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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER)
PRESIDING**

CALL TO ORDER

The SPEAKER. This being the day and the hour appointed by Article II, section 4, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania for the meeting of the General Assembly, the House of Representatives will now come to order.

PRAYER

HON. BRYAN CUTLER, Speaker of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Father God, as we gather here in the new year, we just ask for Your blessings upon our continued governance of this great Commonwealth. We ask that You bless all the citizens, all of the leaders, with wisdom to make the right choices on behalf of our residents. Lord, we ask for Your continued guidance as we continue with the pandemic. We ask for Your continued guidance in this time that is sometimes divisive, that we can find common ground in order to solve problems.

We ask this all in Your Son's holy name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, December 15, 2021, will be postponed until printed.

RESIGNATION OF MEMBER

The SPEAKER. The Speaker is in receipt of a communication from Representative Toohil.

The following communication was read:

House of Representatives
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg

December 15, 2021

Dear Mr. Speaker,

Please accept this letter as my resignation of my position as the State Representative for the 116th Legislative District. My resignation will go into effect Friday, December 31, 2021 at 5 p.m.

It has been an honor and I appreciate every opportunity you have provided me over the years.

Sincerely Yours,
Tarah Toohil

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1853 By Representative D. MILLER

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for reimbursements for physical examinations of firefighters; and establishing the Firefighter Physical Examination Reimbursement Fund.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, December 22, 2021.

No. 2173 By Representatives INNAMORATO, HOHENSTEIN, LEE, WEBSTER, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, D. WILLIAMS, SCHLOSSBERG, SIMS, GUZMAN, McCLINTON, STURLA, BURGOS, SCHWEYER, CEPHAS, BULLOCK, KIM, DALEY and KRAJEWSKI

An Act establishing the Office of New Pennsylvanians and providing for its powers and duties; and establishing the Advisory Committee to Office of New Pennsylvanians and providing for its powers, duties and membership.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, December 16, 2021.

No. 2174 By Representatives MAJOR and BROOKS

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on CHILDREN AND YOUTH, December 16, 2021.

No. 2175 By Representatives MAJOR, ECKER, HENNESSEY, JOZWIAK, MILLARD, ROTHMAN, ROWE, SAYLOR and SMITH

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, December 16, 2021.

No. 2176 By Representatives MERCURI, N. NELSON, CIRESI, STRUZZI and GLEIM

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, establishing the Pennsylvania Opportunity Pathways Program to distribute grants to schools in need and underrepresented schools; providing for duties of Department of Community and Economic Development; and establishing the Pennsylvania Opportunity Pathways Program Fund.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 16, 2021.

No. 2178 By Representatives R. BROWN, ROTHMAN, ROZZI, PICKETT, KAUFFMAN, SCHLEGEL CULVER, BOBACK, MERSKI, MILLARD, GILLEN, STAATS, SMITH, DAY, JAMES, STRUZZI, HENNESSEY and RAPP

An Act amending the act of June 29, 2014 (P.L.808, No.83), known as the Lyme and Related Tick-Borne Disease Surveillance, Education, Prevention and Treatment Act, further providing for title of act; and providing for reports of cases of Lyme disease and related tick-borne illnesses in deceased individuals.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, December 22, 2021.

No. 2179 By Representatives ZABEL, CEPHAS, DELLOSO, N. NELSON, SANCHEZ, KENYATTA, BURGOS, SIMS, HILL-EVANS, MADDEN, O'MARA and DRISCOLL

An Act relating to transfers of operations, terminations of operations, mass layoffs and changes in control.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, December 22, 2021.

No. 2183 By Representatives WENTLING, M. MACKENZIE, HENNESSEY and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in small and disadvantaged businesses, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, December 22, 2021.

No. 2184 By Representatives CRUZ, DeLUCA, NEILSON, McNEILL, M. MACKENZIE and SANCHEZ

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to offenses in general, further providing for obstruction to driving view or mechanism.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2185 By Representatives CRUZ, McNEILL, M. MACKENZIE, ROTHMAN, GUENST, HOWARD, R. MACKENZIE, SANCHEZ, SAYLOR, NEILSON, JAMES and JONES

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 handwriting instruction required; and, in charter schools, further providing for provisions applicable to charter schools and for applicability of other provisions of this act and of other acts and regulations.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2186 By Representatives CRUZ, SCHLOSSBERG, BURGOS, SANCHEZ, HOWARD and PARKER

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in food protection, further providing for misbranding of food.

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, December 22, 2021.

No. 2187 By Representatives MUSTELLO, MILLARD, SMITH, ROWE, LEWIS DELROSSO, R. BROWN, BERNSTINE, COX, DeLUCA and MOUL

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in nomination of candidates, further providing for number of signers required for nomination petitions of candidates at primaries.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, December 22, 2021.

No. 2188 By Representative CRUZ

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, providing for limitation on use of parking lots and gas stations for turning.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2189 By Representatives CRUZ, McCLINTON, KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, MERSKI, DELLOSO, HOHENSTEIN and CIRESI

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 22, 2021.

No. 2190 By Representative CRUZ

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other offenses, providing for the offense of wireless communications device use while dispensing liquid fuels.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 22, 2021.

No. 2191 By Representatives CRUZ, SANCHEZ, R. MACKENZIE and N. NELSON

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to offenses in general, providing for the offense of smoking in motor vehicles occupied by child under 18 years of age; and prescribing a penalty.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 22, 2021.

No. 2192 By Representatives CRUZ, FREEMAN, SANCHEZ and HILL-EVANS

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in penalties and disposition of fines, further providing for inability to pay fine and costs.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2193 By Representatives CRUZ, SCHLOSSBERG, BURGOS, McNEILL, SANCHEZ and HOWARD

An Act providing for bisphenol A-free container products.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER AFFAIRS, December 28, 2021.

No. 2194 By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, CIRESI, FREEMAN, GUENST, HARRIS, KINSEY, MADDEN, SAMUELSON and SANCHEZ

An Act providing for interpretive statements for ballots questions.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, December 22, 2021.

No. 2195 By Representatives STAMBAUGH, HENNESSEY, JAMES and RYAN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in the State System of Higher Education, further providing for definitions.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2196 By Representatives STAMBAUGH, HENNESSEY, JAMES and RYAN

An Act amending the act of July 5, 2012 (P.L.962, No.104), known as the Commonwealth Higher Education Modernization Act, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in relations with private affiliated entities, further providing for scope of chapter and for

applicability, providing for expenditure of funds and further providing for status.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2197 By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG and SANCHEZ

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for high-impact tutoring.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2198 By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, D. WILLIAMS, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, HOHENSTEIN, SANCHEZ, INNAMORATO and SAMUELSON

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for student loan forgiveness.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2199 By Representatives PISCIOTTANO, T. DAVIS, DELLOSO, SANCHEZ, LONGIETTI, DeLUCA and INNAMORATO

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, in compensation, providing for COVID-19 base year adjustment for full-time seasonal workers.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, December 22, 2021.

No. 2201 By Representatives MAKO, GILLESPIE, MILLARD, LEWIS DELROSSO, POLINCHOCK, OWLETT, GUENST, T. DAVIS, McNEILL, COX, M. MACKENZIE, SAYLOR, NEILSON, ROZZI, O'MARA and ZIMMERMAN

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

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, December 22, 2021.

No. 2203 By Representatives MAKO, POLINCHOCK, OWLETT, GUENST, McNEILL, COX, M. MACKENZIE, SAYLOR, ROZZI, O'MARA and ZIMMERMAN

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

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, December 22, 2021.

No. 2204 By Representatives ROTHMAN, KINSEY, LEWIS DELROSSO, JAMES, SANCHEZ, N. NELSON, ROWE, O'MARA and ZIMMERMAN

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 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., nonviolence and civil rights instruction.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 22, 2021.

No. 2205 By Representatives MULLERY, HANBIDGE, KINSEY, SCHLOSSBERG, McNEILL, BULLOCK, PASHINSKI, SANCHEZ, NEILSON, DELLOSO and FITZGERALD

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, December 30, 2021.

No. 2206 By Representatives SCHLOSSBERG, BRADFORD, CIRESI, FREEMAN, HENNESSEY, HILL-EVANS, HOHENSTEIN, HOWARD, KINSEY, LONGIETTI, McCLINTON, SANCHEZ, SIMS, SOLOMON and WARREN

An Act establishing the Grow Our Own Educators Program; providing for grants to eligible school entities; and imposing powers and duties on the Department of Education and the State Board of Education.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, December 30, 2021.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 291, PN 1273

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, December 20, 2021.

SB 566, PN 1285

Referred to Committee on LIQUOR CONTROL, December 20, 2021.

SB 635, PN 1125

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE, December 22, 2021.

SB 904, PN 1140

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 20, 2021.

SB 905, PN 1141

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 20, 2021.

SB 913, PN 1282

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, December 20, 2021.

SB 924, PN 1177

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, December 22, 2021.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The SPEAKER. The Speaker submits for the record the Community-Based Health Care Program and Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program annual reports from the PA Department of Health.

(Copies of communications are on file with the Journal clerk.)

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMONWEALTH FINANCING AUTHORITY

The SPEAKER. The Speaker also submits for the record the Audit Reports from the Commonwealth Financing Authority for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The SPEAKER. The Speaker submits for the record the 2020 Abortion Report and the 2020-2021 Cancer Prevention and Control Annual Report from the Pennsylvania Department of Health.

(Copies of communications are on file with the Journal clerk.)

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 1464;
HB 1922; and
SB 759.

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

BILLS TABLED

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

HB 1464;
HB 1922; and
SB 759.

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

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. The Speaker is in receipt of a motion made by the gentlewoman, Representative Isaacson, who moves that this House do now adjourn until Monday, January 10, 2022, at 12 m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 12:03 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.