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### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

**THE SPEAKER (JOANNA E. McCLINTON)**  
**PRESIDING**

#### PRAYER

HON. JOSEPH D'ORSIE, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you. Let us pray:

Father God, Holy One of Israel, alpha and omega, we invite Your presence into this hall today. We dedicate our State, Pennsylvania, to Your care and loving kindness.

As leaders appointed over the communities of this State, help us, lead us, and guide us into all truth, Holy Spirit. Help us serve in our positions as You served, Jesus. Help us put on humility daily as we walk the halls of this building and the streets in our hometowns. Help us to steward well the gifts You have bestowed upon us. Thank You for breath, for another day to do Your will, for our positions of authority. Let us not neglect what an honor it is to serve You and our constituents in these posts.

The Bible says that every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of Lights. We thank You for each of these good gifts. We do not take them for granted. We thank You for life and liberty, for our State, for the people who make it great. Bless Pennsylvania, Lord. Let her lead the way. Endue each of us and the rest of her leaders to bring about prosperity and blessing here in the Keystone State.

Let us honor You with our lips and our lives. In Jesus' name.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER. Colleagues, we have some very special guests here. I would like your full attention so we can acknowledge them properly. Sergeants at Arms, please clear the aisles. Members, please take your seats. We have some very important guests seated to the left of the Speaker's rostrum that we would like to acknowledge properly.

The House will come to order. The House will come to order.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Today is a very special day here in Harrisburg. We are so appreciative to our colleague, Representative Donna Bullock, who is the chair of the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus, which is celebrating its 50th year. But today is very special, colleagues, because today marks the 46th anniversary since the gentleman from the western side of the State, from the Hill community of Pittsburgh, Representative K. Leroy Irvis, became the first African-American Speaker of the House here in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. And to commemorate that anniversary, the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus is having a day of action and advocacy. But here in our midst for the first time – at least since I have been here since 2015 I have not seen these great folks here – but we are thrilled to have the wife of the late, great K. Leroy Irvis here. We ask that she would stand so that we can recognize you. You are seated to the left of the rostrum. She is 90 years old; 90 years old. Mrs. Irvis is here with her daughter, Sherri Irvis-Hill, and her granddaughter, Elyse Irvis. We are so very grateful for you to be here.

### FORMER MEMBER WELCOMED

The SPEAKER. Also here for the day of action is a retired member from Delaware County, former Representative Margo Davidson. We are glad to see you today.

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. And the final group of guests include the mayor of Williamsport, Derek Slaughter, and Christa Caceres from Monroe County. Please stand and remain standing so we can welcome you. We are so very glad to have you in our midst.

Also on the left of the Speaker's rostrum, we have a youngest constituent, a youngest constituent of Representative Cepeda-Freytiz – but not just any constituent. Her daughter is in our midst. Enith, please stand. Welcome.

In the front of the House, we have some guest pages. Our colleague, Representative Delozier, has two guest pages today, Ellen Firth from Cedar Cliff High School, and Alyssa Shaw from the West Shore Christian Academy. Thank you for being here today.

Representative Paul Takac also has a guest page, Noah Demo, who is here, a junior at State College High School. Please stand up, Noah. Welcome.

In the gallery, we are so excited that Representative Guzman has brought the Reading High School Basketball Team, who is the PIAA Class 6A State Champions. Joining them are their coaches and the cheerleading team. Congratulations to these champions from Reading. Welcome.

Also in the gallery, our colleague, Representative Donahue, brings the Scranton High School Show Choir. They are the only show choir group in Pennsylvania, and they finished first in the nation out of 269 choirs. Scranton, please stand. Welcome. We are so glad to have you.

The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

In the front of the House, our colleague, Representative Kutz, has guest pages from the Cumberland Valley High School. We have in our presence Samuel Pimental, Evangelina Lamichhane, and Olivia Grace Erhard. Please stand. Welcome to the floor of the House. We are so glad to have you.

### HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 1202** By Representatives B. MILLER, E. NELSON, ROWE, STAATS, PICKETT, KAUFFMAN, KEEFER, GILLEN, T. JONES, LAWRENCE and WENTLING

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in restructuring of electric utility industry, further providing for definitions and for duties of electric distribution companies and providing for duties of public utilities.

Referred to Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES, May 22, 2023.

**No. 1214** By Representative PROBST

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

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, May 22, 2023.

**No. 1215** By Representative VITALI

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in regional clean hydrogen hubs, further providing for definitions, for eligibility and for application and approval of tax credit, providing for qualifying clean hydrogen uses and further providing for guidelines and regulations.

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 22, 2023.

**No. 1216** By Representatives SALISBURY, HILL-EVANS, PROBST, MADDEN, KRUEGER, FREEMAN, BOROWSKI, SANCHEZ, BRENNAN, McNEILL, KHAN, MALAGARI, HADDOCK and SCOTT

An Act establishing the Municipal Grant Assistance Program and the Municipal Grant Assistance Program Fund; imposing duties on the Department of Community and Economic Development; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, May 22, 2023.

### SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

**SB 188, PN 86**

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 22, 2023.

**SB 190, PN 88**

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 22, 2023.

### ACTUARIAL NOTE

The SPEAKER. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of an actuarial note for amendment A00644, HB 298, PN 254, from the Independent Fiscal Office.

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

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

**HB 35, PN 24**

By Rep. DALEY

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

TOURISM AND ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

**HB 1032, PN 1041**

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act establishing the Solar for Schools Grant Program; and providing for powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

**HB 1100, PN 1148**

By Rep. SAMUELSON

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in tax relief in cities of the first class, further providing for supplemental senior citizen tax reduction; and, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for property tax and rent rebate and for filing of claim.

FINANCE.

**HB 1160, PN 1295 (Amended)**

By Rep. DEASY

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, for retail dispensers' restrictions on purchases and sales, for breweries and for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees.

LIQUOR CONTROL.

### RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

**HR 79, PN 1294** (Amended) By Rep. MATZIE

A Resolution urging the Biden Administration and the Congress of the United States to designate Pennsylvania as a hydrogen hub.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

**HR 108, PN 1214** By Rep. DALEY

A Resolution recognizing the days of May 12 through 21, 2023, as "Go Public Gardens Days" in Pennsylvania.

TOURISM AND ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

### BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

**HB 1064, PN 1078** By Rep. SAMUELSON

An Act amending the act of July 11, 1990 (P.L.465, No.113), known as the Tax Increment Financing Act, further providing for definitions, for creation of tax increment districts and approval of project plans and for financing of project costs.

Reported from Committee on FINANCE with request that it be rereferred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

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

### BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

**HB 1138, PN 1195** By Rep. MATZIE

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 definitions and for imposition of tax; and, in gross receipts tax, further providing for imposition of tax.

Reported from Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES with request that it be rereferred to Committee on FINANCE.

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

### GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the gallery, our colleague, Representative Leadbeter, welcomes the Southern Columbia Girls Soccer State Champions, who recently won their third consecutive State title. They are the 2022 PIAA Class AA Champions. Southern Columbia, please stand. Congratulations.

Our colleague, Representative Smith-Wade-El, brings to us, in the gallery, the members of the Lancaster County Community Foundation Baldwin Leadership Program. The Baldwin Leadership Program is commended for sparking local leaders who are making history with representation of Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and LGBTQ individuals. Would you guests of Representative Smith-Wade-El please stand as we welcome you, and thank you for your hard work.

Our colleague, Representative Sappey, welcomes the leaders of the Pennsylvania Public Horticulture Coalition. They are Paul Redman, president and CEO (chief executive officer) of Longwood Gardens; and Representative Sappey's constituent, Mandy Santiago, cochair of the Pennsylvania Public Horticulture Coalition; and Richard Doran, marketing and communications manager of the American Public Gardens Association. Please stand, in the gallery, and welcome. Thank you for your hard work.

Representative Mercuri, our colleague, has brought, in the gallery, the Pine-Richland Cross Country Champion, Natalie McLean, who won first place in the PIAA State Class AAA Girls Individual Cross Country Championship. This honor is the first of its kind for Pine-Richland. Natalie, please stand. Congratulations.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair is in receipt of information that today the gentleman from the 19th District turns 35. He is calling it middle age. Happy birthday, Representative Abney. Glad to see you hard at work on your birthday.

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

**HB 849, PN 1296** (Amended) By Rep. KINSEY

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in emergency COVID-19 response, providing for adult mental health program funding; in 2022-2023 budget implementation, repealing provisions relating to Department of Human Services; and making appropriations.

HUMAN SERVICES.

**HB 931, PN 1297** (Amended) By Rep. KINSEY

An Act amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in family finding and kinship care, establishing the Legal Services for Kinship Care Families Grant Program and the Legal Services for Kinship Care Families Grant Program Account; and making a transfer.

HUMAN SERVICES.

### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, May 22, 2023, will be postponed until printed.

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

The SPEAKER. Are there leaves of absence?

The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who indicates there are none.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who indicates there are none.

**MASTER ROLL CALL**

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take the master roll. Members will proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

**PRESENT—201**

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Madden	Sanchez
Bonner	Gillen	Madsen	Sappey
Borowicz	Giral	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Mako	Scheuren
Boyle	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Bradford	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg
Brennan	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Briggs	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Brown, A.	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, M.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Bullock	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Burgos	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burns	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
C Freytiz	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
Cabell	Harris	Mentzer	Solomon
Causar	Heffley	Mercuri	Staats
Cephas	Hogan	Merski	Stambaugh
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Metzgar	Steele
Ciresi	Howard	Mihalek	Stehr
Conklin	Innamorato	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Cook	Irvin	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cooper	Isaacson	Moul	Takac
Curry	James	Mullins	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jones, M.	Munroe	Topper
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Mustello	Twardzik
Daley	Jozwiak	Neilson	Venkat
Davanzo	Kail	Nelson, E.	Vitali
Davis	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Warner
Dawkins	Kauffman	O'Mara	Warren
Deasy	Kazeem	O'Neal	Watro
Delloso	Keefer	Oberlander	Waxman
Delozier	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Webster
Diamond	Kephart	Otten	Wentling
Donahue	Kerwin	Owlett	White
Dunbar	Khan	Parker	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinhead	Pickett	Young
Evans	Kinsey	Pielli	Zimmerman
Fee	Klunk	Pisciottano	
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Probst	McClinton,
Fink	Krajewski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krueger	Rader	

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

**DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority caucus chair, Representative Schlossberg, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. SCHLOSSBERG. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

House Democrats will caucus at noon. We will be prepared to return to the floor at 1:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**REPUBLICAN CAUCUS**

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

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 12 o'clock. Republicans will caucus at 12 o'clock.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Harris, chair of the Committee on Appropriations, for a committee announcement.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

House Appropriations Committee will meet for a voting meeting immediately in the majority caucus room. Appropriations Committee will meet for a voting meeting immediately in the majority caucus room.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

**RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The House stands in recess until 1:30, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE****HB 134, PN 961**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for Medical Advisory Board.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 295, PN 251**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in soil and plant amendment, further providing for registration, for inspection fees, for tonnage reports and for disposition of funds.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 365, PN 332**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for exemptions from license requirements.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 409, PN 377**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in mental health: departmental powers and duties, commissioner of mental health, interstate compact, reciprocal agreements and research foundation, providing for mental health care services clearinghouse; and making an editorial change.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 797, PN 757**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242, No.428), known as the State Highway Law, in construction, improvement, maintenance and repair of State highways, providing for native vegetation along highways.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**HB 877, PN 853**

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Titles 30 (Fish) and 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, providing for active duty military fishing reciprocity and for disabled veteran annual fishing license reciprocity; and, in hunting and furtaking licenses, providing for active duty military hunting reciprocity and for disabled veteran annual hunting license reciprocity.

APPROPRIATIONS.

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES,  
CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED****HB 269, PN 1300 (Amended)**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 16 (Counties) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating the act of April 8, 1868 (P.L.73, No.37), entitled "An act to authorize the recorder of deeds in the several counties of this Commonwealth to record the discharges of all honorably discharged officers and soldiers"; and making a repeal.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 325, PN 288**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, providing for burial benefits.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 404, PN 1301 (Amended)**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in professional and occupational licenses, further providing for retention of licenses and certifications of persons entering military service.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 424, PN 391**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania National Guard, further providing for association group life insurance for Pennsylvania National Guard.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 892, PN 1302 (Amended)**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, establishing the PA VETConnect Program.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 962, PN 1299 (Amended)**

By Rep. VITALI

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in development, further providing for bonding.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

**HB 967, PN 1298 (Amended)**

By Rep. DAWKINS

An Act amending Title 48 (Lodging and Housing) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hotels, providing for protection of hotel employees; and imposing penalties.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

**HB 1086, PN 1303 (Amended)**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, further providing for veterans registry; and making an editorial change.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HB 1091, PN 1134**

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in veterans' pensions and benefits, further providing for blind veteran's pension and for amputee and paralyzed veteran's pension.



VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

### RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

**HR 60, PN 785** By Rep. DAWKINS

A Resolution designating the week of June 5 through 9, 2023, as "Union Organizing Week" in Pennsylvania, in honor of those workers who have fought for their right to organize and bargain collectively at their workplace.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

**HR 104, PN 1207** By Rep. VITALI

A Resolution designating the week of June 4 through 10, 2023, as "Chesapeake Bay Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

**HR 107, PN 1211** By Rep. SOLOMON

A Resolution designating May 24, 2023, as "Emergency Medical Services for Children (EMSC) Day" in Pennsylvania.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

**HR 109, PN 1212** By Rep. SOLOMON

A Resolution designating the week of May 21 through 27, 2023, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Pennsylvania.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS.

### CALENDAR

#### RESOLUTION

Ms. DALEY called up **HR 87, PN 1038**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study and issue a report on the current status, management and benefits of conservation corridors in this Commonwealth.

On the question,  
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—129

Abney	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rozzi
Bellmon	Gallagher	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Benham	Galloway	Madden	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Gaydos	Madsen	Samuelson
Borowski	Gergely	Mako	Sanchez
Boyle	Gillen	Malagari	Sappey
Bradford	Giral	Maloney	Schlossberg
Brennan	Green	Marcell	Schweyer

Briggs	Guenst	Markosek	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guzman	Marshall	Scott
Bullock	Haddock	Matzie	Shusterman
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mayes	Siegel
Burns	Harkins	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
C Freytiz	Harris	McNeill	Solomon
Cephas	Hogan	Mehaffie	Steele
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Mercuri	Struzzi
Ciresi	Howard	Merski	Sturla
Conklin	Innamorato	Miller, D.	Takac
Curry	Isaacson	Mullins	Tomlinson
Daley	Jozwiak	Munroe	Venkat
Davis	Kaufer	Neilson	Vitali
Dawkins	Kazeem	Nelson, N.	Warren
Deasy	Kenyatta	O'Mara	Waxman
Delloso	Khan	O'Neal	Webster
Delozier	Kim	Ortitay	Wentling
Donahue	Kinthead	Otten	White
Emrick	Kinsey	Parker	Williams, C.
Evans	Kosierowski	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Fiedler	Krajewski	Pielli	Young
Fleming	Krueger	Pisciottano	
Flood	Kulik	Probst	McClinton,
Frankel	Kuzma	Rabb	Speaker
Freeman	Labs	Rader	

#### NAYS—72

Adams	Ecker	Kephart	Rapp
Armanini	Fee	Kerwin	Rigby
Banta	Fink	Klunk	Roae
Barton	Flick	Krupa	Rossi
Benninghoff	Fritz	Kutz	Rowe
Bernstine	Gleim	Lawrence	Schemel
Bonner	Gregory	Leadbeter	Scheuren
Borowicz	Greiner	Major	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Grove	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cabell	Hamm	Metzgar	Smith
Causser	Heffley	Mihalek	Staats
Cook	Irvin	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Cooper	James	Moul	Stehr
Cutler	Jones, M.	Mustello	Topper
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Davanzo	Kail	Oberlander	Warner
Diamond	Kauffman	Owlett	Watro
Dunbar	Keefer	Pickett	Zimmerman

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 246, PN 209**, entitled:

An Act imposing a duty on municipal corporations to provide notification to property owners of changes to special flood hazard area maps of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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 95, PN 957**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in nuisances, further providing for the offense of scattering rubbish.

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

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House rule 20, the Chair rules amendment A00475 out of order.

House rule 20 provides that "No bill shall be passed containing more than one subject,..."

The single subject of HB 95 is "...providing for the offense of scattering rubbish." Amendment A00475 would add a second subject by "...providing for the...unlawful dissemination of artificially generated depiction."

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

Mr. **OWLETT** offered the following amendment No. **A00276**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 16, by inserting after "amended" and the subsection is amended by adding a paragraph  
Amend Bill, page 1, line 21, by inserting a bracket before "A"  
Amend Bill, page 1, line 21, by inserting after "A"

] Except as provided for in paragraph (1.1), a

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 7 and 8

(1.1) A person who violates subsection (a)(1) or (2) by discarding material that contains drug paraphernalia as that term is defined in section 2(b) of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L. 233, No. 64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, commits a misdemeanor of the third degree for the first offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than \$300 nor more than \$2,000 and be required to pick up litter or illegally dumped trash for not less than five nor more than 30 hours to be completed within six months, or to imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Owlett.

Mr. OWLETT. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment A00276 is quite simple. If the litter is drug paraphernalia, such as needles, then it is raised to a misdemeanor of the third degree for the first offense versus the tiered system.

The reason for this is also quite simple. There is a danger factor to the general public when needles or drug paraphernalia is not discarded appropriately. We have seen this in our parks, on our playgrounds that our kids are playing in. Our first responders see this on our streets every day, and I would appreciate support for amendment A00276.

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Briggs.

Mr. BRIGGS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Just for the members, I strongly encourage a "no" vote on amendment A00276. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—100

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rapp
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Ryncavage
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Schemel
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schlegel
Cabell	Hogan	Marshall	Schmitt
Causar	Irvin	Mehaffie	Scialabba
Cook	James	Mentzer	Smith
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Staats
Cutler	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mihalek	Stehr
Davanzo	Kail	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Moul	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flick	Kutz	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flood	Kuzma	Rader	Zimmerman

#### NAYS—101

Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlossberg
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schweyer
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Scott
Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Green	Mayes	Siegel
Bullock	Guenst	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Guzman	McNeill	Solomon
Burns	Haddock	Merski	Steele
C Freytiz	Hanbidge	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cephas	Harkins	Mullins	Takac
Cerrato	Harris	Munroe	Venkat
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Neilson	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Nelson, N.	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	O'Mara	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	Otten	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Parker	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Young
Deasy	Khan	Pielli	
Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinhead	Probst	Speaker
Evans	Kinsey	Rabb	

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

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

Ms. **DELOZIER** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00278**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting a bracket before "{90"  
Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting after "days"  
] 48 hours

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

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

Ms. **DELOZIER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The underlying bill deals with littering, as we have talked  
about. We can all agree that littering is bad and a blight on our  
landscape, and I know many of us have probably been frustrated  
watching somebody throw something out of a car.

But this bill and existing law is providing that a person  
convicted with littering for the first time can get a fine of up to  
\$2,000, 30 hours of community service, and 90 days in jail, and  
this is just for a summary offense — someone's first-time  
conviction of littering.

So, Madam Speaker, we hear a lot about how much it costs to  
incarcerate individuals. Ninety days would be quite expensive for  
someone throwing a coffee cup out a window. And we should be  
tough on crime, but littering in and of itself with 90 days I think  
is excessive for a first offense, especially when you are talking  
about a summary offense here.

So my amendment would reduce that time to a maximum of  
48 hours in jail for a first offense. It does not change the bill or  
the law regarding jail time for subsequent offenses. It literally just  
talks about a first-time offense and minimizing the time in jail  
that could be assessed.

I ask for a "yes" vote on amendment 278. Thank you, Madam  
Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Briggs.

Mr. **BRIGGS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I recommend the members to oppose this amendment. The  
District Attorneys Association does not support this amendment,  
and I encourage everyone to vote "no." Thank you.

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

The Chair recognizes Representative Lawrence.

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

Madam Speaker, I would encourage an affirmative vote on  
this amendment. Ninety days in jail for throwing a coffee cup out  
a window seems grossly excessive to me.

The good lady is offering an amendment that would give  
judges discretion for substantial fines, substantial community  
service, and up to 48 hours in prison. If we want to be serious  
about not locking people up for very, very minimal offenses, then  
a "yes" vote is the way to go on this amendment. I would  
encourage an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—94

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rader
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rapp
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Rigby
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Roae
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
Bonner	Grove	Major	Rowe
Borowicz	Hamm	Mako	Ryncavage
Brown, M.	Heffley	Maloney	Schemel
Cabell	Hogan	Marcell	Scheuren
Causar	Irvin	Marshall	Schmitt
Cook	James	Mentzer	Scialabba
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Smith
Cutler	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Staats
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Kail	Miller, B.	Stehr
Delozier	Kaufer	Moul	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flick	Kutz	Pickett	Zimmerman
Flood	Kuzma		

#### NAYS—107

Abney	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Bellmon	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Benham	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Bernstine	Friel	Madden	Sappay
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlegel
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Markosek	Schweyer
Bradford	Giral	Matzie	Scott
Brennan	Green	Mayes	Shusterman
Briggs	Greiner	McAndrew	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guenst	McNeill	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Guzman	Mehaffie	Solomon
Burgos	Haddock	Merski	Steele
Burns	Hanbidge	Miller, D.	Struzzi
C Freytiz	Harkins	Mullins	Sturla
Cephas	Harris	Munroe	Takac
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Neilson	Venkat
Ciresi	Howard	Nelson, N.	Vitali
Conklin	Innamorato	O'Mara	Warren
Curry	Isaacson	Otten	Waxman
Daley	Kazeem	Parker	Webster
Davis	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Williams, C.
Dawkins	Khan	Pielli	Williams, D.
Deasy	Kim	Pisciottano	Young
Delloso	Kinhead	Probst	
Donahue	Kinsey	Rabb	McClinton,
Evans	Kosierowski	Rozzi	Speaker
Fiedler			

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

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



Ms. **WHITE** offered the following amendment No. **A00279**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting a bracket before "{90"

Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting after "days"

] 48 hours if the conviction occurs in a jurisdiction other than a city of the first class or 90 days if the conviction occurs in a city of the first class

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

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

While I do agree with my colleague who just presented the prior amendments to ensure that our communities are remaining clean, I think it is very, very critical that in Philadelphia we address littering and illegal dumping, because it is such a serious issue in our area. Trash on the streets is a big problem, and it costs taxpayers millions of dollars each year to clean up large piles of dumped trash, including tires and even contaminated construction materials.

These dollars could be used to provide additional resources to law enforcement or even fund the EITC (educational improvement tax credit) scholarship program to provide students with educational opportunities to reach their full potential, but instead, we expend taxpayer dollars cleaning up all of this illegal dumping.

Current law provides up to 90 days in jail for a first-time littering offense. Some feel that this too much; maybe some feel this is too little. In my view, we need to keep a strong deterrent and enforcement option in Philadelphia for littering and illegal dumping.

My amendment would keep the current law for up to 90 days in jail for dumping in Philadelphia, and set maximum jail time for the rest of the State at 48 hours.

I encourage a "yes" vote. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

The Chair recognizes Representative Briggs.

Mr. **BRIGGS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Illegal dumping is a problem across the Commonwealth, not just in the city of the first class. I oppose the amendment and think the penalty should be consistent Commonwealth-wide and encourage our members to vote "no." Thank you.

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—92

Adams	Fritz	Kuzma	Rader
Armanini	Gaydos	Labs	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Lawrence	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Borowicz	Grove	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Brown, M.	Hamm	Major	Schemel
Cabell	Heffley	Mako	Scheuren
Causar	Hogan	Maloney	Schlegel
Cook	Irvin	Marcell	Schmitt

Cooper	James	Marshall	Scialabba
Cutler	Jones, M.	Mentzer	Smith
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Mercuri	Staats
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Delozier	Kail	Mihalek	Stehr
Diamond	Kaufert	Moul	Tomlinson
Dunbar	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Ecker	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Emrick	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Fee	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fink	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Flick	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flood	Kutz	Pickett	Zimmerman

#### NAYS—109

Abney	Fiedler	Krajewski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krueger	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Kulik	Samuelson
Bernstine	Freeman	Madden	Sanchez
Bizzarro	Friel	Madsen	Sappery
Bonner	Gallagher	Malagari	Schlossberg
Borowski	Galloway	Markosek	Schweyer
Boyle	Gergely	Matzie	Scott
Bradford	Giral	Mayes	Shusterman
Brennan	Green	McAndrew	Siegel
Briggs	Greiner	McNeill	Smith-Wade-El
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mehaffie	Solomon
Bullock	Guzman	Merski	Steele
Burgos	Haddock	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Burns	Hanbidge	Miller, D.	Sturla
C Freytiz	Harkins	Mullins	Takac
Cephas	Harris	Munroe	Venkat
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Neilson	Vitali
Ciresi	Howard	Nelson, N.	Warren
Conklin	Innamorato	O'Mara	Waxman
Curry	Isaacson	Otten	Webster
Daley	Kazeem	Parker	Williams, C.
Davis	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Khan	Pielli	Young
Deasy	Kim	Pisciottano	
Delloso	Kinhead	Probst	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinsey	Rabb	Speaker
Evans	Kosierowski	Rapp	

#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A00281**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 16, by inserting after "amended"

and the section is amended by adding a subsection

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 6 and 7

(b.1) Payment of fines.—Each fine collected under this section shall be paid to municipal police agencies or the agencies providing police services in the county in which the conviction occurred for use in the enforcement of nuisance offenses under this chapter.

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

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

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The amendment that is before the House, amendment 281, would direct fine money collected under the provisions of the underlying bill to local police – or in their absence, to State Police – for a specific directed use: the enforcement of littering laws.

The stated intent of the underlying legislation is to crack down on illegal dumping and littering. Police are the ones who are asked to take on that task. They deserve to be funded to take on this task.

I would encourage an affirmative vote. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes Representative Briggs.

Mr. BRIGGS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I encourage the members to oppose amendment A00281.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes Representative Heffley on the amendment.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I mean, I think this is a sound amendment. If we want to catch somebody littering, it is very difficult to see somebody throwing trash out of their car window or to see them dumping illegally.

So if we can enhance enforcement by providing resources to law enforcement to actually go down, go out and identify and crack down on these people that are illegally dumping, why would we not want to do that? This is a commonsense amendment.

And if you really want to get litter off the street and clean up our State parks and clean up our roadways, instead of organizing volunteers to go out on their weekends away from their family to pick up trash, then let us give law enforcement the tools that they need to stop these people that are littering.

I think it is a great amendment and I would ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS–100

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rapp
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Ryncavage
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Schemel
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schlegel
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Causar	Irvin	Mehaffie	Scialabba
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Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Staats

Cutler	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mihalek	Stehr
Davanzo	Kail	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufner	Moul	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flick	Kutz	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flood	Kuzma	Rader	Zimmerman

#### NAYS–101

Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappery
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlossberg
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schweyer
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Scott
Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Shusterman
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Bullock	Guenst	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Guzman	McNeill	Solomon
Burns	Haddock	Merski	Steele
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Cerrato	Harris	Munroe	Venkat
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Dawkins	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Young
Deasy	Khan	Pielli	
Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinhead	Probst	Speaker
Evans	Kinsey	Rabb	

#### NOT VOTING–0

#### EXCUSED–0

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

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 577, PN 1137**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Keystone Saves Program, the Keystone Saves Program Fund, the Keystone Saves Administrative Fund and the Keystone Saves Program Advisory Board; and providing for powers and duties of the Treasury Department, for investment and fiduciary responsibilities and for program implementation.

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

Ms. **GAYDOS** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00509**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 1 through 17; page 2, lines 1 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 8; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), entitled "An act relating to tax reform and State taxation by codifying and enumerating certain subjects of taxation and imposing taxes thereon; providing procedures for the payment, collection, administration and enforcement thereof; providing for tax credits in certain cases; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue, certain employers, fiduciaries, individuals, persons, corporations and other entities; prescribing crimes, offenses and penalties," in tax credit and tax benefit administration, further providing for definitions; and establishing an employee retirement account tax credit.

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 11 through 30; pages 4 through 32, lines 1 through 30; page 33, lines 1 through 29; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Section 1. The definition of "tax credit" in section 1701-A.1 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended to read:

Section 1701-A.1. Definitions.

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

\* \* \*

"Tax credit." A tax credit authorized under any of the following:

- (1) Article XVII-B.
- (2) Article XVII-D.
- (3) Article XVII-E.
- (4) Article XVII-G.
- (4.1) Article XVII-G.2.
- (5) Article XVII-H.
- (6) Article XVII-I.
- (7) Article XVII-J.
- (8) Article XVII-K.
- (8.1) Article XVII-L.
- (9) Article XVIII.
- (10) Article XVIII-B.
- (11) Article XVIII-D.
- (12) Article XVIII-E.
- (13) Article XVIII-F.
- (14) Article XVIII-G.
- (14.1) Article XVIII-H.
- (15) Article XIX-A.
- (15.1) Article XIX-C.
- (16) Article XIX-E.
- (16.1) Article XIX-F.
- (17) Section 2010.
- (19) Article XX-B of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30,

No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949.

(20) The act of December 1, 2004 (P.L.1750, No.226), known as the First Class Cities Economic Development District Act.

(21) 12 Pa.C.S. Ch. 34 (relating to Infrastructure and Facilities Improvement Program).

(22) Any other program established by a law of this Commonwealth in which a person applies for and receives a credit against a tax. This paragraph shall not apply to a credit against a tax liability as a result of an overpayment.

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Section 2. The act is amended by adding an article to read:

#### ARTICLE XVII-G.2

#### EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ACCOUNT TAX CREDIT

#### Section 1701-G.2. Scope of article.

This article establishes an employee retirement account tax

credit.

#### Section 1702-G.2. Definitions.

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

"Administrative costs." The costs incurred by a qualified taxpayer to offer employee retirement accounts to the qualified taxpayer's employees. The term does not include any amounts deposited in an employee retirement account.

"Business firm." An entity authorized to do business in this Commonwealth and subject to the taxes imposed by Article III, IV, VII, VIII, IX or XV.

"Department." The Department of Revenue of the Commonwealth.

"Employee retirement account." An employer-sponsored retirement plan described by section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 401(k)).

"Pass-through entity." Any of the following:

(1) A partnership as defined in section 301(n.0).

(2) A Pennsylvania S corporation as defined in section 301(n.1).

(3) An unincorporated entity subject to section 307.21.

"Qualified tax liability." The liability for taxes imposed under Articles III, IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX, XI and XV. The term does not include tax withheld under section 316.1.

"Qualified taxpayer." A business firm that meets all of the following:

(1) Offers an employee retirement account to each of its employees for the entire period during which the tax credit is claimed.

(2) Employs at least two employees who reside in this Commonwealth.

"Tax credit." The employee retirement account tax credit provided under this article.

#### Section 1703-G.2. Rate and procedure.

(a) Rate.—The tax credit shall be equal to the total amount of administrative costs incurred to the qualified taxpayer in the prior calendar year.

(b) Application.—

(1) A qualified taxpayer may apply to the department for a tax credit under this section.

(2) The application must be submitted to the department by March 1 for the tax credit claimed by the qualified taxpayer for the prior calendar year. The application must be on a form developed by the department.

(3) The department may require information necessary to document eligibility for the tax credit.

(c) Review and approval.—

(1) The department shall review and approve or disapprove each application by March 20.

(2) Upon approval, the department shall issue a certificate stating the amount of tax credit awarded.

#### Section 1704-G.2. Use.

(a) Initial use.—Prior to sale or assignment of a tax credit under section 1706-G.2, a qualified taxpayer must first use a tax credit against the qualified tax liability incurred in the taxable year for which the tax credit was approved.

(b) Eligibility.—The credit may be applied against up to 100% of the qualified taxpayer's qualified tax liabilities incurred in the taxable year for which the tax credit was approved.

(c) Application.—The tax credit shall be applied against the qualified taxpayer's qualified tax liabilities only after all other statutory tax credits and deductions available to the qualified taxpayer have been used.

#### Section 1705-G.2. Carryover, carryback and refund.

A tax credit may not be carried back, carried forward or be used to obtain a refund.

#### Section 1706-G.2. Process for sale or assignment.

(a) Authorization.—If a qualified taxpayer holds a tax credit through the end of the calendar year in which the tax credit was granted, the qualified taxpayer may sell or assign the tax credit, in whole or in part.

(b) Application.—

(1) To sell or assign a tax credit, a qualified taxpayer must file an application for the sale or assignment of the tax credit with the department. The application must be on a form developed by the department.

(2) To approve an application, the department must determine that the applicant has:

(i) filed all required State tax reports and returns for each applicable taxable year; and

(ii) paid any balance of State tax due as determined by assessment or determination by the department and not under timely appeal.

#### Section 1707-G.2. Purchasers and assignees.

(a) Sale or assignment.—Upon approval by the department, a qualified taxpayer may sell or assign, in whole or in part, a tax credit.

(b) Time.—The purchaser or assignee must claim the tax credit in the calendar year in which the purchase or assignment is made.

(c) Amount.—The amount of the tax credit that a purchaser or assignee may use against any one qualified tax liability may not exceed 100% of any of the qualified tax liabilities for the taxable year.

(d) Resale or reassignment.—

(1) A purchaser may not resell or reassign the purchased tax credit.

(2) An assignee may not resell or reassign the assigned tax credit.

(e) Notice.—The purchaser or assignee shall notify the department of the seller or assignor of the tax credit in compliance with procedures specified by the department.

#### Section 1708-G.2. Pass-through entity.

(a) Election.—If a pass-through entity has an unused tax credit, the pass-through entity may elect in writing, according to procedures established by the department, to transfer all or a portion of the credit to shareholders, members or partners in proportion to the share of the entity's distributive income to which the shareholders, members or partners are entitled.

(b) Limitation.—The same unused tax credit under subsection (a) may not be claimed by:

(1) the pass-through entity; and

(2) a shareholder, member or partner of the pass-through entity.

(c) Amount.—The amount of the tax credit that a transferee under subsection (a) may use against any one qualified tax liability may not exceed 100% of any qualified tax liabilities for the taxable year.

(d) Time.—A transferee under subsection (a) must claim the tax credit in the calendar year in which the transfer is made.

(e) Sale and assignment.—A transferee under subsection (a) may not sell or assign the tax credit.

#### Section 1709-G.2. Reports to General Assembly.

By October 1, 2024, and October 1 of each year thereafter, the department shall submit a report on the tax credit provided by this article to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives. The report must include the names of the qualified taxpayers utilizing the tax credit as of the date of the report and the amount of tax credits approved for or utilized, sold or assigned by a qualified taxpayer.

#### Section 1710-G.2. Expiration.

This article shall expire December 31, 2029.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Gaydos.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Emrick.

Mr. EMRICK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment 509 is a gut-and-replace amendment. It adds new language to create a tax credit program for employers who offer a retirement savings program to their employees. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—93

Adams	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Roae
Armanini	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rossi
Banta	Gregory	Major	Rowe
Barton	Greiner	Mako	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Grove	Maloney	Schemel
Bernstine	Heffley	Marcell	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hogan	Marshall	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Irvin	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Cabell	James	Mentzer	Scialabba
Causar	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Smith
Cook	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Staats
Cooper	Kail	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Cutler	Kaufer	Miller, B.	Stehr
D'Orsie	Kauffman	Moul	Struzzi
Delozier	Keefer	Mustello	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kerwin	Nelson, E.	Topper
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Ecker	Krupa	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Kutz	Owlett	Watro
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Fritz	Leadbeter	Rigby	Zimmerman
Gaydos			

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Donahue	Khan	Pisciottano	Speaker
Evans	Kim		

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00521**:

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 27 and 28

(ii) is a full-time employee;

Amend Bill, page 3, line 28, by striking out "(ii)" and inserting  
(iii)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 30, by striking out "(iii)" and inserting  
(iv)

Amend Bill, page 5, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

"Full-time employee." An employee who works an average of at least 30 hours per week for more than 120 days in a year.

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this is an issue that we have heard quite a bit at home, and many small businesses have part-time employees. I wanted to make sure that this is only applicable to full-time employees, so these part-time employees that may be working 2, 3, 4 hours are not subject to this particular piece of legislation.

Once again, this is something that part-time employees could still partake in, but this is something that would only be required and mandated for full-time employees.

I would appreciate a "yes" vote on the measure. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Mullins.

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

If we were to set hourly limits for what employees would or would not be entitled to in relation to participation of the program, it would put a huge burden on those employers to track that employee participation.

So for that reason, and to make sure that we are extending opportunities for retirement savings to both full- and part-time workers, I ask for a "no" vote on the gentleman's amendment.

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

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I understand that for people that have never signed the front of a paycheck, it is difficult for them to understand, but it is very easy in order to determine whether someone is a full-time or a part-time employee. So this is not something, this is not something that I just came up with on my own. This is something that businesses came and asked for. It is very easy. You have them categorized as full-time employees or you have them categorized as part-time employees.

Let me give you an example. We have a 12-year-old kid that comes over and helps on the farm, and he works for a couple hours a week after school; that kid would be a part-time employee. Under this particular program, I would have to sign this 12-year-old up for a program that makes them put a couple pennies a month into a retirement plan. It just makes no sense.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

On that question, the Chair recognizes the minority leader, Representative Cutler.

Mr. **CUTLER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I was wondering if the prime sponsor of the bill might stand for brief interrogation regarding the applicability of the bill?

The **SPEAKER**. The gentleman indicates that he will.

Mr. **CUTLER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the bill as drafted — and I certainly understand the desire to start retirement savings at a young age — would it apply to minor employees, those that are under 18?

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

It would not. It is designed, the program would allow any employee over the age of 18 to choose to participate and to open an IRA (individual retirement account) to start saving for retirement.

So just to clarify, the prior gentleman's example of a minor in a workplace, that would not be the case.

Mr. **CUTLER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

On the bill, if I may?

The **SPEAKER**. Yes, you may, Mr. Leader.

Mr. **CUTLER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I do think that the good gentleman who is offering the amendment has a very valid point. There are some individuals who choose to work part-time or at a side hustle because they want to earn a little bit of extra money for them or their family, and I think that it would not be too much of a burden to allow the distinction between full-time and part-time employees, because individuals who may only work a limited number of hours most likely need the availability of all of their money.

I would simply also point out that this amendment is in fact supported by the business groups, both the PA Chamber and NFIB (National Federation of Independent Business), and I would urge a "yes" vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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



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Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
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Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
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Deloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
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#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MERCURI** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00522**:

Amend Bill, page 4, line 18, by striking out "four" and inserting  
24

Amend Bill, page 23, line 25, by striking out "20" and inserting  
25

Amend Bill, page 23, lines 28 through 30; page 24, lines 1  
through 4; by striking out all of lines 28 through 30 on page 23, all of  
lines 1 through 3 and "(5)" in line 4 on page 24 and inserting  
(3)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Chair recognizes the  
maker of the amendment, Representative Mercuri.

Mr. **MERCURI**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

While the Keystone Saves bill and its intent I applaud, the  
making of the bill and its structure needs a lot of work. And  
I think you see that by the number of amendments and the type  
of amendments that we have proposed.

I am proposing that we raise the floor in terms of number of  
employees from 5 to 25 in this amendment, which I see as a very  
reasonable amendment to improve the bill, make it more  
business-friendly.

As a small business owner myself, I know that any new  
mandate can be very, very difficult to comply with and will be  
costly. This bill, Keystone Saves, as comprised will be a difficult  
mandate for many, many small businesses. We want to avoid that  
cost. We do want to, obviously, encourage employees and  
Pennsylvanians to save for their retirement and avoid being on  
the government rolls during retirement, which is a laudable goal;  
however, it needs work and I urge a "yes" vote. Thank you.

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

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill,  
Representative Mullins.

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And thank you to my colleague for being thoughtful in his  
commentary, but also interested in more work to be done. I am  
just delighted that we are working on this at all. This has been a  
concept that has been around for quite a while.

The fact of the matter is, we have 2 million Pennsylvania  
workers without access to a retirement plan, and if we were to  
move that threshold to 25, we would eliminate the opportunity  
for roughly 1 million of that 2 million employee number without  
an opportunity to save for retirement.

And just to demonstrate the sincerity of my interest and the  
Department of Treasury's interest and those who support the bill,  
that there is an interest in making this as unburdensome to small  
businesses as possible. The Restaurant and Lodging Association  
supports the bill quite strongly. So I appreciate their support and  
that they have, you know, they are the cornerstones of our  
communities in so many places, and this is a simple payroll  
deduction like any other payroll deduction for employees who  
wish to save.

I ask for a "no" vote on the amendment.

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. D'ORSIE offered the following amendment No. A00524:

Amend Bill, page 5, by inserting between lines 6 and 7  
(iv) An employer who opts to participate in the program.  
Amend Bill, page 7, line 16, by striking out "an automatic" and inserting  
a voluntary  
Amend Bill, page 23, by inserting between lines 21 and 22  
(1) An employer who opts out of the program shall send notification to the department no later than 12 months after the effective date of this subsection.  
Amend Bill, page 23, line 22, by striking out "(1)" and inserting  
(2)  
Amend Bill, page 23, line 25, by striking out "(2)" and inserting  
(3)  
Amend Bill, page 23, line 28, by striking out "(3)" and inserting  
(4)  
Amend Bill, page 24, line 1, by striking out "(4)" and inserting  
(5)  
Amend Bill, page 24, line 4, by striking out "(5)" and inserting  
(6)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative D'Orsie.

Mr. D'ORSIE. Thanks, Madam Speaker.

My amendment is a simple one. The prime sponsor and I agree that there is a problem in that Pennsylvanians tend not to save and invest for retirement. My contention is that the solution to this problem is not forcing businesses and employees into the Keystone Saves Program. As it stands, this bill mandates that employers adopt this program and it automatically enrolls employees.

My amendment would simply make this program optional and allow employers and employees alike a choice to enroll in Keystone Saves or another retirement plan.

I urge an affirmative vote on amendment A00524. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Mullins.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And to the maker of the amendment, thank you as well for, again, thoughtful commentary both in a prior committee meeting and on the floor today.

The truth of it is, this is not a mandatory program in that the employees have the ability to opt out. This is simply giving employees without that access the ability to save for retirement. The fact of the matter is, the mandate, the mandate will come eventually. There will be a mandate that someone has to pay, and when we see employees who did not adequately save for retirement through no fault of their own, the fiscal impact of undersaving in Pennsylvania is estimated to be over \$17 billion – with a "b" – over the next 15 years due to a higher reliance on State services when those individuals approach retirement.

So we should do this Keystone Saves now, as it will save us much more, a much more costly mandate in the future.

I ask for a "no" vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
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Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
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## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Ms. **BROWN** offered the following amendment No. **A00525**:

Amend Bill, page 5, line 19, by inserting after "who"  
opts into the program and  
Amend Bill, page 7, line 16, by striking out "an automatic" and  
inserting  
a voluntary  
Amend Bill, page 20, lines 25 through 27, by striking out all of  
said lines and inserting  
(iii) Enroll a covered employee in the payroll  
deposit retirement savings arrangement if the covered  
employee opts into the program.

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

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

Ms. **BROWN**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

While I applaud the gentleman from Lackawanna's effort to encourage savings, I will never be in favor of putting mandates on small businesses or employees, for that matter, especially given the state of our economy.

So I am proposing an amendment that changes the program to voluntary for employees, and makes the clarification that employees can opt out. Both the NFIB and the PA Chamber support my amendment, and I encourage a "yes" vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

The Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Mullins.

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker, and thank you to the maker of the amendment.

The employees, under the construct of the bill, already have the choice of choosing to opt in or opt out, and thus, not making it a mandate. And I will just briefly restate that the mandate will actually come years later when we are given a \$17 billion bill for the reliance on State services.

For that reason – and I promise that we are getting to the amendments that are agreed to – I ask for a "no" vote on this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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

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Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
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Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappey
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## EXCUSED—0

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

Mr. **EMRICK** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00526**:

Amend Bill, page 21, line 10, by striking out "Automatically" and inserting

Allow a participant to

Amend Bill, page 21, lines 10 through 13, by striking out "an" in line 10, all of lines 11 and 12 and "program" in line 13 and inserting any amount each year

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

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Emrick, and encourages him to speak very closely to that microphone.

Mr. **EMRICK**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My apologies for that the first time around.

Amendment 526 simply removes provisions of the bill that would require automatic yearly increases in contributions to the employees, and I believe the Treasurer is in support of this amendment.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chairs thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Mullins, maker of the bill.

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And to the maker of the amendment, very much appreciated.

This is an agreed-to amendment and I encourage all members to vote in the affirmative. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—201

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
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NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

On the question,

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered for the following amendment  
No. **A00528**:

Amend Bill, page 11, lines 9 and 10, by striking out "have knowledge, skill and expertise in" in line 9 and all of line 10 and inserting

- :
- (i) Have knowledge, skill and expertise in financial planning and saving for retirement.
  - (ii) Not be a member of the General Assembly.
  - (iii) Be a resident of this Commonwealth.

Amend Bill, page 12, by inserting between lines 19 and 20

(4) Be compensated, directly or indirectly, for service on the board.

Amend Bill, page 16, by inserting between lines 28 and 29

(17) Establish security measures to protect a participant's personal information and prevent fraudulent use and activity of the participant's investments in the program.

Amend Bill, page 16, line 29, by striking out "(17)" and inserting (18)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

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

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

I will be withdrawing that amendment at this time. Thank you.

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

The Chair is in receipt of information that amendment A00528 is withdrawn.

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **ARMANINI** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00622**:

Amend Bill, page 20, lines 17 and 18, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

(2) In compliance with procedures established by the department, the department shall:

- (i) Make available to a covered employee information regarding the program provided by the department.
- (ii) Manage and facilitate all opt-in and opt-out paperwork with employees.
- (iii) At least once each calendar year, provide an

open enrollment period of not less than two weeks or a longer time period as may be prescribed by the department, during which a covered employee who previously opted out of the program or who terminated prior participation in the program may enroll or re-enroll in the program.

(3) In compliance with the procedures established by the department, the covered employer shall not be responsible for:

(i) Making available to a covered employee information regarding the program provided by the department.

(ii) Managing and facilitating opt-in and opt-out paperwork with employees.

(iii) Facilitating an open enrollment period provided under paragraph (2)(iii).

(4) In compliance with the procedures established by the department, the qualified arrangement shall:  
Amend Bill, page 20, lines 22 through 25, by striking out all of lines 22 through 24 and "(iii)" in line 25 and inserting

(ii)

Amend Bill, page 20, line 28, by striking out "(iv)" and inserting

(iii)

Amend Bill, page 21, line 1, by striking out "(3)" and inserting

(5)

Amend Bill, page 21, line 10, by striking out "(4)" and inserting

(6)

Amend Bill, page 21, line 16, by striking out "(5)" and inserting

(7)

Amend Bill, page 21, line 21, by striking out "(6)" and inserting

(8)

Amend Bill, page 21, line 29, by striking out "(7)" and inserting

(9)

Amend Bill, page 22, lines 2 through 8, by striking out all of lines 2 through 7 and "(9)" in line 8 and inserting

(10)

Amend Bill, page 22, line 11, by striking out "(10)" and inserting

(11)

Amend Bill, page 22, line 13, by striking out "(11)" and inserting

(12)

Amend Bill, page 31, line 6, by striking out "1102(b)(4)" and inserting

1102(b)(6)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. **EMRICK**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment 622 clarifies that the department is tasked with educating employees about the program rather than the employers, and I do believe the Treasurer supports this as well.

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

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Mullins.

Mr. **MULLINS**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The maker of the amendment and the prior speaker is correct. The Treasurer supports this amendment and this language, and with these changes, I hope that we can see strong support on third and final passage. But for today's purposes, I encourage a "yes" vote by all members on this amendment. Thank you.

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?



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## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

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

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 804, PN 762**, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MOUL** offered the following amendment No. **A00561**:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 8 through 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Section 1 of the act of December 15, 1982 (P.L.1266, No.287), entitled "An act conferring limited residency status on military personnel, their dependents and civilian personnel assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania," is amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 13, by striking out "\* \* \*" and inserting

(a) General rule.—The term "resident" or "residency," or any other term or expression used to designate a Commonwealth resident student, when used to determine the rate of tuition to be charged students attending community colleges, public institutions of higher learning [and State-related and State-owned institutions of higher learning], State-related institutions, State-owned institutions and private institutions shall be construed to mean and include any veterans, their spouses and dependent children who do not currently reside in Pennsylvania. The term shall also be construed to mean and include military personnel, their spouses and dependent children who are assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania and who reside in Pennsylvania and any civilian personnel, their spouses and dependent children employed at a Department of Defense facility who are transferred to Pennsylvania by the Department of Defense and who reside in Pennsylvania.

Amend Bill, page 1, line 14, by inserting a bracket before "or"

Amend Bill, page 1, line 15, by inserting after "State-owned"

], State-related institutions, State-owned institutions and private

Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by inserting a bracket before "or" where it occurs the first time

Amend Bill, page 2, line 2, by inserting after "State-owned"

], State-related institution, State-owned institution or private

Amend Bill, page 2, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

(a.3) Distance learning tuition.—A community college, public institution of higher learning [or State-related or State-owned institution of higher learning], State-related institution, State-owned institution or private institution shall charge resident tuition rates to any active military personnel and their dependents who are taking college courses or receiving other education services through the Internet or by other electronic means.

(a.4) Eligibility.—A veteran and his spouse and dependent children or any other individual shall be charged a resident tuition rate or local sponsor rate as provided for under this act if the individual is eligible to receive benefits under any of the following:

(1) 10 U.S.C. Chs. 1606 (relating to educational assistance for members of the selected reserve) and 1607 (relating to educational assistance for reserve component members supporting contingency operations and certain other operations).

(2) 38 U.S.C. Ch. 30 (relating to all-volunteer force educational assistance program).

(3) 38 U.S.C. Ch. 31 (relating to training and rehabilitation for veterans with service-connected disabilities).

(4) 38 U.S.C. Ch. 33 (relating to post-9/11 educational assistance).

(a.5) Additional eligibility.—A child, a spouse or a surviving spouse who is eligible to receive benefits under 38 U.S.C. Ch. 35 (relating to survivors' and dependents' educational assistance) shall also be charged a resident tuition rate or local sponsor rate under the appropriate terms and conditions of subsection (a.1), (a.2) or (a.3).

(b) Definitions.—As used in this section, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given them in this subsection:

"Community [colleges]." Institutions now or hereafter created pursuant to] college." An institution established under Article XIX-A of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, or the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1132, No.484), known as the Community College Act of 1963.

"Local sponsor." A school district, municipality or county board of school directors, or any combination of school districts, municipalities or county boards of school directors, that participate or propose to participate in the establishment and operation of a community college.

"Local sponsor rate." The tuition charged to an individual who is a resident of a school district or municipality that is a member of the local sponsor of the community college.

"Member of a local sponsor." A school district or municipality that, alone or with other districts and municipalities, is included in a local sponsor.

"Private institution." An institution of higher education, other than a State-related institution, that receives a nonpreferred appropriation from the Commonwealth.

"Public institution of higher learning." A public institution licensed or registered under the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L.1585, No.174), known as the Private Licensed Schools Act, and approved to offer a program culminating in an Associate in Specialized Business degree or an Associate in Specialized Technology degree.

"State-owned [institutions]." Those institutions which are] institution." An institution that is part of the State System of Higher Education pursuant to Article XX-A of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949.

"State-related [institutions] institution." Any of the following institutions, including any of their branch campuses:

(1) The Pennsylvania State University[, the].

(2) The University of Pittsburgh[.].

(3) Temple University [and].

(4) Lincoln University [and their branch campuses].

"Veteran." An individual who served in the United States Armed Forces, including a reserve component or the National Guard and who was discharged or released from service under conditions other than dishonorable. The term includes an individual described in 38 U.S.C. § 3319(b) (relating to authority to transfer unused education benefits to family members).

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Moul.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This amendment is an agreed-to amendment, so I would appreciate your affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Schweyer.

Mr. SCHWEYER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Yes, this is an agreed-to amendment. I just want to clarify that specifically this would allow for in-State tuition for our military veterans when they are attending the Penn Vet medical school,

which is the only one of the nonpreferred schools that has the in-State tuition.

I appreciate the maker of the amendment for this and happy to support it. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

On the question,

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.

## GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. Members, we have some very special guests. As was stated at the start of session, today is the 46th anniversary of our former Speaker K. Leroy Irvis, the first African-American Speaker in the whole nation, but right here in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives was elected to his Speakership. Continuing in the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus Day of Action, we have Philadelphia City Commissioner Omar Sabir. Welcome.

And we have a retired colleague, Representative Michelle Brownlee. Welcome. We are glad to have you on the floor.

And we have a James R. Roebuck Scholarship recipients in our midst, Milaj Robinson, who is Representative Bellmon's constituent, and Sydney Bell, who is Milaj's sister. Welcome, and congratulations on graduating.

The House will be at ease.

The House will come to order.

## BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 922, PN 1138**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, further providing for Second Stage Loan Program.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **KEPHART** offered the following amendment No. **A00516**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out "further providing for" and inserting

repealing provisions relating to

Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by inserting after "Program" ; and making editorial changes

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 7 through 30; pages 4 through 6, lines 1 through 30; page 7, lines 1 through 7; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting

Section 1. Section 1543(b)(8) and (d)(1) of Title 64 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:  
§ 1543. Indebtedness.

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(b) Program limitations.—Indebtedness incurred by the authority under subsection (a) shall not, in aggregate, exceed any of the following:

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[(8) \$50,000,000 for the program established in section 1553 (relating to Second Stage Loan Program).]

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(d) Exception.—Subsection (c) shall not apply to the aggregate amount of indebtedness incurred by the authority, including through the issuance of bonds, for the following programs:

[(1) The program established in section 1553.]

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Section 2. Section 1553 of Title 64 is repealed:  
[§ 1553. Second Stage Loan Program.

(a) Establishment.—There is established a program to be known as the Second Stage Loan Program. The program shall provide loan guarantees to commercial lending institutions that make loans to life sciences, advanced technology or manufacturing businesses.

(b) Application for enrollment.—A commercial lending institution may apply for enrollment in the program authorized by this section. The application shall be on the form prescribed by the board and shall include or demonstrate all of the following:

(1) The name and address of the commercial lending institution and the name and title of the individual who will serve as the point of contact for the commercial lending institution.

(2) A statement defining the service area of the commercial lending institution.

(3) A statement describing the commercial lending activities engaged in by the commercial lending institution and how the institution intends to expand those activities as a result of its participation in the program authorized by this section.

(4) Any other information required by the board.

(c) Enrollment approval.—Upon being satisfied that all requirements have been met, the board may enroll the commercial lending institution in the program authorized by this section, and, if enrolled, the authority shall execute a master guarantee agreement in favor of the commercial lending institution. In addition to any other terms and conditions required by the board, the master guarantee agreement shall provide for the following:

(1) The procedure for the submission of a claim for payment by the commercial lending institution. This procedure shall require that the commercial lending institution demonstrate that it has exhausted all available remedies against the borrower, other guarantors and collateral for the loan before seeking payment under the agreement.

(2) A requirement that a percentage of any moneys recovered by the commercial lending institution subsequent to any payment made under the master guarantee agreement by the authority be remitted to the authority.

(3) Periodic reporting requirements by the commercial lending institution regarding itself and regarding the loans for which guarantee certificates have been issued under this section.

(d) Application for guarantee.—A commercial lending institution enrolled in the program authorized by this section may submit an application to the authority for the guarantee of a proposed loan. The application shall be on the form prescribed by the board and shall include or demonstrate all of the following:

(1) The name and address of the borrower, the type of business the borrower conducts, the location and age of the business and the names and addresses of the principals of the borrower.

(2) The number of projected new or retained employees of the borrower as a result of the loan.

(3) A copy of the borrower's last two years of financial statements prepared or reported on by an independent certified public accountant.

(4) A statement describing the purpose of the loan, the requested amount of the loan, a copy of the commercial lending institution's commitment letter and applicable credit underwriting that supports the repayment of the loan, as well as the collateral and other guarantees offered by the borrower to support the loan.

(5) Any other information required by the board.

(e) Application review.—

(1) The board shall review the application to determine

all of the following:

(i) That the borrower owns and operates a life sciences, advanced technology or manufacturing business.

(ii) That the borrower's business has been in existence for at least two years but no more than seven years at the time of application.

(iii) That the borrower is financially responsible and has the ability to repay the loan.

(iv) That the use of loan proceeds by the borrower will result in jobs being created or retained within this Commonwealth.

(v) That the borrower's business is located within the commercial lending institution's service area and within this Commonwealth.

(vi) That the borrower and the commercial lending institution have met all other requirements established by the board.

(2) Upon being satisfied that all requirements have been met, the board may approve the guarantee, and, if approved, the authority shall issue a guarantee certificate for the loan to the commercial lending institution stating the terms and amount of the guarantee.

(3) The board may establish a subcommittee composed of one or more members of the board and staff of the department to review and approve applications for guarantees under this section.

(f) Limitations.—

(1) During the first two years of the term of a loan for which a guarantee certificate has been issued, the guarantee may not exceed 50% of the outstanding principal amount of the loan. From the end of year two through either the end of year seven or the end of the term of the loan, whichever occurs first, the guarantee may not exceed 25% of the outstanding principal amount of the loan. The guarantee will terminate at the end of seven years.

(2) At no time may a guarantee exceed \$1,000,000 for any one loan.]

Section 3. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

On that question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Kephart.

Mr. KEPHART. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Today I am offering amendment 516 to HB 922. This amendment repeals the Second Stage Loan Program. Since its inception in 2004, there have been less than eight awards from the program. For those awards, only \$5 million of the \$50 million allowed under the program have been used in the last 9 years.

Also, I would make note that a business receiving a loan that does not pay it back, the taxpayers of Pennsylvania will be responsible. Please vote "yes" on this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Shusterman.

Ms. SHUSTERMAN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I ran my own local digital video firm, and I have worked with many of the companies that would be assisted here: manufacturing, tech, and biotech. And over the years, I saw every one of my clients leave for States that assisted them with the Second Stage Loan Program. They moved out one by one. I must say, Massachusetts got quite a few, and so did North Carolina.

So it is time that the Commonwealth remains – or becomes competitive when it comes to helping these businesses. Once again, these are the businesses that your children and

grandchildren want to work in: tech, biotech, and manufacturing. They cover all different areas in the Commonwealth.

I guess I could say shame on us for not doing a better job at marketing a program like this, but it is an exceptional program. And this bill has been moving since 2016. It moved out of Commerce the two times that I introduced it unanimously – actually, three times; it is now three times that it unanimously moved out of the Commerce Committee.

So I just want to reiterate that the goal of this program is to assist early and midstage businesses to meet working capital needs during the early years, because lack of bank history, banks might be reluctant to extend lines of credit or working capital. We are helping them stay here so they can employ our future leaders of the Commonwealth. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On the amendment, those in favor will vote "aye"; those opposed, "no"—

Oh, excuse me, Mr. Leader. I did not see your hand.

The Chair recognizes the leader, Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I agree with the goals stated by the prime sponsor of the bill. Yes, we should make it easier to do business here in the Commonwealth. I think we could do that through other mechanisms, though, than asking taxpayers to bear the risk of these loans in this current program.

We could make it easier to get permits. We could improve our tax structure. We could improve our talent pool by investing in our trades and other jobs. But particularly in these uncertain economic times because of some of the financial policies that have been foisted upon us by the Federal government in terms of the credit markets and the outcomes that have occurred there. Yes, credit is tight. I do agree with the prime sponsor on that, but that is because of bad policies. And during a potential economic downturn, I do not know that it is fair to ask the taxpayers to back the loans that would be included in this program

So I think that the good gentleman who is offering the amendment has a good goal. Let us phase this program out and actually do things that work.

I would urge a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Dawkins	Kazeem	Parker	Williams, D.
Deasy	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Young
Delloso	Khan	Pielli	
Donahue	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Evans	Kinthead	Probst	Speaker

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mrs. **SCHEUREN** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00562**:

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 7 through 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Section 1553(a), (b) introductory paragraph, (1), (2) and (3), (c), (d) introductory paragraph, (2) and (4) and (e)(1)(ii), (v) and (vi) and (2) of Title 64 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended, subsection (d) is amended by adding paragraphs and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Amend Bill, page 6, lines 16 through 28, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mrs. **SCHEUREN**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This amendment removes the language in the bill that the Commonwealth Financing Authority will determine the maximum guarantee amounts and percentages for the loans. The amendment will revert to the current law. The current law states that "...the guarantee may not exceed 50% of the outstanding principal amount of the loan..." during the first 2 years of the term of the loan, and no more than "...25% of the outstanding principal amount..." from the end of the 2 years to the end of the 7-year loan term.

I do not think it is in the taxpayers' best interest to leave the decision up to the Commonwealth Financing Authority to set the terms for the guarantee amounts and percentages of the loans. This is taxpayer money, and we should be prudent on how it is spent. The terms should be set in statute so there is no question on how the terms are set. In addition, lending institutions and businesses should know the terms of the loan from the time of application.

I urge a "yes" vote to this amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Shusterman.

Ms. **SHUSTERMAN**. I urge a "no" vote.

Let us be competitive, Pennsylvania. Let us bring those biotechs, manufacturing companies, and tech companies and nurture them so they grow and they stay right here in PA. Thank you.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

The Chair recognizes the minority leader, Representative Cutler, on the amendment.

Mr. **CUTLER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I think that the good Representative has a good proposal here in this amendment. She is correct that we should have some level of predictability in a program that is run by the government. For too many times, that has been exactly what I have heard people complain about.

So when you look at this program, I agree with the prime sponsor that we should be competitive, but again, there are other mechanisms that we can utilize to do that. We should be reforming our permitting process. We should be reforming our educational system to produce the kinds of workers that we need. And we need to stop using government money to paper over other fundamental problems here in our economy.

So I would support the good lady's amendment. I urge a "yes" vote.

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

The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Representative Bradford, on the amendment.

Mr. **BRADFORD**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would just note that sometimes it would seem that when it comes time to making a list, people are much more supportive than they are at times like these when these amendments come up. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?



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Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
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Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlossberg
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Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Scott
Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Shusterman
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## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1094, PN 1142**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, providing for military child advance enrollment.

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

Mr. **SCHWEYER** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00604**:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 10, by striking out "ten (10)" and inserting  
forty-five (45)

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

The **SPEAKER**. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Schweyer.

Mr. **SCHWEYER**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This a small technical amendment requested by the department that would give our military families a little bit more flexibility when they go to enroll into a new school district.

I ask for an affirmative vote.

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

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—201

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Madden	Sanchez
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Borowicz	Giral	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Mako	Scheuren
Boyle	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Bradford	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg
Brennan	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Briggs	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Brown, A.	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, M.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Bullock	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Burgos	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burns	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

On the question,

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.

The House will go at ease.

The House will come to order.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 611, PN 1120**, entitled:

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds to the Executive and Legislative Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. I need the House to come to order.

For the information of the members, House rule 19 (B) provides that "Debate on any debatable question related to the General Appropriation Bill...shall be limited to five minutes each time a member is recognized. On the bill a sponsor of an amendment shall be entitled to be recognized twice, a maker of a debatable motion shall be entitled to be recognized twice, and any other members shall be entitled to be recognized once."

Pursuant to House rule 19 (B), to 19 (B)'s requirement that amendments to the general appropriations bill must, in terms of State's dollars, be revenue-neutral.

The Chair rules amendment A00607 out of order. Amendment A00607 adds \$600,000 of State funding without offsetting reductions in State appropriations.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **MOUL** offered the following amendment No. **A00567**:

Amend Bill, page 27, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 42,512,000

Amend Bill, page 31, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 3,050,000

Amend Bill, page 33, lines 6 through 8, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 33, by inserting after line 30  
For Animal Health and Diagnostic  
Commission.

State appropriation ..... 6,000,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Moul.

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

Madam Speaker, this amendment restores the funding in the agriculture budget for the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission. This funding is critical to the operation of our animal diagnostic laboratory system, which works to identify dangerous transmissible diseases of livestock and poultry like the ongoing, highly pathogenic avian influenza outbreak that has affected our valuable commercial poultry industry.

This avian flu outbreak has been a historic nationwide emergency, and other States have had to rely on a national laboratory system to diagnose disease incidents. We are so very fortunate to have an animal diagnostic laboratory system right here in Pennsylvania, and their great work has been crucial to detect sick birds, sick bird flocks, which has facilitated the immediate response necessary to mitigate the spread of this fatal poultry disease.

Madam Speaker, the Governor spent quite a bit of his budget address highlighting the importance of protecting our livestock and poultry health, and this amendment favors restoring funding for that priority and critical testing infrastructure.

I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on 567.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes maker of the bill, chair of Appropriations, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

While I respect the gentleman's passion for keeping our livestock and poultry supply chain safe and healthy, I do not believe that we should be cutting \$2 million from the fresh fruit and vegetable and quality foods initiative.

What this amendment would actually do is zero out that program, which means that we would be cutting \$2 million that is used to go to our most neediest families across the Commonwealth. We would be cutting \$2 million which would be increasing food deserts across the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We would be cutting \$2 million to pit urban and rural Pennsylvania against each other. And we would be cutting \$2 million that helps support the lowest, economically disadvantaged communities in the Commonwealth.

So I would advise our members to vote "no" on this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment for the second time, Representative Moul.

Mr. MOUL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My amendment is revenue-neutral, and all we are doing is taking the money back from the new initiatives, but there is a zero for Animal Health and Diagnostic. Personally, if you are okay with eating food that might be dangerous to you, like poultry with avian influenza, then you do not want to vote for my amendment. But if you want good, safe food in Pennsylvania, you want to put this money back where it belongs, in the Animal Health and Diagnostic.

We can find money later on for these new initiatives that are being proposed in the Governor's budget, but this brings that money back to where it belongs so we can continue to have good, safe, healthy food in Pennsylvania. We do not want to do away with the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the minority chair of Appropriations, Representative Grove, on the amendment.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I concur with our minority Agriculture chairman. The goal of this amendment is to reestablish an Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission line item. It is an important line item to protect our food and safety and making sure we have a supply chain and protect our farmers from avian flu. We have devastating impact all across the country on avian flu. We were able to stem that here in the Commonwealth because of that funding.

Further, it does not eliminate lines; it does reduce lines to current year levels and keeps those programs operational. I would appreciate an affirmative vote on this important amendment to protect our agriculture industry.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes Representative Heffley on the amendment.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I certainly share the majority Appropriations chairman's opinion that we want to make sure there is funding out there for these food programs. However, when you look at the

cost, and the inflationary cost of poultry – of chicken, of turkeys, of ducks. We have all seen the crisis last Thanksgiving when there was actually a shortage of turkeys. The price of eggs is going through the roof, and a lot of that is caused by the avian flu virus.

We put down, in the State of Pennsylvania last year, approximately 5 million, 5 million birds. So if each of those birds could feed two to three people, that is, what, 15 million meals right there at a lower cost. So while I certainly do not want to take any money from any type of program that is going to benefit food assistance, we also need to ensure that our Department of Ag and our farmers and our poultry farmers have the resources, and a meager \$2 million to prevent the slaughter of 5 million birds, to prevent the cost of eggs from going up 50 to 100 percent, an egg shortage at Easter.

So I feel it is very important that we ensure that this line item is restored in the budget, and quite honestly, cannot comprehend why this administration would not have funded this line item in the first place, that it would make it necessary to pull funding. In a \$45 billion budget, they cannot afford \$2 million for our bird farmers.

This is a good amendment. I would definitely work to make sure that we are going to provide the funding in the line item for those food service programs, but right now this line item needs to be funded.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinkead	Probst	Speaker
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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **CUTLER** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00576**:

Amend Bill, page 62, line 1, by striking out the colon after "year" and inserting

, except that no money shall be used for the purposes of joining or implementing a multistate compact that establishes or calls for the compacting states to establish a regional, multistate cap on the amount of greenhouse gases released by electric generation plants:

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

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the minority leader, Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this amendment is actually quite simple in that it is only a language amendment. It does not affect the underlying budget. It is an if-then statement. It says if DEP, Department of Environmental Protection, takes this money, then they shall not use any of that money for the purposes of joining or implementing RGGI, which is the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.

My concern regarding that underlying program – and our votes here last session showed that that decision should be a legislative policy decision, not a regulatory one – but regardless of how you feel about whether or not we as a Commonwealth should be in that program, what we should all be concerned about is legislative authority and the ability to make policy decisions and pass legislation. But if you think that this is still okay, let us ask some folks across the Commonwealth what happens when you have an unpredictable energy market. Let us ask the citizens around Three Mile Island, with a nuclear plant that is shut down.

Let us ask the good folks out in Indiana County, where they were just notified that their power plant is shutting down. Let us ask the consumers who have paid their electric bills for the last 2 years as electricity prices went up and up.

We do not need more people to be sent to the unemployment line because of the implementation of this poor policy. We already know that the unemployment system is broke. Let us rate this policy on behalf of our constituents. Will allowing that policy to go forward – or in this case, allowing money to potentially to be used to implement that bad policy – will it make it easier to do business? I would grade it an F. Would it make it more affordable? I would also say that we are failing. And would it make our grid safer and more stable? I would offer that once again we have failed with plant closures.

Madam Speaker, it was this caucus that led the efforts on increasing funding for the LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program) program. For those who might not be familiar, that is money that we provide to help pay utility bills because we recognize the increased costs and the problems coming out of the pandemic with unpaid utility bills. And yet costs have continued to go up, and the demand far outstrips the need in that program.

Madam Speaker, it is a simple if-then statement. If they accept the money, then they should not use it and cannot use it for the implementation of that policy. I would certainly urge a "yes" vote on this conditional appropriation. And I do not know where the vote tally may fall, but I certainly know where the consumers will cast their judgment if their electric bills continue to go up.

I urge a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

## CONSTITUTIONAL POINT OF ORDER

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

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like to make a motion that amendment A00576 is unconstitutional, as it violates Article III, section 11, of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order and may proceed with his motion.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Article III, section 11, mandates that a general appropriation bill embraces nothing but appropriations. In interpreting Article III, section 11, Pennsylvania courts have applied three prongs: the germaneness of their appropriation, non-conflict with existing legislation, and not extending beyond the life of the appropriations bill itself. The Constitution prohibits the legislature of altering existing legislation through an appropriations act, and therefore, we see this to be unconstitutional.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Representative Harris, raises the point of order that amendment A00576 is unconstitutional. The Speaker, under rule 4, is required to submit questions affecting the constitutionality of an amendment to the House for decision, which the Chair now does.

On the question,

Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?



The SPEAKER. On the motion, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I certainly understand the good gentleman's motion, but I think that he is wrong in his analysis of that case. Let us run through the three-part test. It is a simple statement; it is an if-then. We do this all the time all throughout the budget. You will see other areas of the budget where certain departments are given certain amounts of money. They are not permitted to spend that money outside of that area or that mission.

In fact – and I know that we will be getting to it eventually for this part of the budget process – the Fiscal Code bill will further enhance those directions; that is essentially the owner's manual to the budget. But when you look at the three-part test that the court outlined in the case that the good gentleman raised, it must be germane. It is absolutely germane. It simply says you cannot use this money for the following purpose. It must not conflict with existing legislation. Good news, there is no legislation there, there is only a regulatory process. That, actually, is my objection to how they are misusing the regulatory process. And finally and third, it must not extend beyond the life of the appropriation; it only applies to the money contained in the budget that we have before us.

So while I recognize that this might be an issue of constitutionality that is raised, it does not remove the fact that to vote against this amendment will absolutely allow the implementation of RGGI and increase electricity prices for all of our Commonwealth citizens. Let us put a price tag on that, Madam Speaker. That is a \$663 million cost to our residents. I, for one, am not okay with that. I think they deserve to have access to less expensive and reliable energy, and this maneuver simply denies the opportunity to vote.

I would urge that we find the amendment constitutional and that we support the amendment on its merits.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the maker of the motion, Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I did not go to law school like the good gentleman, but I can read, and I think he has a wrong interpretation of the *Wesberry* case—

### POINT OF ORDER

Mr. CUTLER. Point of order, Madam Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. CUTLER. I believe the good gentleman spoke after making the motion and I thought we were only allowed to speak once per motion, according to what you just said, including the maker of the motion, which is contained in our House rules.

The SPEAKER. Thank you.

The gentleman is the Appropriations chairman, and the floor leaders and the Appropriations chairman during budget are given full latitude to speak on motions.

### PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. CUTLER. Parliamentary inquiry, Madam Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman may state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. CUTLER. Does that mean as floor leader I could be recognized a second time, even though I would otherwise be limited to once?

The SPEAKER. Yes.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. But not for debate, just so it is clear.

Representative Harris, you may proceed.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

It is okay. Madam Speaker, just vote "no."

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Those voting "aye" will vote to declare the amendment to be constitutional. Those voting "no" will vote to declare the amendment to be unconstitutional.

On the question recurring,

Will the House sustain the constitutionality of the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—100

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Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flick	Kutz	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flood	Kuzma	Rader	Zimmerman

#### NAYS—101

Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelsong
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlossberg
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schweyer
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Scott



Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Green	Mayes	Siegel
Bullock	Guenst	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Guzman	McNeill	Solomon
Burns	Haddock	Merski	Steele
C Freytiz	Hanbidge	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cephas	Harkins	Mullins	Takac
Cerrato	Harris	Munroe	Venkat
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Neilson	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Nelson, N.	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	O'Mara	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	Otten	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Parker	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Young
Deasy	Khan	Pielli	
Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinkead	Probst	Speaker
Evans	Kinsey	Rabb	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the constitutionality of the amendment was not sustained.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **DIAMOND** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00578**:

Amend Bill, page 70, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 33,326,000

Amend Bill, page 78, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 750,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. **DIAMOND**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise to ask for your support in amendment A00578, which would increase the epilepsy support services line from \$583,000 to \$750,000. It is a mere increase of \$167,000, which is essentially a rounding error in terms of the entire budget. In accordance with rule 19(B), this is a revenue-neutral amendment.

Madam Speaker, 1 in 10 people will experience a seizure at some point in their lifetime. About 20 years ago, after an extremely minor injury, I suffered one, and it was the most frightening thing I ever had in my life. One in 26 people, Madam Speaker, will eventually develop epilepsies at some time in their lifetime, and that means they are going to have recurring seizures. The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) has determined that 151,000 Pennsylvanians currently suffer from active epilepsy, and in December of 2019, the Department of Health determined that 16,307 children in our public schools suffer from epilepsy. Madam Speaker, that is 32 children for every single school district in Pennsylvania.

Now, medications can help, Madam Speaker, but for 40 percent of these patients, they continue to have unpredictable breakthrough seizures. And many of us on this floor have met some of them in 2016 when they were here advocating for us to pass Act 16. One of them, Madam Speaker, is my beloved wife, who is a beautiful soul but has suffered from recurring seizures since she was in her early teens.

Madam Speaker, this line item has fluctuated greatly over the years. Back in 2004 it was \$600,000, plus there was \$150,000 that was coming from the Federal government, for a total of \$750,000 in 2004, Madam Speaker, which is equal to \$1.2 million in today's dollars if you account for inflation. After the hard economic times of 2008, that number was reduced to \$370,000, and in 2011, Madam Speaker, the Department of Health eliminated the Federal dollar part of this allocation, and that is why I am supporting increasing it to \$750,000.

Madam Speaker, there are only two organizations in Pennsylvania who will benefit from this and who are serving epilepsy patients, and they are the Epilepsy Association of Western and Central Pennsylvania, and the Epilepsy Foundation of Eastern Pennsylvania. The entire \$750,000 in this line item will go directly into communities to help children, families, and individuals coping with epilepsy.

Madam Speaker, I have talked with these two organizations and here is what they are going to do with that money. They are going to provide critical training for seizure first aid response techniques. In 2022 they trained 4767 people in our public schools, and in 2023 they will be able to train 7,000 people. They have trained, last year, 1500 EMS (emergency medical services), EMT (emergency medical technician), and law enforcement personnel, Madam Speaker.

Now, I want to tell you why this training is so critical, because most people do not know how to deal with someone having a seizure. A long, long time ago, people thought that folks with epilepsy were possessed by demons or they were witches, and even today, Madam Speaker, there are people out there who believe that if you stick your fist in the mouth of somebody with a seizure, it will help them. Well, Madam Speaker, it will not, and we need folks to be trained. That is what these two organizations will do with this line item.

Now, some of this money, Madam Speaker, will help create a multilingual, culturally diverse program coordinator position in eastern Pennsylvania, where it is needed most; where it is needed most. What those folks do, Madam Speaker, is they coordinate summer camps for kids. They organize community conferences and support groups for these people who are suffering from epilepsy. And, Madam Speaker, the most important thing is that they set up social events for people who suffer from epilepsy.

Madam Speaker, imagine yourself, you do not know when a seizure is going to come. Even if you have somebody to take you somewhere, you hesitate to go out of the house, and, Madam Speaker, that is what people like my wife suffer from, and it is debilitating. It is embarrassing. And I ask, Madam Speaker, for the full support of this entire House on amendment 00578.

The **SPEAKER**. The gentleman will suspend. The gentleman's time is up.

Mr. **DIAMOND**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The **SPEAKER**. The Chair recognizes Representative Klunk on the amendment.

Ms. KLUNK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise to ask the maker for brief interrogation, if he is willing to answer a quick question.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman consents.

Ms. KLUNK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The good gentleman spoke about how this particular amendment is revenue-neutral. Could you please explain exactly how this will be revenue-neutral?

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

That is an excellent question. Again, the increase in this line item is a very small amount compared to the rest of the budget. It is \$167,000. We are taking that out of the general government operations line of the Department of Health, and I think that is important. I think that is important, Madam Speaker, because these two organizations that this line item will go to are actually the people on the ground who are doing things actively for these patients who are suffering from recurring seizures that medications are not helping.

I think it is far more important to put money in the hands of people who are actually helping patients than it is to help grow a bureaucracy here in Harrisburg.

So thank you for that question.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

## GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. For the members' attention, we have, in the gallery, some very special guests. If the students from St. Hilary School will stand, we welcome you to the floor of the Pennsylvania House this afternoon. Thank you for joining us. Thank you.

## CONSIDERATION OF HB 611 CONTINUED

The SPEAKER. On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, our caucus is very much in support of funding for epilepsy. As a person who has relatives who deal with this disease, I agree and concur with the gentleman on why this is important. I think we can fund this and I think we should go to the negotiation table, to the budget table, so that we can do that. But to sit here and say that this is revenue-neutral is actually not true in the sense that it is cutting money from the Department of Health; you know, money that is used to manage nursing homes, money that is used to manage all of those services that actually help the most vulnerable populations in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

So it is nice to call them bureaucrats until somebody calls your legislative office and asks you to look into something that the Department of Health has oversight over, then you pick up the phone and call one of those bureaucrats and you want them to be able to provide services and provide a fix for your constituents. So it is easy to call them a bureaucrat today and then pick up the phone and call them to solve a problem for your constituent.

We can do both. We can support the funding at the Department of Health to make sure that they provide the oversight necessary, while also funding for things like epilepsy. I encourage the gentleman to share that information with his Appropriations chairman and we can meet at the table and get

this done. But as for today, we are not going to put one against the other, and therefore, I am asking for a "no" vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Today we are asking this body to fund epilepsy programs for kids in school and for multicultural centers in eastern Pennsylvania for \$167,000. We are going to take it from the Department of Health's GGO, which is funded over \$2 million. That is an increase over the current year. It is a responsible bill. Further, we will have a bill – tomorrow, I believe – that will be reducing the cost of the Department of Health by reducing the number of State health centers when a county has their own health center, a commonsense approach also reducing the cost of the Department of Health. I look forward to moving that bill through this chamber. And as we are discussing budget, I think it is appropriate to say we can fund this with that legislative vehicle moving next week, as well as the increase of \$2 million to the Department of Health line. We are just asking for \$167,000 to make sure we help kids with epilepsy in school and funding a multicultural and multilingual center in eastern Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Diamond.

Mr. DIAMOND. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And let us just review once again. The department is already getting a 7.2-percent increase in this budget bill; that is \$2.2 million. What I am asking, Madam Speaker, is a mere \$167,000 to be put into the hands of these two fine organizations who are doing the things that actually help people with epilepsy.

When you have epilepsy, Madam Speaker, you never know when that breakthrough seizure is going to hit you, and even if you have an event that you agree to go out to and you are already ready to go and you are showered up and you are dressed, you still hesitate to walk out the door because you never know when that seizure is going to hit and you never know when you are going to be out in public and you get a seizure and people might make fun of you. And you never know when you might fall and injure yourself, as my wife did. She fell down the steps, injured herself, and gave herself a brain hemorrhage, which made her epilepsy worse in some respects.

Madam Speaker, putting this money in the hands of the people who are actually doing the work on the ground is the right thing to do. My good friend, the gentleman from Philadelphia, has said that he supports helping these folks out. Well, Madam Speaker, if you support it, then you can vote "yes" on this amendment. It is really easy. It is really easy to do, and again, compared to the amount we have already in this budget have increased the line item for the Department of Health, this is a drop in the bucket, a mere \$167,000.

And I will repeat again, they will do critical training with this money so that those folks who are dealing with the 32 kids in every single school district in Pennsylvania know what to do when that kid has a seizure. They are going to train law enforcement, EMTs, EMS personnel, so that they know what the most modern techniques are for doing something for someone who is having a seizure. They are going to help create a multilingual, culturally diverse program coordinator position in

eastern Pennsylvania. Why is that important? Because you know what? It is not just White kids who are having seizures. Critical. Summer camps, community conferences, support groups, and social events.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to vote for what is right for these 151,000 Pennsylvanians, some of whom you have already met if you were here in 2016. They were camped out there in the rotunda. Let us do the right thing for them. This is not about zeroes on the budget line item. This is not about juggling money. This is about doing the right thing for the people of our Commonwealth, my God.

Madam Speaker, once again, if my good friend, the gentleman from Philadelphia, believes that we should support these folks, then he can do that with his "yes" vote on the amendment, A00578.

Thank you so much, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—100

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rapp
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Ryncavage
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Schemel
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schlegel
Cabell	Hogan	Marshall	Schmitt
Causser	Irvin	Mehaffie	Scialabba
Cook	James	Mentzer	Smith
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Staats
Cutler	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mihalek	Stehr
Davanzo	Kail	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Moul	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Owlett	White
Flick	Kutz	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flood	Kuzma	Rader	Zimmerman

#### NAYS—101

Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Schlossberg
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schweyer
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Scott
Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Green	Mayes	Siegel
Bullock	Guenst	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Guzman	McNeill	Solomon
Burns	Haddock	Merski	Steele
C Freytiz	Hanbidge	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cephas	Harkins	Mullins	Takac
Cerrato	Harris	Munroe	Venkat

Ciresi	Hohenstein	Neilson	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Nelson, N.	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	O'Mara	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	Otten	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Parker	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Young
Deasy	Khan	Pielli	
Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinhead	Probst	Speaker
Evans	Kinsey	Rabb	

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00580**:

Amend Bill, page 14, line 30, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 6,899,000

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, one of the things that is so imperative that each of us does as elected members of the Pennsylvania State House of Representatives is that we respect the pocketbooks and the tax money that is sent to us. As a result, when I was going through the budget – and I found many, many issues that were quite concerning and wanted to fix these issues now that we have started the entire budget process – the first and foremost is that the Governor's Office has chosen to give themselves a 15.6-percent increase. A 15.6-percent increase is not something that constituents have received. They do not get 15.6 percent more money in their pocket or 15.6 percent more buying power. So we should be sure that as government officials that we are also tightening our belts and making sure that we are respectful of our taxpayers.

This would flat fund from the same as last year, would make the exact same funding amount available for the Governor's Office. It would be a savings to Pennsylvania taxpayer dollars of \$1,078,000. To be clear, the Governor's Office has chosen in this budget to give themselves a \$1,078,000 raise. We need to make sure that we are living within our means, and this would eliminate that \$1,078,000 raise that the Governor's Office has requested.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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

The following roll call was recorded:

### YEAS—98

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rigby
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schmitt
Cabell	Hogan	Mentzer	Scialabba
Causar	Irvin	Mercuri	Smith
Cook	James	Metzgar	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Miller, B.	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Moul	Struzzi
Davanzo	Kail	Mustello	Tomlinson
Delozier	Kaufer	Nelson, E.	Topper
Diamond	Kauffman	O'Neal	Twardzik
Dunbar	Keefer	Oberlander	Warner
Ecker	Kephart	Ortitay	Watro
Emrick	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Fee	Klunk	Pickett	White
Fink	Krupa	Rader	Williams, C.
Flick	Kutz	Rapp	Zimmerman
Flood	Kuzma		

### NAYS—103

Abney	Fleming	Krajewski	Rabb
Bellmon	Frankel	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Freeman	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Friel	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Gallagher	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyle	Galloway	Malagari	Sappey
Bradford	Gergely	Markosek	Schlossberg
Brennan	Giral	Marshall	Schweyer
Briggs	Green	Matzie	Scott
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Shusterman
Bullock	Guzman	McAndrew	Siegel
Burgos	Haddock	McNeill	Smith-Wade-El
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Solomon
C Freytiz	Harkins	Merski	Steele
Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Mullins	Takac
Ciresi	Howard	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Innamorato	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Isaacson	Nelson, N.	Warren
Daley	Kazeem	O'Mara	Waxman
Davis	Kenyatta	Ottens	Webster
Dawkins	Khan	Parker	Williams, D.
Deasy	Kim	Pashinski	Young
Deloso	Kinthead	Pielli	
Donahue	Kinsey	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Evans	Kosierowski	Probst	Speaker
Fiedler			

### NOT VOTING—0

### EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00582**:

Amend Bill, page 21, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 1,108,000

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the Lieutenant Governor's Office – this is incredible – but in this budget has given themselves a 43.7-percent raise. Madam Speaker, I do not think that most of our constituents out there have received a 43.7-percent raise, but if you or any of your constituents have received a 43.7-percent raise, then I guess you can go ahead and vote against this amendment. Otherwise, I think it is irresponsible to increase the appropriation by \$484,000 when we have so many things that money could be spent on, on the operations of the Lieutenant Governor's Office. I would recommend a "yes" vote on this legislation.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the Appropriations chair, Representative Harris.

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

Madam Speaker, I actually spoke to the Lieutenant Governor about this and this money is actually going to go to help speed up the process over at the Board of Pardons. What I know is that many Pennsylvanians have found themselves on the wrong side of the law at one point in time and they have corrected course; they have changed their lives and they have done the right things. Can I tell you how hard it is to get a pardon in Pennsylvania? But I can also tell you that it takes usually 3 to 4 years to make that happen because we do not have the resources to do it. This is actually about jobs, because when you have the resources to do it, you have the resources to speed up the system, you have the resources to get those people back into the workforce and make those people taxpayers and not tax burdens.

So I think this is a very small amount of money to help speed up the process of giving those people who have been granted a second chance by our Board of Pardons their help. So I think we should vote this down because the Lieutenant Governor has great use for these resources that is going to be of great service to the entire Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

### THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (PATTY KIM) PRESIDING

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

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



The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—92

Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rigby
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Roae
Banta	Fritz	Labs	Rossi
Barton	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gleim	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Schemel
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Scheuren
Borowicz	Grove	Major	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mako	Schmitt
Cabell	Heffley	Maloney	Scialabba
Causar	Hogan	Marcell	Smith
Cook	Irvin	Mentzer	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Tomlinson
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Topper
Diamond	Kauffman	O'Neal	Twardzik
Dunbar	Keefer	Oberlander	Warner
Ecker	Kephart	Owlett	Watro
Emrick	Kerwin	Pickett	Wentling
Fee	Klunk	Rader	White
Fink	Krupa	Rapp	Zimmerman

## NAYS—109

Abney	Frankel	Krueger	Rabb
Bellmon	Freeman	Kulik	Rozzi
Benham	Friel	Madden	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Samuelson
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Sanchez
Boyle	Gergely	Markosek	Sappey
Bradford	Gillen	Marshall	Schlossberg
Brennan	Giral	Matzie	Schweyer
Briggs	Green	Mayes	Scott
Brown, A.	Guenst	McAndrew	Shusterman
Bullock	Guzman	McNeill	Siegel
Burgos	Haddock	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
Burns	Hanbidge	Merski	Solomon
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Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Mullins	Takac
Ciresi	Howard	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Innamorato	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Isaacson	Nelson, E.	Warren
Daley	James	Nelson, N.	Waxman
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Delloso	Kim	Parker	Young
Donahue	Kinthead	Pashinski	
Evans	Kinsey	Pielli	McClinton,
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Pisciottano	Speaker
Fleming	Krajewski	Probst	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00581**:

Amend Bill, page 16, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 9,713,000  
Amend Bill, page 16, lines 20 and 21, by striking out all of said lines  
Amend Bill, page 20, lines 3 and 4, by striking out all of said lines  
Amend Bill, page 20, lines 26 and 27, by striking out all of said lines

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. That is withdrawn.

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The gentleman withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00589**:

Amend Bill, page 21, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 50,199,000  
Amend Bill, page 21, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 52,352,000  
Amend Bill, page 22, line 10, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 7,601,000  
Amend Bill, page 22, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 6,207,000  
Amend Bill, page 22, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 1,406,000  
Amend Bill, page 22, line 24, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 1,996,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, when we put this together, there was an oversight that was made in terms of the overall reduction of cost that we were trying to do, and as a result, I will be withdrawing this amendment.

One of the things that is very important in this piece of the budget has to deal with the Child Predator Interception Unit, as well as the drug law enforcement, and we did not intend to have any reduction in money going to those. So we will be withdrawing the amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00590**:

Amend Bill, page 120, line 23, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 33,025,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this has to do with the Superior Court and the overall expenses from the Superior Court, which had been increased from \$33,025,000 to \$36,097,000. So the Superior Court in this budget would receive \$3 million in additional funds. That is a significant amount of money that can be spent on other valuable resources. I would encourage a "yes" vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-92

Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rader
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Rapp
Banta	Fritz	Labs	Rigby
Barton	Gaydos	Lawrence	Roae
Benninghoff	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rossi
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Borowicz	Grove	Major	Schemel
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mako	Scheuren
Cabell	Heffley	Maloney	Schlegel
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cook	James	Mercuri	Scialabba
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Smith
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Staats
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Stehr
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Struzzi
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Zimmerman

#### NAYS-109

Abney	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Bellmon	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Benham	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappery
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Marcell	Schweyer
Bradford	Gillen	Markosek	Scott
Brennan	Giral	Marshall	Shusterman
Briggs	Green	Matzie	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Guzman	McAndrew	Solomon
Burgos	Haddock	McNeill	Steele
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Sturla
C Freytiz	Harkins	Merski	Takac
Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Tomlinson
Cerrato	Hogan	Mullins	Venkat
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	White
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, C.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Delloso	Kim	Pielli	Young
Donahue	Kinhead	Pisciottano	
Evans	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krajewski	Rozzi	

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00591**:

Amend Bill, page 121, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 21,616,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this has to do with the Commonwealth Court that has chosen to give themselves a \$1.5 million raise. Once again, we are spending taxpayer dollars, and I am curious to know if that \$1.5 million is needed in additional money on this particular budget. I would encourage a "yes" vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—92

Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rader
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Rapp
Banta	Fritz	Labs	Rigby
Barton	Gaydos	Lawrence	Roae
Benninghoff	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rossi
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Borowicz	Grove	Major	Schemel
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mako	Scheuren
Cabell	Heffley	Maloney	Schlegel
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cook	James	Mercuri	Scialabba
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Smith
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Staats
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Stehr
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Struzzi
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Zimmerman

## NAYS—109

Abney	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Bellmon	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Benham	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Marcell	Schweyer
Bradford	Gillen	Markosek	Scott
Brennan	Giral	Marshall	Shusterman
Briggs	Green	Matzie	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Guzman	McAndrew	Solomon
Burgos	Haddock	McNeill	Steele
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Sturla
C Freytiz	Harkins	Merski	Takac
Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Tomlinson
Cerrato	Hogan	Mullins	Venkat
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	White
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, C.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Deloso	Kim	Pielli	Young
Donahue	Kinthead	Pisciottano	
Evans	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krajewski	Rozzi	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00593**:

Amend Bill, page 121, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 120,094,000  
Amend Bill, page 121, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 4,084,000  
Amend Bill, page 122, line 1, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 1,272,000  
Amend Bill, page 122, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 1,103,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Withdrawn.

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The gentleman withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00594**:

Amend Bill, page 122, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 84,458,000  
Amend Bill, page 122, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 759,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The gentleman withdraws. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00595**:

Amend Bill, page 122, line 26, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation ..... 7,950,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This has to deal with the Philadelphia Municipal Court for the salaries and expenses of judge, hearing officers, and traffic division. Currently this would flat fund that from year over year, from approximately \$9.5 million to approximately \$8 million – a massive, significant increase. This money could clearly be used for other things and is not a good steward of taxpayer dollars to spend it in this manner.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. I will not prolong this. I just think it is very interesting that the gentleman is not from Philadelphia and yet thinks he knows what is good for Philadelphia and telling us what is a good use of taxpayer dollars. It would be really interesting if the citizens of Philadelphia withheld our taxpayer dollars and saw how the gentleman's county would be able to fare without our taxpayer dollars.

Please vote "no."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I have seen enough of Kensington on TV. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—90

Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rapp
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Rigby
Banta	Fritz	Labs	Roae
Barton	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rowe
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Ryncavage
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Schemel
Borowicz	Grove	Major	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mako	Schlegel
Cabell	Heffley	Maloney	Schmitt
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Scialabba
Cook	James	Mercuri	Smith
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Staats
Cutler	Jones, T.	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Moul	Stehr
Davanzo	Kail	Mustello	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Nelson, E.	Topper
Diamond	Kauffman	O'Neal	Twardzik
Dunbar	Keefer	Oberlander	Warner
Ecker	Kephart	Owlett	Watro
Emrick	Kerwin	Pickett	Wentling
Fee	Klunk	Rader	Zimmerman
Fink	Krupa		

#### NAYS—111

Abney	Freeman	Kulik	Rozzi
Bellmon	Friel	Madden	Salisbury
Benham	Gallagher	Madsen	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Galloway	Malagari	Sanchez
Borowski	Gergely	Marcell	Sappey
Boyle	Gillen	Markosek	Schlossberg
Bradford	Giral	Marshall	Schweyer
Brennan	Green	Matzie	Scott
Briggs	Guenst	Mayes	Shusterman

Brown, A.	Guzman	McAndrew	Siegel
Bullock	Haddock	McNeill	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Solomon
Burns	Harkins	Merski	Steele
C Freytiz	Harris	Mihalek	Sturla
Cephas	Hogan	Miller, D.	Takac
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Mullins	Tomlinson
Ciresi	Howard	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Innamorato	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Isaacson	Nelson, N.	Warren
Daley	Kazeem	O'Mara	Waxman
Davis	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Webster
Dawkins	Khan	Otten	White
Deasy	Kim	Parker	Williams, C.
Delloso	Kinhead	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Donahue	Kinsey	Pielli	Young
Evans	Kosierowski	Pisciottano	
Fiedler	Krajewski	Probst	McClinton,
Fleming	Krueger	Rabb	Speaker
Frankel			

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00596**:

Amend Bill, page 124, lines 12 through 16, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Representative withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Bernstine withdraws the next amendment, A00597. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00583**:

Amend Bill, page 70, line 3, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 31,245,000

Amend Bill, page 75, lines 4 through 6, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 77, lines 16 through 18, by striking out all of said lines



Amend Bill, page 77, lines 27 and 28, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 78, lines 2 through 18, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 78, lines 24 through 30; page 79, lines 1 and 2; by striking out all of said lines on said pages

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. I will withdraw.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Bernstine withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment No. **A00584**:

Amend Bill, page 79, line 12, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 120,016,000

Amend Bill, page 87, lines 9 through 13, by striking out all of said lines

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This would very simply flat fund with the – it reduces the general government operations of the Department of Human Services and eliminates the cash assistance grants appropriation in the amount of \$32.24 million. This is not a good use of taxpayer dollars and I would appreciate a "yes" vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS–92

Adams	Flick	Krupa	Rader
Armanini	Flood	Kutz	Rapp
Banta	Fritz	Kuzma	Rigby
Barton	Gaydos	Labs	Roae
Benninghoff	Gillen	Lawrence	Rossi
Bernstine	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rowe
Bonner	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Ryncavage
Borowicz	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Schemel
Brown, M.	Grove	Major	Scheuren
Cabell	Hamm	Mako	Schlegel
Causar	Heffley	Maloney	Schmitt
Cook	Irvin	Mentzer	Scialabba
Cooper	James	Mercuri	Smith
Cutler	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Staats
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stambaugh

Davanzo  
DeLozier  
Diamond  
Dunbar  
Ecker  
Emrick  
Fee  
Fink

Jozwiak  
Kail  
Kaufer  
Kauffman  
Keefer  
Kephart  
Kerwin  
Klunk

Miller, B.  
Moul  
Mustello  
Nelson, E.  
O'Neal  
Oberlander  
Owlett  
Pickett

Stehr  
Struzzi  
Topper  
Twardzik  
Warner  
Watro  
Wentling  
Zimmerman

#### NAYS–109

Abney  
Bellmon  
Benham  
Bizzarro  
Borowski  
Boyle  
Bradford  
Brennan  
Briggs  
Brown, A.  
Bullock  
Burgos  
Burns  
C Freytiz  
Cephas  
Cerrato  
Ciresi  
Conklin  
Curry  
Daley  
Davis  
Dawkins  
Deasy  
Delloso  
Donahue  
Evans  
Fiedler  
Fleming

Frankel  
Freeman  
Friel  
Gallagher  
Galloway  
Gergely  
Giral  
Green  
Guent  
Guzman  
Haddock  
Hanbidge  
Harkins  
Harris  
Hogan  
Hohenstein  
Howard  
Innamorato  
Isaacson  
Kazeem  
Kenyatta  
Khan  
Kim  
Kinhead  
Kinsey  
Kosierowski  
Krajewski  
Krueger

Kulik  
Madden  
Madsen  
Malagari  
Marcell  
Markosek  
Marshall  
Matzie  
Mayes  
McAndrew  
McNeill  
Mehaffie  
Merski  
Miller, D.  
Mullins  
Munroe  
Neilson  
Nelson, N.  
O'Mara  
Ortitya  
Otten  
Parker  
Pashinski  
Pielli  
Pisciottano  
Probst  
Rabb  
Rozzi

Salisbury  
Samuelson  
Sanchez  
Sappery  
Schlossberg  
Schweyer  
Scott  
Shusterman  
Siegel  
Smith-Wade-El  
Solomon  
Steele  
Sturla  
Takac  
Tomlinson  
Venkat  
Vitali  
Warren  
Waxman  
Webster  
White  
Williams, C.  
Williams, D.  
Young  
  
McClinton,  
Speaker

#### NOT VOTING–0

#### EXCUSED–0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment No. **A00586**:

Amend Bill, page 103, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 14,243,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, under this budget, the Labor and Industry Department has received an 11.4-percent increase. This would eliminate that increase and flat fund this department from last year's budget.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—94

Adams	Flood	Kuzma	Rader
Armanini	Fritz	Labs	Rapp
Banta	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Barton	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Benninghoff	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bonner	Greiner	Major	Ryncavage
Borowicz	Grove	Mako	Schemel
Brown, M.	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Cabell	Heffley	Marcell	Schlegel
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cook	James	Mercuri	Scialabba
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Smith
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Staats
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Stehr
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Struzzi
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Zimmerman
Flick	Kutz		

## NAYS—107

Abney	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Bellmon	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Benham	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Markosek	Schweyer
Bradford	Giral	Marshall	Scott
Brennan	Green	Matzie	Shusterman
Briggs	Guenst	Mayes	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guzman	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Haddock	McNeill	Solomon
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Steele
Burns	Harkins	Merski	Sturla
C Freytiz	Harris	Miller, D.	Takac
Cephas	Hogan	Mullins	Tomlinson
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Munroe	Venkat
Ciresi	Howard	Neilson	Vitali
Conklin	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Warren
Curry	Isaacson	O'Mara	Waxman
Daley	Kazeem	Otten	Webster
Davis	Kenyatta	Parker	White
Dawkins	Khan	Pashinski	Williams, C.
Deasy	Kim	Pielli	Williams, D.
Delloso	Kinthead	Pisciottano	Young
Donahue	Kinsey	Probst	
Evans	Kosierowski	Rabb	McClinton,
Fiedler	Krajewski	Rozzi	Speaker
Fleming			

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Bernstine offers amendment A00587. He withdraws. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00588**:

Amend Bill, page 118, line 11, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 17,493,000

Amend Bill, page 118, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 830,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. BERNSTINE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the Supreme Court has received a raise of 16.2 percent. To vote against this is to vote to give the Supreme Court 16.2 percent more of taxpayer dollars. I think that is highly inappropriate and not a good use of taxpayer funds. I would appreciate a "yes" vote.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—92

Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rader
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Rapp
Banta	Fritz	Labs	Rigby
Barton	Gaydos	Lawrence	Roae
Benninghoff	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rossi
Bernstine	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Borowicz	Grove	Major	Schemel
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mako	Scheuren
Cabell	Heffley	Maloney	Schlegel
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cook	James	Mercuri	Scialabba
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Smith
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Staats
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Stehr
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Struzzi
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Zimmerman

## NAYS—109

Abney	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Bellmon	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Benham	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Bizzarro	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Borowski	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Marcell	Schweyer
Bradford	Gillen	Markosek	Scott
Brennan	Giral	Marshall	Shusterman
Briggs	Green	Matzie	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Guzman	McAndrew	Solomon
Burgos	Haddock	McNeill	Steele
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Sturla
C Freytiz	Harkins	Merski	Takac
Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Tomlinson
Cerrato	Hogan	Mullins	Venkat
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Vitali
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Warren
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Waxman
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Webster
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	White
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, C.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Delloso	Kim	Pielli	Young
Donahue	Kinthead	Pisciottano	
Evans	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krajewski	Rozzi	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00592**:

Amend Bill, page 41, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 29,465,000  
Amend Bill, page 42, line 7, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 60,787,000  
Amend Bill, page 42, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 44,431,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Withdrawn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00600**:

Amend Bill, page 46, line 20, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 12,774,000  
Amend Bill, page 46, line 28, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 2,157,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Also withdrawn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Bernstine withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **BERNSTINE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00601**:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 36,404,000  
Amend Bill, page 52, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
State appropriation..... 7,625,124,000  
Amend Bill, page 57, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting  
Federal appropriation..... 900,000,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Bernstine.

Mr. **BERNSTINE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, this has to do with the education funding number that we have consistently heard about. This education number is something that we hear about all the time, that we need to invest more in our education and invest more in our education. The truth is, Madam Speaker, we spend \$20,000 per student K through 12 across this Commonwealth.

The other thing that is very important is the recent ruling by the courts that have said that we need to reevaluate in the way that our schools are funded. This is something, Madam Speaker, that I think we need to get on in — is much too simple. It is too complicated for a simple amendment to change the overall number.

But I would encourage the Appropriations teams, as well as the members, to be intimately involved as we move forward and ensure that the taxpayer money is being spent on students, not on systems, as we move forward in this budget time.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Bernstine withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman withdraws amendment A00602 and amendment A00603. The Chair thanks the Representative.

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

Mr. O'NEAL offered the following amendment No. **A00609**:

Amend Bill, page 69, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 53,298,000

Amend Bill, page 111, by inserting between lines 26 and 27  
For the implementation of voter  
identification requirements.

State appropriation..... 10,000,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative O'Neal withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. O'NEAL offered the following amendment No. **A00610**:

Amend Bill, page 68, by inserting between lines 25 and 26  
For the implementation of third-party  
reviews of the permitting process.

State appropriation..... 10,000,000

Amend Bill, page 69, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 53,298,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative O'Neal.

Mr. O'NEAL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the Governor himself has taken steps to reform Pennsylvania's insufficient permitting process by establishing timelines across all of the departments in the State and giving businesses their money back, a money-back guarantee if those departments cannot process their permit within the time frames established. But to be quite frank, this is not good enough. Businesses are not as concerned about whether or not they get the permitting filing fee back as they are about actually getting their permit.

This amendment will create a line item under the Department of Environmental Protection that will fund third-party review of our permitting process and help our overworked departments ensure that businesses get their permits within the Governor's time frames that he himself has established.

Let us open Pennsylvania up for business, and I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Representative Grove offers amendment A00612. The Representative withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00613**:

Amend Bill, page 88, by inserting between lines 11 and 12 For expedited redeterminations.	
State appropriation.....	1,000,000
Amend Bill, page 88, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting	
State appropriation.....	4,466,618,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment A00613 would add a line item of \$1 million for the expedited redeterminations and reduces a line item for medical assistance payments, the capitation plans, to \$4.4 billion. Going back to the 2000 CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act, the former President and the former Speaker cut a deal to get the CARES Act done. Part of that deal was keeping individuals who were no longer eligible in the Medicaid rolls on the Medicaid rolls. That was just recently lifted by the Federal government. Every State is required to do a redetermination process and remove ineligible individuals.

Surprisingly, we have learned in the budget hearings that the Department of Human Services never stopped doing a redetermination process. Through that process, they have found and actually have a Web site, their redetermination, their Medicaid unwinding, medical assistance unwinding tracker, where they list 1.3 million Pennsylvanians as potentially ineligible for medical assistance here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Governor's budget only has a potential 600,000 individuals; this is more than double that.

Two, the Department of Human Services has 600 open office – of public assistance offices in each county, they have 600 open positions. Those individuals would actually do the redetermination process. This money would go to help hire people so the department can go through that. Our understanding is the unwinding is not going well. While the department has spent a lot of money on PR, on Web sites, on TV ads – I got

e-mails from my kids' schools about this – they have not built the infrastructure to actually do the work, which means they are also jeopardizing individuals who may be eligible and will not turn in their paperwork or the department cannot get to it. It is important we frontload that 1.3 million people that the department has already identified and go through the redetermination process, because these payments are made quarterly. If we get the 1.3 million individuals redetermined in the first quarter, we will get that savings of the next three quarters, reducing the cost to taxpayers.

This is a critically important bill. It is critically important to make sure the department gets it right and making sure we have a redetermination process that actually removes only those who are actually ineligible. I urge a "yes" vote on this important piece of legislation to ensure we right-size our Medicaid rolls and make sure that we save dollars under this program for our most vulnerable.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris. Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

DHS already has a process for this and they already do it. I do think the gentleman should also check the language. It is my understanding that while he adds \$1 million, he cuts \$100 million out of Medicaid capitations. So just so everybody is clear on what they are voting on, this is physical and behavioral health for some of the most vulnerable people in our communities – you know, the ones that are on government-assisted health care. We are talking – this vote is talking about cutting \$100 million from those folks, physical and behavioral health.

So I just want people to be clear on what they are about to vote on. You can vote for this or you can vote to continue to provide those people with the much-needed health care that they deserve.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove. Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The Governor's budget already highlights a \$300 million savings from their projected 600,000 individuals who are ineligible. The department's own Web site reflects 1.3 million, more than double that. So the increased savings, actually, over the entire year should be more of the range of \$900,000, or an additional \$300,000. We are just booking \$100,000 of savings by removing an additional 700,000 individuals who are not eligible, who are not eligible from these Medicaid rolls. If it is the wish of this body to make sure ineligible people continue to receive benefits, taking much-needed dollars away from our most vulnerable, particularly looking at our IDD (intellectual and developmental disabilities) population, who not only have a waitlist, but an additional waitlist on top. We cannot fund those decisions moving forward without cost savings within these programs.

This is a commonsense approach. It is something the previous administration started, the current administration is continuing, but unfortunately, they are floundering because they do not have these additional administrative dollars to do it appropriately.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. A00614:

Amend Bill, page 88, by inserting between lines 11 and 12  
For work and volunteer requirements.

State appropriation ..... 10,000,000  
Amend Bill, page 88, line 18, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting

State appropriation ..... 4,556,618,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Right now in Washington, DC, the House Speaker and the President of the United States are negotiating a debt ceiling bill. Part of that reform is going to be a mandated requirement for work requirements for Medicaid. That will be coming from the Federal government. It is the number one ask by the House Republican Conference. Something will be coming down the line in preparation for work requirements, as mandated by the Federal government. We are proposing to add a \$10 million line item for work and volunteer requirements to ensure that the Department can comply with that requirement and make sure that they have the administrative costs needed to ensure they do that. We will see additional savings as individuals start working and are removed from the Medicaid rolls because they have a job and their income puts them outside of the eligibility.

This is important legislation to ensure that we have individuals getting high-paying jobs. I look at my own York County, where Harley-Davidson is paying \$a 30-an-hour starting wage — family-sustaining jobs. We need individuals in these jobs, so this will provide those opportunities to do that.

I urge a "yes" vote to ensure we have the administrative support to do work requirements in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00615**:

Amend Bill, page 15, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 14,132,000

For investigation of unemployment compensation fraud.

State appropriation..... 1,000,000

Amend Bill, page 103, line 16, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 14,317,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Lawrence.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, last year, press reports indicated Pennsylvania may have paid out billions in fraudulent unemployment compensation claims. Testimony from the former Labor and Industry Secretary during budget hearings last year

suggested there was a very serious issue with fraud that needed additional attention.

With this in mind, I sponsored legislation that required the Office of Inspector General to investigate the extent of UC fraud in the Commonwealth and propose some solutions. This report was finalized and released earlier this month and it deserves your attention. It outlines a shocking \$6 billion in estimated UC fraud across all programs over the last 2 years. This figure includes both State and Federal programs administered by the State. This number is an estimate. The actual number, which can only be truly determined by investigating each case, could be much higher.

Now, much of the fraud on the Federal PUA (Pandemic Unemployment Assistance) unemployment comp program has to be investigated at the Federal level, but investigations on the State-level fraud are handled by the State, and frankly, we need to do a better job. This amendment builds on specific recommendations contained in the OIG report, funding a pilot program at the Office of Inspector General to hire new staff to investigate specifically this \$6 billion in potential UC fraud. It also contains funding to investigate other fraud, which is a duty of the Office of Inspector General.

I would appreciate your support of this amendment to get serious about unemployment compensation fraud in the Commonwealth. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The gentleman is correct, we did hear about major crime rings that are stealing benefits from needy Pennsylvanians during our budget hearing. The problem, though, with the gentleman's amendment is that he takes the money from the Department of Labor and Industry's GGO, which includes additional funding for labor law compliance investigators. So in those same budget hearings, we heard from the department on how we are getting an increase in reports about child labor and how the department needs resources to combat child labor law violators here in the Commonwealth. So while I am willing to work with my colleague on the other side of the aisle to address this issue, I do not think we should be putting up votes that are going to actually cut funding for those folks who are investigating those people who are breaking child labor laws and who are predators against our children.

I also do not think we should be putting up a vote for funding that is necessary to make sure that folks are not being misclassified as workers. I am sure many of us have heard from constituents and workers about misclassification. Well, remember, if you are putting up a vote for this, you are putting up a vote to take away from the folks who are investigating child labor law infractions, you are putting up a vote to take money away from those who are investigating misclassification in the construction industries, and you are putting up a vote to take away money from folks who are making sure that employers do not exploit their employees.

I think we should vote "no" on this. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

What we found out from the budget hearings in the Labor and Industry Committee is that this budget weaponizes that agency to go after your small businesses. These labor law enforcement

compliance officers will hound and audit and do everything they can to make sure your small businesses cannot do the jobs they have.

Instead of doing that, we offer an amendment to go after real fraud, proven fraud, unemployment compensation fraud in the tune of billions of dollars. Why? Because the previous administration eradicated all of their program integrity provisions under the COVID emergency and allowed it to happen. We are trying to correct those errors of the past and make sure it never again happens.

Further, I also find it interesting that the former prosecutor for the Attorney General's Office was talking about specific cases in her testimony of labor law compliance. The actual case she was talking about of child labor law violations was one case out of Perry County, one case out of Perry County where a dad was a roofer and his two kids were helping him do roofing. That was the case. That was the rampant child labor law violations, of which I am not sure if she necessarily gave away that indictment and those criminal charges before they were released.

I would urge a "yes" vote to stop real fraud and ensure we do not empower a State agency to eviscerate our small businesses who are currently fleeing to other states like North Carolina.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **GROVE** offered the following amendment No. **A00616**:

Amend Bill, page 22, by inserting between lines 24 and 25  
For enhanced welfare fraud  
enforcement.

State appropriation ..... 5,000,000

Amend Bill, page 79, line 12, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting

State appropriation ..... 124,455,000

For program integrity initiatives.

State appropriation ..... 3,000,000

Amend Bill, page 80, line 29, by striking out all of said line and  
inserting

State appropriation ..... 99,049,000

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. **GROVE**. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment A00616 creates a new line within the Attorney General's Office for additional support on welfare fraud enforcement and creates a new line item within the Human Services for implementation of program integrity policies. It reduces the GGO and IT (information technology) lines within the Human Services Department to create room, which will actually save additional dollars, so ultimately, those moneys will be restored upon the adoption of this, but because we have to reduce line items to add, that is the end result.

There are numerous program integrity policies, such as the False Claims Act, allowing for a national provider identification number, Do Not Pay initiative, improper payments, provider preventable conditions, all of which we developed and were supported by the then Attorney General. Those bills are critically important to ensure we have cost containment and ensure we eviscerate fraud and abuse in our system.



We know from the then Attorney General that there is \$3 billion of welfare fraud in the Commonwealth. Further, we heard in budget hearings that the OIG has a 40 percent fraud error rate. These bills are designed to remove that fraud out of the system, make sure our finite taxpayer dollars go to our most vulnerable citizens in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I would appreciate your "yes" vote to, again, eradicate fraud, waste, and abuse within our entitlement programs. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00617**:

Amend Bill, page 111, line 4, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 10,858,000

Amend Bill, page 111, by inserting between lines 17 and 18  
For enhanced voter ID.

State appropriation ..... 500,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

A00617 reduces the Department of State's GGO by \$500,000 to create a new line item to implement voter ID requirements. Voter ID requirements will ensure that we have IDs for voters, as well as we have appropriate publication to let voters know we have a requirement. We have a requirement currently in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We all know that we have to do election reforms moving forward. Part of that will be a voter ID. The Senate will not move election reform without voter ID. We have a constitutional amendment which we should have done. So any election policy will have that. We are ensuring that we do not have disenfranchised voters under the current voter ID policy or the enhanced voter ID policy which will be coming with any adoption of election policy.

I urge my colleagues to vote "yes."

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

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Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schlegel
Cabell	Hogan	Marshall	Schmitt
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Cook	James	Mentzer	Smith
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mercuri	Staats
Cutler	Jones, T.	Metzgar	Stambaugh

D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mihalek	Stehr
Davanzo	Kail	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Moul	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Mustello	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	O'Neal	Warner
Emrick	Kerwin	Oberlander	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Ortitay	Wentling
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Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

Mr. **GROVE** offered the following amendment No. **A00619**:

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

Amend Bill, page 88, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 4,560,618,000

Amend Bill, page 100, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 20,112,000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Scheuren.

Mrs. SCHEUREN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

So yes, amendment 619, we raised that to reduce the MA capitalization line in Human Services by \$6 million and

increases the Nurse-Family Partnership line by that same amount. The Nurse-Family Partnership is a nurse-to-home visiting program that helps eligible first-time parents experience healthy pregnancies, learn how to take good care of their babies, and plan for the future. This program supports home visits by registered nurses to promote the physical, cognitive, and social emotional development of the children, as well as provide general support and instructive parenting skills to new parents. Services are provided to the families prenatally until the child reaches 2 years of age.

Investing in Nurse-Family Partnership programs is an investment in the future of our communities. Research has shown that children who benefit from these programs experience fewer hospitalizations, reduced incidents of child abuse and neglect, and improved school readiness. By empowering mothers and equipping them with the necessary tools and knowledge, we break the cycle of poverty and create a foundation for success.

Every child deserves the best possible start in life, regardless of their economic background. Nurse-Family Partnership programs ensure vulnerable families' access to support that otherwise would not be available. By supporting these programs, we uphold the fundamental principle that every child's potential is worthy of cultivation and every mother's journey deserves our support.

I urge a "yes" vote on the amendment. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, we actually support this program. We think it is a great program. The gentlelady from Philadelphia has been leading the charge across the Commonwealth on maternal mortality, particularly maternal mortality amongst African-American birthing people. The truth of the matter is that we should not have to cut any resources to pay for it. This amendment actually cuts money to pay for it.

Here is what I would suggest to the gentlelady. If you support this program, which we do, have your Appropriations chair put it on your list, meet us at the negotiation table for the budget, and then support our idea to fund it, because we want to fund it. We just do not think that you need to take money away from poor people to pay for it.

So I am in favor of doing this. Let us see if it is on your list when it comes time to negotiate the budget to see if we really do support it, because I can tell you, we have been leading the charge on maternal mortality for years. We would love to fund the program. Hopefully, we will have a partner at the table to get this done. But for today, we should not have to choose one or the other; we can afford to do both.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Would the majority chairman of the Appropriations stand for quick interrogation?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman indicates that he will.

Representative Grove may proceed.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

You had mentioned in your last comments the funding mechanism for this budget. Can you clarify what that is?

Mr. HARRIS. Could you clarify your question? What do you mean?

Mr. GROVE. Yeah. The last comment that you made to the gentlelady who offered the amendment was that you should take it to your Appropriations chairman, bring it to the budget table, ask for the funding level, and then he can support our funding of this budget. I was curious as to what is that funding mechanism for this budget?

Mr. HARRIS. I think the gentleman knows that we negotiate based off of the revenues that we have, and I think the good gentleman knows that our revenue estimates have far exceeded what we have been doing. I mean, as of April, we are leaps and bounds above what we thought, so the resources are there from our revenue.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

To clarify, what is the revenue for this budget and what is the current revenue standing of the Commonwealth, and is there a gap between the two?

So the amount of revenues we have to date and the amount of expenditures in the overall budget that we are currently debating in HB 611, do the revenues we have coming in match the expenditures in HB 611? Are there enough revenues to cover the total cost of this budget?

Mr. HARRIS. So we are not debating the whole budget; we are debating this amendment. And I think the gentleman knows that.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you. I appreciate that.

On the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. You may proceed.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you.

So there is no funding to do this budget so I think we should actually support the good lady's amendment and fund nurse partnerships. It is important for moms, women, and kids. It is an added benefit. And too, if we do this program right, we actually will not need those dollars in the Human Services fund.

So I appreciate the good lady for her advocacy for women and kids, and I appreciate an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00623**:

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

Pennsylvania State Police

Amend Bill, page 7, lines 2 through 4, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 113, line 16, by striking out "(Reserved)." and inserting

The following amounts are appropriated from the General Fund to the Pennsylvania State Police for the current fiscal year:

	Federal	State
For general government operations of the Pennsylvania State Police.		
State appropriation .....		1,089,808,000

The following Federal amounts are appropriated to supplement the sum appropriated for general government operations:

(1) "Area computer crime."	
Federal appropriation .....	12,700,000

The following Federal amounts are

appropriated to supplement the sum appropriated for Statewide public safety radio network:

(1) "Broadband network planning."

Federal appropriation..... 4,050,000

Amend Bill, page 160, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

For transfer from the Motor License Fund to the General Fund to finance the Traffic Control Program and the Traffic Safety Facilities Program of the Pennsylvania State Police, to finance law enforcement information technology, to finance the Statewide Public Safety Radio Network, to finance the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to replace patrol vehicles, to conduct commercial vehicle inspections and to award municipal police training grants.

State appropriation..... 400,000,000

The following Federal amounts are appropriated to supplement the sum appropriated for the administration of the Affordable Housing Act:

(1) "Motor carrier safety."

Federal appropriation..... 8,323,000

(2) "IIJA - motor carrier safety."

Federal appropriation..... 8,500,000

Amend Bill, page 171, lines 24 through 30; page 172, lines 1 through 28; by striking out all of said lines on said pages

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative O'Neal.

Mr. O'NEAL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, it is very simple. This amendment simply brings back the Governor's proposal for State Police funding into the General Fund and eliminates the need for a special fund to be created to take this money and this spending offline.

Madam Speaker, I have concerns that the Governor's plan to create a special fund actually lacks transparency and will hide overall spending in the department, and as crime rises across our Commonwealth, we must absolutely make sure we are fully funding our law enforcement.

I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

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#### NOT VOTING—0

#### EXCUSED—0

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

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. GROVE offered the following amendment No. **A00628**:

Amend Bill, page 52, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 8,196,751,000

For level-up supplement.

State appropriation..... 325,000,000

Amend Bill, page 58, lines 21 through 23, by striking out all of said lines



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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This legislation reinstates the Level Up line item from the current fiscal year. It pulls it out of the Basic Education Funding Commission, which the Governor actually had in there, and adds an additional \$100 million by eliminating the new line item for school environmental repairs and improvements.

When asked about this line item, the Department of Education's Acting Secretary had no idea of how it was funded, where the money would be going. We do know the city of Philadelphia School District – it is the only school district I know of that went through – they actually did analysis twice of the deferred maintenance and their school safety. They have about \$4.9 billion, if I am not mistaken, in deferred maintenance; billions of dollars of school repairs to do to their facilities. That is one school district. The department does not have an accounting or a mechanism to know how much environmental repairs and improvements are needed in our Pennsylvania schools. One would imagine \$100 million is really a drop in the bucket. If you apply that to 500 school districts, each school district is going to get \$2 million; \$2 million, not even close enough for the city of Philadelphia, which we know has some accounting of how much they have. So this line item would put it in to fund the Level Up and give it an increase of \$100 million, something this chamber has done in a bipartisan way for the past two budgets.

I would appreciate my colleagues' "yes" vote on this legislation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This just is not real. This amendment cuts – reallocates \$325 million and puts it in the Level Up, a program that I support; a program that one of my colleagues, one of our colleagues in our caucus, was his idea. Everybody here knows we support Level Up, but this just is not, this is not real. In addition, it cuts money, \$100 million dollars for facilities.

But let us talk about how this is not real, because folks need to know. Like, I understand the process of the budget, and I understand that on both sides of the aisle we do this, but let us be clear on what your vote today is going to be on this particular amendment. Let us be clear. This amendment cuts \$1,033,669 from Bensalem Township School District. Let us be clear about this. Voting "yes" on this amendment cuts \$1,033,669 from the Bensalem School District. Let us also talk about that this amendment would cut \$361,774 from the Council Rock School District. Let us go to the Neshaminy School District – I have heard a lot about that great school district – but this amendment, if you vote for it, cuts \$638,217 from the Neshaminy School District. I could go on and on and on about school districts that this amendment actually cuts money from.

So again, this is not, this is not real. But if it is, sure, put up the vote to say that you support cutting \$1 million from Bensalem School District; \$300,000-plus from Council Rock; \$600,000-plus from Neshaminy. But there is more. Cumberland Valley, \$700,000; Lampeter-Strasburg, \$200,000; Penn Manor – I know a little bit about Penn Manor. I went to Millersville. I used to look at Penn Manor all the time – well, they are going to cut

\$452,000, and here is the thing. They do not get any of that money back through the Level Up funding because they are not included in Level Up. So we can play – play stupid games, get stupid prizes – play the game and put up the vote to take money away.

Because here is what people – you think that, you know, it is going to make me, a Philadelphian, look bad because I am from Philly. And I know that Philly gets all of this money through Level Up; I do. And we are going to have that significant conversation, but let us not play around on this. The other things, that was cute. This, let us be clear. When you put up this "yes" vote, you are putting up a vote to cut your school district these numbers.

If anybody else is wondering how much they are about to vote to cut their school district, I actually have the document that has all of how much you are cutting your school district.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Everything you just heard is not true. If you would actually read the law – the law, the law, Madam Speaker – you would actually read that the Level Up funding is buried in the basic education funding. By pulling it out, you maintain that level of funding. There is no impact to the basic education funding whatsoever. Every school district in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will maintain their level of funding and get the Governor's increase on top of it with this amendment. There are no cuts, Madam Speaker.

Furthermore, it adds \$100 million to the Level Up funding for the 100 most needy schools. If you care about that constitutional amendment, or the constitutional ruling by the Supreme Court to redo the school funding formula, this amendment helps address that and move it forward. So if you do not want more school funding, then vote "no" on this bill.

Madam Speaker, I am appalled at the untruths told at this rostrum, because that is highly inaccurate. We know exactly what was said because of reaffirmed by the Acting Secretary of the Department of Education during the budget hearings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This is a great exercise in being loud and wrong. You can scream as much as you want, but that does not make you right. Let us be clear, let us be clear – hold on – let us be clear: you know how this process works. In order for you to put something up, you got to take something back. You, in this amendment, are taking 225— You have to. You know – okay, now we are just being disingenuous, and since we are going to be disingenuous, I am going to continue reading.

Let us look at some of these other school districts. Fairfield Area School District – never been there, probably nice – \$85,000 gone. Gettysburg Area School District – Gettysburg Area – I am pretty sure somewhere around there is where the Gettysburg Address is. I am sure people go there all the time. I am sure those young people get a great education – but they are going to have to take \$294,000 out of their budget – gone.

Let us see, what else do we have, because we got a whole lot more. Seriously, I have the whole list. After you put up this vote, which is going to cut your school district money, come on over and I can tell you how much they are going to call you and talk about why did you put up this vote for that.

Pine-Richland School District; never been there, but I am sure they are going to be hurting with that \$183,000 cut that they are about to get on this vote. I know McKeesport, that is some of my folks over here. McKeesport, I know they are not voting for this. You know why? Bause it cuts over \$1 million out of McKeesport.

Let us keep going. Let us keep going. South Fayette Township School District, \$252,000 cut; West Allegheny School District, \$283,000 cut; Armstrong School District, \$676,000 cut.

Like, we could keep going and going. I think you all get the point. You are like, this is an exercise, Madam Speaker, that they are doing, like, trying to make it sound like we are doing something and we are not really doing it, when the truth is, you are cutting school districts to make stuff sound good.

Here is a suggestion, here is a suggestion, seriously. Let us get rid of all of these amendments, the rest of them. Withdraw them. You know we got 101 votes to vote all of them down. Let us stop the shenanigans, let us stop the game playing, and let us meet at the budget table and actually get the budget done. The people of Pennsylvania deserve it.

This amendment, you know – and I have, I have a great respect for the chairman. We had a really good budget hearing. And look, again, I understand, this is a part of it. But like, this, this one, nah, son; like, nah. Vote "no."

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise to stand up for those schools that have been historically underfunded. We just had a Supreme Court, we had a court case that identified that school, that challenged the legislature to actually fund those schools. In last year's general appropriation budget, we put \$225 million additional dollars into Level Up funding to go to the school districts like Panther Valley, which was one of the plaintiffs in the case, which I represent, which has been underfunded for many years, and every year we are working on the level funding to bring them up without reducing funding to other school districts.

This \$100 million would go to Level Up funding, so if you have a school in your district that has been historically underfunded, they would receive these additional dollars. These are the school districts that have infrastructure issues because they have been underfunded because of the funding formula, which we voted to change several years ago. Now we want to drive dollars and get them to the schools that have not received the dollars over all the years.

So end the theatrics, end the rants, look at the numbers. If you have a school district that has been historically underfunded, you want to vote for this amendment. If you have a school district which has been benefiting from the old funding formula, then you want to vote against it. But if you care about level funding these schools, you will vote for this amendment and you will drive \$100 million to the schools that need it the most.

I would ask for an affirmative vote on this amendment. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The good gentleman, the Democratic chair of the Appropriations Committee, is correct: It does not matter how loud you yell, facts actually matter. And I would actually like to read from the law last year, because I was involved with the Level

Up discussions. My good friend and legislative neighbor, the good gentleman from Lancaster city, actually had advocated for this program for some time, so we ensured that it was in fact in the final budget last year.

Section 2505 of last year's budget and related bills clearly outlines that – and this is important – the "Payments made under this section shall be deemed to be part of the school district's allocation amount under section 2502.53 (b) (1) for the 2022-2023 school year..." This is directing the issues regarding the Level Up funding. The money that we placed in, which I think the good gentleman was referencing, that money became part of their base going forward.

So no matter how loud either side screams, the facts are very clear. The Level Up funding from last year became part of their base funding that is in the new funding formula as we move forward. They will be reimbursed this year.

Now, I do think that there is some discussion about the way that the good gentleman from York County, the Republican chair, broke that money out. All he did was pull out the different parts of the line that the Governor actually proposed. He lumped it all together, and presumably, would drive it out in some other bill to these proportions. The BEF, which is preserved, which was referenced last year, that is always a chain. Year to year each link builds on the next. They are connected forever. Your base is your base as you go forward unless something changes here.

So where does that leave us? Unless that is a list of the toxic schools' money – and I do not believe that it is – there are no cuts because the base was set last year and the BEF, which is still in here, will be driven out.

So the good gentleman has proposed taking the money from the toxic schools and adding it to the Level Up. So this will not be, I do not believe, a partisan vote in terms of the outcome. If you have Level Up schools or if you do not have Level Up schools, that will likely influence how you vote. The good gentleman from York County is simply saying that rather than believe in a program that funds \$100 million for a known problem of \$4-plus billion in Philadelphia alone – who knows where else in the Commonwealth or what value? – let us put that money through Level Up. I think that is a good expenditure, and if you have Level Up schools, you should support it. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS–94

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rapp
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Ryncavage
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Schemel
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marshall	Schlegel
Cabell	Irvin	Mentzer	Schmitt
Causar	James	Mercuri	Scialabba
Cook	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Smith
Cooper	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Staats
Cutler	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Kail	Moul	Stehr
Davanzo	Kaufer	Mustello	Struzzi
Delozier	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper

Diamond	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Dunbar	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Ecker	Kerwin	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	White
Flick	Kutz	Rader	Zimmerman
Flood	Kuzma		

## NAYS—107

Abney	Fleming	Krajewski	Rozzi
Bellmon	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Benham	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Borowski	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Boyle	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Bradford	Gergely	Marcell	Schweyer
Brennan	Giral	Markosek	Scott
Briggs	Green	Matzie	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Siegel
Bullock	Guzman	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Haddock	McNeill	Solomon
Burns	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Steele
C Freytiz	Harkins	Merski	Sturla
Cephas	Harris	Miller, D.	Takac
Cerrato	Hogan	Mullins	Tomlinson
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Warren
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Waxman
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	Webster
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, C.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Delloso	Kim	Pielli	Young
Donahue	Kinkead	Pisciottano	
Emrick	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Evans	Kosierowski	Rabb	Speaker
Fiedler			

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **GROVE** offered the following amendment No. **A00629**:

Amend Bill, page 20, line 30, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 8,000,000

Amend Bill, page 88, line 18, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 4,561,618,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative— The Representative withdraws. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A00624**:

Amend Bill, page 39, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 500,000

Amend Bill, page 61, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 1,332,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Lawrence.

Mr. **LAWRENCE**. Madam Speaker, I am withdrawing that amendment in favor of offering 625.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. He withdraws amendment A00624.

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A00625**:

Amend Bill, page 39, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 0

Amend Bill, page 61, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation..... 1,832,000

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Lawrence.

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

Madam Speaker, the Bond-Hill scholarship program provides graduates from Cheyney and Lincoln Universities with financial assistance to attend a Pennsylvania medical school, law school, or dental school. Now, I am proud to represent Lincoln University in southern Chester County. This scholarship was established in the early 1980s to resolve a long-standing lawsuit over discrimination in higher education. The program is competitive and has a strong track record. The intent and result of this scholarship is to provide African-Americans at the top of their class in these two historically Black colleges and universities an incentive to further their education in-State and become the next generation of Black doctors, dentists, and podiatrists.

Madam Speaker, I am looking at this year's budget request from PHEAA (Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency). It outlines the details about the Horace Mann Bond-Leslie Pinckney Hill Scholarship Program, and PDE

(Pennsylvania Department of Education), it says in this document, is requesting an appropriation of \$1.5 million for this year, but the Governor's budget level-funded this item. The amendment that I am proposing would bring this line item for the Bond-Hill scholarship up to, just a little bit over PDE's request.

Madam Speaker, I reached out to the president of Lincoln University earlier today. She advised that there is significant demand, unmet need for this program. It is maxed out. And she was strongly in favor of this proposal. I have spoken with Lincoln students who have qualified but they have gotten wait-listed for these scholarships.

This amendment would increase direct-to-student scholarships for students graduating from the State's HBCUs to pursue professional education. I would encourage an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris. Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I am so grateful to hear that the gentleman cares about the Bond-Hill scholarship. I have been on the campus of Cheyney University and Lincoln University many times. I have spoken to Dr. Allen, who is the president of Lincoln University, about the funding at Lincoln. I have spoken to President Aaron Walton, the president of Cheyney University.

Quite honestly, I do not think the number that is in this amendment is enough. I would hope that the good gentleman would let the Appropriations chair of his caucus know that he not only supports this but supports more money for Bond-Hill. The thing is, we do not have to – again, we do not have to play winners and losers. If this is something that you actually support, I will see you in budget negotiations advocating for these students that we are talking about.

I know those students. I have been on the campus with those students. Actually, quite honestly, several of my staff members are graduates of these very universities that we are talking about. I have guest-lectured at classes on these campuses, and so have many of my colleagues in our caucus. There is no doubt that we support Cheyney University and Lincoln University. As a matter of fact, when there were certain folks who wanted to close Cheyney University just a few years ago, I was actually on the task force to keep Cheyney University open, when I was the chairman of the Pennsylvania Legislative Black Caucus. This caucus has led for years on making sure that Cheyney University receives the funding that it deserves, because historically, historically, the nation's first HBCU has not received the funding that it deserves.

So this amendment does not do what it says it is going to do. So we are going to vote "no" on this amendment and suggest that if there is a genuine support for the nation's first historically Black college or university or the – being Cheyney University – or the nation's first degree-granting institution for African-Americans, the Lincoln University – two campuses that I have been on quite frequently, quite often as a collegiate and postgraduate – if you really care, let us see that care over the next weeks when we actually talk about these numbers to support those students.

Today this exercise is a "no," but our caucus has always been on the front line for Lincoln University and Cheyney University.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Those in favor of the amendment will vote— The Chair recognizes Representative Lawrence.

Mr. LAWRENCE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And I appreciate the good remarks from the Appropriations chairman. I do not think he was intending to impugn my character when he suggested that if I really care, I might do something, something else. I care very deeply about this institution. I served on its board. I have taught classes there. I advocated to keep the president in the chair when the board tried to evict her. So I am going to choose not to take offense at the gentleman's remarks that somehow this is an insincere effort.

I would suggest this, the question before the body is very simply this. We are talking about \$1 million to put into the Bond-Hill scholarship fund, bringing it to the point where PDE asked for – actually a little over that. And where is the money coming from? It is coming from the accredited zoo line. Now, this is a line that was not even funded in last year's budget, with respect. So the question before the body is this: zoos, or scholarships in the Bond-Hill scholarship program? That is the question.

And to suggest that this effort is somehow insincere – again, I am going to choose not to take it that way – it is, I can assure you, very sincere. The opportunities that are offered to the students in the Bond-Hill scholarship program, again, are to go on to a Pennsylvania-based medical, dental, or podiatry school, or to go to law school within the Commonwealth. And I would encourage, again, an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Harris.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Let me make sure that my comments are as direct as possible. I do not impugn character. That is not who I am. I have had many good conversations with the gentleman. We have been on panels before speaking about issues. I was right there with you – you may not have known it – but when there was upheaval at Lincoln University about the president, I was on the phone making calls as well. Quite honestly, we could go to Lincoln University and Cheyney University together and have a good conversation on policy in front of those young people. I think they would benefit greatly from it.

So no, these comments are not about impugning your character or the motive, but what I am saying is that we do not have to decide between zoos and Bond-Hill. We can actually do both and we should do both, and that conversation, we know in this chamber, happens over the next few weeks. All I am saying is, we are a "no" today, but this caucus has always been there for Lincoln and Cheyney. I am just asking to make sure that when we have these negotiations about what the dollars and cents should be, that we have that energy necessary to make sure that we can get this done there as well.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, the good gentleman has said we do not have to pick today, that we can do both. That is actually not accurate under our House rules. Our House rules require amendments to in fact be revenue-neutral. That was the rules that were passed, and quite frankly, it is consistent with where we have been previously. So the budget is really a question of priorities. Which do you think are more important: poor, disadvantaged students that can get a scholarship, or our zoos? That is it.

I urge support of the amendment.



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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—96

Adams	Fritz	Kuzma	Rigby
Armanini	Gaydos	Labs	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Lawrence	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, M.	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Mackenzie, R.	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Major	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schmitt
Cabell	Hogan	Marshall	Scialabba
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Smith
Cook	James	Mercuri	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Tomlinson
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Topper
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Warner
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Watro
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Wentling
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	White
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flick	Kutz	Rapp	Zimmerman

## NAYS—105

Abney	Fleming	Krajewski	Rader
Bellmon	Flood	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Frankel	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Freeman	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Friel	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyle	Gallagher	Mako	Sappey
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Schweyer
Briggs	Giral	Matzie	Scott
Brown, A.	Green	Mayes	Shusterman
Bullock	Guenst	McAndrew	Siegel
Burgos	Guzman	McNeill	Smith-Wade-El
Burns	Haddock	Mehaffie	Solomon
C Freytiz	Hanbidge	Merski	Steele
Cephas	Harkins	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cerrato	Harris	Mullins	Takac
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Warren
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Waxman
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	Webster
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, D.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Young
Delloso	Kim	Pielli	
Donahue	Kinkead	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Evans	Kinsey	Probst	Speaker
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00626**:

Amend Bill, page 40, lines 17 through 19, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 61, line 19, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 1,707,000

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

## AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. The Representative withdraws the amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment  
No. **A00627**:

Amend Bill, page 40, lines 17 through 19, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 109, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting

State appropriation ..... 1,097,000

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

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

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

Madam Speaker, the line item that funds pensions for our severely disabled veterans is level-funded in the Governor's budget. Earlier today, HB 1091 came out of the Veterans Affairs Committee with a unanimous vote. That legislation would increase the State pension for blind, amputee, and paralyzed veterans. I think this is something that we can all get behind. The amendment that is in front of the House would provide the necessary funding to actually increase the pensions discussed in HB 1091 for these war heroes who have literally left an arm or a leg overseas in defense of our nation. I would encourage an affirmative vote.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—99

Adams	Fritz	Labs	Rigby
Armanini	Gaydos	Lawrence	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Leadbeter	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Heffley	Marcell	Schmitt
Cabell	Hogan	Mehaffie	Scialabba
Causar	Irvin	Mentzer	Smith

Cook	James	Mercuri	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Tomlinson
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Topper
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Warner
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Watro
Emrick	Kerwin	Ortitay	Wentling
Fee	Klunk	Owlett	White
Fink	Krupa	Pickett	Williams, C.
Flick	Kutz	Rader	Zimmerman
Flood	Kuzma	Rapp	

## NAYS—102

Abney	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rabb
Bellmon	Fleming	Krajewski	Rozzi
Benham	Frankel	Krueger	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Freeman	Kulik	Samuelson
Borowski	Friel	Madden	Sanchez
Boyle	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Bradford	Galloway	Malagari	Schlossberg
Brennan	Gergely	Markosek	Schweyer
Briggs	Giral	Marshall	Scott
Brown, A.	Green	Matzie	Shusterman
Bullock	Guenst	Mayes	Siegel
Burgos	Guzman	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
Burns	Haddock	McNeill	Solomon
C Freytiz	Hanbidge	Merski	Steele
Cephas	Harkins	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cerrato	Harris	Mullins	Takac
Ciresi	Hohenstein	Munroe	Venkat
Conklin	Howard	Neilson	Vitali
Curry	Innamorato	Nelson, N.	Warren
Daley	Isaacson	O'Mara	Waxman
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	Webster
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Parker	Williams, D.
Deasy	Khan	Pashinski	Young
Delloso	Kim	Pielli	
Donahue	Kinthead	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Evans	Kinsey	Probst	Speaker

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

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

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

**THE SPEAKER (JOANNA E. McCLINTON)  
PRESIDING**

**SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A**

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 134, PN 961**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for Medical Advisory Board.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—178

Abney	Frankel	Labs	Rigby
Adams	Freeman	Leadbetter	Roae
Armanini	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Madden	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Galloway	Madsen	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Gaydos	Major	Samuelson
Bonner	Gergely	Mako	Sanchez
Borowski	Gillen	Malagari	Sappey
Boyle	Giral	Marcell	Scheuren
Bradford	Green	Markosek	Schlegel
Brennan	Gregory	Marshall	Schlossberg
Briggs	Grove	Matzie	Schmitt
Brown, A.	Guenst	Mayes	Schweyer
Brown, M.	Guzman	McAndrew	Scialabba
Bullock	Haddock	McNeill	Scott
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Shusterman
Burns	Harkins	Mentzer	Siegel
C Freytiz	Harris	Mercuri	Smith
Cabell	Heffley	Merski	Smith-Wade-El
Causar	Hogan	Metzgar	Solomon
Cephas	Hohenstein	Mihalek	Staats
Cerrato	Howard	Miller, B.	Steele
Ciresi	Innamorato	Miller, D.	Stehr
Conklin	Irvin	Moul	Struzzi
Cook	Isaacson	Mullins	Sturla
Cooper	James	Munroe	Takac
Curry	Jozwiak	Mustello	Tomlinson
Cutler	Kail	Neilson	Topper
Daley	Kaufer	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Davis	Kazeem	Nelson, N.	Venkat
Dawkins	Kenyatta	O'Mara	Vitali
Deasy	Kerwin	O'Neal	Warner
Delloso	Khan	Oberlander	Warren
Delozier	Kim	Ortitay	Watro
Donahue	Kinthead	Otten	Waxman
Dunbar	Kinsey	Owlett	Webster
Ecker	Klunk	Parker	Wentling
Emrick	Kosierowski	Pashinski	White
Evans	Krajewski	Pickett	Williams, C.
Fee	Krueger	Pielli	Williams, D.
Fiedler	Krupa	Pisciottano	Young
Fleming	Kulik	Probst	
Flick	Kutz	Rabb	McClinton,
Flood	Kuzma	Rader	Speaker

## NAYS—23

Banta	Diamond	Jones, T.	Rapp
Barton	Fink	Kauffman	Rossi
Bernstine	Gleim	Keefer	Schemel
Borowicz	Greiner	Kephart	Stambaugh
D'Orsie	Hamm	Lawrence	Zimmerman
Davanzo	Jones, M.	Maloney	

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 295, PN 251**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in soil and plant amendment, further providing for registration, for inspection fees, for tonnage reports and for disposition of funds.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—201

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Madden	Sanchez
Bonner	Gillen	Madsen	Sappey
Borowicz	Giral	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Mako	Scheuren
Boyle	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Bradford	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg
Brennan	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Briggs	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Brown, A.	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, M.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Bullock	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Burgos	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burns	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
C Freytiz	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
Cabell	Harris	Mentzer	Solomon
Causar	Heffley	Mercuri	Staats
Cephas	Hogan	Merski	Stambaugh
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Metzgar	Steele
Ciresi	Howard	Mihalek	Stehr

Conklin	Innamorato	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Cook	Irvin	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cooper	Isaacson	Moul	Takac
Curry	James	Mullins	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jones, M.	Munroe	Topper
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Mustello	Twardzik
Daley	Jozwiak	Neilson	Venkat
Davanzo	Kail	Nelson, E.	Vitali
Davis	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Warner
Dawkins	Kauffman	O'Mara	Warren
Deasy	Kazeem	O'Neal	Watro
Delloso	Keefer	Oberlander	Waxman
Delozier	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Webster
Diamond	Kephart	Otten	Wentling
Donahue	Kerwin	Owlett	White
Dunbar	Khan	Parker	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinkad	Pickett	Young
Evans	Kinsey	Pielli	Zimmerman
Fee	Klunk	Pisciottano	
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Probst	McClinton,
Fink	Krajewski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krueger	Rader	

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 365, PN 332**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for exemptions from license 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?

## REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Neilson.

Mr. NEILSON. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like an affirmative vote, and I am submitting my comments for the record, please.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Mr. NEILSON submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

HB 365 would allow the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PFBC) to issue therapeutic exemptions to fishing license requirements for programs designed to use the sport of fishing as a treatment modality. Senator Brewster and I have been attempting to get this to the Governor's desk for a few terms, and it has successfully passed both the House and the Senate on multiple occasions.

The PA Fish and Boat Commission currently provides license fee exemptions for educational programs. The PFBC is experiencing a significant increase in the number of requests for fishing license exemptions for participants in therapeutic recreational programs. These programs, while teaching fishing skills and providing recreational experiences, are primarily designed to achieve positive outcomes relative to mental and physical health. Providers are using fishing as a treatment for a variety of conditions, including PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder), cancer treatment recovery, depression, addiction, and physical and/or mental impairment. Because these programs do not qualify for the educational exemption, new language is needed.

Organizations that provide fishing opportunities as treatment include veterans groups such as Project Healing Waters, the Wounded Warrior Project, as well as Casting for Recovery for breast cancer survivors.

Today I am once again asking for your support for HB 365.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—201

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gaydos	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Madden	Sanchez
Bonner	Gillen	Madsen	Sappey
Borowicz	Giral	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Mako	Scheuren
Boyle	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Bradford	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg
Brennan	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Briggs	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Brown, A.	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, M.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Bullock	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Burgos	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burns	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
C Freytiz	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
Cabell	Harris	Mentzer	Solomon
Causar	Heffley	Mercuri	Staats
Cephas	Hogan	Merski	Stambaugh
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Metzgar	Steele
Ciresi	Howard	Mihalek	Stehr
Conklin	Innamorato	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Cook	Irvin	Miller, D.	Sturla
Cooper	Isaacson	Moul	Takac
Curry	James	Mullins	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jones, M.	Munroe	Topper
D'Orsie	Jones, T.	Mustello	Twardzik
Daley	Jozwiak	Neilson	Venkat
Davanzo	Kail	Nelson, E.	Vitali

Davis	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Warner
Dawkins	Kauffman	O'Mara	Warren
Deasy	Kazeem	O'Neal	Watro
Delloso	Keefer	Oberlander	Waxman
Delozier	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Webster
Diamond	Kephart	Otten	Wentling
Donahue	Kerwin	Owlett	White
Dunbar	Khan	Parker	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinhead	Pickett	Young
Evans	Kinsey	Pielli	Zimmerman
Fee	Klunk	Pisciottano	
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Probst	McClinton,
Fink	Krajewski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krueger	Rader	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 409, PN 377**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in mental health: departmental powers and duties, commissioner of mental health, interstate compact, reciprocal agreements and research foundation, providing for mental health care services clearinghouse; and making an editorial change.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—155

Abney	Fiedler	Krajewski	Rabb
Adams	Fleming	Krueger	Rader
Armanini	Flick	Kulik	Rigby
Banta	Flood	Kuzma	Rozzi
Bellmon	Frankel	Labs	Ryncavage
Benham	Freeman	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Benninghoff	Friel	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Fritz	Madden	Sanchez
Borowski	Gallagher	Madsen	Sappey
Boyle	Galloway	Major	Scheuren
Bradford	Gaydos	Mako	Schlegel
Brennan	Gergely	Malagari	Schlossberg
Briggs	Gillen	Marcell	Schmitt



Brown, A.	Giral	Markosek	Schweyer
Brown, M.	Green	Marshall	Scott
Bullock	Grove	Matzie	Shusterman
Burgos	Guenst	Mayes	Siegel
Burns	Guzman	McAndrew	Smith-Wade-El
C Freytiz	Haddock	McNeill	Solomon
Cabell	Hanbidge	Mehaffie	Steele
Causer	Harkins	Mentzer	Struzzi
Cephas	Harris	Mercuri	Sturla
Cerrato	Heffley	Merski	Takac
Ciresi	Hogan	Metzgar	Tomlinson
Conklin	Hohenstein	Mihalek	Topper
Cook	Howard	Miller, D.	Venkat
Cooper	Innamorato	Mullins	Vitali
Curry	Isaacson	Munroe	Warren
Cutler	James	Neilson	Watro
Daley	Kail	Nelson, E.	Waxman
Davis	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Webster
Dawkins	Kazeem	O'Mara	Wentling
Deasy	Kenyatta	O'Neal	White
Delloso	Khan	Otten	Williams, C.
Delozier	Kim	Parker	Williams, D.
Donahue	Kinthead	Pashinski	Young
Dunbar	Kinsey	Pielli	
Emrick	Klunk	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Evans	Kosierowski	Probst	Speaker
Fee			

## NAYS—46

Barton	Hamm	Leadbeter	Rossi
Bernstine	Irvin	Maloney	Rowe
Bonner	Jones, M.	Miller, B.	Schemel
Borowicz	Jones, T.	Moul	Scialabba
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mustello	Smith
Davanzo	Kauffman	Oberlander	Staats
Diamond	Keefer	Ortitay	Stambaugh
Ecker	Kephart	Owlett	Stehr
Fink	Kerwin	Pickett	Twardzik
Gleim	Krupa	Rapp	Warner
Gregory	Kutz	Roae	Zimmerman
Greiner	Lawrence		

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 797, PN 757**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 1, 1945 (P.L.1242, No.428), known as the State Highway Law, in construction, improvement, maintenance and repair of State highways, providing for native vegetation along highways.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS—201

Abney	Flick	Krupa	Rapp
Adams	Flood	Kulik	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Labs	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Lawrence	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
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Fiedler	Kosierowski	Probst	McClinton,
Fink	Krajewski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krueger	Rader	

## NAYS—0

## NOT VOTING—0

## EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 877, PN 853**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 30 (Fish) and 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, providing for active duty military fishing reciprocity and for disabled veteran annual fishing license reciprocity; and, in hunting and furtaking licenses, providing for active duty military hunting reciprocity and for disabled veteran annual hunting license reciprocity.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS—201

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Delloso	Keefer	Oberlander	Waxman
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Donahue	Kerwin	Owlett	White
Dunbar	Khan	Parker	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinhead	Pickett	Young
Evans	Kinsey	Pielli	Zimmerman
Fee	Klunk	Pisciottano	
Fiedler	Kosierowski	Probst	McClinton,
Fink	Krajewski	Rabb	Speaker
Fleming	Krueger	Rader	

NAYS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that the gentleman from Montgomery County is working very hard on a special day. Happy birthday to the majority leader, Representative Bradford.

For the information of the members, there will be no further votes.

#### BILLS RECOMMENDED

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

HB 95;  
HB 246;  
HB 577;  
HB 611;  
HB 804;  
HB 922; and  
HB 1094.

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 479;  
HB 689;  
HB 1028;  
HB 1031;

HB 1097;  
HB 1100; and  
HB 1162.

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

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

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

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The SPEAKER. The Chair is in receipt of a motion from the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Representative Harris, that the House now adjourn until Wednesday, May 24, 2023, 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 5:05 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.