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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER) PRESIDING

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR CAPITOL POLICE OFFICER NATHANIEL G. HESS

The SPEAKER. The prayer will be offered by Representative Anita Kulik. Immediately thereafter we will recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Prior to doing that, however, I will ask members and guests to please rise as able for a moment of silence for PA State Capitol Police Officer Nathaniel G. Hess, 42, of Robesonia, who passed away from natural causes on April 28, 2021.

Members and guests, please rise as able for a moment of silence.

(Whereupon, the members of the House and all visitors stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Officer Nathaniel G. Hess.)

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the members. Please remain standing for Representative Kulik and the prayer.

PRAYER

HON. ANITA ASTORINO KULIK, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

I asked God to take away my pride and God said, "No." He said it was not for Him to take away, but for me to give up. I asked God to grant me patience and God said, "No." He said that patience is a byproduct of tribulation. It is not granted; it is earned. I asked God to give me happiness and God said, "No." He said He gives blessings; happiness is up to me. I asked God to make my spirit grow and God said, "No." He said I must grow on my own, but He will prune me to make me fruitful. I asked God to help me love others as much as He loves me, and God said, "Ah, finally, you have the idea."

Father, as we approach this very critical time in our legislative year, teach us to give up our pride, find patience, and grow our spirits so that we work together for the betterment of the good people who sent us here to be their voices and their help. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, approval of the Journal of Tuesday, May 4, 2021, will be postponed until printed.

REMARKS BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. I did want to briefly share regarding our fallen officer, because I think that we all owe them a debt of gratitude.

He was the husband of Christine Barbara Hess. He was a 1996 graduate of Reading High School. He graduated from the Reading Police Academy in 2002 and started his law enforcement career with the Reading Police. He worked at several departments with his final call being as a patrolman for the PA State Capitol Police.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 537, PN 1444 (Amended) By Rep. ROAE

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 - Small Business Grant Program.

COMMERCE.

HB 878, PN 864 By Rep. ROAE

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 - Entertainment Venue Industry Recovery Program.

COMMERCE.

HB 958, PN 1447 (Amended) By Rep. RAPP

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

HEALTH.

HB 977, PN 1445 (Amended)

By Rep. ROAE

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Services, providing for certain restrictions prohibited.

COMMERCE.

HB 1033, PN 1064

By Rep. RAPP

An Act providing for patient access to diagnostics and treatments for Lyme disease and related tick-borne illnesses; and requiring health care policies to provide certain coverage.

HEALTH.

HB 1257, PN 1446 (Amended)

By Rep. RAPP

An Act establishing the COVID-19 Vaccine Providers Reimbursement Program and the COVID-19 Vaccine Providers Reimbursement Account to reimburse COVID-19 vaccine providers for the costs incurred in storing the COVID-19 vaccine; and making an appropriation.

HEALTH.

**RESOLUTION REPORTED AND REREFERRED
TO COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

HR 60, PN 1007

By Rep. ROAE

A Resolution establishing the Select Committee on the Jobs of the Future to investigate, review and make findings and recommendations regarding opportunities for the development of new industries, including advanced manufacturing, in this Commonwealth.

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

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 97 By Representatives SIMS, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, SCHLOSSBERG, LEE, WEBSTER, INNAMORATO, SCHWEYER, McCLINTON, KINKEAD and ROZZI

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study on voting patterns and knowledge about voting rights among formerly incarcerated qualified electors in Pennsylvania and submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the House of Representatives.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 147 By Representatives D. MILLER, SANCHEZ, GALLOWAY, MALAGARI, McNEILL, FRANKEL, LEE, MERSKI, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, WEBSTER, MULLINS, ZABEL, HARKINS, O'MARA, SNYDER,

BRIGGS, DEASY, HOWARD, DRISCOLL, HANBIDGE, PISCIOTTANO and WARREN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for pandemic of 2020.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1030 By Representatives A. DAVIS, PISCIOTTANO, FREEMAN, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS, BRADFORD, LEE, SCHLOSSBERG, FRANKEL, D. WILLIAMS, DeLUCA, McCLINTON, ROZZI, DEASY, KINSEY, T. DAVIS, DALEY, ZABEL, WARREN, N. NELSON, BURGOS, McNEILL, INNAMORATO, STURLA, SIMS, HERRIN, KRUEGER and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for easy enrollment program.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, May 5, 2021.

No. 1323 By Representatives STURLA, HILL-EVANS, N. NELSON, WARREN, SANCHEZ, DEASY and SCHWEYER

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Higher Education Promotion Task Force and providing for powers and duties of the task force.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1325 By Representatives THOMAS, BOBACK, CIRESI, HILL-EVANS, INNAMORATO, LONGIETTI, MOUL, N. NELSON, SANCHEZ, SCHWEYER, WEBSTER and WHEELAND

An Act amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in associations and organizations relating to boroughs, further providing for authorization and expenses; and, in city officers and employees relating to third class cities, further providing for Pennsylvania Municipal League and other municipal affairs organizations.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1326 By Representatives THOMAS, HILL-EVANS and MOUL

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for general appropriation bill.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, May 5, 2021.

No. 1329 By Representatives ORTITAY, HILL-EVANS, SHUSTERMAN, NEILSON, MOUL, CIRESI and WHEELAND

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 providing for employment and advancement of qualified individuals with a disability.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, May 5, 2021.

No. 1330 By Representatives ORTITAY, HILL-EVANS, GAYDOS and CIRESI

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for supplemental online course initiative; and establishing the Online Course Clearinghouse Restricted Account.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1331 By Representatives GAYDOS, PISCIOTTANO, STAMBAUGH, BROOKS, HILL-EVANS, CONKLIN, SAINATO, ROWE and GILLEN

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in other required equipment, further providing for visual and audible signals on emergency vehicles.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1332 By Representatives LEWIS, KAUFFMAN, LEWIS DELROSSO, ROTHMAN, COX, MOUL, JAMES, ROWE, PENNYCUICK, KEEFER, RYAN, ECKER, JONES, BOROWICZ, HAMM, OWLETT, RAPP, STAATS, SMITH, DIAMOND, MILLARD, BROOKS, KERWIN, KAIL, MERCURI, ZIMMERMAN, HELM, SANKEY, PICKETT, E. NELSON, MALONEY, METCALFE, BERNSTINE, SAYLOR and HEFFLEY

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for online curriculum availability.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1333 By Representatives PUSKARIC, HAMM, ROWE and HERSHEY

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in ballots, further providing for form of official primary ballot and for form of official election ballot.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1334 By Representatives MALONEY, METCALFE, BERNSTINE, COOK, COX, DAVANZO, HAMM, JOZWIAK, KAUFFMAN, ROTHMAN, ROWE, RYAN, SILVIS and ZIMMERMAN

An Act providing for secure and fair elections and the authentication of United States citizenship.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1335 By Representatives SIMS, BENHAM, RABB, SANCHEZ, KRAJEWSKI, STURLA, SCHLOSSBERG, LEE, GUENST, ISAACSON, HOHENSTEIN, MADDEN, MALAGARI and McCLINTON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for sexual health education; in sexual violence education at institutions of higher education, further providing for education program; and imposing duties on the Department of Education and the Department of Health.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1336 By Representatives SIMS, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, ISAACSON, SCHLOSSBERG, LEE, WHEATLEY, WEBSTER, MADDEN, INNAMORATO, SCHWEYER, McCLINTON, KINKEAD and ROZZI

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in voter registration, further providing for qualifications to register.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1337 By Representatives SIMS, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, ISAACSON, SCHLOSSBERG, LEE, WEBSTER, INNAMORATO, SCHWEYER, McCLINTON, KINKEAD and ROZZI

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in records, providing for electronic database.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1339 By Representatives SIMS, ROZZI, BURNS, KINSEY, SANCHEZ, MADDEN and CIRESI

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in food protection, providing for allergen awareness and training in restaurants.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 5, 2021.

No. 1340 By Representatives DOWLING, ECKER, RYAN, DUNBAR, KAUFFMAN, ROTHMAN, WARNER, ROWE, BERNSTINE, MOUL and SMITH

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inchoate crimes, further providing for the offense of use or possession of electric or electronic incapacitation device.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, May 5, 2021.

No. 1341 By Representatives TOPPER, JOZWIAK, ROTHMAN, ROWE and HERSHEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for maximum gross weight of vehicles and for maximum axle weight of vehicles.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 5, 2021.

No. 1342 By Representatives RADER, SCHMITT, ROTHMAN, GUENST, COOK, SCHLEGEL CULVER, NEILSON, ZIMMERMAN, ROWE, RYAN, R. MACKENZIE, R. BROWN, HAMM, OBERLANDER and JOZWIAK

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in inheritance tax, further providing for transfers not subject to tax.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, May 5, 2021.

No. 1344 By Representatives ZIMMERMAN, SMITH, RYAN, GROVE, COX, JAMES and ROWE

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for work-hours and leaves.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 5, 2021.

No. 1348 By Representative SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in general budget implementation, further providing for Department of Human Services.

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, May 5, 2021.

No. 1349 By Representatives PICKETT and DeLUCA

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.789, No.285), known as The Insurance Department Act of 1921, in insurance producers, further providing for powers and duties of department, for application for insurance producer license, for license renewals and for prohibited acts.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, May 5, 2021.

SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

The SPEAKER. The Speaker submits the following subcommittee appointments for the Committee on Consumer Affairs, Subcommittee on Public Utilities, and Committee on Consumer Affairs, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection.

The following list was submitted:

Committee on Consumer Affairs
Subcommittee on Public Utilities

Tommy Sankey, Majority Chair
Peter Schweyer, Minority Chair
Eric Nelson
Ryan Warner
Tom Mehaffie
Donna Bullock

Committee on Consumer Affairs
Subcommittee on Consumer Protection

Joe Emrick, Majority Chair
Pam Snyder, Minority Chair
Ryan Mackenzie

Brett Miller
Todd Stephens
Kyle Mullins

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 122, PN 90 By Rep. HENNESSEY

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

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 471, PN 434 By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in liquid fuels and fuels tax, further providing for refunds.

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 722, PN 709 By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for maximum gross weight of vehicles.

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 948, PN 1448 (Amended) By Rep. HENNESSEY

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

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 987, PN 1000 By Rep. HENNESSEY

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

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 1040, PN 1076 By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 4133, carrying Pennsylvania Route 913 over Raystown Branch Juniata River in Liberty Township, Bedford County, as the Sergeant Charles Warsing Memorial Bridge.

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 1048, PN 1084 By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 68033, carrying State Route 2047 over CSX and SEPTA Railroads, in Middletown Township, Bucks County, as the PFC John Elton Candy Memorial Bridge.

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 1120, PN 1168

By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 3937, carrying Pennsylvania Route 26 over Bloody Run in Everett Borough, Bedford County, as the PFC James E. Williams Memorial Bridge.

TRANSPORTATION.

HB 1121, PN 1169

By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act designating the bridge, identified as Bridge Key 45676, carrying Pennsylvania Route 26 over Yellow Creek in Hopewell Township, Bedford County, as the Colonel Joseph M. Stine Memorial Bridge.

TRANSPORTATION.

BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

HB 1177, PN 1233

By Rep. HENNESSEY

An Act establishing the Transportation Reinvestment and Improvement Program and Transportation Reinvestment and Improvement Program Fund; and providing for transfers.

Reported from Committee on TRANSPORTATION with request that it be rereferred to Committee on FINANCE.

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

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

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

The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, the Democratic whip, who also indicates that there are 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	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	Sappgy
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
Delloso	Kauffman	Oberlander	Warner
Delozier	Keefer	Ortitay	Warren
DelRosso	Kenyatta	Otten	Webster
DeLuca	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Diamond	Kim	Parker	Wheatley
Dowling	Kinhead	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.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Turning to visitor recognition, located in the gallery the Chair is pleased to welcome Grace VanSciver, from Belleville, who was the 2020 State Fair Queen and the 2019 Mifflin County Fair Queen. Grace has completed her first semester at Penn State University and is considering a career in government. She is accompanied today by her mother, Holly. They are the guests of Representative Hershey and Representative Benninghoff. Please rise and welcome to the House.

The Chair would also like to recognize Jack Cicero, who is located also in the gallery, who is shadowing me today for his career job shadow. Jack is a 10th grade student at Mechanicsburg Area High School. Welcome, Jack. Please stand and be recognized.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Topper, for an Appropriations Committee announcement.

Mr. TOPPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

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

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 11:30 in the majority caucus room, as well as virtually; 11:30, in the majority caucus room. We would be prepared to be back on the floor at 12:30.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Hill-Evans, for a caucus announcement.

Mrs. EVANS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Democrats will caucus at 11:30; again, the Democrats will caucus at 11:30. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. This House will stand in recess until 12:30, unless sooner recalled by the Chair.

RECESS EXTENDED

The time of recess was extended until 12:45 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

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

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**HB 336, PN 311**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for executive officers, administrative departments and independent administrative boards and commissions, for departmental administrative boards, commissions and offices, for department heads and for gubernatorial appointments; in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for board to license private bankers; in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for Department of Banking and for Pennsylvania Securities Commission; in powers and duties of the Department of Banking and its departmental administrative

board and commission, further providing for powers and duties in general, for banking supervisory powers and for banking laws; repealing provisions relating to powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission; and making editorial changes.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 723, PN 1312

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114), known as the Workforce Development Act, further providing for title of act; in preliminary provisions, further providing for declaration of policy, for definitions and for lobbying; in board, further providing for establishment, for membership, for conflicts of interest, for plan, functions and responsibilities and for State performance management system and providing for performance accountability system; in local workforce investment areas and boards, further providing for establishment, for membership, for conflicts of interest, for plan, functions and responsibilities and for local performance measures; in critical job training grants, further providing for purpose, for definitions, for program operation and for grants; in workforce leadership grants, further providing for innovative programs; in industry partnerships, further providing for industry clusters, for grant program operation and for interdepartmental cooperation; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for construction; and making editorial changes.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 765, PN 1420

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 859, PN 1309

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P.L.565, No.111), known as the Department of Banking and Securities Code, in banking and securities, further providing for fund.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 874, PN 860

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating the portion of State Route 4014, also known as Grandview Boulevard, from Pittsburgh Avenue to State Route 4015, also known as Zuck Road, in Millcreek Township, Erie County, as the John A. Pulice Memorial Highway.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 938, PN 946

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act providing for nondisclosure agreements relating to sexual harassment.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 939, PN 1419

By Rep. SAYLOR

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 establishing the Independent Office of the Repealer and providing for its power and duties.

APPROPRIATIONS.

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

HB 141, PN 107 By Rep. KNOWLES

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, in subdivision and land development, providing for nonbuilding lots.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1169, PN 1449 (Amended) By Rep. KNOWLES

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for definitions, for changes in assessed valuation and for abstracts of building and demolition permits to be forwarded to the county assessment office.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1171, PN 1227 By Rep. KNOWLES

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, further providing for designation and for performance of coordinator; and, in receivership in municipalities, further providing for receiver.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

HB 1184, PN 1450 (Amended) By Rep. KNOWLES

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in associations and organizations, further providing for associations and organizations for mayors; in elections of officers, further providing for eligibility; in powers, duties and rights of appointed officers and employees, further providing for appointments and incompatible offices and for police serving under cooperative agreement or contract; in corporate powers, further providing for specific powers; in taxation and finance, further providing for investment of funds; providing for solid waste collection and disposition; and, in ordinances, further providing for ordinances and resolutions and for publication.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

CALENDAR

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1013, PN 1052**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, further providing for Keystone Exams and graduation requirements.

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 952, PN 1310**, entitled:

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.

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 358, PN 364**, entitled:

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

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

Mr. **LONGIETTI** offered the following amendment
No. **A00781**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 7, by striking out "and,"
Amend Bill, page 1, line 9, by striking out the period after "agreements" and inserting
and providing for limited duration support for concurrent enrollment programs; and making an appropriation.
Amend Bill, page 2, lines 10 and 11, by striking out ", amended October 30, 2019 (P.L.460, No.76),"
Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 15 and 16
Section 4. The act is amended by adding a section to read:
Section 1616-B. Limited duration support for concurrent enrollment programs.

(a) Legislative findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) By providing grants to eligible school entities under this section, students will access increased educational opportunities and gain postsecondary credit at a lower cost, which will benefit students and their families who have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

(2) Reducing educational costs will help families facing financial difficulty, enhance the academic progression of students emerging from the pandemic, promote economic recovery and provide long-term benefits to this Commonwealth.

(b) Appropriation.—In addition to any other funds appropriated to the department for grants under this article, the sum of \$20,000,000 is appropriated to the department from the COVID-19 Response Restricted Account from funds received by the Commonwealth under Title IX, Subtitle M, Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Public Law 117-2, 135 Stat. 4) to support programs under this article. This appropriation shall not lapse.

(c) Compliance.—The department shall use funds under subsection (b) in compliance with all Federal guidelines and regulations.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 16, by striking out "4" and inserting

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

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

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So this bill deals with dual enrollment programs for high school students, and Pennsylvania, unfortunately, has the dubious distinction, we have a statewide dual enrollment program – every State does – but we have the dubious distinction that it is currently inactive due to inadequate State funding. And so there was a time in the Commonwealth where we dedicated \$10 million for dual enrollment programs, and unfortunately, due to tight finances, that funding was eliminated and it has been quite a number of years. So what this amendment would do is it would allocate a very small portion of the Federal American Rescue Plan dollars. We have about \$7 billion. It would allocate \$20 million to fund dual enrollment, and at a time when we just heard the Chancellor of the State System of Higher Ed testify yesterday to the House Education and Appropriations Committees on their integration plan, and when you look at that, what he testified was that dual enrollment is a pathway for students to save money and we also know that dual enrollment—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

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

The Chair thanks the gentleman. You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And we know that students who take advantage of dual enrollment are much more likely to matriculate to college, that they are much more likely to complete their college degrees so that the Commonwealth gets a tremendous benefit back, and particularly during this pandemic time, you know, when families have struggled, they could really use State support to help pay for the credits for dual enrollment.

And so that is the purpose of the amendment, and I think it is a good use of the Federal dollars because this is not a situation where you are hiring people and then the dollars run out. It is simply a funding of dual enrollment for the period of time that you can use the ARP dollars and we can decide later if we are going to continue to fund it from other sources.

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

Mr. LONGIETTI. However, having said all that, I understand that there is a desire to run this bill clean and get it to the finish line, and so in the spirit of compromise and with the hope that at the negotiation tables when we figure out the ARP funding, that we will put serious consideration into funding the dual enrollment line item, I am going to withdraw this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. 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 602, PN 930**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for the Career and Technical Education Investment Incentive Program.

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

Mr. **OWLETT** offered the following amendment
No. **A00836**:

Amend Bill, page 8, lines 10 through 12, by striking out "or is formed" in line 10, all of line 11 and "Commonwealth" in line 12

Amend Bill, page 11, line 27, by striking out "(i)" and inserting (h)

Amend Bill, page 12, lines 18 through 22, by striking out all of lines 18 through 21 and "(g)" in line 22 and inserting (f)

Amend Bill, page 12, line 27, by striking out "(h)" and inserting (g)

Amend Bill, page 13, line 6, by striking out "(i)" and inserting (h)

Amend Bill, page 13, line 26, by striking out "(j)" and inserting (i)

Amend Bill, page 15, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,
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—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	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
Dellosio	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	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 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?

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 1041, PN 1282**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for home education program.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **LONGIETTI** offered the following amendment No. **A00891**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by striking out "must" and inserting may

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this bill deals with home education programs, and my amendment, I believe, makes the bill better. So there is only one place in this legislation where the word "must" is used. So right now, home education programs, students are not enrolled in the school district. Under current law, they are able to engage in extracurricular activities: plays, musical ensembles, clubs, sporting activities. This bill would extend that to cocurricular activities like chorus. It would also extend it to career and technical education opportunities. I do not have a problem with that. But the one provision of this bill says that school districts must, must permit a home education student to take up to four academic courses at a time.

Now, as I said, these are students that are not enrolled. I am worried about the managerial aspects of the school district. How do you plan for that? You know, one 9 weeks to another, how do you know how many home education students are going to decide they want to take four academic courses? That is a lot of courses. I mean, think about it, where I live, under this bill you could enroll in a CTE (career and technical education) program half day, and take four academic courses. You could have your full school time at the school district. And how does the school district manage that?

So my amendment simply changes the "must" to a "may." It allows the school district to have the flexibility that they need to determine whether or not there is space available for that student in the course that they want to take.

Now, I know we are going to consider another amendment here, probably shortly, but the language is inconsistent, even with that amendment. This is the only place where the word "must" is used, and so the school district "must" permit. I think it needs to be changed to "may," and so that is why I offer this amendment. Thank you.

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

Mr. TOPPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I respect the minority chairman of the Education Committee greatly and his work done on behalf of his constituents and education policy in Pennsylvania, and he is correct, that is the only place that "must" appears, but it is an essential place, an essential word, and is truly the heartbeat of the bill. So I would ask for a "no" vote on the Longietti 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.

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	Sappey
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
Dellosa	Kinthead	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
Causar	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	Pennycuick	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
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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. CIRESI offered the following amendment No. **A00905**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 13, by striking out "January 1, 2022," and inserting

_with the 2021-2022 school year

Amend Bill, page 2, line 4, by inserting after "time,"

_pursuant to the policies and procedures of the school district of residence, on the same basis as other students enrolled in the school district,

Amend Bill, page 2, line 12, by striking out "cocurricular or academic course" and inserting

school district of residence

Amend Bill, page 2, line 22, by inserting after "operating"

and space is available

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 26 and 27

(5) A home education student enrolled in a cocurricular activity or academic course in the student's school district of residence shall be included in the average daily membership of the school district of residence and shall be calculated by counting the time the home education student spends in the public school program on a pro rata basis.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 27, by striking out "January 1, 2022," and inserting

_with the 2021-2022 school year

Amend Bill, page 2, line 29, by inserting after "ENROLLMENT" or seat allocation

Amend Bill, page 3, line 2, by striking out "PROGRAM" and inserting

center, or in the case of a school district operated career and technical education program, the school district of residence shall develop policies and procedures consistent with subsection (f.2),

Amend Bill, page 3, line 13, by inserting after "of"

_the school district of residence and

Amend Bill, page 3, line 13, by striking out "program" and inserting

center

Amend Bill, page 3, line 14, by inserting after "the" where it occurs the second time

_school district of residence operated

Amend Bill, page 3, line 15, by inserting after "program"

_or the career and technical education center

Amend Bill, page 3, line 20, by inserting after "operating"

_and space is available

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 25 and 26

(5) A home education student enrolled in the career and technical education program shall be included in the average daily membership of the school district of residence and career and technical center, if applicable, and shall be calculated by counting the time the home education student spends in the career and technical education program on a pro rata basis.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. CIRESI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I want to take a minute and thank the creator of the bill for working with me on this amendment to make some corrections to the bill which were of concern to the committee. These corrections talk about the policies and procedures, so those students who want to take those classes, that they have to follow all policy and procedures in order to enroll in those four classes. And also there was a question regarding State funding. If the students want to take these classes, for the school districts to be reimbursed for State funding, and this amendment corrects it so they can be reimbursed for State funding.

Again, I want to thank the maker of the bill for working with me, and I would ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. TOPPER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I thank the gentleman from Montgomery County and he is correct, what this will do in terms of the funding, it will codify what is already in regulations in regards to ADM (average daily membership) when it relates to home education students, so I think that is an important provision, as well as some of the others that he mentioned. I thank him certainly for his work on this, and I believe that this gets to the point that the intent of the bill is, which is not that home education students will be given preferential treatment in getting in any of these classes or programs, but they will be on the same playing field, an equal playing field as their peers who are enrolled in the district, and I appreciate this amendment and would ask for its adoption.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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
Boback	Galloway	Madden	Ryan
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Burns	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Schweyer
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Causar	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	Kaufert	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	Whealand
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	

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?

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 1010, PN 1373**, entitled:

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.

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

Mr. **B. MILLER** offered the following amendment
No. **A00922**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 16 and 17, by striking out "Secretary of the Senate or the" in line 16 and all of line 17 and inserting

Legislative Reference Bureau or a successor legislative agency prescribed by the General Assembly

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 7 and 8, by striking out "Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, as appropriate," and inserting

Legislative Reference Bureau or a successor legislative agency prescribed by the General Assembly

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 28 and 29, by striking out "Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, as appropriate," and inserting

Legislative Reference Bureau or a successor legislative agency prescribed by the General Assembly

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 13 and 14, by striking out "Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of the House as appropriate" and inserting

Legislative Reference Bureau or a successor legislative agency prescribed by the General Assembly

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

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Brett Miller.

Mr. B. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

During the discussion in the State Government Committee about which person, the Chief Clerk of the House or the Secretary of the Senate, would be responsible to fulfill the duties outlined in HB 1010, it became clear that the draft of the bill could result in a process getting bogged down in territorial chamber complications, political or party complications, or logistical complications. As a result, the best way to address this was to appoint one entity to perform the duties described in HB 1010. Thus, the bill designates the Legislative Reference Bureau – I should say the amendment designates the Legislative Reference Bureau to be that responsible entity.

Further, though the LRB has been around since 1909 or 112 years and is still going strong, it seemed best to prepare for the possibility that a future General Assembly may change this. Thus, to provide for continuity and to eliminate the need to change the Constitution in order to make a future change, the language of the amendment states: "...Legislative Reference Bureau or a successor legislative agency prescribed by the General Assembly...."

Mr. Speaker, A00922 clarifies ambiguity and logistical concerns; avoids territorial and/or political complications; and number three, it prepares for the future. I ask for your support of amendment A00922.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Ortitay, on the amendment.

Mr. ORTITAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is an agreed-to amendment. I would ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

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—121

Armanini	Gleim	Marshall	Ryan
Benninghoff	Gregory	Masser	Sainato
Bernstine	Greiner	Mehaffie	Samuelson
Boback	Grove	Mentzer	Sankey
Bonner	Hamm	Mercuri	Saylor
Borowicz	Heffley	Metcalfe	Schemel
Brooks	Helm	Metzgar	Schmitt
Brown, R.	Hennessey	Mihalek	Schroeder
Burns	Hershey	Millard	Silvis
Causar	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Smith
Cook	Irvin	Mizgorski	Snyder
Cox	James	Moul	Sonney
Culver	Jones	Mustello	Staats
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Neilson	Stambaugh
Day	Kail	Nelson, E.	Stephens
DeLissio	Kaufer	O'Neal	Struzzi
Delozier	Kauffman	Oberlander	Thomas
DelRosso	Keefer	Ortitay	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kenyatta	Owlett	Toohil
Dowling	Kerwin	Peifer	Topper
Dunbar	Klunk	Pennycuick	Twardzik
Ecker	Knowles	Pickett	Warner
Emrick	Kulik	Polinchock	Wentling
Farry	Labs	Puskaric	Wheeland
Fee	Lawrence	Quinn	White
Flood	Lewis	Rader	Williams, C.
Freeman	Longietti	Rapp	Zimmerman
Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rigby	
Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Roae	Cutler,
Gillen	Mako	Rothman	Speaker
Gillespie	Maloney	Rowe	

NAYS—80

Benham	DeLuca	Kinhead	Parker
Bizzarro	Driscoll	Kinsey	Pashinski
Boyle	Evans	Kirkland	Pisciottano
Bradford	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb
Briggs	Fitzgerald	Krajewski	Rozzi
Brown, A.	Flynn	Krueger	Sanchez
Bullock	Frankel	Lee	Sappay
Burgos	Gainey	Madden	Schlossberg
Carroll	Galloway	Malagari	Schwey
Cephas	Guenst	Markosek	Shusterman
Ciresi	Guzman	Matzie	Sims
Conklin	Hanbidge	McClinton	Solomon
Cruz	Harkins	McNeill	Sturla
Daley	Harris	Merski	Vitali
Davidson	Herrin	Miller, D.	Warren
Davis, A.	Hohenstein	Mullery	Webster
Davis, T.	Howard	Mullins	Wheatley

Dawkins	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Williams, D.
Deasy	Isaacson	O'Mara	Young
Delloso	Kim	Otten	Zabel

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. **SOLOMON** offered the following amendment No. **A00890**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 1, by inserting after "same" including a statement in plain English prepared by the Attorney General which indicates the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question on the citizens of this Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 8, by inserting after "same" including a statement in plain English prepared by the Attorney General which indicates the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question on the citizens of this Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 30, by inserting after "amendment" including a statement in plain English prepared by the Attorney General which indicates the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question on the citizens of this Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 12, by striking out "only"

Amend Bill, page 3, line 15, by striking out the period after "amendment" and inserting in plain English prepared by the Attorney General which indicates the purpose, limitations and effects of the ballot question on the citizens of this Commonwealth.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Constitutional amendments are really confusing. They are wordy. They have a lot of legalese that folks just do not understand. They incorporate a lot of "theretos," "thereons," and other words that really do not mean anything to normal folks. In fact, recently in Florida two constitutional amendments, one was 640 words and another one was 585 words. To understand some of the constitutional amendments in Pennsylvania, you need at least a Ph.D. (doctor of philosophy), maybe a master's, maybe both, and still I do not think you can understand them. They are horribly worded. The least we can do is provide the citizens with a plain English statement that explains to folks exactly what the constitutional amendment intends to do. This makes a lot of sense, and I encourage an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in opposition to this amendment. It is quite offensive to me that people think that I need a Ph.D. or some other kind of elevated degree to understand what the Constitution means or what a constitutional amendment means. The whole point of the Constitution is it is a plain language document that every citizen can understand. I have got a whole high school degree and I understand how the executive branch misappropriated the English language on the constitutional amendments before the voters in 2 weeks. I understand that. We do not need to send this to another attorney to make it even more complicated. There are plain English assessments of what these constitutional amendments mean on the ballot that are before the voters and I wrote them, and the people who read them go, "Oh, I understand now." We do not need another attorney to mess that up. So I ask for a "no" vote on this amendment. Thank you.

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

Mr. ORTITAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

In regards to the underlying bill, it already requires a summary of the amendment, which, in my mind, satisfies the plain English requirement. Also, I would note that having the Attorney General put this together kind of is counterintuitive to that, because when I think plain English, I do not think attorneys putting that together. So I would ask for a negative vote on the amendment. Thank you.

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

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Well, I do not know how— I appreciate the comments from the gentleman from Allegheny County and the comments from the gentleman from Lebanon County, but I do not know how counterintuitive it is because it is actually in our Election Code. Article VI, section 605: "Such proposed constitutional amendments shall be printed on the ballots or ballot labels in brief form to be determined by the Secretary of the Commonwealth with the approval of the Attorney General." Sorry, that is in our code already. This is a requirement in Pennsylvania. So let us enshrine it in our Constitution to ensure that folks who are coming in to cast their vote have a plain English statement of the constitutional amendments that they are going to be voting on.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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	Sappey
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	Kinthead	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
Causser	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	Kaufer	Oberlander	Thomas
DelRosso	Kauffman	Ortity	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 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 1264, PN 1342**, entitled:

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

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

Mr. **OWLETT** offered the following amendment
No. A00861:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 5 through 18; page 2, lines 1 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 20; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting
 Section 1. Short title.

This act shall be known and may be cited as the COVID-19 Pandemic Reporting, Response and Accountability Act.

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"COVID-19." The novel coronavirus as identified in the Governor's proclamation of disaster emergency issued on March 6, 2020, published at 50 Pa.B. 1644 (March 21, 2020).

"COVID-19 vaccine." A vaccine for COVID-19 that has received an emergency-use authorization from the United States Food and Drug Administration.

"Personal protective equipment." Gloves, respirators, face masks, gowns, face shields, clothing or other protective equipment designed to be worn by individuals to prevent or contain contact with, or to prevent or control transmission of, a communicable illness or the pathogens that cause communicable illness.

Section 3. Administration.

No later than 90 days after the effective date of this section, the Department of General Services, in consultation with the Adjutant General of the Commonwealth, the Secretary of Health and the Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, shall submit a report to the President pro tempore of the Senate, the Majority Leader of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the Senate, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee of the Senate, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee of the House of Representatives. The report shall include:

(1) A report of personal protective equipment and medical supplies purchased or acquired by the Commonwealth or its agencies in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and warehoused at the Farm Show Complex. The report under this paragraph must include the following:

(i) The types of personal protective equipment acquired.

(ii) The number of items of each type of personal protective equipment under subparagraph (i).

(iii) The number of items of each type of

personal protective equipment which was distributed prior to the date of the report.

(iv) The number of items of each type of personal protective equipment which remains in the possession of the Commonwealth as of the date of the report.

(v) The amount and source of the money used to purchase personal protective equipment to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

(vi) The amount and source of personal protective equipment donated to, or otherwise acquired by, the Commonwealth at no cost to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

(vii) The country of origin or manufacture of each type of personal protective equipment under subparagraph (i).

(viii) The facilities utilized to store, maintain or warehouse the Commonwealth's stockpile of personal protective equipment other than the Farm Show Complex.

(ix) Measures taken to secure and protect the Commonwealth's stockpile of personal protective equipment, including, but not limited to, costs associated with security services and pest control.

(2) A report of the number and types of COVID-19 vaccines administered to residents of this Commonwealth.

(3) A report of the number and types of COVID-19 tests administered to residents of this Commonwealth.

Section 4. Expiration.

This act shall expire December 31, 2024.

Section 5. Effective date.

This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Owlett.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment makes some editorial changes to the underlying bill. The goal of this amendment and the underlying bill is to gain additional clarity on how the State is managing our stockpile of PPE (personal protective equipment). We all know by now that the stockpile is being stored exclusively at the Farm Show Complex. And I, like many of my fellow friends in the agricultural community, love the Farm Show Complex and treasure the memories that we have from attending events over the years, but the building was designed to showcase animals and host events that support local, regional development, not store sensitive medical equipment. This amendment simply requires basic reporting on the PPE at the stockpile. Specifically, this amendment adds a few provisions, including the country of origin of the PPE at the stockpile and the measures taken to secure the stockpile from security threats.

It also requires an update on the pest and rodent protection. And last evening I did a quick survey and found 46 rat and mouse bait boxes on the outside of the building. I wonder how many are on the inside? We need to know if any of the PPE has been compromised by rodents and extra measures that have been taken to secure it from this obvious threat.

Thank you for your consideration of amendment A00861. I would appreciate a "yes" 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:

YEAS—189

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

NAYS—12

Briggs	Daley	Kenyatta	Rabb
Bullock	Fiedler	Kinsey	Sims
Cephas	Frankel	Krajewski	Williams, D.

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?

Ms. **PICKETT** offered the following amendment No. **A00869**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 38 and 39 (A00861)

(x) Insurance, other than that provided by the State Insurance Fund or the Commonwealth's excess property insurance policy, maintained by the Commonwealth or its agencies on the Commonwealth's stockpile of personal protective equipment. The report shall contain, at a minimum, the insured replacement value of the Commonwealth's stockpile of personal protective equipment, the date insurance coverage commenced, the cost or adjusted cost to the Commonwealth or its agencies for the insurance coverage, terms relating to the protection or replacement of personal protective equipment due to water damage caused by a flood and other current terms of the insurance coverage.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Pickett.

Ms. **PICKETT**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, as of today, Pennsylvania has \$50 million of personal protective equipment warehoused at a 100-year-old facility located in a flood zone. Mr. Speaker, at a recent State Government Committee hearing, the Secretary of the Department of General Services was asked if the State had insurance on this \$50 million PPE stockpile. The Secretary advised that an insurance adjuster had recently visited the facility and that the State would see an increase in its insurance rates. This led me to wonder, are we adequately insured? Is the State's self-insurance policy in play? And if so, is it enough? Let us face it, if a flood or other disaster hit the Farm Show Complex, damaged PPE might be very difficult to replace in today's environment regardless of the cost.

Mr. Speaker, \$50 million in taxpayer money has been spent to purchase critically needed personal protective equipment. There should not even be a shadow of a doubt that the State is properly insured. This amendment would ensure that we know for sure exactly what insurance coverage we have, what it costs, and what happens if a disaster strikes. I ask for a "yes" 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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. **HARRIS**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. **OBERLANDER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—200

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

NAYS—1

Kenyatta

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 recurring,

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

Mr. **ECKER** offered the following amendment No. **A00870**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 38 and 39 (A00861)

(x) Personal protective equipment or medical supplies maintained by the Commonwealth that expired, spoiled, incurred damage or were rendered unusable while under Commonwealth control, including the final disposition of the items.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Ecker.

Mr. **ECKER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment addresses some concerns that we have dealing with the PPE and medical supplies that we have been storing. You know, last session when one of the first things we — or last session, last year one of the first things we did when we came back from COVID or during the COVID crisis was to pass a bill that appropriated a significant amount of money to PPE and to help our first responders and to get PPE and medical supplies ready for those in Pennsylvania. The problem is, is that some of this material, you know, for whatever reason, expires, spoils, is damaged. And since, you know, something we need to be concerned about is when we are spending that much money as a State, we need to make sure that that money is being spent wisely. So if things are being destroyed or expired, we want to be able to track that and understand what is going on.

This is not about conspiracy theorists or liars. This is about just making sure government is doing its job. This is about transparency in government. It is something we here talk about all the time. That is what this amendment does. I would ask that the body adopt the amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The gentleman, Representative Owlett, is recognized on the amendment.

Mr. **OWLETT**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This is an agreed-to amendment. I think it is very important. I noticed yesterday that there was a trash truck backed up to a loading dock at the Farm Show Complex yesterday. I think it is important to know what is going into that trash truck. I ask for an affirmative vote on A00870. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Lawrence.

Mr. **LAWRENCE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of the amendment. I would like to note for the record that 2 weeks ago three House committee chairmen tried to access the Farm Show Complex to review the State's stockpile of medical supplies and PPE. The chairmen mentioned they had heard that some of these critical medical supplies had been destroyed and the administration responded in writing by calling these committee chair, members of the House, quote, "liars and conspiracy theorists." That is a direct quote from the administration. I was taken aback by this language, but I was even more surprised when hours later the administration admitted to a local TV station that in fact expired medical supplies had indeed been hauled away and destroyed. We need to get to the bottom of this. We need to know what is going on. We need to reinforce transparency when it comes to the State's stockpile of these critical supplies, and I would encourage 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:

YEAS—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	Sappery
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
Causar	Harris	Merski	Silvis
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sims
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Smith
Conklyn	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
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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	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, Speaker
Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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 recurring,

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

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00871**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 38 and 39 (A00861)

(x) Instances where the Commonwealth or its agencies requested an employee of this Commonwealth, its agencies, a member of the General Assembly or a contractor hired by or acting for the Commonwealth to complete a nondisclosure agreement to view, purchase, transfer, transport, handle, distribute or acquire personal protective equipment or medical supplies held by the Commonwealth or its agencies in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The report may not contain the name, title or other personally identifying information of an individual that signed or was requested to sign a nondisclosure agreement.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Two weeks ago we were invited for a tour of the Farm Show Complex. I attended with my good friend, the gentleman from Adams County, chairman of the Ag Committee—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

Members, the Chair is noticing people indicating they cannot hear. Please move any conversations off the back of the House.

Sergeants at Arms will please clear the aisles and ensure that the gentleman can be heard.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Two weeks ago I was invited to tour the Farm Show to check out our stockpile of PPE, along with the gentleman from Adams County, my good friend, the chairman of the Ag Committee, the lady from Luzerne County, the chairwoman of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee, and we were, unfortunately, locked out of the building because we would not sign a nondisclosure agreement, Mr. Speaker. This administration claimed they could not let us in unless we promised not to tell anyone what we saw inside. That is not oversight, Mr. Speaker.

Like so many other things, Mr. Speaker, the administration's position changed for seemingly no reason. Now they do not require nondisclosure agreements. The administration even brought television crews in to film the PPE stockpile at the Farm Show Complex for the nightly news. Mr. Speaker, I think all of us should be troubled when the government starts talking about nondisclosure agreements. In general, it is bad policy. It is the opposite of transparent government.

Mr. Speaker, we are talking about a State stockpile of medical supplies – masks, gowns, testing equipment – all disclosed under public testimony just weeks prior at a State Government Committee hearing. But first, you need to sign a nondisclosure agreement; now you do not. It begs the question, what changed in the interim? We should know if this is common practice, Mr. Speaker. Were State workers at the Farm Show Complex required to sign a nondisclosure agreement? Individuals who donated, purchased, or received supplies? Contractors? Was it only Republican legislators who were asked to sign a nondisclosure agreement? Does the administration require nondisclosure agreements as a matter of practice on this sort of thing?

This amendment would answer these questions. We should be in favor of transparent government. We should oppose nondisclosure agreements, particularly when the General Assembly is practicing its constitutional legislative oversight.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage a "yes" vote on this amendment. Thank you.

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—189

Armanini	Freeman	Mackenzie, M.	Rothman
Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gainey	Madden	Rozzi
Bernstine	Galloway	Mako	Ryan
Bizzarro	Gaydos	Malagari	Sainato
Boback	Gillen	Maloney	Samuelson
Bonner	Gillespie	Markosek	Sanchez
Borowicz	Gleim	Marshall	Sankey
Boyle	Gregory	Masser	Sappey
Bradford	Greiner	Matzie	Saylor
Briggs	Grove	McClinton	Schemel
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Fitzgerald	Lawrence	Rader	
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Flynn	Lewis	Rigby	Speaker
Frankel	Longietti	Roae	

NAYS—12

Burgos	Driscoll	Isaacson	Neilson
Cruz	Fiedler	Kinsey	Parker
Dawkins	Hohenstein	Krajewski	Sims

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 recurring,

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

Mr. MAKO offered the following amendment No. A00874:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 3.1. Personal Protective Equipment Logistics and Warehousing Advisory Board.

(a) Establishment.—The Personal Protective Equipment Logistics and Warehousing Advisory Board is established as an advisory board in the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. The advisory board shall meet within 30 days of the effective date of this section and every 30 days thereafter until the expiration of this section.

(b) Membership.—The advisory board shall consist of the following members:

(1) The Governor or a designee.

(2) The Adjutant General or a designee, who shall serve as chair of the advisory board.

(3) The Secretary of Health or a designee.

(4) The Secretary of General Services or a designee.

(5) The Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency

Management Agency.

(6) An individual with at least five years experience in business logistics, warehousing or storage appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.

(7) An individual with at least five years experience in business logistics, warehousing or storage appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

(8) An individual with at least five years experience in business logistics, warehousing or storage appointed by the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(9) An individual with at least five years experience in business logistics, warehousing or storage appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(c) Duties.—

(1) Within one year of the effective date of this section, the advisory board shall submit a plan for utilizing an existing facility or constructing a new facility at Fort Indiantown Gap for the ongoing storage of personal protective equipment and other emergency resources needed for the Commonwealth's response to the COVID-19 pandemic to all of the following:

(i) The Governor.

(ii) The President pro tempore of the Senate.

(iii) The Majority Leader of the Senate.

(iv) The Minority Leader of the Senate.

(v) The Speaker of the House of

Representatives.

(vi) The Majority Leader of the House of

Representatives.

(vii) The Minority Leader of the House of

Representatives.

(2) The plan under paragraph (1) shall:

(i) Outline the size and fit out required for the facility.

(ii) Take into consideration the long-term usage of the facility, including the ability of the facility to respond to future natural disasters or pandemics.

(iii) Provide estimated costs to convert or construct the facility.

(iv) Recommend Federal resources, State resources or other resources available to design and construct the facility.

(v) Provide a cost estimate and a timeline for any proposed construction.

(vi) Outline anticipated obstacles to the immediate completion or construction of the facility.

(vii) Highlight the unique capabilities available at Fort Indiantown Gap to store the emergency management resources of this Commonwealth.

(d) Expiration.—This section shall expire and the advisory board

shall cease to exist 30 days after submission of the report issued under subsection (c). The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency shall submit a notice of the expiration of this section to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

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

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Mako.

Mr. MAKO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I know everyone in this room respects and appreciates the work that the Pennsylvania National Guard does day in and day out. As a member of the Guard, I can speak from the experience that I have that the location at Fort Indiantown Gap is ideally equipped to serve our citizens as a logistics hub for warehousing PPE for the Commonwealth. Fort Indiantown Gap is directly off Interstate 81 and a few hours' drive from any location in the Commonwealth. It also has a unique capability of aviation assets located at the Gap that can transport critical equipment in a crisis situation. As a military installation, it is secure from the outside threats and any potential attacks. This is important, Mr. Speaker.

Depending on the exact nature of the supplies being stockpiled, the Federal government has specialized security and inspection requirements. These requirements are difficult to meet at the current PPE stockpile location of the Farm Show Complex – a building with dozens of entries and was built to showcase animals and not store sensitive supplies. Fort Indiantown Gap is the perfect spot to house our State's PPE supply. And private industry also knows this with numerous privately owned warehouses that adjoin Fort Indiantown Gap.

My amendment would create an advisory board within the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, or PEMA, to develop and present a plan to construct a state-of-the-art warehouse facility to serve as the State's headquarters for emergency PPE stockpiles and responses. The board would be led by the Adjutant General of Pennsylvania with appointees from the Governor and the legislative leaders. Individuals with real-world experience in business logistics and warehousing would be serving on this board.

Mr. Speaker, frankly, this is something that we should have seen long ago. A year into the COVID-19 pandemic and we need to get moving on our plans to move this forward. We cannot store PPE at the Farm Show Complex forever and the Gap is the obvious place for this. This amendment moves us forward on solid footing, and I encourage a "yes" vote for establishing a long-term usage of a facility and the ability to respond to future natural disasters and potential pandemics.

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—113

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Flood	Lewis	Rader	Zimmerman
Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rapp	
Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Rigby	Cutler,
Gillen	Mako	Roae	Speaker
Gillespie	Maloney	Rothman	

NAYS—88

Benham	Driscoll	Kinsey	Pashinski
Bizzarro	Evans	Kirkland	Pisciottano
Boyle	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb
Bradford	Fitzgerald	Krajewski	Rozzi
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A00875**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 3.1. COVID-19 emergency testing capacity enhancement.

(a) Legislative findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) The ability of the Commonwealth to administer and process COVID-19 tests is crucial to the Commonwealth's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(2) The Commonwealth operates a State laboratory in Exton as authorized under section 8(d) of 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."

(3) Department of Health personnel have stated that the State laboratory is a limiting factor in the Commonwealth's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(4) The Department of Health is purchasing additional high throughput instruments to increase COVID-19 testing capacity, but due to the limited available space at the State laboratory in Exton, the Commonwealth needs additional space or facilities to increase COVID-19 testing capacity.

(5) The Commonwealth must immediately address limitations present in the Commonwealth's ability to process COVID-19 test results.

(b) Emergency processing capacity.—Within 30 days of the effective date of this section, the Secretary of Health shall issue an invitation for bids or a request for proposals or may use the emergency procurement process under 62 Pa.C.S. § 516 (relating to emergency procurement) to increase the processing capacity for COVID-19 tests in this Commonwealth.

(c) Nonemergency processing capacity.—Within one year of the effective date of this section, the Secretary of Health shall issue a report on the anticipated future needs of this Commonwealth for testing facilities, laboratories and any other facilities necessary to respond to a future infectious disease pandemic to all of the following:

(1) The Governor.

(2) The President pro tempore of the Senate.

(3) The Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(d) Reporting.—The Secretary of Health shall include regular updates regarding the implementation and reporting under this section in the report required under section 2102-D(b) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Lawrence.

Mr. **LAWRENCE**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, as we continue to navigate through the COVID pandemic, COVID testing has continued to take on greater and greater importance. Last year this chamber passed HB 2455 with overwhelming bipartisan support and it was signed into law as Act 70 by His Excellency, the Governor. That legislation required regular reporting on the State's COVID-19 testing capacity, which largely occurs at the State's laboratory in Chester County.

Mr. Speaker, the most recent report generated from that act issued last Friday states, according to the Department of Health, quote, "The State Laboratory is currently a limiting factor. We," the Department of Health, "are in the process of purchasing more

high throughput instruments to increase our" COVID "testing capacity, but we have limited space in our laboratory. We are looking at another temporary location to increase...COVID testing capacity."

Now, Mr. Speaker, I have to say that this was a little bit troubling for me to read, the State's ability to process COVID tests is limited due to space issues, but as I looked into this a little further, it turns out that this is not a new issue. As far back as August 20 of last year, fully 8 months ago, the Department of Health stated, quote, "The State Laboratory is currently a limiting factor. We are in the process of purchasing more high throughput instruments to increase our testing capacity, but we have limited space in our laboratory. We are currently looking for temporary space in...Exton..." where "we can lease" more space "for a COVID lab."

Now, Mr. Speaker, let us be clear, robust COVID testing capacity is critical to putting this pandemic behind us, but for 8 months the administration has known that serious limitations exist at our State's laboratory, but the problem still exists. Are we to believe that the State cannot stand up a processing laboratory at Fort Indiantown Gap? We cannot ask the University of Pennsylvania, the New Bolton Center, UPMC (University of Pittsburgh Medical Center), Labcorp, the Hershey Medical Center, Rite Aid? The State does not have any facility in Harrisburg that has additional space? No one can provide the State with laboratory space to add testing capacity?

The amendment before the House, A00875, requires the Secretary of Health to take action to address this situation immediately. We need to increase our ability to process COVID-19 tests. It is smart planning, not just for now, but for the future. I, frankly, cannot believe we are even talking about this 14 months into the pandemic. I encourage an affirmative vote on amendment A00875.

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**. 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 and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. **OBERLANDER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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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 recurring,

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

Mr. LEWIS offered the following amendment No. **A00885**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 4. Annual report.

The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency shall consider data, information and reports created under this act for inclusion as appropriate in the annual report completed under 35 Pa.C.S. § 7313(17) (relating to powers and duties).

Amend Bill, page 2, line 43 (A00861), by striking out "4" and inserting

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Amend Bill, page 2, line 45 (A00861), by striking out "5" and inserting

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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Lewis.

Mr. LEWIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, Title 35 requires the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency to prepare an annual report outlining the State's readiness for an attack or a natural disaster. My amendment would simply – very simple amendment – would just add the provisions of the underlying bill to that annual report. PEMA is our frontline agency on emergency management, and I remember getting the notification that the National Guard unit I was with at the time in the early days of the pandemic had to be ready to respond within just a few hours to assist in COVID-19 response, so I can attest that PEMA's vantage and perspective is extremely important. So reporting on PPE and other medical supplies in the State's stockpile should be included in this annual report. I encourage a unanimous "yes" vote. Thank you, colleagues.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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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 recurring,

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

Ms. **KLUNK** offered the following amendment No. **A00887**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 4. Medical oxygen.

(a) Legislative findings.—The General Assembly finds and declares the following:

(1) The COVID-19 pandemic has led to a shortage of medical oxygen in locations throughout the world.

(2) Medical oxygen, including portable oxygen cylinders, is critical for the treatment of many acute cases of COVID-19.

(3) A shortage of medical oxygen in this Commonwealth could jeopardize the standard of care for residents of this Commonwealth suffering from COVID-19.

(b) Report on supply of medical oxygen.—Within 60 days of the effective date of this section, the Secretary of Health shall issue a report to the Governor and the General Assembly regarding plans to ensure a steady supply of medical oxygen in this Commonwealth during the COVID-19 pandemic. The report shall include, but not be limited to, procurement and continued supply of medical oxygen by the Commonwealth and medical facilities in this Commonwealth, liquid or gas medical oxygen reserves, onsite oxygen generation systems, pressure swing adsorption oxygen generation and any other related topic deemed appropriate by the Secretary of Health.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 43 (A00861), by striking out "4" and inserting

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Amend Bill, page 2, line 45 (A00861), by striking out "5" and inserting
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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Ms. KLUNK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, all of us have seen the heartbreaking scenes out of India, Brazil, Mexico, and other places in recent days. People are dying from COVID-19 due to a lack of medical oxygen – something that in normal times is often thought of as a basic and easily attainable medical supply. Mr. Speaker, the COVID pandemic has sparked shortages of medical oxygen here in the United States as well. In December, five hospitals in Los Angeles declared an internal disaster and closed their hospitals to all ambulance traffic due to a shortage of medical oxygen. The situation got so bad that according to a New York Times article from January 5, hospitals had to ration oxygen. The Governor of California recently set up an oxygen strategy task force to ensure supply of medical oxygen in California and has also engaged the Army Corps of Engineers to respond to that situation.

It is important that we plan for challenging situations before they arrive here in the Commonwealth. My amendment directs for a review of medical oxygen here in Pennsylvania to ensure that we have a steady supply for our citizens. This information would be provided to the Governor and each member here in the General Assembly.

Mr. Speaker, so much of what we do in this pandemic, unfortunately, has been reactive, but this will be a proactive, forward-thinking approach to ensure that we are ready for anything and to ensure that we have a steady supply of that medical oxygen, which is truly one of the building blocks of life. I encourage a "yes" vote. Thank you so much.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Gaydos	Mako	Rigby	
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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 recurring,

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

Mr. **MOUL** offered the following amendment No. **A00893**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 38 and 39 (A00861)

(x) Costs associated with maintaining a stockpile of personal protective equipment at the Farm Show Complex including, but not limited to:

(A) Lease agreements to store personal protective equipment and other supplies acquired by the Commonwealth in response to the

COVID-19 pandemic executed between the State Farm Products Show Commission and any other entity in compliance with section 1709(b) of the Administrative Code of 1929.

(B) Payments made to the State Farm Products Show Fund by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency or any other entity for the storage of personal protective equipment and other supplies acquired by the Commonwealth in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

(C) An estimate of lost rental revenue by the State Farm Products Show Commission Fund due to the unavailability of the facilities at the Farm Show Complex during the time the complex has been used as a storage warehouse for personal protective equipment.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Moul.

Mr. **MOUL**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Farm Show Complex has seen many things over the years. Of course it hosts the Farm Show, but it also hosts hundreds of other events per year. Right now it is being used as a warehouse for the State's PPE stockpile. Mr. Speaker, section 1709 of the Admin Code requires a lease to be signed by any organization using the Farm Show Complex. The law is specific and includes leasing the facility to, quote, "...departments, boards, and commissions of the State Government...."

We know that the State is receiving money as rent payment for using the Farm Show Complex as a PPE warehouse, but the details are incomplete. My amendment would bring transparency to this and tell us how much money is changing hands to store PPE at the Farm Show Complex, where that money is coming from, whom it is going to, and the terms of the lease required under the law. Our constituents deserve transparency contemplated under this amendment, and I encourage a "yes" vote on amendment 893.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. **HARRIS**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. **OBERLANDER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—201

Armanini	Flynn	Lee	Rigby
Benham	Frankel	Lewis	Roae
Benninghoff	Freeman	Longiotti	Rothman
Bernstine	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
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Brooks	Greiner	Masser	Saylor
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Brown, R.	Guenst	McClinton	Schlossberg
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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 having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. MOUL offered the following amendment No. **A00894**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 3.1. Special flood hazard area.

(a) Prohibited storage.—Neither the Commonwealth nor its agencies shall store personal protective equipment, acquired after the effective date of this section and intended for distribution in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, in a facility located in a special flood hazard area.

(b) Removal.—Personal protective equipment stored in a facility located in a special flood hazard area as of the effective date of this section shall be removed from the special flood hazard area as soon as practicable.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Moul.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the amendment before the House would prohibit placing any additional personal protective equipment at the Farm Show Complex, which is in a flood zone. It also would require the removal of the State's \$50 million PPE stockpile from the Farm Show Complex or any other location susceptible to flooding as soon as possible.

Mr. Speaker, we all know the importance of PPE for our medical providers and first responders and how it was in short supply, especially at the outset of the COVID-19 situation, but we are storing the State's PPE stockpile – again \$50 million worth – at the Farm Show Complex. The complex has flooded many times over the years. I have seen it happen myself. As a kid, my family used to show animals at the Farm Show. I even slept there overnight to keep an eye on the animals. I can tell you, more than once I saw water in that building.

It is not a secret that the facility is in a flood zone. While I question why there was ever a decision to put sensitive PPE—

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

Many members are motioning that they cannot hear the gentleman. Please take your seats. Move any conversations off the back of the House. Thank you for restoring order.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

And this is really good stuff, so you really ought to listen. It is not a secret that the facility is in a flood zone. While I question why there was ever a decision to put sensitive PPE in a building located in a flood zone with dirt floors and rodent problems, I understand that some may have thought it could be used on a temporary basis, but 14 months into the COVID pandemic keeping the State's PPE stockpile in this kind of a facility borders on being reckless.

Mr. Speaker, the old main exposition hall was flooded with 91 inches of water during the summer of 1972 after Hurricane Agnes, 91 inches. Millions of dollars' worth of PPE is stored in that room today. And while Hurricane Agnes was certainly an extreme event, the facility has seen dozens of times over the years water in that facility.

In October 2004 a Patriot-News article gave a harrowing account of quickly rising floodwaters in the middle of the night, hours before an antique show was scheduled to open at the Farm

Show Complex. Allow me to read a quote from the article that ran in the Patriot-News: "The...phone rang at 4 a.m.... 'The Farm Show Complex is flooding! Get here as soon as possible!'"

"Thus began the seventh All-Dairy Antiques and Collectibles Show in Harrisburg, scheduled to open five hours later at 9 a.m.

"The results of Hurricane Ivan had flooded the old and sprawling complex leaving only the 2-year-old exposition facilities above flood level. All but a few of the 63 registered antiques exhibitors had their displays in place.

"Word spread rapidly among exhibitors staying in the area that..." there was a serious problem.

"Frustration accompanied the rising water. The main overhead lights were shut off. Within an hour the auxiliary (emergency) lights went out.

"A portable light stand with a generator was pulled in by truck. Of course, the generator would not run.

"A few exhibitors had flashlights, so for a couple of hours work was accomplished by flashlight....

"By noon Saturday, the...secretary of agriculture...decided to cancel all remaining events scheduled..." for the next week.

"Word soon followed that the entire Farm Show Complex was under mandatory evacuation orders.

"The water level in the antiques exhibition hall hit 12 inches before receding...."

Mr. Speaker, the flood described in this article describes the chaos that came with evacuating 63 vendors with old milk bottles and antique dairy equipment in the middle of the night. Imagine if it was \$50 million worth of precious personal protective equipment paid for by the taxpayers to safeguard our first responders. Honestly, I cannot believe that the administration has left this go on for as long as it has. We need to get that PPE out of the Farm Show Complex immediately. With all this in mind, I encourage an affirmative vote for my amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair now recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Toohil, on the amendment.

Ms. TOOHIL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise in support of this language. During the pandemic the need for personal protective equipment became one of the core issues in our emergency response. Simply put, we must change how the government is storing PPE at the Farm Show currently. This amendment accomplishes this end.

From the pandemic we have a lengthy list of lessons learned and we need to make sure our government pivots, evolves, and applies up-to-date best practices. Taxpayers deserve transparency and accountability in our State's PPE management and storage.

With regard to flooding, many of us here in Harrisburg but also in your home counties have experienced devastating floods. We have to learn from these devastating floods of the past. Countless homes, valued properties, as the good gentleman spoke of, destruction at the Farm Show in the past because of flooding. This language demands that the government pivot and apply best practices. This location is woefully inadequate for the storage of PPE and masks for the face of Pennsylvanians. The PPE currently stored in the flood zone needs to be removed as soon as possible and this language does just that. Please support this amendment. Thank you.

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

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I definitely support this amendment and hopefully you do too. If you own a house in a flood zone, you know that you have to have a little bit of extra insurance. We do not even know if we had insurance, and we already talked about that in a prior amendment.

Flooding can happen so fast. In my communities we have seen that over the years and it happens overnight. We have got to get this out of a flood zone as quickly as possible. This is reckless at best to have \$50 million 14 months into it of PPE sitting in a flood zone. I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Leader Benninghoff on the amendment.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Mr. Speaker, I just want to echo that this is very important. As I sit here, I am almost befuddled that we are even having this dialogue. As somebody who had worked in a hospital, I know the importance of not only having good equipment but the fact that these things do wear out. Heat can damage the elasticity in these types of things. But the mere fact that we are storing them in buildings that are subject to rodent infestations and then we may disburse these things out not knowing what is soiled, what is not soiled in these boxes to our frontline workers, people that we have determined to be essential throughout this pandemic, and we are giving them equipment that possibly has had rodents running through it, may be subject to a moisture exposure and subsequent mold growth within the very masks that we are asking people to wear to protect themselves, this is ludicrous.

I think about my own hospitals that early on in this pandemic in the heart of it were having nurses to have to string up clothing lines in some of their storage rooms to dry masks out and let them air for a couple of days so they were considered to be germ-free, only to come back and put the same mask on several days later. Inappropriate. I still have some dental offices that struggle to get enough PPE equipment. Our own Volunteers in Medicine clinics struggle to get certain sizes of masks and gloves, and we have ours sitting in a barn. Inappropriate. Not right and not what you do in 2021. We can do better. Please stand together, Republicans and Democrats, and get this taken care of and vote "yes" on 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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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DelRosso	Keefer	Nelson, N.	Thomas
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Farry	Kulik	Pennycuick	Wentling
Fee	Labs	Pickett	Wheeland
Flood	Lawrence	Polinchock	White
Freeman	Lewis	Puskaric	Williams, C.
Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Quinn	Zimmerman
Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Rader	
Gillen	Mako	Rapp	Cutler,
Gillespie	Maloney	Rigby	Speaker
Gleim	Marshall		

NAYS—81

Benham	DeLuca	Kinsey	Rabb
Bizzarro	Driscoll	Kirkland	Rozzi
Boyle	Evans	Kosierowski	Sainato
Bradford	Fiedler	Krajewski	Samuelson
Briggs	Fitzgerald	Krueger	Sanchez
Brown, A.	Flynn	Lee	Sappey
Bullock	Frankel	Longietti	Schlossberg
Burgos	Gainey	Madden	Schweyer
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Cruz	Harkins	Merski	Sturla
Daley	Harris	Miller, D.	Vitali
Davidson	Herrin	Mullins	Warren
Davis, A.	Hohenstein	O'Mara	Webster
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Dawkins	Innamorato	Parker	Williams, D.
Deasy	Isaacson	Pashinski	Young
DeLissio	Kinhead	Pisciottano	Zabel
Deloso			

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 recurring,

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

Mrs. PENNYCUICK offered the following amendment No. **A00895**:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

Section 3.1. Report by Adjutant General.

Within 30 days of the effective date of this section, the Adjutant General, in consultation with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the Secretary of Health, shall develop an emergency plan to remove the State's stockpile of personal protective equipment from the Farm Show Complex within 72-hours notice of an impending flood, hurricane, severe weather event or other natural disaster. The plan shall outline the resources necessary to execute the removal of the State's personal protective equipment stockpile within 72 hours and transport the same to a designated secure facility. This report shall be submitted to the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Pennycuick.

Mrs. PENNYCUICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, amendment 00895 requires the Adjutant General, in consultation with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the Secretary of Health, to develop an emergency plan to remove the State's \$50 million stockpile of personal protective equipment from the Farm Show Complex within 72 hours of an impending flood, hurricane, or other natural disaster.

Mr. Speaker, the entire Farm Show Complex is located in a special flood zone area, and while an unexpected natural disaster could hit quickly, many times we have advance notice of an acute and severe weather event such as a hurricane. The Pennsylvania National Guard has the knowledge and the authority to marshal the necessary resources to move the State's PPE stockpile on short notice. My amendment would ensure a plan is in place and ready to go in the event of a disaster that is about to strike. We owe it to the people of Pennsylvania to ensure that we are planning for every contingency to safeguard the Commonwealth's investment in critical PPE. I encourage 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 SPEAKER. 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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Borowicz	Helm	Mihalek	Schmitt
Brooks	Hennessey	Millard	Schroeder
Brown, R.	Hershey	Miller, B.	Silvis
Causar	Hickernell	Mizgorski	Smith
Cook	Irvin	Moul	Sonney
Cox	James	Mustello	Staats
Culver	Jones	Nelson, E.	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Nelson, N.	Stephens
Day	Kail	O'Neal	Struzzi
DeLozier	Kaufner	Oberlander	Thomas
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Dowling	Kerwin	Peifer	Topper
Dunbar	Klunk	Pennycuick	Twardzik
Ecker	Knowles	Pickett	Warner
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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	Masser		

NAYS—89

Benham	Driscoll	Kinsey	Pashinski
Bizzarro	Evans	Kirkland	Pisciottano
Boyle	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb
Bradford	Fitzgerald	Krajewski	Rozzi
Briggs	Flynn	Krueger	Sainato
Brown, A.	Frankel	Kulik	Samuelson
Bullock	Freeman	Lee	Sanchez
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Conklin	Harkins	McClinton	Snyder
Cruz	Harris	McNeill	Solomon
Daley	Herrin	Merski	Sturla
Davidson	Hohenstein	Miller, D.	Vitali
Davis, A.	Howard	Mullery	Warren
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DeLuca			

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

Mr. KAIL offered the following amendment No. A00924:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 24 (A00861), by inserting before "No" (a) Report.—

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 40 and 41 (A00861)

(2.1) A report of the number of COVID-19 vaccines wasted, expired, destroyed or otherwise determined to be unusable in this Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43 (A00861)

(b) Updates.—The Secretary of Health shall include regular updates concerning the reporting required under subsection (a) in the report under section 2102-D(b) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Kail.

Mr. KAIL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Department of Health tracks the number of COVID-19 vaccines that have been wasted in Pennsylvania. During Appropriations hearings earlier this year, the department was asked how many COVID vaccines have been wasted and replied with a number at that time. But since then, repeated requests to get this information have been refused. Spotlight PA recently ran an article detailing how the Department of Health refused to provide this information. In the last 48 hours it seems like the administration has had a change of heart on this issue, a move that I commend. But, Mr. Speaker, it is not clear to me if the department is just talking about data on wasted vaccines from pharmacies or from all sources and how often is this going to be updated.

Mr. Speaker, this is an important issue. COVID shots are in high demand worldwide and should not be going to waste. We should know what is happening. This amendment lays down clear guidelines on how this reporting should occur going forward, and I encourage a "yes" 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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Pisciotano, who originally had amendment 930 and the Chair is in receipt of a corrective reprint, 938, which the clerk will read.

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

Mr. **PISCIOTTANO** offered the following amendment No. **A00938**:

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting before line 1 (A00861)
Amend Bill, page 1, line 2, by inserting after "pandemic"
; providing for COVID-19 vaccine personal information privacy;
and imposing penalties

Amend Bill, page 1, line 6 (A00861), by inserting after
"Accountability"

and Vaccine Personal Information Privacy

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 16 and 17
(A00861)

"COVID-19 vaccine provider." A person or entity authorized to
distribute or administer a COVID-19 vaccine.

"Health care provider." As follows:

(1) A person, corporation, facility, institution or other
entity licensed, certified or approved by the Commonwealth to
provide health care or professional medical services.

(2) The term includes a physician, podiatrist,
optometrist, psychologist, psychiatrist, physical therapist,
certified nurse practitioner, nurse midwife, physician assistant,
chiropractor, dentist, pharmacist or an individual accredited or
certified to provide behavioral health services.

"Health care service." A treatment, admission, procedure,
medical supply and equipment or other service, including behavioral
health, prescribed or otherwise provided or proposed to be provided by
a health care provider.

"Personal information." Information that identifies, relates to,
describes, is capable of being associated with or could reasonably be
linked, directly or indirectly, with a particular individual or household,
including any of the following:

(1) An identifier such as a real name, alias, postal
address, telephone number, unique personal identifier, online
identifier, including an Internet website protocol address, email
address, account name, Social Security number, driver's license
number, passport number or other similar identifier.

(2) Commercial information, including a product or
service purchased, obtained or considered or other purchasing or
consuming history or tendency.

(3) Biometric information.

(4) Geolocation data.

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 42 and 43
(A00861)

Section 4. COVID-19 vaccine personal information privacy.

(a) General rule.—Except as provided in subsection (b), a
COVID-19 vaccine provider shall delete the personal information of an
individual who registered to receive a COVID-19 vaccine from the
COVID-19 vaccine provider but did not receive the COVID-19 vaccine
within six months of the registration. In such a circumstance, the
deletion of the personal information shall occur:

(1) Within 30 days after the conclusion of the six-month
period following the registration, if the conclusion of the six-
month period occurs after the effective date of this subsection.

(2) Within 30 days after the effective date of this
subsection, if the effective date of this subsection occurs after the
conclusion of the six-month period following the registration.

(b) Exception.—In compliance with Federal and State law, a COVID-19 vaccine provider may retain the personal information of an individual if the COVID-19 vaccine provider distributed or administered a COVID-19 vaccine to the individual or provided another health care service to the individual within six months of the individual registering to receive a COVID-19 vaccine from the COVID-19 vaccine provider.

Section 5. Applicability.

Section 4 shall not apply to medical records that a COVID-19 vaccine provider is required to retain under Federal or State law.

Section 6. Violation of Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law.

A violation of section 4 constitutes unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices within the meaning of section 2(4) of the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, and shall be subject to the enforcement provisions, civil penalties and private rights of action specified in that act.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 43 (A00861), by striking out "4" and inserting

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Amend Bill, page 2, line 45 (A00861), by striking out "5" and inserting

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On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. I apologize. The Chair wishes to correct the record. It is a reprint under rule 21.

The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

I apologize. The gentleman, Representative Owlett, wishes to be recognized first.

I apologize. It is difficult to read lips with the masks.

The Chair now recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Mihalek.

Ms. MIHALEK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Perhaps at no time in our history has the protection of personal information been more critical. We must ensure that our constituents have confidence that their information is safe and secure even as many of them are seeking the COVID-19 vaccine from providers outside of their familiar health-care practice. We believe that this amendment will strengthen the public confidence and ultimately remove one of the concerns that many individuals have with regard to receiving the vaccine.

I want to thank my colleague, the gentleman from Allegheny County, for his work on this issue and ask the rest of my colleagues to support the protection of this very private information.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. PISCIOTTANO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This amendment is aimed at protecting Pennsylvanians and consumers by reducing the risk of personal data lost. Many of my constituents registered with numerous providers, some of them more than 15, when vaccines were scarce at the beginning of the year. Ultimately, only one provider administered the vaccine; however, every other provider still retained sensitive information, including name, address, medical history, occupation, and in some cases, Social Security number, insurance records, and more.

For providers who did not administer the vaccine to an individual, the amendment requires them to delete the individual's information, thereby reducing the risk of information lost during a breach or data sale. The amendment allows for the retention of records that fall under any existing law or regulation requiring providers to maintain medical information, and it narrowly applies to only information collected during the vaccination process. There is no reason why a pharmacy 2 hours away that did not administer the vaccine should have access to any of our constituents' personal information forever.

Just last week lax privacy concerns at a State vendor exposed the information of over 70,000 Pennsylvanians. We need to do a better job at protecting private personal information, and this amendment is a small but meaningful step toward guarding Pennsylvanians from data theft.

I want to thank my colleague from Allegheny County for her help in crafting the bill, and I ask that you please vote "yes" on the amendment.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I stand in support of this amendment, and I thank the good gentleman for his work on this. Insight Global – and I am glad you brought that up because this is a big deal. Personal information going out in the airwaves for random people leaked, you know, is unacceptable. And we passed a bill earlier this week that I appreciated a lot of affirmative votes on for people that are concerned about this to be able to use a paper application. This is one of those reasons why it is important. People care about their personal information, and I really appreciate this amendment. And thank you for working on this. And I would ask my members to please support this amendment. Thank you.

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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Fitzgerald	Labs	Rader	Speaker
Flood	Lawrence	Rapp	

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 recurring,

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

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, the Speaker has ruled amendment A00906 out of order.

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.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 938, PN 946**, entitled:

An Act providing for nondisclosure agreements relating to sexual harassment.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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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.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

RESOLUTION

Mr. ORTITAY called up **HR 91, PN 1344**, entitled:

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.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. **SOLOMON** offered the following amendment
No. **A00897**:

Amend Resolution, page 4, line 5, by striking out "Three" and inserting

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Amend Resolution, page 4, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting

two members appointed by the Majority Leader and two members appointed by the Minority Leader;

Amend Resolution, page 4, line 13, by inserting after "necessary" with any action of the committee requiring a two-thirds vote of the committee members

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

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

Mr. SOLOMON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The point of this resolution is, of course, for all of us as a collective body to look at, investigate, and do a thorough review of the mistakes that were made by the Department of State. When it comes to government accountability, that should be a bipartisan issue. Government accountability is something that everyone in this body is concerned about. It is not at all partisan. Yet the select committee that is created makes the issue of government accountability partisan by allowing for more Republican members than Democratic members. Let us change that. Let us have a bipartisan split. Let us all get to the bottom of what happened at the Department of State, and let us do it by all of us rowing in the same direction when it comes to government accountability.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. ORTITAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

You know, I agree in part with the sentiments of my colleague. Unfortunately, I am going to ask for a "no" vote on the amendment. There is no committee that I am aware of that needs a two-thirds vote to move on and make progress through – have a piece of legislation move through. So I will ask for a negative vote on the amendment. Thank you.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Bizzarro	Evans	Kosierowski	Pisciottano
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Gaydos	Mako	Rigby	
Gillen	Maloney	Roae	Cutler,
Gillespie	Marshall	Rothman	Speaker
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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 adopt the resolution?

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A CONTINUED

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 336, PN 311**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for executive officers, administrative departments and independent administrative boards and commissions, for departmental administrative boards, commissions and offices, for department heads and for gubernatorial appointments; in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for board to license private bankers; in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for Department of Banking and for Pennsylvania Securities Commission; in powers and duties of the Department of Banking and its departmental administrative board and commission, further providing for powers and duties in general, for banking supervisory powers and for banking laws; repealing provisions relating to powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission; and making editorial changes.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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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 859, PN 1309**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P.L.565, No.111), known as the Department of Banking and Securities Code, in banking and securities, further providing for fund.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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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 723, PN 132**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114), known as the Workforce Development Act, further providing for title of act; in preliminary provisions, further providing for declaration of policy, for definitions and for lobbying; in board, further providing for establishment, for membership, for conflicts of interest, for plan, functions and responsibilities and for State performance management system and providing for performance accountability system; in local workforce investment areas and boards, further providing for establishment, for membership, for conflicts of interest, for plan, functions and responsibilities and for local performance measures; in critical job training grants, further providing for purpose, for definitions, for program operation and for grants; in workforce leadership grants, further providing for innovative programs; in industry partnerships, further providing for industry clusters, for grant program operation and for interdepartmental cooperation; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for construction; and making editorial changes.

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 gentlewoman, Representative Mizgorski.

Mrs. MIZGORSKI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 723 updates the State Workforce Development Act by bringing it into conformity with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, also known as WIOA, which was passed by Congress in 2014. The legislation removes outdated terms and portions of the Workforce Development Act, updates definitions, and inserts terminology to comply with WIOA.

The State workforce development system and local workforce development boards are already operating under the rules and conditions of WIOA. This legislation will not change the way or the rules by which the State workforce development system and local workforce development boards currently operate.

HB 723 would simply update our State law to reflect the current requirements of WIOA and remove outdated portions of the Workforce Development Act. I am asking for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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:

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Burgos	Hamm	Mehaffie	Schroeder
Burns	Hanbridge	Mentzer	Schweyer
Carroll	Harkins	Mercuri	Shusterman
Causar	Harris	Merski	Silvis
Cephas	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sims
Ciresi	Helm	Metzgar	Smith
Conklin	Hennessey	Mihalek	Snyder
Cook	Herrin	Millard	Solomon
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Davidson	Irvin	Mullins	Sturla
Davis, A.	Isaacson	Mustello	Thomas
Davis, T.	James	Neilson	Tomlinson
Dawkins	Jones	Nelson, E.	Toohil
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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 765, PN 1420**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities.

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 Brett Miller.

Mr. B. MILLER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I have entitled this bill "Municipal Relief from Duplicative Special Event Requirements," and this bill came to me from my local municipality where they had for a long time an event sponsored by the Hempfield Recreation Commission, the TRI for Life triathlon, which was a source of pride for the community and enjoyment for those participants.

They came to me because this event, after having been approved for many years, was being threatened with being canceled. Each of us in our communities all across the Commonwealth have parades, fairs, civic events, races that bring enjoyment to our local communities and revenue for some of our agencies, and each of them are threatened with cancellation if they use a State road because of the problem that we encountered.

PennDOT, after many years of not enforcing a rule, has decided to enforce a rule where they require not one indemnification, but two. Solicitors and municipalities are advising their municipalities to not approve these events in order to not saddle their local taxpayers with expensive liability for the actions of third parties. As such, events as those in my district as well as all across the Commonwealth are in jeopardy of being canceled. This will result in damage to our communities, damage to our local civic groups and organizations, and loss of revenues to our communities who are trying to recover as a result of the shutdown.

The solution is that this bill would remove the double indemnification requirement and only require one from the event sponsor. This will place the liability concerns where they belong, on the event sponsor, and it will allow communities to once again – municipalities, rather, to once again approve these events, once again, without the concern of financial risk and liability to local taxpayers.

This bill has the support of the Pennsylvania Municipal League, the Pennsylvania Association of Township Commissioners, PSATS (Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors), and the PA Chamber.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the members for their support for HB 765. Thank you.

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

Mr. HAMM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask for your support on HB 765. Since the heinous attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001, residents in my district have honored those who lost their lives by staging an annual 9/11 Memorial Ride in Lycoming County.

Each year on the anniversary date, thousands of people from multiple States and Canada travel to my district to show their respects by riding motorcycles on a 47-mile predetermined parade route. Additionally, thousands line the parade route waving the American flag as the motorcyclists pass. Ride organizers, called the 9/11 Memorial Coalition, work closely with law enforcement, fire departments, municipal and county officials, and PennDOT to ensure rider and public safety.

The coalition carries insurance for the event, signs the indemnification form, and the hold-harmless agreements, and take all necessary precautions. To date, no incidents have occurred during the memorial ride since it began in 2001. When planning for the 2020 ride, PennDOT, for the first time in the almost 20 years of the ride, asked the coalition to obtain letters from all municipalities along the parade route to fully indemnify, save harmless, and requested to defend the Commonwealth, its departments, and officers, agents and employees from and against claims, suits or actions for injury, death, property damage arising from or because of the acts or omissions of the sponsor, its officers, agents or employees.

It is very important to note that the route traverses solely on State-owned roadways and does not use any municipal-owned roadways. This special event permit requirement comes from the Vehicle Code. This led to the first and only time the event was canceled in its almost 20-year history as a few municipalities declined to indemnify the Commonwealth. It is unnecessary, it is unfair to require local governments to do this when the event organizer already does this for the Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, today I rise to support HB 765, which would remove the municipal indemnification requirement in cases where no municipal streets or roads are involved in a proposed event and a sponsoring organization has already indemnified the Commonwealth and sufficiently insured the event.

I respectfully ask my colleagues to join me in voting in favor of HB 765 to allow safe events like the 9/11 Memorial Ride to continue without burdensome and unnecessary regulations on municipalities.

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 gentleman, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Oberlander.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

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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 874, PN 860**, entitled:

An Act designating the portion of State Route 4014, also known as Grandview Boulevard, from Pittsburgh Avenue to State Route 4015, also known as Zuck Road, in Millcreek Township, Erie County, as the John A. Pulice Memorial Highway.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?
Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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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. For the information of the members, there will be no further votes this afternoon. We will, however, be keeping the desk open for housekeeping and our rule 17 speakers, who, if you are on the list, please be prepared to speak.

BILLS RECOMMENDED

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

- HB 358;
- HB 602;
- HB 952;
- HB 1010;
- HB 1013;
- HB 1041; and
- HB 1264.

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 231;
 HB 246;
 HB 406;
 HB 580;
 HB 753;
 HB 843;
 HB 1096;
 HB 1130;
 HB 1144;
 HB 1147; and
 HB 1154.

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

The SPEAKER. Moving to rule 17 speakers.

STATEMENT BY MS. KINKEAD

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Kinkead, on the subject of paid sick leave.

The Representative is in order and may proceed.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is time that we help the workers of Pennsylvania protect themselves, protect their families, and protect the customers they come in contact with, including each and every one of us. Nobody would want to be served a hamburger by a worker with COVID-19 who was forced to come to work sick or could not afford to take the days off to quarantine. In fact, if it happened to you, you would probably never go to that restaurant ever again and you would tell everyone you know about how your life was risked by such desperate and reckless behavior.

So why would you tolerate being treated that way when the same worker is sick with the flu and cannot take a day off? COVID-19 did not create the problem of workers in service industries not being able to afford to take sick leave, but the virus made sick leave everyone's problem. A service industry worker always has to do the balancing act between infecting customers and coworkers versus missing a shift and a paycheck, but now we live in an era where being exposed on the job means a 14-day quarantine or worse.

A worker who gets the virus cannot take over-the-counter medicine and try to suck it up because that worker could turn into a super-spreader. Sure, vaccines are going into the arms at a record pace, but people will still get sick and can infect others with countless other diseases. The problem for workers is still there: how can someone too sick to work but too broke to take a day off protect themselves and protect customers and coworkers alike?

We have a plan, the Pennsylvania Rescue Plan. As part of our investments in workers and making sure the Federal American Rescue Plan money goes where it does the most good, we are going to create a way to give workers the power to afford time off without requiring anything on the part of their employers.

While big companies usually have the resources and enough workers to offer paid sick leave, most smaller companies with just a handful of workers just cannot make the math work.

Our plan will create a special paid sick leave fund administered by the Department of Labor and Industry that will withhold a tiny portion – something like one-half of 1 percent – of a worker's wages to be placed in the fund and can be used for serious health-care issues for workers or direct family members. Employers can choose to take part as well, and given the positive impact paid sick leave has on workers and customers, we are sure that most employers will want to join.

The program will not be accessible for 6 months after the bill passes so that the fund can be strong, but we are going to start it with a serious investment – \$250 million will get the fund started off right and give our workers peace of mind.

Now, even though this is a voluntary program for employers, you will hear a lot of the same old lies. By preserving Pennsylvania's antiquated laws that can be traced back to preunion days when workers had absolutely no rights and an injured miner or factory worker's family would be charged for the damage their injuries caused to the company's machines, right-wing extremists defend the funhouse mirror version of this freedom.

But what is this freedom the extremists are fighting for? The freedom to have your lunch cooked by someone with the flu, or worse, who is too sick to work, but also too broke to be able to afford the day off. The freedom to be handed a wad of slightly damp bills as change from a cashier who was up all night with the chills and diarrhea, or worse. The freedom to pass a case of pink eye, or worse, from one child at a day care to themselves and then to your child and eventually to you. The freedom to catch COVID if you are unlucky enough to cross paths with a worker who just could not stay home.

It is time to start treating Pennsylvania's workers like they do in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Washington. If this paid sick leave program works there, it will work here.

Our plan protects workers who will choose to stay home and get better faster, being able to return to the job healthy in less time. Our plan protects the rest of the staff, who will not get infected by a sick person who cannot afford to take the time off. And our plan protects the profit margin because those workers staying home to get better do not infect an entire store or restaurant full of people who will not forget where they got sick. Our plan makes sense and does not cost businesses a dime.

Our essential workers have heard a lot of kind words, and we are past just talking. We are ready to start delivering real help with the Pennsylvania Rescue Plan. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

STATEMENT BY MR. STRUZZI

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Struzzi, to speak on Jimmy Stewart Day in Pennsylvania.

Mr. STRUZZI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, I am honored today to present this citation officially designating May 20, 2021, as "Jimmy Stewart Day" in Pennsylvania.

As you may know, Mr. Stewart was born on May 20 in 1908 in Indiana County and spent most of his childhood in the local community. Jimmy Stewart, while also being a very famous Hollywood actor, was also a veteran of World War II, having served in the United States Army Air Corps and the United States Air Force as the commander of a bomber squadron in the European theatre. His service earned him the Air Medal, the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, and the Distinguished Flying Cross.

And as I mentioned, Jimmy Stewart is well known for his acting career, starring in more than 80 Hollywood productions over his 55-year career, earning him an Academy Award for Lifetime Achievement and numerous other nominations. And of course everyone remembers Jimmy Stewart for his role as George Bailey in "It's a Wonderful Life," which is still celebrated annually and broadcasts every holiday season, truly a holiday favorite.

And Jimmy Stewart – really, when you look at Jimmy's life, I think that it is important to recognize who he was not only as an actor and as a veteran, but as a man. You know, he conducted his life with integrity, with honor and respect for others, and I think that that is something that we so desperately need in the world today.

That is why I am truly honored to present this citation commemorating May 20, 2021, as "Jimmy Stewart Day" in Pennsylvania. Jimmy Stewart is still recognized in Indiana County. There is a Jimmy Stewart Museum that last year celebrated its 25th anniversary, and visitors come from across the planet to remember Jimmy Stewart, to look at his achievements, and again, to reflect on the man that he was.

So I am truly honored. I will be presenting this citation to the museum when I return back to Indiana County, and I thank you all for your support of Jimmy Stewart. Again, May 20, 2021, "Jimmy Stewart Day" in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

STATEMENT BY MR. D. WILLIAMS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dan Williams, on providing assistance to senior citizens to help them afford to retire and stay in their homes for care.

Mr. D. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, thank you.

Hopefully we are granted the threescore and 10 years at a minimum, that along with doctors and scientists who use their medical expertise to extend lives, so that we can enjoy family, friends, and the fruit of our labor.

Additionally, I would say that there is one aspect of our extended life span where lawmakers can actually help make a difference for many of our seniors who are too frail to work and too poor to retire. You should not have to work until you die. You should know that there is a time when you can hang up your high heels, your hard hat, your boots, and enjoy a well-earned retirement. In fact, the idea of retirement no longer excites people. In many ways it terrifies them.

In today's America about two-thirds of our workers have access to any kind of retirement plan. About half of our workers have access to only a 401(k) account that does not grow

significantly, and the truth is billionaires get richer every day. Almost no one has a pension anymore. The Pennsylvanian who created the 401(k) account did so to supplement pensions, not to be a retired worker's only support beyond Social Security, and quite frankly, there is nothing heartwarming about 79-year-olds and 19-year-olds wearing the same work uniform and sharing a shift instead of a well-earned rest.

Retirement should be a different way of life, not simply more of the same. And all of us know of individuals, seniors, the stories who have them cutting pills in half in order to stretch their supply or seniors who are fearful and must sell their homes because they cannot afford the property taxes.

We need to do better and we can do better. The Pennsylvania Rescue Plan will certainly help in that regard. This Commonwealth will receive billions from the Federal government. That money is not a rainy day surplus. Those resources provide a lifeline to make sure we do not leave seniors behind. We want to invest Federal Rescue Plan dollars into a retirement option that will give the working person the control they deserve.

This is a plan where workers without access to an employer-operated plan can save for the future and it will not cost employers a dime. But we have to extend, we have to go beyond that. We must help men and women who have built our communities, raised our families, and our plan will expand our outstanding property tax and rent rebate programs and make thousands of seniors eligible. This would allow them to reside in homes they spent a lifetime building.

Our plan will invest even more in our PACE (Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly) and PACENET (Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Needs Enhancement Tier) senior prescription programs to make sure that older Pennsylvanians can afford the medicine they need to stay healthy.

And in their homes, we understand that they live healthier, they live happier, and they live longer. Our Pennsylvania Rescue Plan goes the extra mile to keep them in those homes by investing in the Living Independence for the Elderly program – that is called LIFE – and that delivers resources from the community into the home. Our PA Rescue Plan makes sure seniors have access to caring professionals to provide in-home medical care and also makes sure those home-care workers get a long-overdue raise. After all, we must make sure that the people who dedicated their lives to helping care for our seniors are getting the pay they deserve, and young people choosing a career path in health care can support their families as well as their communities.

Health care is one-sixth of our economy, but for home-care workers and workers in long-term care facilities, their pay is not living up to how important their jobs are to seniors and their families. Our plan will make the investments—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend. You are out of time. If you could quickly wrap up.

Mr. D. WILLIAMS. Many seniors have spent time working for others. As legislators, let us work for them so they do not have to work until they die.

Mr. Speaker, thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

STATEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Leader Benninghoff, on local vaccination clinic efforts.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

We have had a lot of good speakers.

I commend the acknowledgement of Jimmy Stewart. I have been to that museum. It is pretty neat.

But today, Mr. Speaker, I just want to take a moment and I appreciate your time to rise and congratulate a local clinic, medical clinic, we call Centre Volunteers in Medicine and their successful clinic rollout for vaccinating members – pardon me – the citizens of State College, Centre County, and even assisting residents from other counties.

This clinic, in collaboration with one of my local school districts, State College, collaborated with over 440 volunteers to put multiple days together to provide the ability for access in the intermittent rollout of vaccine efforts here in Pennsylvania. To start off one day with 30 vaccines, another day with 100, and started peaking out at 3800 on some days, they have worked very, very hard, and to see how organized they were was very impressive.

This Saturday I had the honor of touring this clinic, as I said hosted in one of our middle schools at which this clinic has now reached almost 25,000 vaccinations given to our constituency and our citizenry, administered solely by volunteers. Four hundred and forty citizens volunteer their time; former physicians, nurses, other types of clinicians, and other volunteers that had to do manual labor setting up the facility.

I, too, was fortunate enough to get that old needle stick by one of my former emergency room colleagues, and I attest to their work ethic and their professionalism in answering questions as some of the proposed patients were asking prior to getting the vaccine. We know since the beginning of the pandemic that getting this vaccine widely distributed is the key to our return to somewhat normalcy, what we all desire, and I am thankful for this bipartisan or nonpartisan effort by these locals, but also by those of us here in the General Assembly to try to make this a priority and make the vaccination distribution more efficient.

I also want to recognize our colleagues. I thank my House Republicans in leading the charge in this, our colleagues on both sides of the aisle supporting the immediate money that we distributed early on in the pandemic, but understanding the importance of these volunteer clinics that unfortunately as we talked earlier today were doing this at a time where they did not even have all the protective gear that they needed to protect themselves as they served others.

I want to continue to commend them and I want to thank the outstanding volunteers of the Centre Volunteers in Medicine and show them our support. That is one of the reasons I want to recognize them today.

Time and time again over the last 14 months we have seen Pennsylvanians step up to answer the call to serve their communities in all types of different ways. We have had many people handmaking masks. We have had businesses converting over and making different types of protective gear. That, to me, is what makes Pennsylvania great and makes this country great.

In conclusion, Mr. Speaker, this Commonwealth has a lot to be proud of in all of our communities, and our community, Centre County, certainly has a lot to be proud of, this little clinic that

started off with somebody's idea of providing health care to those who had none in a voluntary manner, to have grown to the great work that they do today to make sure Pennsylvanians are vaccinated.

Mr. Speaker, I thank them and I thank you for this time recognizing them. Volunteers are what makes this country great.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and agrees.

STATEMENT BY MR. LONGIETTI

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Longietti, to speak on National Teacher Week.

Mr. LONGIETTI. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the thousands of hardworking teachers across the Commonwealth, I want to recognize this week as "National Teacher Week."

The origins of National Teacher Week are murky. However, teaching is one of the oldest professions. Around 1944, Arkansas teacher Mattye Whyte Woodridge began corresponding with political and education leaders about the need for a national day to honor teachers. Woodridge wrote to Eleanor Roosevelt, who in 1953 persuaded the 81st Congress to proclaim a National Teacher Day.

There is much dedication that goes into the planning, grading, teaching, and maintaining a positive relationship with students and parents. At times, being an educator seems like a thankless job. Everyone has good days and bad days. However, teachers must power through their own struggles while also managing the behavior of students having a particularly difficult time at home or at school.

Teachers and professors bare the heavy burden of educating future generations. They continue to find ways to teach and interact with their students, while also attempting to navigate the social issues and traumas of our time, more now than ever as we navigate through a pandemic.

Let us remember what John F. Kennedy noted several years ago. He said, "There is an old saying that the course of civilization is a race between catastrophe and education. In a democracy such as ours, we must make sure that education wins the race."

Mr. Speaker, I am sure we all can remember a teacher who made a difference in our lives. Today we take a moment to recognize the importance teachers have on students every day.

I want to just take one moment to recognize my mother, Pearl Knott, who taught elementary school for 20 years at the Sharpsville Area School District. And the teacher that really had an impact on my life, Bob Stahl, who was my middle school teacher and then later my ninth grade basketball coach. He was that man in my life in the school system who put his arm around me and he said, "You can do this," and gave me the confidence to succeed.

We all have a teacher like that in our lives that we should say thank you to today, and that is why we proclaim "National Teacher Day."

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for this opportunity.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair was personally fortunate enough to have many teachers that showed an interest like that, and always appreciated it, and have had the opportunity to thank them for their involvement in my life, their mentorship, and the education that they provided, so the Chair thanks the gentleman.

STATEMENT BY MR. MERCURI

The SPEAKER. The Chair now recognizes the gentleman, Representative Mercuri, to discuss U.S. Steel and solutions.

Mr. MERCURI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Last week, western Pennsylvanians heard a very disappointing reality: our own government is chasing jobs out of town. That is no exaggeration. This disappointing news came from one of the longest, most celebrated and significant partners we have in this State, United States Steel. That is right. The company that helped build Pittsburgh into the Steel City announced they plan to take their \$1.5 billion investment, some of the latest and greatest technology, elsewhere, and with it, approximately 1,000 construction jobs, many of them union construction jobs, and 3,000 or more steelworkers. Those positions were also eliminated with this removal.

These were real value-creating jobs – not unemployment checks or stimulus checks, real value creation. A loss of this magnitude will be felt by any area, but in the Mon Valley of western Pennsylvania, it will be felt even worse. It is already struggling with slow growth and crime instigated by an elevated rate of unemployment. Families are already hurting, and now it is only going to get worse.

Their neighborhoods will see more shuttered homes. Food banks will be stretched even thinner as people try to put food on the tables. Children will inevitably feel the stress and worry that should be reserved only for adults.

The worst part is that all of this will happen because some people were convinced that they have to choose between family-sustaining jobs and caring for the environment. But we know that is not true. It is not true at all.

In fact, the project was designed to decrease the United States' carbon footprint and that of Pennsylvania. Yet, certain activist groups convinced local leaders and the State Department of Environmental Protection of their false narratives and that the decision had to be made to save the environment.

On top of that, U.S. Steel faced many of the same bureaucratic permitting issues that so many companies have felt from the Governor of Pennsylvania. Like the others, U.S. Steel realized that it could get the job done much faster in another State.

We know we have a permitting problem, and something must be done to fix it so that we do not continue to discourage businesses from setting up shop in our Commonwealth. When we do that, not only are the families hurt, but we also miss out on revenue streams that could offset tax dollars and improve our infrastructure, something that is greatly needed in western Pennsylvania.

Our State is among the least competitive environments to locate and operate a business – from our tax policies to our regulatory program, to our permitting process. In a country that values capitalism and competition, these dollars will go to the State best positioned for growth and most welcoming to investments. We must rethink our approach to attracting the economic business of the future and steer away from the temptation of higher taxes, more government programs, and environmental extremism.

This approach will chase real value creation away and it will cost us jobs and careers for ourselves and future generations of Pennsylvanians. Letting U.S. Steel get away is a costly mistake in so many ways that will be felt for years to come. Let us not make an even more costly mistake by refusing to learn from this

and taking action to improve. Let us make the better choice and take action to attract and retain new and existing businesses in Pennsylvania, and let us make it competitive once again and rekindle the competitive fires that built the Steel City.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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 Representative Mercuri, who moves that this House do now adjourn until Monday, May 24, 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 3:15 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.