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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER)  
PRESIDING**

#### PRAYER

HON. BRETT R. MILLER, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Good morning, everyone.

As I begin with the prayer this morning, I would like to read a passage from Lamentations 3:19-26, the words of the prophet Jeremiah: "Remember my affliction and my wanderings, the wormwood and the gall. My soul continually remembers it and is bowed down within me. But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul, 'therefore I will hope in him.' The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord."

Please join me as I pray:

Lord, as we assemble here this morning to undertake the business of the people of Pennsylvania, we acknowledge our need and the afflictions that we face and those of our friends and neighbors and the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and we acknowledge our great need and we give You the first place in our deliberations today. We each have needs and our heads are bowed down. But it is because of Your mercies that we have hope; Your mercies never come to an end, and that gives us hope. Your mercies are anew today and we say thank You. We each make our appeal to You and ask for Your mercies.

As we undertake the business of today, please grant us wisdom, grant us discernment, grant us understanding. We appeal to You for this. We plead for You to give us Your mercy. And I make these prayers in the name of Jesus. 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 Monday, April 11, 2022, will be postponed until printed.

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

**HB 1691, PN 2970** (Amended) By Rep. BOBACK

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

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 1791, PN 2975** (Amended) By Rep. R. BROWN

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in neighborhood blight reclamation and revitalization, further providing for definitions, establishing a grant program for municipalities to establish code enforcement programs and hire code enforcement personnel, providing for powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development, establishing the Municipal Property Maintenance Code Assistance Fund and providing for State blight data collection system and for vacant and blighted property registration; and making an appropriation.

URBAN AFFAIRS.

**HB 1972, PN 2971** (Amended) By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in State Veterans' Commission and Deputy Adjutant General for Veterans' Affairs, further providing for definitions and providing for veterans' homes.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 2086, PN 2972** (Amended) By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, further providing for operation of State-owned vehicles.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 2097, PN 2436**

By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system, further providing for basic life support ambulances.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 2209, PN 2976 (Amended)**

By Rep. R. BROWN

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in land banks, further providing for legislative findings and purpose, for board, for powers and for disposition of property and providing for exemption from realty transfer tax.

URBAN AFFAIRS.

**HB 2210, PN 2575**

By Rep. R. BROWN

An Act amending the act of November 26, 2008 (P.L.1672, No.135), known as the Abandoned and Blighted Property Conservatorship Act, further providing for definitions.

URBAN AFFAIRS.

**HB 2277, PN 2645**

By Rep. PEIFER

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 time for filing returns.

FINANCE.

**HB 2346, PN 2761**

By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in State Armory Board, further providing for composition and general functions, for erection of armories and for management of armories, providing for management of buildings and structures located at Fort Indiantown Gap, further providing for purchase or lease of ground for armories, for donation of land by political subdivisions, for donation of property and services by political subdivisions, for sale of unusable armories and land, sale or lease of timber and mineral rights, for payment of armory rentals by Commonwealth, for rental of armories, for property in armories of units in Federal service, for State Treasury Armory Fund and for maintenance, construction and repairs.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 2361, PN 2775**

By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 38 (Holidays and Observances) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in veteran recognition, providing for Women Veterans Day.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 2386, PN 2974 (Amended)**

By Rep. PEIFER

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 exclusions from tax.

FINANCE.

**HB 2412, PN 2973 (Amended)**

By Rep. BOBACK

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, providing for use of Pennsylvania National Guard for special State duty; and making a related repeal.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

**SB 349, PN 352**

By Rep. PEIFER

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

FINANCE.

**SB 439, PN 457**

By Rep. R. BROWN

An Act amending the act of April 8, 1982 (P.L.310, No.87), referred to as the Recorder of Deeds Fee Law, further providing for county demolition funds.

URBAN AFFAIRS.

**BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED  
TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE**

**HB 2396, PN 2818**

By Rep. PEIFER

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in manufacturing and investment tax credit, further providing for rural growth funds, for business firms, for tax credit certificates and for claiming the tax credit.

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

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

**SENATE MESSAGE**

HOUSE BILL  
CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 221, PN 188**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

**SENATE MESSAGE**

RECESS RESOLUTION  
FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate,  
April 12, 2022

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, May 23, 2022, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, April 25, 2022, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses the week of April 25, 2022, it reconvene the week of Monday, May 23, 2022, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,  
Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?  
Resolution was concurred in.  
Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

**BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

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

**HB 221, PN 188**

An Act amending the act of January 19, 1968 (1967 P.L.992, No.442), entitled "An act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the local government units thereof to preserve, acquire or hold land for open space uses," further providing for local taxing options.

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

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. Turning to leaves of absence.

The Chair recognizes the Republican whip, who indicates that there are no leaves. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the Democratic whip, who 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—200**

Armanini	Frankel	Longiotti	Rigby
Benham	Freeman	Mackenzie, M.	Roae
Benninghoff	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
Bernstine	Galloway	Madden	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gaydos	Major	Rowe
Boback	Gillen	Mako	Rozzi

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

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

LEAVES ADDED—1

Evans

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

Members, please take your seats. Move any conversations in the rear of the House off into the anterooms. I have the privilege of recognizing a very special and honored guest here on the House floor.

**MARK SPEICH PRESENTED**

The SPEAKER. Located to the left of the rostrum, the Chair is pleased to honor and to welcome special guest Mark Speich, who is the State Secretary for European and International Affairs of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia. State Secretary Speich has traveled to the United States to visit Washington, DC,

and Pennsylvania. He started his morning out in Pittsburgh and has a very busy schedule and will be departing here shortly.

This morning we spoke about the declaration of intent between the State of North Rhine-Westphalia and Pennsylvania, signed this past January. As I learned in that meeting, we have a decades-long history with this region. I also learned, for those of you who represent the Philadelphia region, it is from this area that the original immigrants to Germantown first came from.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Seated with the Secretary are Matthias Rossbach and Doerte Eisenhauer. We want to welcome you all to the House.

Thank you very much for your friendship and the opportunity to speak earlier. I certainly appreciate the interest in both of our regions, and may it continue to grow and prosper and be blessed.

The House will be temporarily at ease.

The House will please return to order.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome students from Chatham University and their professor, Dr. Jennie Sweet-Cushman, associate professor of political science, and they are the guests of Representative Kinkead. Welcome.

Also located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome Mark and Sharon Johnson, who reside in West Grove. They are the guests of Representative Lawrence.

Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome the Upper Pottsgrove township commissioners, and they are the guests of Representative Pennycuik.

Also located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome Allyson Hatfield. She is a student at York College and she is the guest of Representative Hill-Evans.

Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome Ethan Walter, who is a student at the Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School. He is the guest of Representative Harris and I believe a constituent of Representative Delozier, based off our conversations earlier today. Welcome.

Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome the fourth and fifth grade students, teachers, and chaperones from the Beaver County Christian School. Representative Kail's son, Solomon, is part of this group, and his wife, Abby, is here helping to chaperone. And they are the guests of Representatives Kail, Marshall, and Bernstine.

Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome the Central York High School Bowling Team. They are the PIAA State High School Bowling Champions and the guests of Representatives Saylor and Gillespie. I had the privilege of meeting them earlier today. Welcome.

Located in the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome the Northumberland Christian School Girls Basketball Team, who captured first place during the 2021-22 State Girls Class A Basketball Championships. The team defeated Kennedy Catholic High School by a score 66 to 54. This is their third consecutive PIAA District IV Championship and their first State

championship. Congratulations, team. They are the guests of Representative Lynda Culver.

Located in the well of the House, the Chair is pleased to welcome guest pages Sophia Gross and Lukas Walko, who attend Mechanicsburg Area Senior High School. They are the guests of Representative Delozier.

Located in the well of the House, the Chair is pleased to welcome guest page Jacob Zambito. He is an eighth grade student at Northeastern Middle School and the guest of Representative Keith Gillespie. Welcome.

I, for one, will say that it is good to have people back in the hall of the House, and it is so good to see all the guest pages. So I hope everybody enjoys their day here.

### CHRISTINE GOLDBECK PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. Members, please take your seats.

It is a time of mixed emotions, both in terms of joy for the individual and sadness for the institution. We are here to recognize the retirement of Christine Goldbeck, executive director for the House Urban Affairs Committee, and recognize her for 26 years of distinguished service to the House Republican Caucus.

Christine, we thank you for your loyalty and the boundless creativity and energy that you have devoted to this institution for over two decades.

Most of us came to know Christine as a research analyst for the House Urban Affairs Committee, and later as the executive director of the committee. You may not know that interspersed with her service to the Research Department, she also served in the offices for two prior Speakers. She served as a legislative aide to Speaker Matt Ryan, and director of communications to Speaker Mike Turzai.

Christine, you have certainly had a wide variety of experiences during your time with the caucus. Again, we thank you for the positive approach you have always brought to your job and your willingness to serve whenever and wherever you were asked.

Before I recognize Representative Rosemary Brown for some additional comments, I would like to introduce some of the other special guests that Christine has with her here today.

Seated to my left, we welcome back former House members and former chairs of the Urban Affairs Committee, John Taylor, Scott Petri, and Mark Keller. Welcome, and thank you for joining us today.

We welcome Christine's sisters, Missy and Mary; and colleagues, Susan Boyle, Ashley McClintock, and Devin Peart.

Christine, we wish you the very best as you enter the next chapter of your life. Your service has been exemplary, and I, for one, will certainly miss you. Best wishes to you and your family.

### REMARKS BY MRS. BROWN

The SPEAKER. At this time I will recognize Representative Rosemary Brown for some additional comments and a citation presentation.

Mrs. BROWN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is definitely a bittersweet moment today as we celebrate the retirement of one of our most experienced research staff here in the House, Christine Goldbeck. While we are so happy for Christine and her next phase of life, we are losing an amazing

wealth of knowledge, a tremendous resource here at the Capitol, and a dear friend. All of us know of Christine's amazing energy and her contagious laugh, and her tenacious ability to work with just about every personality in this building, which we know is definitely not easy. She has several nicknames, of course, that we are not going to go into right now – right, Christine? We are not going to go into those, but they all resemble her ability to work hard and still make life and work enjoyable, which, believe it or not, truly does translate into productivity. Just this morning at a committee meeting, she was making sure I was doing everything correctly.

She has a reputation for working across the aisle and working diligently for every member, which I have personally experienced as her most recent chairwoman. Christine is not shy or timid, and you will always know her stance, as many of Christine's previous chairs who are here today and still on the floor, I am sure, can attest to. They can also attest to how very valuable, tremendously appreciated she was for her dedication and her hard work as executive director. I could not personally have been more blessed to have Christine be my executive director as I received my first chairmanship here in the House. Her experience, her guidance – staff support was critical, and it has always been critical for our members. There are a lot of people that work very hard in this Capitol that are not legislators – such as Christine – that give us the support that is needed.

Now I am going to read the official citation and recognition at this time:

"Whereas, It is with particular pride and gratitude that the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania recognizes those individuals who have dedicated themselves to the daily operations and to the legislative process of this Commonwealth....

"Christine M. Goldbeck is being honored upon her April 19, 2022, retirement from the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania as Executive Director of the Urban Affairs Committee after twenty-six years of distinguished service....

"A graduate of Goddard College in Plainfield, Vermont, with a master's degree in interdisciplinary arts, Ms. Goldbeck works in various visual and literary arts out of her studio in Hellam. In addition, she previously owned Arts on Union in Middletown and has taught in the arts, including digital photography, mixed media, social media and web design. Ms. Goldbeck began her career with the House of Representatives on April 10, 1996, as a Member Coordinator with Member Services, and in December of that year, she became Constituent Correspondence Specialist with the Research Department. In 2000, she accepted the position of Legislative Aide to former Speaker of the House Matthew J. Ryan. Three years later, Ms. Goldbeck returned to the Research Department as Constituent Correspondence Supervisor and in 2005, she took on the additional role of Research Analyst Supervisor. After serving as Executive Director of Urban Affairs from 2006 to 2019, she served as Director of Communications for former Speaker of the House Mike Turzai for nine months before accepting her current position as Executive Director of the Urban Affairs Committee.

"Now therefore, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania extends heartfelt congratulations to Christine M. Goldbeck upon her well-deserved retirement; expresses deep appreciation for the professionalism and devotion to duty which she has demonstrated throughout her years of valuable service; wishes her a most happy and rewarding..." future.

It is sponsored and signed by myself and Representative Gillespie.

Thank you, Christine.

I wanted to just turn around and give her a hug, because I do love her so much. Christine, we love you. We will miss you tremendously but we take solace in knowing you will be happy enjoying your other passions of life, painting and working on the farm, and watching PCN (Pennsylvania Cable Network) from afar.

Many blessings and congratulations, and thank you always for your sincere help and hard work.

### REMARKS BY MR. GILLESPIE

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from York County, Representative Gillespie, is recognized.

Mr. GILLESPIE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

One thing: You guys had her for 26 years; now it is my turn.

The SPEAKER. The House will be at ease,

The House will please return to order.

### UNCONTESTED CALENDAR

#### RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. RYAN called up **HR 193, PN 2957**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the life and service of Lebanon City Police Lieutenant William Lebo.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. Members, please take your seats. The Sergeants at Arms will please close the doors of the House and clear the aisles as we take up this condolence resolution for a fallen officer.

The question is, will the House adopt the resolution? And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Ryan.

Mr. RYAN. Mr. Speaker, thank you so much.

Members, today we have a condolence resolution for Lt. William Lebo. Bill was a truly positive influence in our community, and in our community, this is an extraordinary event, where we have a loss of a police officer, and I wish it was such an unusual event throughout the United States, but unfortunately, it is not.

Bill woke up on the morning of March 31 and went to work. He was celebrating 40 years of service in the Lebanon City Police Department, and hours later, Bill was killed. He was struck down during a domestic disturbance.

Bill had this unbelievable – if you knew him, you would know that he would want you to celebrate his life. I talked to his wife, Laura, at the funeral, and she gave us a big hug and she was actually concerned about the community. Bill had a positive impact on his family in his life, he had a positive impact on his community, and he had a positive impact on the kids in the community. He always had a smile.

I would just ask you to just recognize what our police and the security guards that we have here go through every day. Bill faced thousands of calls in his entire life, and it was that one time when he was met with the unexpected, the unknown. I know a number of members have been in combat. Imagine that feeling of not knowing what you are going to expect when it occurs.

But Bill would not have had it any other way. His life was one for which we should have tremendous respect for all of those in uniform, those who serve. Our hearts go out to his wife, Laura; to his child.

But I also ask you to keep in your prayers Ryan Adams, a patrolman who was wounded. And in fact, I talked to Ryan at the funeral, and he is recovering nicely. Derek Underkoffler was the other officer wounded – both 7-year veterans. He is making a slow recovery and we would ask you to keep him in your prayers.

Our community is reeling from this, but Bill would want us to celebrate a life of dedicated service. He was 30 days away from retirement when his life was snuffed out. May we all recognize the great sacrifice that he has made for our community.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the other gentleman from Lebanon County, Representative Diamond.

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Colleagues, we do this far too often, but it really touches you when you actually knew the person personally. Everybody who knew Lieutenant Lebo as an adult called him Bill, but I always called him Willy because that is how we knew him in the little village of Ono, where I grew up. Willy was 5 years older than me, and he was always that older-brother kind of figure. And I always remember Willy in uniform, because my first memory of Willy was during his days in Scouts, and my mother was a den leader and I was a young kid that tagged along and I saw Willy in his uniform. And it made perfect sense when Willy became a police officer, because he was that kind of guy and he always had, no matter when you bumped into him or under what circumstance, he always had that little grin. And as an officer, his hat was always cocked a little bit. He was the kind of police officer that other police officers aspire to be. He truly was.

It is a great loss to our community, and I do want to commend his widow, Laura, for her actions after his passing, where she offered a message of forgiveness which inspired our community to come together even more. As they brought his body back from the Lehigh Valley, people from Lebanon County lined the streets, and one gentleman came up to me and he said that this is one of those occasions where we gather together and we are not Republicans, we are not Democrats; we are not black, we are not white, we are not brown, we are not yellow; we are simply Lebanon Countians.

So thank you, colleagues, for joining us in unanimous passage of this condolence resolution in honor of my friend, Officer William "Willy" Lebo, Lieutenant Lebo of the Lebanon Police Department.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Members and guests, please rise for a moment of silence on the dedication of his life and sacrifice.

(Whereupon, the members of the House and all visitors stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Lt. William Lebo.)

On the question recurring,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

(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 Leader McClinton.

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

The SPEAKER. Sergeants at Arms, you may open the doors of the House.

Turning to committee and caucus announcements.

### **RULES COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Leader Benninghoff, for a Rules Committee announcement.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Good morning, everybody.

There will be a Rules Committee meeting down in the majority caucus room immediately upon our recess. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

There will be a Rules Committee meeting in the majority caucus room immediately upon recess.

### **APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Saylor, for a committee announcement.

Mr. SAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately after the Rules Committee in the majority caucus room as well, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately after the Rules Committee in the majority caucus room.

### **LABOR AND INDUSTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Cox, for a committee announcement.

Mr. COX. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Labor and Industry Committee will meet immediately at the break in room 205 of the Ryan Office Building. We will be considering SB 503, SB 563, and any other business to come before the committee. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Labor and Industry Committee will meet immediately at the break in room 205, Ryan Office Building.

### **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

Mr. KAUFFMAN. There will be an immediate meeting of the House Judiciary Committee in G-50 Irvis Office Building; G-50 Irvis.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

There will be an immediate meeting of the House Judiciary Committee in G-50 Irvis Office Building.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. DAY**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Day, for a committee announcement.

Mr. DAY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, the Aging and Older Adult Services Committee held an informational meeting this morning and it became clear to us through this meeting that there is much to do in health-care workforce, and we will be working on bills coming in the next couple weeks and months on that and I wanted to alert the members of that fact. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman for that announcement.

### **REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. Seeing no further committee announcements, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dunbar, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 12:45 in the majority caucus room; that is 12:45 in the majority caucus room. We will be prepared to be back on the floor at 1:45.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### **DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

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

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of Caucus Chairman Dan Miller, Democrats will caucus at 12:45 and plan on returning to the floor at 1:45. Our caucus will be both in person and by remote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

### **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. This House will stand in recess until 1:45, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

### **AFTER RECESS**

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

### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. The gentlewoman, Representative HILL-EVANS, wishes to be placed on leave. Without objection, the leave will be so granted.

### **BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

**HB 972, PN 2886**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act providing for sport activities in public institutions of higher education and public school entities to be expressly designated male, female or coed; and creating causes of action for harms suffered by designation.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 1984, PN 2717**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law, further providing for purchase of agricultural conservation easements.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2073, PN 2395**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5786, carrying State Route 3013, known as Dunnings Highway, over South Poplar Run, in Greenfield Township, Blair County, as the Bryan T. "Chipper" Chamberlain Memorial Bridge.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2171, PN 2894**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to quitclaim and release to the Waymart Area Historical Society any right, title or interest it may have with respect to certain historical use restrictions and a related reversionary interest affecting certain real property situate in the Township of Canaan, Wayne County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Governor, to grant and convey to The Grist at Mather Mill, Ltd., certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in Whitemarsh Township, Montgomery County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to issue a corrective deed to the Potter County Housing Authority, and to quitclaim and release to the Potter County Housing Authority any right, title or interest it may have with respect to a certain use restriction and a related reversionary interest in each case related to certain real property situate in the Borough of Coudersport, Potter County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, through a competitive solicitation for proposals process; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Corrections and the Governor, to lease to the County of Wayne a portion of the lands of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the State Correctional Institution - Waymart, situate in the Township of Canaan and Borough of Waymart, Wayne County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Berks County Redevelopment Authority certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the Borough of Hamburg and Windsor Township, Berks County, being a portion of the former Hamburg Center; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Berks County Intermediate Unit certain lands and improvements situate in Windsor Township, Berks County, being a portion of the former Hamburg Center; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania State Police and the Governor, to grant and convey to Robert Swingle certain lands and improvements situate in the Township of Richmond, Tioga County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Governor, to grant and convey, at a price to be determined through a competitive bid process, certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in Coraopolis Borough, Allegheny County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Borough of Wyoming certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the Borough of Wyoming, Luzerne County.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2212, PN 2577**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act repealing the act of September 1, 1965 (P.L.420, No.215), entitled "An act for the protection of the public health, and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture, sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, and possession with intent to sell, of adulterated or deleterious

frozen desserts, providing for licensing, authorizing and regulating the manufacture and sale of frozen desserts, conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Agriculture, prescribing penalties, providing for the enforcement thereof, and making repeals."

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2373, PN 2895**

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 powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for transfer authority over Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2401, PN 2969**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, in licensing of health care facilities, further providing for licensure.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 2419, PN 2841**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act amending the act of May 31, 2018 (P.L.123, No.25), known as the Outpatient Psychiatric Oversight Act, further providing for definitions and for requirements.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

**SB 1020, PN 1523**

By Rep. SAYLOR

An Act authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Kyle A. and Tamara J. Boltz certain lands situate in Union Township, Lebanon County, in exchange for Kyle A. and Tamara J. Boltz's granting and conveying certain lands to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, to be added to those existing lands at Swatara State Park; and authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Erdenheim Farm (EQ), L.P., certain lands situate in Whitemarsh and Springfield Townships, Montgomery County, in exchange for Erdenheim Farm (EQ), L.P., causing to convey to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a tract of land to be added to Marsh Creek State Park.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

### BILLS ON CONCURRENCE REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

**HB 245, PN 2929**

By Rep. BENNINGHOFF

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, further providing for license without restriction, for institutional license and for temporary license.

## RULES.

**HB 1184, PN 2928**

By Rep. BENNINGHOFF

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in creation and alteration, further providing for definitions, for contiguous areas, for applications, for borough advisory committee, for adjustment of indebtedness, for judicial adjustment, for judicial adjustment award proceedings, for compensation, expenses and costs, for territory located in multiple counties and for bond issues and taxation; 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.

RULES.

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

**HB 1123, PN 1171** By Rep. KAUFFMAN

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, further providing for powers and duties of the commission; and establishing the Constable William Davidson Reward Fund.

JUDICIARY.

**HB 2238, PN 2590** By Rep. KAUFFMAN

An Act amending the act of April 21, 1949 (P.L.665, No.155), known as the First Class City Home Rule Act, in general grant of powers and limitations, providing for term of office and limit for district attorney.

JUDICIARY.

**HB 2275, PN 2977** (Amended) By Rep. KAUFFMAN

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

JUDICIARY.

**HB 2464, PN 2978** (Amended) By Rep. KAUFFMAN

An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, in crime victims, providing for legal standing.

JUDICIARY.

**HB 2525, PN 2979** (Amended) By Rep. KAUFFMAN

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

JUDICIARY.

**SB 503, PN 1587** (Amended) By Rep. COX

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, further providing for disability benefits and for definitions.

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**SB 563, PN 1588** (Amended)

By Rep. COX

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1927 (P.L.465, No.299), referred to as the Fire and Panic Act, further providing for standards for Class VI buildings.

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### CALENDAR

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 223, PN 2842**, entitled:

An Act providing for the creation of keystone opportunity dairy zones to facilitate the economic development of Pennsylvania's dairy industry; authorizing expenditures; providing tax exemptions, tax deductions, tax abatements and tax credits; creating additional obligations of the Commonwealth and local governmental units; and prescribing powers and duties of certain State and local departments, agencies and officials.

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 224, PN 2870**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, in purpose, short title and definitions, further providing for definitions and construction; in general powers of the board, providing for collection of premiums; in prices of milk, providing for board established premiums and further providing for cooperatives; and, in moneys and expenses of board, further providing for Milk Marketing Fund and for payment and providing for audits.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A03872**:

Amend Bill, page 5, line 24, by inserting after "handlers."

The moneys transferred under this subsection are restricted to the uses of the Milk Marketing Fund specified under this act.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

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

Mr. Speaker, this is largely a technical amendment that was actually made at the suggestion of LRB (Legislative Reference Bureau). I would encourage 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 Chair also appreciates the gentleman keeping us on our toes up here with different locations while you work on the votes.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—199

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

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 1847, PN 2902**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, further providing for title of act; in purpose, short title and definitions, further providing for definitions; in organization of the board, further providing for appointment and terms of members and quorum; in licenses of milk dealers, further providing for grounds for refusal, suspension or revocation; in moneys and expenses of board, further providing for expenses and for payment; and, in saving provisions, repealing provisions relating to Joint Study Committee.

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 2397, PN 2843**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the provision or sale of Pennsylvania milk in Pennsylvania schools.

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 2456, PN 2876**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, in licenses of milk dealers, further providing for penalties in lieu of suspension.

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 2457, PN 2901**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, in weighing and testing, further providing for certified testers and for certified weighers and samplers.

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 2458, PN 2880**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Philadelphia LNG Export Task Force; and providing for duties of task force.

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

Ms. **WHITE** offered the following amendment No. **A03983**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 13, by inserting after "Protection" appointed by the Secretary of Environmental Protection

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 16 and 17

(3) The Secretary of Community and Economic Development or a designee, who shall be an employee of the Department of Community and Economic Development appointed by the Secretary of Community and Economic Development.

(4) The Secretary of Transportation or a designee, who shall be an employee of the Department of Transportation appointed by the Secretary of Transportation.

(5) The Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency or a designee, who shall be an employee of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency appointed by the Director of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 17, by striking out "(3)" and inserting (6)

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 27 and 28

(7) The Mayor of Philadelphia or a designee, who shall be appointed by the Mayor of Philadelphia.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 28, by striking out "(4) Three" and inserting

(8) Two

Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "six" and inserting four

Amend Bill, page 3, line 7, by striking out "three" and inserting two

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 9 through 16, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

(9) The executive director of the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority or a designee, who shall be an employee of the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority.

(10) The Chief Executive Officer of the Philadelphia Gas Works or a designee, who shall be an employee of the Philadelphia Gas Works.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 17, by striking out "(6)" and inserting (11)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 7, by striking out "(a)(4), (5) or (6)" and inserting

(a)(8) or (10)

Amend Bill, page 4, line 13, by striking out "and" and inserting a comma

Amend Bill, page 4, line 13, by inserting after "(2)", (3), (4) and (5)

Amend Bill, page 5, lines 2 and 3, by striking out all of said lines

and inserting

, economic feasibility, economic impact and the security necessities that would be involved with making the Port of Philadelphia an LNG export terminal.

Amend Bill, page 5, line 6, by striking out "a plan of action" and inserting

recommendations

Amend Bill, page 5, line 18, by inserting after "meeting."

Any member of the task force who disagrees with a portion of the report shall have the opportunity to include a rebuttal statement, as an appendix, within the report before the report is published online, transmitted to the General Assembly and the Governor or otherwise made a public record under subsection (c).

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

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

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

This amendment adds the Secretary of DCED (Department of Community and Economic Development) and PennDOT and director for PEMA (Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency) as nonvoting members to the task force. It adds the mayor of Philadelphia and the Philadelphia Gas Works as voting members of the task force. It reduces the number of oil and gas industry members to two from three. It expands the purview of the task force to study the economic feasibility, economic impact, and security necessities. It also allows members of the task force to disagree with the report and to include a rebuttal as an appendix to the report.

This amendment is agreed to by the administration so that he would remain neutral on the underlying bill, and I would appreciate the members' consideration and support for the amendment. Thank you.

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

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

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

The electronic board is accurate.

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

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

The electronic board is accurate.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—197

Armanini	Frankel	Longietti	Roae
Benham	Freeman	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rothman
Bernstine	Galloway	Madden	Rowe
Bizzarro	Gaydos	Major	Rozzi
Boback	Gillen	Mako	Ryan
Bonner	Gillespie	Malagari	Sainato
Borowicz	Gleim	Maloney	Samuelson
Boyle	Gregory	Markosek	Sanchez

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

NAYS—2

Hohenstein O'Neal

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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.

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B**

**BILLS ON CONCURRENCE  
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS**

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 245, PN 2929**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, further providing for license without restriction, for institutional license and for temporary license.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. Moved by the gentleman, Representative Kaufer, that the House concur in amendments inserted by the Senate.

The Chair now recognizes Representative Kaufer for a brief description of Senate amendments.

Mr. KAUFER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 245 amends the Medical Practice Act to change the timeframe of when an international medical graduate can apply for a license in Pennsylvania. HB 245 passed the House in March 2021 unanimously. The Senate amended the bill to add language addressing two regulatory waivers issued during COVID-19, and also passed the Senate unanimously as well.

We have been working on this for years and I ask for a positive vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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Bizzarro	Gaydos	Madden	Rowe
Boback	Gillen	Major	Rozzi
Bonner	Gillespie	Mako	Ryan
Borowicz	Gleim	Malagari	Sainato
Boyle	Gregory	Maloney	Samuelson
Bradford	Greiner	Markosek	Sanchez
Briggs	Grove	Marshall	Sankey
Brooks	Guenst	Masser	Sappey
Brown, A.	Guzman	Matzie	Saylor
Brown, R.	Hamm	McClinton	Schemel
Bullock	Hanbidge	McNeill	Schlossberg
Burgos	Harkins	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Burns	Harris	Mentzer	Schroeder
Carroll	Heffley	Mercuri	Schweyer
Causer	Helm	Merski	Shusterman
Cephas	Hennessey	Metcalfe	Silvis
Ciresi	Herrin	Mihalek	Sims
Conklin	Hershey	Millard	Smith

Cook	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Snyder
Cox	Hohenstein	Miller, D.	Solomon
Cruz	Howard	Mizgorski	Sonney
Culver	Innamorato	Moul	Staats
Curry	Irvin	Mullery	Stambaugh
Daley	Isaacson	Mullins	Stephens
Davanzo	James	Mustello	Struzzi
Davis, A.	Jones	Neilson	Sturla
Davis, T.	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Thomas
Dawkins	Kail	Nelson, N.	Tomlinson
Day	Kaufer	O'Mara	Topper
Deasy	Kauffman	O'Neal	Twardzik
DeLissio	Keefer	Oberlander	Vitali
Delloso	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Warner
Delozier	Kerwin	Otten	Warren
DelRosso	Kim	Owlett	Webster
DeLuca	Kinkead	Parker	Welby
Diamond	Kinsey	Pashinski	Wentling
Dowling	Kirkland	Peifer	Wheeland
Driscoll	Klunk	Pennycuick	White
Dunbar	Knowles	Pickett	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kosierowski	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Emrick	Krajewski	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Krueger	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Kulik	Quinn	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Labs	Rabb	
Fitzgerald	Lawrence	Rader	Cutler,
Flood	Lee	Rapp	Speaker

NAYS—1

Metzgar

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

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The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 1184, PN 2928**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in creation and alteration, further providing for definitions, for contiguous areas, for applications, for borough advisory committee, for adjustment of indebtedness, for judicial adjustment, for judicial adjustment award proceedings, for compensation, expenses and costs, for territory located in multiple counties and for bond issues and taxation; 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.

On the question,  
Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

The SPEAKER. Moved by the gentleman, Representative Moul, that the House concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate.

The Chair now recognizes Representative Moul for a brief description of Senate amendments.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Senate added language to cover the event where there is not a neutral third party and individuals from surrounding counties are needed to be appointed to the borough advisory council.

I concur with the amendment, Mr. Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Chairman Freeman, on concurrence.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, in its original form, HB 1184 was a Local Government Commission bill dealing with technical changes to the Borough Code and regarding solid waste collection and disposition for boroughs. However, language was amended into the bill in the House and in the Senate that was not the product of the Local Government Commission and that would expand the types of municipalities from which a borough can be created.

May we have some order, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

Members, please take the conversations in the rear of the House off the House floor. Come to order. Take your seats. We will also turn up your microphone.

Chairman Freeman, I apologize. You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. FREEMAN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Again, language was amended into the bill, both in the House and the Senate, that was not the product of the Local Government Commission and that would expand the types of municipalities from which a borough could be created. Currently a borough can only be created from a township, and the proposed borough must have a minimum population of at least 500 to be created.

The language in HB 1184 would expand the ability to create a borough out of any municipality, allowing a breakaway borough to be created from a city or an existing borough. One of the things that has hampered Pennsylvania, and holds it back in terms of economic expansion and opportunity and efficient delivery of municipal services, is the very fragmented system of local government that we have here in our Commonwealth. Pennsylvania has over 2500 municipalities – 2,500 – which comprise more local government units than any other State has except for the State of Illinois. While I applaud those who serve in local government and the hard work they put forth on behalf of their communities, for any small or fiscally challenged municipality, it is a struggle to find people to serve on local governing bodies, just as it is today in recruiting people for EMS (emergency medical services) or volunteer fire companies. Fiscally challenged and small municipalities already struggle to provide essential services and to properly implement local land use controls such as zoning and provide for adequate infrastructure and promote economic development in an effective manner.

The provisions of HB 1184 that would further expand the fragmentation of local government by allowing boroughs to be formed out of existing boroughs or cities will take us in the wrong direction when it comes to the structure and effectiveness of local

government here in Pennsylvania. This proposal to allow further fragmentation of local government units has the very real potential to undermine the fiscal stability, as well as the effectiveness, of local government. Breakaway boroughs that could be formed would have the result of undermining the revenue base of municipalities, as affluent neighborhoods of an existing borough could secede from an existing borough or city, depriving that original municipality of essential revenue and resources to succeed as a municipality. Further fragmentation also undermines the effective planning and the proper application of zoning, as well as the delivery of essential services, despite the very best efforts of intergovernmental cooperation. The weakening of an existing municipality by the creation of a breakaway borough holds the potential of seeing the original municipality faltering, and possibly falling into Act 47 distressed status as a result of its fiscal stability having been compromised.

The highly respected Pennsylvania Economy League has done extensive research and produced policy papers highlighting the problems of fragmented local government in Pennsylvania. This bill will only make that problem all the more acute.

The Pennsylvania Municipal League opposes HB 1184 in its current form and recognizes the problems that it will pose. Governor Wolf has indicated that he will veto HB 1184 in its current form because of the language expanding what municipalities a borough can be formed from.

As a result, for these reasons I will be voting "no," and I urge the members to vote a vote of no concurrence on HB 1184. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments?

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—112

Armanini	Gregory	Masser	Rothman
Benninghoff	Greiner	Mehaffie	Rowe
Bernstine	Grove	Mentzer	Ryan
Boback	Hamm	Mercuri	Sankey
Bonner	Heffley	Metcalfe	Saylor
Borowicz	Helm	Metzgar	Schemel
Brooks	Hennessey	Mihalek	Schmitt
Brown, R.	Hershey	Millard	Schroeder
Causar	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Silvis
Cook	Irvin	Mizgorski	Smith
Cox	James	Moul	Sonney
Culver	Jones	Mustello	Staats
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Stambaugh
Day	Kail	O'Neal	Stevens

Delozier	Kaufert	Oberlander	Struzzi
DelRosso	Kauffman	Ortitay	Thomas
Diamond	Keefer	Owlett	Tomlinson
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	Major	Rigby	
Gillen	Mako	Roae	Cutler,
Gillespie	Maloney	Rossi	Speaker
Gleim	Marshall		

NAYS—87

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

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

**BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

**HB 245, PN 2929**

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, further providing for license without restriction, for institutional license and for temporary license.

**HB 1184, PN 2928**

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in creation and alteration, further providing for definitions, for contiguous areas, for applications, for borough advisory committee, for adjustment of indebtedness, for judicial adjustment, for judicial adjustment award proceedings, for

compensation, expenses and costs, for territory located in multiple counties and for bond issues and taxation; 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.

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

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A**

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1984, PN 2717**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law, further providing for purchase of agricultural conservation easements.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The following roll call was recorded:

**YEAS—199**

Armanini	Freeman	Longiotti	Rigby
Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, M.	Roae
Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
Bernstine	Gaydos	Madden	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gillen	Major	Rowe
Boback	Gillespie	Mako	Rozzi
Bonner	Gleim	Malagari	Ryan
Borowicz	Gregory	Maloney	Sainato
Boyle	Greiner	Markosek	Samuelson
Bradford	Grove	Marshall	Sanchez
Briggs	Guenst	Masser	Sankey
Brooks	Guzman	Matzie	Sappey

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

**NAYS—0**

**NOT VOTING—0**

**EXCUSED—1**

Evans

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 2212, PN 2577**, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of September 1, 1965 (P.L.420, No.215), entitled "An act for the protection of the public health, and to prevent fraud and deception in the manufacture, sale, offering for sale, exposing for sale, and possession with intent to sell, of adulterated or deleterious frozen desserts, providing for licensing, authorizing and regulating the manufacture and sale of frozen desserts, conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Agriculture, prescribing penalties, providing for the enforcement thereof, and making repeals."

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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

Fitzgerald	Lawrence	Rabb	
Flood	Lee	Rader	Cutler,
Frankel	Lewis	Rapp	Speaker

NAYS—1

Diamond

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 972, PN 2886**, entitled:

An Act providing for sport activities in public institutions of higher education and public school entities to be expressly designated male, female or coed; and creating causes of action for harms suffered by designation.

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 Gleim.

Mrs. GLEIM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Five female House members introduced the Protect Women's Sports Act last April. All five of us are former athletes. I am one of those prime sponsors. Since introducing the bill, we have maintained that women's own competitive category, guaranteed under Title IX law, ought to be preserved, and that women lose out on a fair playing field when forced to compete against biological men. This past December the House Education Committee held a hearing on HB 972. Consistently we were told that girls in PA were not being forced to compete against biological males, but we heard directly from local high school girls' testimony revealing that in fact this is happening.

We have all seen the recent headlines of Lia Thomas, a biological male who competed on the UPenn men's team for 3 years before switching to the women's team and smashing women's records. On February 3 of this year, 16 UPenn swimmers – anonymous for fears of attacks – wrote an open letter calling for the Ivy League to, quote, "support us as biological women...." The letter goes on to say that when it comes to sports competition, "the biology of sex is a separate issue from someone's gender identity." We agree, and so do almost



75 percent of Pennsylvanians in a recent poll. Thomas's case shows us how only one biological male competing in a women's sport can decimate an entire league of women's hard work and advances. Allowing biological males to compete in women's sports reverses nearly 50 years of hard-earned advances for women and destroys fair competition and women's athletic opportunities, as happened with these female swimmers, and elsewhere around the State who have practiced their entire lives to be where they are today.

Biologically, males and females are different. This fact simply cannot be reversed through surgery or changes in hormones. Recent scientific studies have proven that even after a male is given hormone blockers or when testosterone levels are reduced, their immense unfair advantage persists. Biological males have larger hearts, greater lung capacity, and more muscle mass than females. For example, even after 2 years of testosterone suppression, males still run 12-percent faster than women. This is unfair to the girls who got second and third. It is unfair to the girl who got fourth but should have gotten a bronze medal. It is unfair to the girl who should have run in the final heat but did not because a male was there. It is unfair to any girl who may have made the team but did not because a male was permitted to take her place.

Our HB 972 ensures fairness for all and preserves athletic opportunities for all women. Today we are not considering if we should separate sports; rather, we are here to consider how to best separate them, whether by biological sex or by gender identity. But we all know that identities do not play sports; bodies do. Athletics are best for everyone when separated by biological sex.

Sports are not about what we look like or the stereotypes or identities we adopt. Enacting HB 972 ensures the intent of Title IX is not eliminated and will ultimately help promote gender equality by giving both biological males and females the best environment in which to succeed. I ask my colleagues today for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. FRANKEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Yesterday my Republican colleagues united in voting down my amendment to this bill that would have held Pennsylvania schools accountable for giving girls and women as much opportunity to play sports as boys and men. So I think we can dispose of the argument that HB 972 is about fairness. Instead of leveling the playing field for those 1.7 million children, we are headed towards a vote that solves a hypothetical crisis that just has not come to pass: that transgender girls and women are shutting out their cisgender counterparts at the awards ceremonies.

In its quest to solve an imaginary problem, HB 972 will cause unimaginable harm. Study after study has shown that transgender youth have a heightened risk of depression, self-injury, and suicide. And what does the research point to as the solution? Let trans kids be themselves. A 2018 study published in the "Journal of Adolescent Health" found that transgender youth who are simply allowed to use their chosen name everywhere in their lives experienced 71 percent fewer symptoms of severe depression, a 31-percent decrease in reported thoughts of suicide, and a 65-percent decrease in suicidal attempts. So please, do not say that transgender girls can simply play on the boys' teams. And nobody has explained how students who are suspected to be transgender

are going to be checked to make sure they are playing on the "correct" team. Should all girls have to prove they are girls? Are you willing to have your daughter questioned about her gender or subjected to a physical exam?

This legislation is cruel and unnecessary, and nobody – nobody – is asking for it. In fact, I had six young women from Chatham University, who I think are sitting here with me today, and they came into my office to talk about PHEAA (Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency) grants, and I asked them about this. I said, "What do you think about this piece of legislation?" They said our sports teams, our university needs to be tolerant and it needs to be inclusive, and this bill goes against doing that.

This was the same conclusion that led two Republican Governors so far to veto their versions of this cookie-cutter piece of legislation. Governor Eric Holcomb of Indiana, a conservative Republican, said that he tried to find any cases where State government intervention was necessary and he came up empty. After Utah Governor Spencer Cox – another conservative Republican – vetoed the bill there, he said his staff found only four out transgender high school kids in the State, and only one was playing on the girls' team. "Four kids who aren't dominating or winning trophies or...scholarships," Governor Cox said. "Four kids who are just trying to find some friends and feel like they are a part of something...."

If there are any members here who are struggling with what it means to be fair in this case, I have good news for you: It is not, it is not our place to set these rules. Just like we do not make decisions about uniforms, equipment, and evolving rules on conduct on and off the field, it is not, it is not our job to create policies that ensure that youth sports remain fun, competitive, inclusive, nourishing, and fair. That is the job of the schools and the organizational bodies that manage athletics already, like the PIAA, the NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association), and the IOC (International Olympic Committee), and those organizations have been 100-percent clear that they oppose this legislation.

I will share one more quote from Governor Cox, who is willing to accept the political consequences of his veto because he knew the bill would place the lives of vulnerable children in danger. Quote: "I don't understand what they are going through or why they feel the way they do," he said. "But I want them to live."

You do not have to understand these kids, but we still need to protect them. They want to thrive; they want to lead meaningful lives free of stigma, bullying, and discrimination. We want them to live.

I ask my colleagues to do the right thing here and oppose this legislation.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. LONGIETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this bill overrides the authority of the PIAA and NCAA in determining sports eligibility. PIAA has been determining sports eligibility for high school students since 1913, and NCAA has been determining sports eligibility for colleges since 1906. I am unaware of any instance where the legislature overrode these governing bodies and determined sports eligibility.

The PIAA Board of Governors consists of high school principals from throughout the State and also includes parents, coaches, athletic directors, school board members, and school administrators. One of their stated purposes is, quote, "Establishment and enforcement of rules governing the eligibility of high school athletes to participate in interscholastic athletics..."

The NCAA Board of Governors consists of college presidents and chancellors from each division, plus five independent members. One of their core values is, quote, "...fairness, safety and equal opportunity for all student-athletes." In furtherance of that core value, in 2013 the NCAA formed the NCAA Sport Science Institute to spearhead health and safety efforts.

We do not have a sport science institute in the legislature. We do not focus on the rules of high school and college sports. Our constitutional charge is to provide for the maintenance and support of a thorough and efficient system of public education to serve the needs of the Commonwealth. Wading into issues of sports eligibility is outside of that constitutional mandate. Sports eligibility needs to be left to the governing bodies for high school and college sports – namely, the PIAA and NCAA – who have been doing just that for over 100 years. These are the bodies that deal with sports eligibility day in and day out.

I did not run for the Board of Governors for PIAA or NCAA. I ran for the State legislature. As such, I am focused on what is within my constitutional mandate and not what is in the purview of the PIAA and NCAA. I encourage my colleagues to stay similarly focused and reject this bill.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Austin Davis.

Mr. DAVIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I stand before you today to speak against HB 972, which uses the guise of protecting women to strip away the rights of trans students. Let us be clear about what we are talking about here. This bill is an attempt to tell children they cannot play sports with their classmates. This has nothing to do with anyone's safety and everything to do with furthering an agenda of fear and hatred and using our children as collateral. This bill is the product of a cynical political calculus where one party thinks it can use—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

I will take this opportunity to remind members that subscribing motive to other members as to their support or opposition to any bill or proposal is improper under the rules of the House. I would encourage the gentleman to refine his comments to stay within the boundaries of the legislative discussion and not motives.

You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. DAVIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This bill demonstrates a lack of empathy, and sadly, outright hate to win imaginary political points. And to those that formulated this game plan, I pray your eyes will open to the harm you are doing. Many in this chamber will go on with their lives after this vote, will go on to the next vote, the next day, but for the kids whose only desires are to fit in and feel comfortable and accepted for the people they are, today they see a referendum on their existence held by those who claim to be leaders of our Commonwealth. Mr. Speaker, we are the adults in the room. We are the leaders of our Commonwealth. We should be protecting and supporting every single child, not casting them out. This is wrong. This bill should not exist, let alone pass.

A recent report by the Office of Attorney General on Safe2Say showed that 73 percent of the tips related to mental health and bullying. This only will exacerbate that problem. Is this the example we want to lead by? Are these the values we seek to pass on to the children in our lives? Imagine how the mothers and fathers, uncles and aunts of those children this bill seeks to persecute feel today. We are their elected Representatives, and we are considering a bill that says their children do not belong, that they are not equal citizens of our Commonwealth. While I only have one vote here today, I know I speak for many when I tell those parents and those kids that they belong. I promise that there are millions of Pennsylvanians across this Commonwealth that have their backs and will never stop fighting for them.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you to vote "no" on HB 972. We are better than this. Our Commonwealth is better than this. And those kids watching us today deserve far better than this.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. DAWKINS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

A lot of what I was going to say has kind of already been spoken about. For me, as a member of a youth sports association, I do not believe it is in my role as a State legislator to actually tell my sports organization how we should conduct our business with our children or how we should allow our kids to play the sport in which they may love.

I agree with my colleagues who spoke about there is a role of government, and I do not believe this is one. This obsession that we have over sex in this hall is disturbing. I do not believe we should have these discussions or these debates when we have other important issues at hand that we do not talk about.

So I would hope we would spend more time dealing with the State's business and out of the personal business of individuals. Thank you.

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

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. Mr. Speaker, I honestly do not know what to say to anyone who supports this legislation. My child is trans. This piece of legislation attacks my child and others like them simply because of who they are and how they choose to express their humanity. This bill is a solution looking for a problem, and creating additional problems. You are rejecting the humanity of children like mine if you believe you are protecting other children. All you are doing is keeping all of our children from being able to experience the full range of the human experience, the full depth that we get when we have our children engaged in competitive sport.

Before I came to the legislature, the one thing I enjoyed doing probably more than anything else was coaching my kids. I was a youth soccer coach for both of my children as they were growing up, my nephew, and we prided ourselves on making sure that all of the kids engaged knew they were valued, knew they were part of a team, and knew that they could look from one side to the other as they sat on the bench and know that they had comrades, that they had people who were there with them and for them; had their back.

Mr. Speaker, all this legislation does is turn its back on the children that we need to protect.

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

You are in order and may proceed, sir.

Mr. SIMS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, today I obviously rise in vehement opposition to HB 972, a bill called the Fairness in Women's Sports Act. But make no mistake, this bill is not about promoting fairness, nor is it about protecting or upholding women's rights. I believe that this bill discriminates against trans people and trans girls and all cisgender women and girls.

Mr. Speaker, as a former college athlete, as one of just a few people in this room with direct knowledge of how this bill will impact collegiate sports, I know firsthand the values of community and cooperation that sports can teach, and it is clear to me that the sponsors of this bill understand that as well. But as a lifelong advocate for LGBTQ equality, I also understand how badly in need many trans young people are of this same sense of community and cooperation, and they deserve it. When 86 percent of trans kids have reported suicidal ideation and 56 percent have actually attempted suicide, proposing legislation designed to further marginalize trans people rather than to empower and uplift them is a shameful misuse of power, and one that can have deadly consequences.

Mr. Speaker, as it has been said several times, this bill is a solution in search of a problem; deeply, deeply unpopular with Pennsylvanians, and has been destined for a veto for almost a year. And yet still we debate it because the majority refuses to take up the issues that actually affect working Pennsylvanians. Instead, we stand here today and continue the shameful national trend of attacking trans and nonbinary people. Legislation like this is radical and it is unpopular. And as you have just heard, it has already seen two Republican Governors veto similar bills. They understand how perilous passing legislation like this can be.

Sadly, Mr. Speaker, the bigotry inspired by this bill will leave this chamber and it will spread throughout the State. It will shape the way that trans and nonbinary and gender-nonconforming and two-spirit people are treated every single day, and it will especially impact our youth, our kids.

Just this year alone, we have seen the ugly transphobia directed towards one of our State's greatest athletes, a University of Pennsylvania swimmer who is simply competing in the sport she loves, and doing so well within the guidelines of the NCAA. So let us talk about those guidelines, the guidelines put in place by the governing bodies in charge of drafting and enforcing them. The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, the PIAA; the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the NCAA; and the International Olympic Committee, the IOC – all, all have clear guidelines on the participation of trans people in sports that are based on facts and science, and all three of these governing bodies allow trans people to compete along with their gender. As it has been said, Mr. Speaker, the State legislature has no expertise in athletics or in science, and the sign of true wisdom is the ability to defer to people who know more. And that is what we should be doing here.

When my colleagues cast their votes here today, I ask them to think about kids all across the Commonwealth who have struggled, who have been bullied because of their gender and their identity and have finally found a home and a community while playing a sport that they love. We should not vote to take that away from them, because our high school sports and our college sports are not just a breeding ground, not a drafting facility for professional athletics. What we do in this chamber is

not an abstraction, Mr. Speaker, and this bill will have very real negative consequences for children all across the Commonwealth. Trans people, trans girls and boys, and just kids are deserving of every opportunity allowed to their cisgender classmates and counterparts. I believe, and so many of you do in this room, that they deserve to grow up and live in a world that accepts them and supports them, because all of you want that for your children. What they do not deserve, Mr. Speaker, is to be excluded, to be ostracized, to be punished for the biases of adults.

I will end with this, Mr. Speaker: You attack the trans community not because of their strength, but because of your own weakness. This bill is unnecessary, and it is clearly unconstitutional. And I urge you all to vote "no."

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Ms. OTTEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

When I was a little kid, I grew up playing sports. Sports was a huge part of our lives. Whether we were good at it or not, our parents insisted that we were going to learn teamwork, we were going to learn how to fail forward, and we were going to learn that through sports. My dad coached all of our teams, similar to the Representative who recently spoke. It was one of the great joys of his life. I coach my kids' sports teams today because it is one of the great joys of my life.

And because of the joy that I learned through sports, I actually pursued my education in exercise science. And when this bill came to the floor, thinking about it from a more academic perspective, my question is, where is this going and what is it going to lead to? And unfortunately, this bill leads to the undermining of the spirit of sports, the very foundation of why our parents encourage us as young children to participate in sports, because it is one of the only places where our children learn that all kids belong. It undermines women's and girls' sports. It does not focus on the true problems that exist in women's and girls' sports of equal funding and equal pay. Instead, this bill threatens to defund women's and girls' sports by bankrupting their programs through legal proceedings.

And it also undermines the Constitution. HB 972 violates the equal protection and due process clauses of the Constitution. The equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment prohibits States from denying "...any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws." The clause is not intended to provide equality among its individuals or classes, but only equal application of the law. The equal protection clause of the U.S. Constitution and Title IX's prohibitions against sex discrimination have both been interpreted by State and Federal courts to encompass discrimination based on gender stereotyping, including discrimination against individuals because of their gender identity or expression, including transgender athletes. Therefore, our school districts and athletic programs may face legal liability if they deny access to such student athletes even if no law explicitly addresses the issue. This risks bankrupting and defunding girls' and women's sports across this country.

This also violates a right to privacy about transgender issues. A student's transgender status, legal name, or sex assigned at birth is confidential medical information and protected personally identifiable information, and disclosure of that information may violate the school's obligation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, otherwise known as FERPA. FERPA

applies to all educational agencies and institutions that receive funds under any program administered by the Secretary of Education, and protects the privacy interests of parents and students in a student's educational record – this includes athletics. FERPA permits the disclosure of eligible students' educational records without consent only under limited circumstances, and sharing a student's transgender identity would rarely, if ever, meet those limited exceptions. Disclosure of a student's transgender status or requiring students to produce records of the student's transgender status may violate the constitutional right to privacy.

We are already seeing these bills unfold in the courts. In the U.S. District Court in Idaho in 2020, Lindsay Hecox brought a lawsuit against Bradley Little, the current Governor of the State of Idaho, for the State's recently enacted Fairness in Women's Sports Act. The plaintiffs sought "...preliminary relief solely on their equal protection claim, arguing the Act discriminates on the basis of transgender status by categorically barring transgender women from participating in women's sports, and also discriminates on the basis of sex by subjecting all women student-athletes to the risk of having to undergo invasive, unnecessary tests to 'verify' their sex, while permitting all men student-athletes to participate in men's sports without" being subjected to "such risks...." The preliminary injunction was granted in favor of the plaintiffs, pending a trial on the merits of the case.

Who is going to be responsible for determining the biological sex of our girls? What will determine biological sex? Is it anatomical? Is it hormonal? Is it chromosomal? And what will be required of our girls to distinguish that?

As a woman who participated in athletics for most of my life, as a coach to young kids, and as a parent, I am deeply concerned about the violation of our children's privacy and of our families' constitutionally protected rights for equal protection under the law. Please join me in voting "no" on this bill.

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

Mr. SCHEMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There have been comments made this afternoon with regard to the constitutionality of this measure, particularly in light of Titles IX and VII and recent cases, and I would just like to review a couple of points on those two subjects.

First, Title IX was passed by the legislature, by the Congress with the express, with the express intent of preserving for women the ability to participate in athletics. This was based upon physical characteristics because women were denied the ability to participate in athletics because they did not have the dexterity and strength that their male counterparts did. Title IX made open and provided for them the opportunities to participate.

Now, the courts have had a few opportunities to review this case in light of recent challenges with regard to transgender issues. The Supreme Court case of *Bostock* was under Title VII. Title VII is the title which deals with employment. In that case, the Supreme Court found that a transgender individual or individuals who identify as transgender had a right to be declared, to be eligible to work in workplaces under antidiscrimination laws, but that dealt explicitly with employment. In Title VII employment cases, there are always exceptions, and actually, exceptions based upon physical characteristics. Employers can make exceptions based upon strength. Employers can make

exceptions based upon other physical characteristics. For example, an employer who is going to be putting on a movie can certainly hire female or male actors or actresses based upon the physical characteristics of the character that they want to play. So Title VII already has built into it opportunities to differentiate based upon the gender of the individual.

Now, when we apply that now to Title IX, we do not have a lot to go on with case law. We can look at the Title VII case of *Fulton v. City of Philadelphia*. That was the case where, once again, the Supreme Court said that there can be exceptions based upon gender under the – there can be exceptions to the antidiscrimination laws.

So today we are looking at, in this Commonwealth, legislation which would allow the differentiation based upon male or female biology with regard to athletics. So this gets back to the very key, the very heart of what Title IX was intended to do, which was to preserve for females the opportunity to be competitive in sports. We can make differentiation, we know, based upon physical characteristics from reviewed materials and from court decisions on other titles, and we can presumably do so as well under Title IX. So there is no constitutional claim that has been determined by the court which would make the present legislation unconstitutional. And since the present legislation upholds the very objectives of Title IX, it should pass constitutional muster, and I fully support the legislation.

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

Mr. KENYATTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So let us just talk briefly, if we could, about what we know about this legislation and what we do not know about this legislation.

What we know, Mr. Speaker, is that this bill, unfortunately, is going to pass our chamber today. That is why it was brought up. Talked about it in caucus with the votes; it is going to pass today. We know that. What we also know is that the Governor is going to veto this despicable legislation.

Today is a day in this chamber that is actually really sad. It is really sad. Because when we close the doors of this chamber and everybody goes home and goes back to their offices, their districts, there are going to be a bunch of parents of LGBTQ kids who are going to hold them a little tighter tonight and worry about their mental well-being.

I wish that people in this body were actually serious about protecting or bettering women's sports. That would be fantastic. If we wanted to talk about equal pay for female athletes – oh my God, let us have that conversation. If we want to talk about making sure girls have the best places to train and to play the sports of their choice, that would be wonderful. But instead, little kids are the latest political pawns in a debate that has nothing to do with actually making their lives better.

There are only three openly LGBTQ members of this body – three. And only the three of us understand how scary it is to tell your family, to tell your community that you are gay or you are bisexual or you are a lesbian. But even the three of us do not know how scary it is to tell your family that you are trans or nonbinary, to say that in your community, to say that in your school. None of you in this building understands the bravery or the courage that these little kids have to be who they are in a world where adults, where adults are using them for fundraising e-mails or whatever the heck else you are going to do when this vote is done.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

I do not believe discussions of campaign issues are appropriate on the House floor. More importantly, I think it goes directly to motive, which I cautioned against earlier. I ask the gentleman to please confine his remarks to the bill, the reasons to oppose the bill or support it, whichever side each individual is on. That is the proper confines of the debate. I would encourage the members to please stay so confined.

You are in order and may—

For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative Mullins, rise?

Mr. MULLINS. Point of order, sir.

The SPEAKER. You may state your point of order.

Mr. MULLINS. All right. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

My point of order would simply suggest that the gentleman was not getting to motive, but rather, blatant intent of this bill.

The SPEAKER. That is not a proper point of order.

Mr. MULLINS. I did not think it would be.

The SPEAKER. I encourage you to review Mason's Manual and our House rules.

I believe I will clarify for the body – because this goes both ways – saying that a member will raise money off of an issue, whether for or against, I do not believe is the proper purview of the debate. That was the direction that I was seeking to give the member and all future members who are speaking. I understand that this is a very contentious, and oftentimes personal, issue on both sides. I just ask the members to stay confined to the issues at hand contained in the bill that are valid subjects of debate.

You are in order and may proceed. I apologize.

Mr. KENYATTA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Here is what is valid and here is what we know. In this past year, one in five, one in five LGBTQ kids have attempted suicide – one in five. As more and more bills just like this have sprouted up across the country, we know that one in three LGBTQ kids say that they feel afraid. And to knowingly pass a bill from a lot of people who love talking about how pro-life they are, you are supporting a pro-death bill. A bill that we know leads to— That is what the bill is. If you do not like it, vote "no." And if you want to speak, microphone.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend. The gentleman will please suspend. You are not in order.

Mr. KENYATTA. But they are—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend.

The gentleman deserves to be heard. The subject matter that is here before us is the debate of the bill. I will once again remind members that it is not proper of either side to shout or engage in debate on the floor from member to member. I was asking the gentleman to suspend so that I could restore order on the floor. Every member elected by their constituents deserves to be heard. I recognize we all have different viewpoints on this issue, but it is important that we have the debate in an orderly manner.

You are in order and may proceed, Representative.

Mr. KENYATTA. Thank you.

I will end with this. The courage that these little kids are showing – and that is what we are talking about, we are talking about babies – that they are showing is remarkable. It is remarkable that they have to do it in the face of callous attacks from adults. There is not a thing in the world wrong with trans kids – not a thing. But there is a lot wrong with hateful, cruel adults. [Remarks stricken.]

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend. The gentleman's remaining comments will be stricken from the record. The name-calling is never proper on the floor.

I will once again remind members about the proper subject of debate. Of particular frustration regarding the last comment was that my attempts to maintain order were quickly erased by a last-minute comment. Comments by members, even at the conclusion of their time to speak, if they violate the rules, are still a violation of the rules. We are nearing the end of the list and I hope that we can maintain that decorum to conclude this debate so that we can head to this vote and then whatever other votes are on the calendar before us.

The gentlewoman, Representative Kinkead, is in order, and you may speak on final passage.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I am not a trans woman and I do not believe that anyone else in this room is, but I have no desire to verify that. But I did participate in school sports growing up, and in particular, I ran cross-country for a season. And the gentlewoman from Delaware County would know that I am not really a runner, but I try. I joined the cross-country team because the coach of that team was one of the first teachers that I ever had who saw me and saw the needs that I had. I am a survivor of childhood abuse, and he was one of the first people that ever saw the need that I had to be supported and protected by an adult. And I am not sure that he actually understood what exactly was going on at home, but I do know that if it were not for him, if it were not for this cross-country team, that there is a real possibility that I would not be here today.

And this is an issue that our trans youth deal with all the time – to not be supported, to be afraid to tell their truth to people, to have the adults in their lives be the ones that are attacking them. It is an incredibly dangerous time to be a young person unsupported by their family, and sports can be a way to find a new family that will support you. And this, fundamentally this bill is not about protecting women's sports and girls' sports; this is about denying access to a potentially lifesaving support system that our most vulnerable youth need access to.

I was contacted by a constituent who is the mother of a trans daughter, and she sent me this statement that at the age of 2 1/2, her child, who was assigned male at birth, wanted to wear dresses. It was not just dress-up. If they tried to put her in anything masculine, she would recoil and sob in a behavior that was totally unlike what they had ever seen from her before. She identified only with female characters, regardless of who the lead character in a movie or a story was. She would tell anybody that asked her that her name was Elsa, the name of the lead character in "Frozen." She would eventually tell them that she was a little girl. And when her babysitter made negative comments to her about these things, she accused the babysitter of "doing treason," which was another "Frozen" reference.

My constituent said, "It never ceases to amaze me how smart kids are, and how much clarity they can have on issues that we as adults struggle with. My daughter knew who she was clearly and could express it. The kids in our lives incorporated this new aspect of her identity in an instant and moved on to the next thing, usually something related to food or Disney. And luckily, we have an amazing community, so the adults in our lives did too. This acceptance and more than that, inclusion, is what has allowed her to live as her authentic self and to thrive."

She said, "We didn't understand this all at first. We didn't have anyone in our friend or family circle who is trans, so on a personal level, this was new to us. If this issue is new to you personally, please talk to at least one parent and trans child in your district before you vote. Like many parents of trans kids will tell you, we felt a mix of emotions, including fear – fear about how this would impact her development, her relationships, and her place in the world. As a physician, I'm trained to seek expert help, so that's what we did. Our pediatrician helped us to understand that this isn't about simple preferences, this is about identity. They've also told us that even at this young age, most kids who are 'insistent' and 'persistent' about their gender identities will continue to be. This increased knowledge and understanding, as well as watching our kid thrive as a girl, has helped us to channel our fear into a desire to make the world a better place for kids like ours.

"One of the most alarming things I've learned as a parent of a trans child, and also a physician who now reads the medical literature on this topic, is about mental health. A study published in Pediatrics in 2018...asked adolescents the question, 'have you ever tried to kill yourself.' Frighteningly, 30-51% of trans adolescents who responded had tried to kill themselves at least once in their lifetime. Studies have shown that things like rejection by peers and the greater community make trans kids' mental health and suicide risk worse, and things like school connectedness and community participation protect against these outcomes.

"We as adults have the opportunity to decide: will we focus on things like a trans sports ban that hurt vulnerable kids or, will we work toward creating communities where all feel welcome, accepted and loved the way they are? I hope the choice is clear."

And I will say that I think the choice is clear, because this is not about protecting sports. This is about protecting kids, and it is about protecting kids who are vulnerable like I was, and we cannot be their abusers. What this does is codifies willful ignorance into law, and we can and we should do so much better.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Madden, on final passage.

Ms. MADDEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to HB 972. I am so fortunate in the 115th Legislative District to represent a really progressive group of people who care about issues like this and care about how it affects our community. Last week, or the week before, right after they passed "Don't Say Gay" in Florida, a group of young people, LGBTQ young people in my community by the names of Jessica, Sophie, Matty, and Andy, organized a rally in Courthouse Square in Stroudsburg to speak against "Don't Say Gay" and to speak on behalf of LGBTQ people and how important it is that they are accepted; that this is not a quick decision, that you decide that you want to be true to who you are as a person and you want to make that transition. So that we single out these young girls and we say there is something wrong with you, that you cannot compete in sports, that you are not right – it is really heartbreaking.

As a legislator, as somebody who comes from a community where there is such activism and such a need and such a desire to be accepted for who you are, I am standing here today for those people in my community, all those brave young high school and college students who are supported by their parents, who are told that they are okay, that the way that they are is acceptable; it is

the normal, continue to be who you are. So today I am standing up for those people. I am letting them know that of all their legislators in Monroe County, this legislator is going to stand up for them to be who they are and is going to vote "no" on this bill.

So thank you, Mr. Speaker. And thank you to all the people in the 115th who stand up and do the right thing. I am standing with you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Hanbidge, on final passage. The gentlelady waives off. The Chair thanks the lady.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Lee. She waives off.

We will go to the gentleman, Representative Mullins, on final passage.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I know in an honest moment that many of my colleagues who are going to unavoidably vote "yes" on this are actually resentful. Resentful, as we are, that we are spending another afternoon – we are coming up on an hour of debate now; the last vote was recorded at 2:23 p.m., and we are going to go beyond an hour – spending another afternoon in search of a problem, spending another afternoon dividing people, spending another afternoon making people afraid of something that perhaps they do not understand or do not care about. Resentful that there are any number of measures before this General Assembly that we should debate hours upon hours of constructive, fruitful debate on. But no, we are going to spend hours pulling people apart. I know I am resentful – and I know some of you are too – that this is all to inform and bring national politics into the State Capitol, which is never a good idea.

You know, the word "fairness" has been tossed around a lot today. It can be a sincere term or it can be a used-and-abused term. Today it is the latter. If this were a genuine, sincere discussion about fairness, let us say, just in athletics, we would move and pass a Republican proposal that would make sure that teams who can recruit from beyond their areas do not annually annihilate those that are confined to a boundary. If this were really a fairness debate generally, we would really get to fair and equitable education funding in this State. If this were really about fairness, we would talk about and debate a fair and living wage, and we would—

## POINT OF ORDER

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Mr. Speaker?

Mr. MULLINS. —make sure—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will please suspend.

For what purpose does the majority leader rise?

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Point of order.

The SPEAKER. You may state your point of order.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Respectfully, the gentleman has talked about everything but anything particular in the final passage of this bill, including minimum wage, and I would just ask that they stay focused on the specifics of the bill itself, please.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman I believe was discussing his perception of fairness regarding issues. I was waiting for him to bring that back around, which I am sure he will very quickly here. But as this debate is wrapping up, I would simply encourage the good gentleman to stay focused on the actual bill and the language and a little less so on what is not in the bill.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate that.

So I just think we, as I conclude here, that we are doing anything but fairness in passing and sending the substance of HB 972 to the Governor's desk for a veto. So I do hope that in the coming days we can get toward other measures of fairness and have a sincere and honest conversation and debate. And if we are talking about fairness, our caucus has any number of policy proposals that I also know in your heart of hearts you would not mind voting in favor of too. So let us get to actual fairness in this building, but first, on our way there, we should vote in opposition to HB 972. Thank you.

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

Ms. GAYDOS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

HB 972 is about fairness. Let us be clear: HB 972 does not prohibit transgenders from playing sports; it does not prohibit them. It simply says that biological boys play on the boys' team and biological girls play on the girls' team, and any team that has both genders is coed. This started when President Biden issued an Executive order in February of 2021 that mandated that biological boys play on women's teams. While the Executive order might have been well-intended to eliminate discrimination, it actually did the exact opposite. It was a direct attack on Title IX, and it actually ended up recruiting more biological men to compete with women.

Allowing biological males to compete with girls' sports reverses nearly 50 years of advancement for women. You see, before the enactment of Title IX in 1972, very few opportunities were available for women to play in a competitive sport. Title IX was designed to stop discrimination and create equal athletic opportunities for women. As a former Division 3 lacrosse player, I cannot imagine playing against biological males who are bigger, faster, and stronger. That is a biological fact.

It has been stated in the news that Lia Thomas, the biological man who competed on the University of Pennsylvania Men's Swimming Team, switched to the women's team and smashed many records. Think about this. In that particular swim meet, an adult biological male taking estrogen came in first, an adult biological female taking testosterone came in second, and all other women came behind. The World Anti-Doping Agency produces a list of substances and methods that are banned in sports, and that includes, but is not limited to, hormones, anabolics, EPO (erythropoietin) masking agents, and even diuretics. So why are some allowed to dope and not others? Why is that fair? This sends the wrong message. Why not have a separate category for those who dope?

The PIAA has several different categories for sports based on gender, school size, and category. We have pee wee football for a reason. You would never allow your 6-year-old to play against a 16-year-old, would you? Why not have a separate category for transgenders, or why not play on a coed team? Why not create a coed team? When I was in school, we did not have a women's indoor soccer team, so we created one.

The bottom line is, allowing biological males to compete in girls' and women's sports destroys fair competition, it does not create it.

I am not opposed to having the PIAA athletic oversight council to issue protocols for athletic eligibility based on sport, or having the oversight council to adopt specific policies. That

must happen. I believe that passing this bill does allow for cooler heads to prevail. It puts an immediate stop to President Biden's attack on women's sports. If it is PIAA's job to do this, then why did President Biden take it away from them? Why?

So, Mr. Speaker, I am strongly supportive of this bill, and I think that this will give us an opportunity to advance forward for both women's, men's, and coed sports. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

## POINT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Representative Hohenstein, rise?

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. Point of order, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. You are in order and may state your point of order, sir.

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. We do have a practice here of not naming names when it comes to any of our own colleagues or other elected officials. I believe the previous speaker just did so a few times in their speech. I would ask that those remarks or references to the name of our President be stricken.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman does raise a partially valid point of order regarding addressing other individuals of, you know, positions of political power or elected office. It is the tradition that we only refer to them by their title, and that should be the proper context of the House. The Chair thanks the gentleman for raising that.

Mr. HOHENSTEIN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. You are welcome, sir.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Kulik, on final passage.

Mrs. KULIK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my comments, not only as a woman, but as a lawyer for the past 30-plus years. This bill is yet another mandate that we are putting on our constituents. Please understand that I appreciate both sides of this argument. I see both sides. I understand them. However well-intentioned this legislation is, the bottom line is that it forces mandates on our schools, colleges, and organizations such as the PIAA, the WPIAL, and the NCAA. To reiterate what some of my colleagues have said, I believe that these issues are ones that should be addressed by the organizations involved, whether it is the PIAA, the NIAA (National Independent Athletic Association), or the NCAA. These are issues that can be and should be addressed by our school districts, for the determinations made by our school districts certainly will affect the concerns and beliefs of their families and their taxpayers.

The legislation is in and of itself flawed, devoid of a clear definition that would allow meaningful determination, and actually inviting any effective entity to simply declare all sports to be coed.

I am further troubled by any legislation that invites litigation. Our courts are already flooded with lawsuits, too many of which have questionable merit. This legislation will act to encourage the filing of lawsuits. The organizations that will be involved, the people that we involve do not have the funds for these lawsuits.

I welcome debate. I welcome debate on women's issues. Someday I hope that the bill, Alina's Law, gets consideration for domestic violence and other meaningful bills that will protect women. I welcome that debate. But as far as this bill, I truly

believe that it should be left to the organizations that we have given the authority to to address these sports issues.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady and recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dan Miller, on final passage.

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

Mr. Speaker, there have been, obviously, a lot of comments today, which is always a good thing, I think. Title IX, you know, I admit to you, I am a little, part of me gets a little excited to talk about Title IX because I do not think we spend a lot of time on it. And there clearly, I will be honest, some of the things I kind of picked up more from some other people who think differently about Title IX. There are a lot of things that generally get criticized by Title IX. But here, I think there is a lot of value that I think some people are trying to associate with Title IX, so I definitely hope that is something that we will look to continue in further discussions, about how we can expand opportunities for women and girls across the board to play and be involved in everything.

That being said, you know, look, I think one of the key things here is that it is important for us to note that what we say here is not just in relation to sports. We are not just here because what this body says in a majority vote is going to be limited to a handful of trans kids who may play sports somewhere in Pennsylvania. The reality, of course, is the majority of trans kids are not going to be playing sports, but they are going to hear what this body says. And we have already heard people talk about some of the concerns embodied in trans kids and the challenges that they have to face.

I do not know how else to describe it when we think about those conversations that were referenced that are going to happen tonight, tomorrow, and in the near future, when parents are going to have to sit down at the table and explain a line that has been drawn, a line that is drawn amongst kids. We are drawing, this body, in passing this, we are drawing a line for kids, the vast majority of which are not going on – even if they happen to be 13, maybe, and playing soccer somewhere – they are not going to be going on to professional sports. That is what happens no matter who you are. But they are going to hear this line. They are going to see this line, and it doubles down on the challenges that so many face. I am concerned by the message, both in the sports community and out of the sports community, in relation to the damage that this can do. I can never support a bill that draws a line on kids. I could never support a bill that says that some kid cannot do something, and unfortunately, here, with this, I fear and I believe those moments at the table are going to be shattering.

But let me say this: To all of our trans kids, no matter where you are in Pennsylvania, you are loved, you are appreciated, and you are valued. And there are so many of us who support you and want you to know that even if you get a vote like this that may be dark for you, that there will be better days. And we are here for you. We are not going to let you be unrepresented, and we support you. Too many kids do not get that message. This body should reflect that, and that is why I cannot vote for a bill that draws a line on any children in Pennsylvania.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman and goes to Representative White on final passage.

Ms. WHITE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

So I would like to clarify some of the points that have been made by my colleagues across the aisle before I get to my formal remarks. I would like to note that a physical exam by a medical

doctor is a requirement already to participate in athletics; nothing in this bill changes that requirement in any way.

The second point I would like to go into is something that transpired during the comments from the minority chairman as this bill came out of the Education Committee. The comments were saying that we should stay in our lane, telling us to stay in our lane. This is something that I have heard throughout the comments today, that this chamber should not be addressing this issue. I can tell you that this is very much in our lane. And to be clear, it is the responsibility of government to address sports inequity. As a matter of fact, Title IX is just that. It is government getting involved to address an inequity.

Separately, no one is being excluded from participating in athletics in this legislation. This bill focuses on competitive athletics from middle school to college.

Also, this legislation has support from the LGBTQ community. The Log Cabin Republicans in Philadelphia have shown support for this legislation. Their opinion does matter. The opinions of people who have performed at high levels in the sports arena and in athletics who have also supported addressing this inequity in sports include those of Caitlyn Jenner and Martina Navratilova.

As for my remarks, science and common sense tell us that biological males are bigger, faster, and stronger than females. They have larger hearts and lungs, denser bones, stronger muscles, and generate more force in athletics. These are all advantages that cannot be undone.

Imagine how a young woman feels about missing a spot on a roster for her high school soccer team to a biological male. She loses more than just an opportunity; she loses potential friendships and life lessons of being part of a team. She could lose out on athletic scholarship opportunities and miss out on athletic achievements that otherwise would have been hers had she been given an equal opportunity to have fair play.

Or worse, imagine a talented high school freshman who makes her varsity softball team as a catcher, but finds herself standing at home plate ready to tag a runner who is a much bigger and faster biological male. A collision like this in softball does happen, and the injuries to the young girl that she could suffer could be life-changing.

These are just a few of the reasons that we must ensure that only biological females are competing in the female category. Having separate teams for men and women is the time-tested way to ensure that women have the opportunity to showcase their talents and be champions.

That is why I support the Fairness in Women's Sports Act, which would ensure that all female athletes have a level playing field to compete and win. Under this law, a student who is deprived of an athletic opportunity or suffers direct or indirect harm as a result of a violation of this act by a college or public school would be able to bring a cause of action for injunctive relief, psychological and physical damage, and the costs involved in filing the lawsuit against the college or high school.

We must stand up for our young women so that they have the opportunities that were assured to them under Title IX. Remember that it only takes three positions to be taken by biological males for biological females to never see the winner's platform again.

This issue is not a simple exercise in legislating or politics to me. I have personally competed in both high school and collegiate level athletics, as many of my colleagues who have



prime-sponsored this legislation have done so as well. This was a benefit that I enjoyed because of the many incredible, strong-willed women who came before me and fought for Title IX.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the passing of Title IX into U.S. law in June 1972, and Sports Illustrated is featuring this anniversary. They put to their readers a simple task: "Share a photo of a moment in your life that embodies the question: What does Title IX mean to you? The passing of Title IX gave women the equal opportunity to play, but since then, it has impacted the lives of people in many different ways. How has Title IX influenced your life, professionally, athletically or personally? What opportunities were provided to you because of Title IX?"

Allow me to take this moment to answer this question. Title IX afforded me life lessons of teamwork, leadership, accountability, and determination, and instilled in me the spirit to never give up.

Ladies, women, young female athletes, we will not give up this fight. No one should be forcing biological females to compete against biological males. It is patently wrong and unfair. Every young woman in Pennsylvania needs to know that there are women here in Harrisburg fighting for them and their rights under Title IX. We will not permit anyone to chip away at women's rights, including the right to have equal opportunity to fair play. We will continue to protect what so many women fought to ensure: that you can compete on a level playing field and fulfill your full potential, not only as an athlete, but as a woman with a bright future.

Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the lady.

Both the leaders have waived off.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—115

Armanini	Gregory	Masser	Rothman
Benninghoff	Greiner	Mehaffie	Rowe
Bernstine	Grove	Mentzer	Rozzi
Boback	Hamm	Mercuri	Ryan
Bonner	Heffley	Metcalfe	Sainato
Borowicz	Helm	Metzgar	Sankey
Brooks	Hennessey	Mihalek	Saylor
Brown, R.	Hershey	Millard	Schemel
Burns	Hickernell	Miller, B.	Schmitt
Causar	Irvin	Mizgorski	Schroeder
Cook	James	Moul	Silvis

Cox	Jones	Mustello	Smith
Culver	Jozwiak	Neilson	Sonney
Davanzo	Kail	Nelson, E.	Staats
Day	Kaufner	O'Neal	Stambaugh
Delozier	Kauffman	Oberlander	Struzzi
DelRosso	Keefe	Ortitay	Thomas
Diamond	Kerwin	Owlett	Tomlinson
Dowling	Klunk	Peifer	Topper
Dunbar	Knowles	Pennycuik	Twardzik
Ecker	Labs	Pickett	Warner
Emrick	Lawrence	Polinchock	Wentling
Farry	Lewis	Puskaric	Wheeland
Fee	Mackenzie, M.	Quinn	White
Flood	Mackenzie, R.	Rader	Williams, C.
Fritz	Major	Rapp	Zimmerman
Gaydos	Mako	Rigby	
Gillen	Maloney	Roae	Cutler,
Gillespie	Marshall	Rossi	Speaker
Gleim			

NAYS—84

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

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 2401, PN 2969**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, in licensing of health care facilities, further providing for licensure.

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, Representatives 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—199

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

Fiedler	Lawrence	Rabb	
Fitzgerald	Lee	Rader	Cutler,
Flood	Lewis	Rapp	Speaker
Frankel			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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. While the Speaker appreciated the thumbs-up sign, we still need verbal confirmation for the record.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2419, PN 2841**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 31, 2018 (P.L.123, No.25), known as the Outpatient Psychiatric Oversight Act, further providing for definitions and for requirements.

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, Chairman DeLuca, on final passage.

Mr. DeLUCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, as the cochair of the Mental Health Caucus and a cosponsor of HB 2419, I want to commend the chair, the majority chair of the Insurance Committee for introducing this piece of legislation that certainly means a lot to the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and throughout this country.

As a society, we need to make sure that individuals have access to mental health care that they need. And getting access to mental health care is tough enough. Some parts of our State struggle to attract and retain psychiatrists. This has resulted in a shortage of psychiatrists that particularly affects the rural parts of our State and makes it harder to access mental health care. Now, we all know, in this body, how important mental health is to a lot of our constituents, to our family members, and even to some of our kids. It is a big thing right now, and we need to draw attention to it and pass this type of legislation to alleviate some of the effects of psychiatric shortages, while still protecting Pennsylvanians who need outpatient psychiatric medical care.

I support this HB 2419, and I think everyone in this body should support it. Now, we spent an hour and 15 or 20 minutes on a bill out there debating what we should do on a bill previously that we were debating. We all should get up there and tell stories of how this has affected somebody in your family, one of your friends, or your constituents. These are the types of bills that we should be talking about to do away with the stigma of mental health. The more we talk about it, the better we help these individuals. The days of putting them away and hiding it are over. It is time that we move these bills out of committee and onto the floor.

So therefore, I ask this whole House to vote "yes" on HB 2419, and again I want to commend the majority chairwoman of the Insurance Committee.

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 PRO TEMPORE  
(JOHN A. LAWRENCE) PRESIDING**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the gentleman from Philadelphia, Representative Harris, is recognized.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the gentleman, and the lady from Clarion, Representative Oberlander, is recognized.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the lady.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
Bernstine	Gaydos	Madden	Rothman
Bizzarro	Gillen	Major	Rowe
Boback	Gillespie	Mako	Rozzi
Bonner	Gleim	Malagari	Ryan
Borowicz	Gregory	Maloney	Sainato
Boyle	Greiner	Markosek	Samuelson
Bradford	Grove	Marshall	Sanchez
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Brooks	Guzman	Matzie	Sappey
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Brown, R.	Hanbidge	McNeill	Schemel
Bullock	Harkins	Mehaffie	Schlossberg
Burgos	Harris	Mentzer	Schmitt
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Dunbar	Kosierowski	Pickett	Williams, C.
Ecker	Krajewski	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Emrick	Krueger	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Kulik	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Labs	Quinn	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Lawrence	Rabb	
Fitzgerald	Lee	Rader	Cutler, Speaker
Flood	Lewis	Rapp	
Frankel			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 2171, PN 2894**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to quitclaim and release to the Waymart Area Historical Society any right, title or interest it may have with respect to certain historical use restrictions and a related reversionary interest affecting certain real property situate in the Township of Canaan, Wayne County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Governor, to grant and convey to The Grist at Mather Mill, Ltd., certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in Whitemarsh Township, Montgomery County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to issue a corrective deed to the Potter County Housing Authority, and to quitclaim and release to the Potter County Housing Authority any right, title or interest it may have with respect to a certain use restriction and a related reversionary interest in each case related to certain real property situate in the Borough of Coudersport, Potter County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, through a competitive solicitation for proposals process; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Corrections and the Governor, to lease to the County of Wayne a portion of the lands of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania at the State Correctional Institution - Waymart, situate in the Township of Canaan and Borough of Waymart, Wayne County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the

Governor, to grant and convey to the Berks County Redevelopment Authority certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the Borough of Hamburg and Windsor Township, Berks County, being a portion of the former Hamburg Center; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Berks County Intermediate Unit certain lands and improvements situate in Windsor Township, Berks County, being a portion of the former Hamburg Center; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania State Police and the Governor, to grant and convey to Robert Swingle certain lands and improvements situate in the Township of Richmond, Tioga County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Governor, to grant and convey, at a price to be determined through a competitive bid process, certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in Coraopolis Borough, Allegheny County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Borough of Wyoming certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the Borough of Wyoming, Luzerne County.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 pro tempore. On that question, the lady from Clarion is recognized.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the lady, and the gentleman from Philadelphia, Representative Harris, is recognized.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

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Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
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Bizzarro	Gillen	Major	Rowe
Boback	Gillespie	Mako	Rozzi
Bonner	Gleim	Malagari	Ryan
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Bradford	Grove	Marshall	Sanchez
Briggs	Guenst	Masser	Sankey
Brooks	Guzman	Matzie	Sappey
Brown, A.	Hamm	McClinton	Saylor
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Bullock	Harkins	Mehaffie	Schlossberg
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Causer	Hennessey	Metcalfe	Shusterman
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Diamond	Kirkland	Pashinski	Wentling
Dowling	Klunk	Peifer	Wheeland
Driscoll	Knowles	Pennycuick	White
Dunbar	Kosierowski	Pickett	Williams, C.
Ecker	Krajewski	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Emrick	Krueger	Polinchock	Young
Farry	Kulik	Puskaric	Zabel
Fee	Labs	Quinn	Zimmerman
Fiedler	Lawrence	Rabb	
Fitzgerald	Lee	Rader	Cutler,
Flood	Lewis	Rapp	Speaker
Frankel			

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 2373, PN 2895**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for transfer authority over Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 gentleman from Lebanon, Representative Diamond, is recognized.

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I wanted to just clear up – it seemed like there was a bit of confusion over what this bill is about. HB 2373 is being offered at the request of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. As you may recall, Mr. Speaker, in 2019 we passed what is now Act 118, which transferred control of what was known as the Lieutenant Governor's Mansion from the Department of General Services to the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. However, one of the caveats of that transfer was that the department actually use that facility as a veterans outreach center of some sort. However, after further study, the department has found that in order to convert that to a public-facing facility for veterans outreach, they would need to, A, put about \$3 million worth of renovations to make it ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant, and, B, making those renovations would kind of ruin the historic nature of this building, which was built in the 1940s and is an old, fine limestone house.

The other problem that faces this caveat that the General Assembly put on this transfer was that a veterans' outreach center needs to be a public-facing building, and it just so happens that the former Lieutenant Governor's Mansion is located within the boundaries of a new security fence and gate system that will be installed at Fort Indiantown Gap.

So for that reason, the department has asked that we amend Act 118 of 2019 so that they can create a different veterans outreach facility somewhere else that will be public-facing, will not be behind the fence, and that they could repurpose the former Lieutenant Governor's Mansion for something that is more fitting for being inside the secure area and will not ruin the historic nature of that fine building.

So, Mr. Speaker, thank you for the opportunity to clarify what HB 2373 is about, and I ask for the members' support.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

Are there any other members seeking recognition on the bill?

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the lady from Clarion, Representative Oberlander, is recognized.

Ms. OBERLANDER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the lady, and the gentleman from Philadelphia, Representative Harris, is recognized.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker thanks the gentleman.

The following roll call was recorded:

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 **SB 1020, PN 1523**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Kyle A. and Tamara J. Boltz certain lands situate in Union Township, Lebanon County, in exchange for Kyle A. and Tamara J. Boltz's granting and conveying certain lands to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, to be added to those existing lands at Swatara State Park; and authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Erdenheim Farm (EQ), L.P., certain lands situate in Whitemarsh and Springfield Townships, Montgomery County, in exchange for Erdenheim Farm (EQ), L.P., causing to convey to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a tract of land to be added to Marsh Creek State Park.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 gentleman, Representative Diamond, is recognized.

Mr. DIAMOND. SB 1020, as we amended it here in the House, represents two DCNR (Department of Conservation and Natural Resources) land-related exchanges.

The first relates to an exchange in Lebanon County between DCNR and Mr. and Mrs. Tamara and Kyle Boltz. The Boltz's will convey land and use of an easement to DCNR that will be added to Swatara State Park. In exchange, DCNR will convey land to the Boltz's to help further their operation of a local campground.

The second DCNR exchange in SB 1020 is a conveyance to Erdenheim Farm, land in Montgomery County and being part of Fort Washington State Park, in order to use this property for easements. In exchange, Erdenheim Farm will convey to DCNR certain lands in Chester County, in the Marsh Creek State Park, which will offer better public access to Chester County's Struble Trail, as well as access to the park's trail system, where there is currently no public access. Completion of these exchanges are a priority for DCNR so we can better enjoy all the resources our Commonwealth's State parks have to offer.

So, Mr. Speaker, thank you so much, and I ask for your support of this legislation as well.

**THE SPEAKER (BRYAN CUTLER)  
PRESIDING**

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—1**

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 return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same with amendment in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2073, PN 2395**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5786, carrying State Route 3013, known as Dunnings Highway, over South Poplar Run, in Greenfield Township, Blair County, as the Bryan T. "Chipper" Chamberlain Memorial Bridge.

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

(Members proceeded to vote.)

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The electronic board is accurate.

The SPEAKER. 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.

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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—1

Evans

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 746, PN 731**, entitled:

An Act limiting assignment of State-owned vehicles.

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, Chairman Roae.

Mr. ROAE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I urge everybody to vote "yes" on HB 746. HB 746 would end the practice of legislators being eligible to obtain a State-owned car or a State-leased car.

Mr. Speaker, currently there are about 177 members in this room right now that drive their own vehicles and there are 26 that drive State vehicles. So this is already something that most of us are already doing. Mr. Speaker, it makes sense for all of us to do the same thing. To have the expenses associated with running basically another employee benefit that only 26 members are utilizing is an expensive thing to do. It would be more efficient if everybody used the same system.

Some people have asked about the cost of this. What costs more, paying members mileage or giving members a car where the taxpayers basically pay the lease payment, the gas, the repairs, the maintenance, the tolls, the oil changes, everything like that? And some costs are easy to calculate. If we have members that are working mostly remotely, and they have a State-leased vehicle but they are doing session remotely and they are not coming to Harrisburg, it does not really seem to make a lot of sense to spend hundreds of dollars a month for that legislator to have a car. If a legislator has their own car and they choose to do remote session, they get paid zero for that month, if they did not drive any business-related miles. So it really makes sense to do away with these cars, Mr. Speaker.

There are other costs that are harder to calculate. There is a former member that was involved in not one, not two, but three different crashes with her State vehicle. The last crash involved driving without a driver's license and fleeing the scene of an accident, and potential costs for events like that, Mr. Speaker, are hard to calculate. How big is the lawsuit going to be if a legislator without a driver's license crashes a State-owned car? Well, if that legislator is driving their own car, they are going to be taking care of that. If it is a State car, the State is going to have to be on the hook for that.

So I would urge everybody to vote for this. And one final thing I do want to say: Members who currently already have a State-leased car, they would be able to keep those cars until the car has to get turned in because there are too many miles on it or it gets crashed or whatever the situation is, but you would not be able to get a new vehicle to replace that one, and all the other members and members newly elected, they would not be able to get vehicles either. So this would pretty much phase out the program.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

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

Mr. DeLUCA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I happen to be one of the individuals who has a fleet car, and the reason I have a fleet car, Mr. Speaker, is because I do not believe the taxpayers sent me up here to buy a new car every 2 years by using the mileage reimbursement, okay?

Now, let me say, General Services here in their calculations, my car is a 2014. Now, if I would have driven my car and collected mileage, I could have bought a car in 2 years on the taxpayers; 2 years I would have owned the car on the taxpayers' dime. Now, if the gentleman can show me that he is saving taxpayers money, then I would not be up here, Mr. Speaker, but General Services says that we do not save money by what he is proposing.

Now, it is ironic that 2 years ago the gentleman proposed this, and it is ironic that it happened to be around election time. And it passed, Mr. Speaker, but unfortunately, it did not pass in the Senate because the Democrats are the ones that have their leased cars here and the Republicans in the Senate have the leased cars. So it is ironic that the Republicans did not pass it. And as I see here, I am looking at this bill here, it was introduced February 3, 2021. That is how important this piece of legislation is, because we want to do good for the taxpayers. We want to have this good feeling that we are doing something for the taxpayers, when all we are doing is costing the taxpayers more money.

Mr. Speaker, we have so many good bills in committee that people are worried about that affect their lives, and we are thinking about these types of bills so we can go out there and score political points on these advertisements anymore. That is outrageous and we should not let them get away with it.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend.

Mr. DeLUCA. It is about time—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend.

Mr. DeLUCA. Wait, Mr. Speaker, I am not—

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend.

Mr. DeLUCA. Mr. Speaker? Hold on, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will suspend. You are not in order.

Mr. DeLUCA. Go ahead.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman will approach the rostrum.

The House will be at ease.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. The House will come to order.

I believe the gentleman has concluded his remarks.

For what purpose does the gentleman rise? You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. DeLUCA. Mr. Speaker, I want to apologize to you.

The SPEAKER. Apology accepted.

Mr. DeLUCA. I wanted to do that publicly.

The SPEAKER. Not needed, but I do appreciate it. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. DeLUCA. All right. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. I do understand, on all of the issues that we cover here on a regular basis, that there is passion on both sides. However difficult the task may be, whoever is in the rostrum is tasked with ensuring that that debate is efficient and respectful.

The Speaker appreciates the chairman's apology, but it is important that when we ask you to suspend, that you do comply with the Speaker's request. As was evidenced earlier, one of those attempts was to bring order to the floor for the member who deserved to be heard. Sometimes it is for an explanation as to why a member has gone a little too far in their passion.

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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#### NAYS—16

Bullock	DeLissio	Frankel	Samuelson
Burgos	DeLuca	Hohenstein	Sims
Cruz	Fiedler	Isaacson	Sturla
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#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—1

Evans

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 floor votes. We will turn to committee announcements and some routine housekeeping.

Seeing no announcements.

### BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 223;  
 HB 224;  
 HB 1847;  
 HB 2397;  
 HB 2456;  
 HB 2457; and  
 HB 2458.

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 121;  
 HB 875;  
 HB 934;  
 HB 947; and  
 HB 1962.

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 1592;  
 HB 2049;  
 HB 2059; and  
 SB 673.

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 1592;  
HB 2049;  
HB 2059; and  
SB 673.

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

**BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1596**, **PN 2178**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing separate and distinct and integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for qualifications of electors, for method of elections and secrecy in voting and for election and registration laws and providing for election audits and for the election and qualifications of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 1596 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 1596 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 922**, **PN 911**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, in liability and compensation, further providing for compensable injuries, subrogation and proration.

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

**BILL TABLED**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 922 be removed from the active calendar and placed on the tabled calendar.

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

**BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER. The majority leader moves that HB 922 be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENT BY MS. BOBACK**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman, Representative Boback. For what purpose do you rise?

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.  
An announcement, please.

The SPEAKER. You are in order and may make your announcement.

Ms. BOBACK. Thank you.

Members of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee, as well as House members who are celebrating the "Month of the Military Child," please meet at the back of the floor. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the chairwoman.

**STATE GOVERNMENT  
COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I just wanted to announce a State Government Committee voting meeting tomorrow at 9 a.m., room 523, Irvis Office Building, to take up HBs 978, 2471, 2496, and 2507, SB 423 and SB 559, and other business that may come before the committee.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

There will be a State Government Committee meeting tomorrow at 9 a.m. in room 523, Irvis Office Building.

**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 Chair is in receipt of a motion made by the gentleman, Representative DeLuca, that this House do now adjourn until Wednesday, April 13, 2022, at 11 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 4:19 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.