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. For the information of the members, there will be no further votes this afternoon; however, we will keep the desk open to do some housekeeping.

**BILLS RECOMMENDED**

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

- HB 72;
- HB 129;
- HB 139;
- HB 288; and
- HB 950.

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 336;  
HB 723;  
HB 859;  
HB 874; and  
HB 938.

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

**CALENDAR CONTINUED****BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 359, PN 331**, entitled:

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

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 359 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 359 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 385, PN 357**, entitled:

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

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 385 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 385 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 150, PN 115**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8391, on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 53 over Laurel Run, also known as Lost Creek, in Dean Township, Cambria County, as the Seaman 2nd Class Louis J. Benzie WWII Memorial Bridge.

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 150 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 150 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 151, PN 116**, entitled:

An Act designating the portion of State Route 2038, also known as Fitzwatertown Road, between Jenkintown Road and North Hills Avenue in Upper Dublin Township, Montgomery County, as the CPL Vincent J. Wargo, Jr., U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway.

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

### **BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 151 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

### **BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 151 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 152, PN 117**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 43267, on that portion of State Route 3041, also known as Dishong Mountain Road, over U.S. Route 22 in Jackson Township, Cambria County, as the Technical Sergeant Mike Capelli Memorial Bridge.

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

### **BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 152 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

### **BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 152 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

### **BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER**

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The SPEAKER. The Speaker is in receipt of a motion made by the gentlewoman, Representative Kosierowski, that this House do now adjourn until Tuesday, May 4, 2021, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,  
Will the House agree to the motion?  
Motion was agreed to, and at 2 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.