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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. MIKE JONES, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Father God, thank You for the honor and opportunity to stand before my colleagues and for our collective opportunity to stand before You and offer up our prayers this morning.

We thank You and pray for our nation, our State, and all of those we serve. We thank You for our leaders – for President Biden, for Governor Shapiro, Speaker McClinton, Leader Bradford, and Leader Cutler – and we ask Your blessing and protection upon them. I thank You for my colleagues. I thank You for their breadth of experience and expertise. I thank You for our friendship and camaraderie in the midst of fierce, passionate, and productive debate.

I pray for my colleagues, my friends, for their families, for safe travels home later today. I pray for a productive day today. I thank You for Your son. I pray You bless us with his wisdom, courage, mercy, and grace, that we serve our constituents well and honor You in all that we do and say and think.

And I ask this in the almighty name of Jesus. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Tuesday, June 6, 2023, will be postponed until printed.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. This morning, seated with the House pages, we are so grateful to our colleague, Representative O'Neal. He is hosting Delaney Walden, and she is serving as a guest page. Delaney is a senior from Canon-McMillan High School in Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. Both of her parents are retired from

the United States Air Force. Delaney will be going to an immersive national security and intelligence experience this summer at Georgetown University and hopes to attend the Pennsylvania State University in 2024 to study political science and national security. Let us please welcome Delaney and thank her family for their service.

To the left of the Speaker's rostrum, this morning our colleagues, Representative Kim, Representative O'Mara, and Representative Malagari, bring members from the Consulate General Republic of Korea in New York. We are so thrilled to have Consul General Euy Whan Kim; Daesup Chung, consul and principal officer of the consulate; Sukung Kang from New York; and Chessy Kim, the assistant to the Korean Consul in New York. Let us please welcome these dignitaries to the hall of the House.

Also from Montgomery County, our colleagues, Representatives Kim, O'Mara, and Malagari, have Grand Master Bong Pil Yang, secretary general 21st Century America-Korea-China Leaders Society; Sung Woong Kim, president of the Korean American Vietnam Veterans Association of Pennsylvania; Young Soo Kim, member of the 21st Century America-Korea-China Leaders Society; and Myunghwan Choi. Please welcome them to the hall of the House.

In the rear of the House, Representatives Kim, O'Mara, and Malagari bring in a friend of the mine, George Choe, the president and CEO (chief executive officer) of the Philip Jaisohn Memorial Foundation; Judy Yoo, the PJMF board and president, Federation of Korean Associations – Northeast; James Kim, the president of the Korean-American Association of Greater Philadelphia; and Richard Choi, president of the Central Pennsylvania Korean Association here in Harrisburg. Please stand, guests, and remain standing so we can welcome you.

Colleagues, to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, we have some very important guests today. We have the lovely wife of Representative Josh Kail, Abby Kail, and we have their swearing-in day baby girl, their eighth baby, Viona Kail. Viona, welcome to the hall of the House. Congratulations, Josh and Abby.

Also to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, we have two other very important guests that are here this morning. I was thrilled to welcome to my office Jessica Walls-Lavelle and her daughter, Anna Lavelle, a fourth grade student this September at Hershey Elementary. Come on and stand up. Welcome to the hall of the House. Thank you for being here.

In the gallery, our colleague, Representative Tina Davis, has members of the Pennsylvania Association of Realtors, who are here to recognize National Homeowners Month. Upstairs in the gallery we have – and please stand – Al Perry, Preston Moore, Bill Lublin, David Dean, Chris Beadling, and Mike McGee. Welcome to the hall of the House.

Also in the gallery, our colleagues, Representative Cepeda-Freytiz and Representative Guzman, bring Shayka Yarira Del Rio Gonzalez. After her son sadly was killed due to gun violence, Ms. Gonzalez inspired our colleague, Representative Cepeda-Freytiz, to run for office. Our prayers continue to be with your family. Please stand. Welcome to the hall of the House.

In the gallery, Representative Isaacson has fourth and fifth grade classes from the school her children attended, St. Mary Interparochial School. They are visiting the Capitol today to see the legislative process in action. They are very excited to be here, especially the fifth graders because their trip has been delayed 2 years due to challenges we experienced with the pandemic. Welcome to the hall of the House, students from St. Mary.

In the rear of the House, Representative Friel brings a student that I just had the pleasure of meeting on the floor, an intern here from his district. Ava Lasmanis attends Johns Hopkins University and is a graduate and the valedictorian of Owen J. Roberts High School in Pottstown. Please stand, Ava. Thank you for being here.

In the rear of the House, Representative Hill-Evans has Ben Curtis here today. Ben is a legislative intern in her office and a political science student at Pennsylvania State University. He will be graduating soon and pursuing a master's degree in public policy and hopes to serve the public in his career. Welcome, and congratulations.

Our colleague, Representative Borowicz, has both staff and clients from Clinton County Community Connections, known as the 4Cs. This organization, seated in the rear of the House, provides quality services to individuals who have intellectual, developmental, and physical disabilities, while giving them options to support their optimal level of independence. Thank you all for your service. We are so grateful.

A lot of very important people are here today, and also in the back of the House, Representative Mackenzie has his fiancee on the floor of the House. We are so glad to have you. Chloe Nouvelle, thank you so much for joining us, along with his constituent, Jeff Tzach. Please stand, Jeff. Welcome.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Are there requests for 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 call. Members, proceed to vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT-203

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	Callaghar	Leadbeter	Dymonyogo
Benninghoff	Gallagher Galloway	Mackenzie, M.	Ryncavage Salisbury
Bernstine	Gandway	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Madden	Sanchez
Bonner	Gillen	Madsen	
			Sappey
Borowicz	Giral	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Mako	Scheuren
Boyd	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Boyle	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg
Bradford	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Brennan	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Briggs	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Brown, M.	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Bullock	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burgos	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
Burns	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
C Freytiz	Harris	Mentzer	Solomon
Cabell	Heffley	Mercuri	Staats
Causer	Hogan	Merski	Stambaugh
Cephas	Hohenstein	Metzgar	Steele
Cerrato	Howard	Mihalek	Stehr
Ciresi	Innamorato	Miller, B.	Stender
Conklin	Irvin	Miller, D.	Struzzi
Cook	Isaacson	Moul	Sturla
Cooper	James	Mullins	Takac
Curry	Jones, M.	Munroe	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mustello	Topper
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Neilson	Twardzik
Daley	Kail	Nelson, E.	Venkat
Davanzo	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Vitali
Davis	Kauffman	O'Mara	Warner
Dawkins	Kazeem	O'Neal	Warren
Deasy	Keefer	Oberlander	Watro
Delloso	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Waxman
Delozier	Kephart	Otten	Webster
Diamond	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Donahue	Khan	Parker	White
Dunbar	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kinkead	Pickett	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinsey	Pielli	Young
Evans	Klunk	Pisciottano	Zimmerman
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ADDITIONS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

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

VOTE CORRECTION

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

Mr. KUTZ. To correct the record, Madam Speaker.

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

Mr. KUTZ. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

On HR 60 I was recorded as voting in the affirmative and wish to be recorded as voting in the negative.

The SPEAKER. This information will be spread across the record.

The House will briefly be at ease.

The House will come to order.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair is in receipt of information, Representative Kail is also celebrating his 15th wedding anniversary today. Congratulations.

CONSUL GENERAL EUY WHAN KIM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. This morning we are completely delighted to have in our presence, as was already acknowledged, Consul General Euy Whan Kim from the Consulate General Republic of Korea in New York. Colleagues, I need all of you to take your seats so that the Consul General can come here and address us. The House will come to order. Welcome.

CONSUL GENERAL KIM. Good morning, everyone.

I think Joanna is the best House Speaker that I have ever seen. Yes. Yes. Yesh, I guess you never know. But, but this is more important: so far, I have only one House Speaker. Yeah. Sorry about that. Okay.

Actually, I came from the country of Samsung, LG, BTS, BLACKPINK. Nobody knows BTS? Oh my gosh. You should know the BTS. They are crazy. Okay.

Before I start my short speech, I always remember one Pennsylvanian person. His name is Joseph Zeller. He was a patriot, like you guys, and he was a Korean war veteran, and he was also the member of the House of Representatives like you guys. I called him as my American dad. And so I miss him, but he passed away back in 2018 at his age, 100. He always talked about his participation in the Korean war very proudly and I asked him, "What did you do during the Korean war?" He said, very proudly, "I dropped two bombs in the air." He even landed it in the Korean Peninsula.

But he always worried about Korea's security and safety. When I called him from Korea when he was still alive and I asked him, are you still on the ground or already in the heaven? His first comment was like that, what about North Korea? As you know, Seoul, my capital of Korea, is only 20 miles away from the nuclear weapon attack from the terrible crazy rocket man, Kim Jong Un, okay? So yeah, in this regard, I would like to remind you of the situation of my country. Even though we have all the global companies, but we, we are still in danger from the threatening all the time by the rocket man.

Let me give my short speech to commemorate this wonderful gathering.

Madam Speaker, members of the House of Representatives, distinguished guests, and ladies and gentlemen:

It is a great honor to be here today and speak before all of you esteemed members of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. As I stand here, I am impressed by the architecture of this great chamber, but what moves me more is Pennsylvania's motto: "Virtue, Liberty, and Independence."

Together with our commitments to democracy and the principle of market economy, these values are the very shared values of the alliance between the Republic of Korea and the United States, the ROK-U.S. alliance. This year we are celebrating the 70th anniversary of our enduring partnership.

Being here with you today holds a special meaning. Pennsylvania is where freedom and the pursuit of happiness in the Declaration of Independence was described in, back in 1776,

and today's United States was born by enacting the United States Constitution in 1787. This State, which led the American Revolution to protect freedom, also had a great influence on the independence of Korea, a far-off country 10,000 miles away.

In 1919, influenced by Woodrow Wilson's principle of self-determination, 150 Korean-Americans gathered together and called for Korea's independence in Philadelphia. Among them, there was Dr. Syngman Rhee, who later became the President of Korea. He received a doctorate from Princeton University. As we are all aware, President Syngman Rhee created the ROK-U.S. alliance and made a decisive contribution to Korea's prosperity as a liberal democracy rather than becoming a Communist State.

His first encounter with the U.S. and its ideas was at the Baejae School, established by Pennsylvanian, Reverend Appenzeller. In this regard, I would like to take this opportunity to express my infinite gratitude to the family of Reverend Appenzeller, who contributed to President Syngman Rhee's effort in laying the foundation for Korea's prosperity, as well as the ROK-U.S. alliance over the past 70 years, which made Korea's miracle today.

As we know, Korea's achievements cannot be fully captured even with the word "miracle." The world's poorest country has developed into the world's 10th largest economy and has become a member of the 30-50 club along with the United States, Japan, Germany, U.K., France, and Italy – seven countries with a population of over 50 million and a per capita GDP (gross domestic product) of over \$30,000.

However, this prosperity of Korea would not have been possible without the sacrifice and the support of the United States, which lost more than 36,000 lives during the Korean war. Koreans will never, ever forget their sacrifices and will forever remember America's support.

Renowned guests, ladies and gentlemen, in late April, Korean President Yoon made his State visit to the United States. Reflecting on the history of our alliance, the two leaders discussed the blueprint for our future together through the Washington Declaration. The visit was also an opportunity for both peoples to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the alliance between U.S. and Korea.

For the past seven decades, the alliance has been central to Korea's diplomacy and economy, as well as freedom and prosperity. The ROK-U.S. alliance is based on the shared values of freedom and democracy that contribute to peace and prosperity of the world. Korea will fulfill its responsibilities and roles as one of the proud allies of the United States.

Adding to the relationship between Korea and Pennsylvania, it makes our relations more special, as it is the home to over 75,000 Korean-American Pennsylvanians. The Korean-American community has played a significant role in this great State culturally, politically, economically, and in many other important ways, thereby becoming a vital part of the regional fabric. Considering all this, as Consul General, I will do my best to further promote economic, cultural, and the person-to-person exchanges between Korea and the Keystone State to bring the mutually beneficial and promising partnership to new heights.

House Speaker McClinton and distinguished members, in closing, I am sure that your leadership and hard work will not only make America better, but also further strengthen the friendly and cooperative relations between Korea, the United States, and your great State. God bless you. God bless Pennsylvania. Thank you so much.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

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

Mr. SCHLOSSBERG. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

House Democrats will caucus at 12:30. We will return to the floor at 1:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

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

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Republicans will caucus at 12:15. Republicans will caucus at 12:15. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. MULLINS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative Mullins for a committee announcement.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately after the break, after the recess; Appropriations Committee will meet immediately. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the leader, Representative Bradford, for a committee announcement.

Mr. BRADFORD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

HOUSE RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 143 By Representatives VENKAT, HARKINS, MADDEN, WAXMAN, KINSEY, HILL-EVANS, HANBIDGE, KHAN, SANCHEZ, PROBST, BRENNAN, CERRATO, HOWARD, SOLOMON, DIAMOND, SCOTT, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, D. MILLER, MADSEN, GAYDOS and O'MARA

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study on the Commonwealth's response to COVID-19.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 6, 2023.

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1328 By Representatives LEADBETER, ROWE, HAMM, PICKETT, M. MACKENZIE, STAMBAUGH, OWLETT, KAUFFMAN, SCHEUREN, CAUSER, CABELL and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in local organizations and services, further providing for local coordinator of emergency management.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, June 6, 2023.

No. 1329 By Representatives MARKOSEK, MADDEN, KINSEY, VENKAT, D. WILLIAMS, DELLOSO, SANCHEZ, HILL-EVANS and KULIK

An Act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to join the Interstate Compact; providing for the form of the compact; imposing additional powers and duties on the Governor, the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the Compact.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 6, 2023.

No. 1330 By Representatives N. NELSON, MAJOR, PROBST, SANCHEZ, MADDEN, HILL-EVANS, BURGOS, KINSEY, CERRATO, HOWARD, WARREN, KRAJEWSKI, D. WILLIAMS, KINKEAD, FLEMING, KHAN and OTTEN

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in departmental powers and duties as to supervision, providing for plan for societal reentry.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, June 6, 2023.

No. 1331 By Representatives OTTEN, CURRY, SCHWEYER, MADDEN, HOWARD, KINSEY, KAZEEM, HILL-EVANS, SCHLOSSBERG, SHUSTERMAN, FLEMING, SANCHEZ, PROBST, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, DELLOSO, KHAN, SCOTT, HOHENSTEIN, WARREN, D. WILLIAMS, KRAJEWSKI, SMITH-WADE-EL, DALEY and CERRATO

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for public job posting database, for instructional vacancy data and for data transparency; and establishing the Educator Pipeline Support Grant Program.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, June 6, 2023.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES

HB 565, PN 537

By Rep. BURNS

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

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

HB 665, PN 1470 (Amended)

By Rep. BULLOCK

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1986 (P.L.1396, No.121), known as the Women's, Infants' and Children's Nutrition Improvement Act, further providing for program operation.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

HB 752, PN 701

By Rep. BRIGGS

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in dispositions independent of letters, family exemption, probate of wills and grant of letters, further providing for payments to family and funeral directors.

JUDICIARY.

HB 912, PN 1472 (Amended)

By Rep. BRIGGS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inchoate crimes, further providing for possession of firearm or other dangerous weapon in court facility.

JUDICIARY.

HB 1020, PN 1264

By Rep. BULLOCK

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in departmental powers and duties as to supervision, providing for Keystone STARS Program; and, in departmental powers and duties as to licensing, further providing for fees, providing for Keystone STARS Program and further providing for definition.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

HB 1058, PN 1471 (Amended)

By Rep. BULLOCK

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for definitions and for notice and hearing.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

HB 1188, PN 1473 (Amended)

By Rep. BRIGGS

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 46 (Legislature) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial boards and commissions, further providing for powers and duties of Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing; and providing for demographic impact statements in consideration of legislation relating to crimes, offenses and sentencing.

JUDICIARY.

HB 1246, PN 1415

By Rep. BURNS

An Act providing for crematory regulation.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

HB 1295, PN 1469 (Amended)

By Rep. BURNS

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, further providing for hearing examiners.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

HB 1304, PN 1426

By Rep. SOLOMON

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in 911 emergency communication services, further providing for uniform 911 surcharge and for termination.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

HR 117, PN 1286

By Rep. BRIGGS

A Resolution designating the month of June 2023 as "Gun Violence Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

JUDICIARY.

HR 126, PN 1353

By Rep. BULLOCK

A Resolution recognizing the month of May 2023 as "Foster Care Month" in Pennsylvania.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH.

HR 128, PN 1355

By Rep. BRIGGS

A Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to pass a constitutional amendment that provides that neither slavery nor involuntary servitude may be imposed as a punishment for a crime.

JUDICIARY.

HR 420, PN 1474 (Amended)

By Rep. BRIGGS

A Resolution urging the Congress of the United States, President of the United States, Attorney General of the United States, Drug Enforcement Administration and Department of Health and Human Services to remove cannabis as a Schedule I controlled substance under the Controlled Substances Act.

JUDICIARY.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Mr. MULLINS. Madam Speaker, to clarify the meeting time of the Appropriations Committee.

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

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you. I was told I had one job to do and that I need to do it over again. Understanding the pecking order of this place, the Rules Committee will meet first, which is immediately, and the Appropriations Committee will meet immediately after the Rules Committee. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately after the Rules Committee meeting.

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.

SENATE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 739**, **PN 688**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

BILL SIGNED BY SPEAKER

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

HB 739, PN 688

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in regulation of insurers and related persons generally, providing for insurance data security; in reserve liabilities, repealing provisions relating to small company exemption and providing for adoption of exemption standards of NAIC Valuation Manual; and imposing penalties.

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

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 1332 By Representatives B. MILLER, KEEFER, JAMES, HAMM, STAMBAUGH, IRVIN, ROWE, ZIMMERMAN, GILLEN, LEADBETER, KEPHART and BARTON

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in provisions relating to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, further providing for powers and duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and for explanation of ballot question; and, in ballots, further providing for form of official election ballot.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 7, 2023.

No. 1333 By Representatives DAWKINS, DALEY, MADDEN, R. MACKENZIE, HILL-EVANS, KINSEY, HADDOCK, SANCHEZ, MENTZER and MALAGARI

An Act amending the act of July 25, 1961 (P.L.857, No.372), referred to as the Stuffed Toy Manufacturing Act, further providing for definitions, for manufacturing, for materials and for enforcement; and providing for labeling.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, June 7, 2023.

No. 1334 By Representatives CONKLIN, CERRATO, FREEMAN, GILLEN, HADDOCK, HILL-EVANS, HOWARD, KINSEY, MADDEN, N. NELSON and SANCHEZ

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other required equipment, providing for heat detection devices in emergency vehicles.

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 7, 2023.

No. 1338 By Representatives NEILSON, HOHENSTEIN, SOLOMON, M. JONES, GALLAGHER and SANCHEZ

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for the offense of off-road vehicles in urban municipalities.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 7, 2023.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 24, PN 403

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, June 7, 2023.

SB 152, PN 124

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, June 7, 2023.

SB 262, PN 833

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, June 7, 2023.

SB 361, PN 635

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, June 7, 2023.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

HB 255, PN 1479 (Amended)

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in neighborhood blight reclamation and revitalization, providing for Municipal Codes Enforcement Grant Program; providing for county property maintenance code; and imposing penalties.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 718, PN 664

By Rep. HARRIS

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 849, PN 1463

By Rep. HARRIS

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.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1086, PN 1303

By Rep. HARRIS

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.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1138, PN 1195

By Rep. BRADFORD

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.

RULES.

HB 1259, PN 1369

By Rep. BRADFORD

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income; and, in Pennsylvania Child and Dependent Care Enhancement Tax Credit Program, further providing for credit for child and dependent care employment-related expenses.

RULES.

HB 1267, PN 1376

By Rep. BRADFORD

An Act amending the act of April 3, 1992 (P.L.28, No.11), known as the Tuition Account Programs and College Savings Bond Act, in tuition account program, further providing for declaration of policy, for definitions, for Tuition Account Programs Bureau, for powers of department, for Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program, for Tuition Account Investment Program, for general provisions governing both tuition account programs and for Federal taxation; establishing the Keystone Scholars Grant Program and the Keystone Scholars Grant Program Account; and making a repeal.

RULES.

HB 1272, PN 1389

By Rep. BRADFORD

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

RULES.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND RECOMMITTED TO COMMITTEE ON RULES

HB 1305, PN 1427

By Rep. KINSEY

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, providing for behavioral health crisis intervention; and establishing the 988 Fund.

HUMAN SERVICES.

CALENDAR

RESOLUTION

Mr. STURLA called up HR 104, PN 1207, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Delloso	Khan	Ortitay	White
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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 269**, **PN 1300**, entitled:

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.

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 664**, **PN 1094**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Women, Infants and Children State Advisory Board.

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 711**, **PN 657**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 16, 1923 (P.L.207, No.153), referred to as the Municipal Claim and Tax Lien Law, further providing for municipal claims first lien, cities of first class, docketing, judgment and execution, for cities of the first class, recovery of judgment and sale free from claims, for redemption and for rule to show cause, decree, service and notice and providing for disposition of property in cities of the second class.

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 1085**, **PN 1089**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, providing for Indigent Defense Advisory Committee; and establishing the Indigent Defense Grant Program.

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 788**, **PN 737**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 13, 1988 (P.L.1190, No.146), known as the First and Second Class County Property Tax Relief Act, further providing for short title, for definitions, for deferral or exemption authority and for retroactive application.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

AMENDMENT RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The Chair rules the following amendment out of order for violating House rule 20: amendment A00860.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

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

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I have a parliamentary inquiry.

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

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment A00860 was ruled out of order. That amendment provides for a \$1,000 additional homestead property allocation per homestead owner in the Commonwealth. The same amendment filed as A00634 was not ruled out of order 2 weeks ago when it was filed to HB 1100. Since both this bill and HB 1100 dealt with property tax relief, I am just wondering why this one was ruled out of order but it was not ruled out of order 2 weeks ago?

The SPEAKER. This bill is specific to protecting longtime property owners rather than general property tax relief. The subject of HB 788 is providing relief for longtime owner-occupants whose property values and subsequent taxes increase as a result of gentrification. Your amendment, Representative Heffley, amendment A00860, adds a second subject to the bill by providing generically for the homestead and farmstead property tax relief programs.

RULING OF CHAIR APPEALED

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman rise? Mr. HEFFLEY. Madam Speaker, I move to appeal the ruling of the Chair that A00860 is out of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman appeals the ruling of the Chair that amendment A00860 violates rule 20. House rule 20 provides that no bill shall be passed containing more than one subject. The subject of HB 788 is providing relief for longtime owner-occupants whose property values and subsequent taxes increase as a result of gentrification. Amendment A00860 adds a second subject to the bill by providing generically for the homestead and the farmstead property tax relief programs.

On the question,

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the motion, Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

HB 788 is a property tax relief bill. Amendment A00860 is simply providing additional property tax relief. I do not really see how they are two different subjects. In fact, the underlying bill provides relief to longtime owner-occupants, which means people who have owned the home that they live in for multiple years, and my amendment provides relief to homestead owners, which means people who live in that home that they own. I look at it, people who receive benefits under this bill as introduced will also be eligible to receive an expanded benefit under my amendment.

When this amendment was presented 2 weeks ago, the majority party used a party-line vote to table it. Today we are seeing a different but similar procedural maneuver to avoid having to vote on my proposal. It is up to the members whether we will allow a procedural process like this to be used in this way and overrule the vote on property tax relief.

Thank you, Madam Speaker. I would ask for a— We want a positive vote, right?

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Those in favor of sustaining the Chair's decision will vote "aye"— Representative Cutler, on the motion.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise to support the gentleman's motion. I believe he summed it up quite nicely. The underlying bill deals with property tax relief; his amendment deals with property tax relief. In terms of ownership, they both deal with homeownership. I know the Speaker mentioned gentrification in her results. Gentrification can happen in places other than first-and second-class counties. Therefore, for all those reasons we should overturn the ruling of the Chair so that we can get to this great amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Those in favor of sustaining the Chair's decision will vote "aye "; those opposed, "no."

On the question recurring,

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Abney	Evans	Kinsey	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
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Delloso	Kim	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Donahue	Kinkead	Probst	Speaker

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NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

Less than a majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the negative, the decision of the Chair stood as the judgment of the House.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **HEFFLEY** offered the following amendment No. **A00827:**

Amend Bill, page 1, line 5, by inserting after "for" where it occurs the first time

title, for

Amend Bill, page 1, line 5, by inserting after "title," for declaration of policy and legislative intent,

Amend Bill, page 1, line 6, by inserting after "authority", for conditions of deferral or exemption

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. The title and sections 1 and 2 of the act of December 13, 1988 (P.L.1190, No.146), known as the First and Second Class County Property Tax Relief Act, are amended to read:

AN ACT

Establishing standards and qualifications by which local tax authorities [in counties of the first and second class] may make special real property tax relief provisions.

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting between lines 16 and 17 Section 2. Declaration of policy and legislative intent.

In recognition of the severe economic circumstances of certain longtime owner-occupants of residences who are faced with rising living costs and constantly increasing tax burdens in areas where real property values have risen markedly as a consequence of the renovation of other deteriorating residences or the construction of new residences, the General Assembly, pursuant to section 2(b)(v) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, considers it to be a matter of sound public policy for [counties of the first and second class] local taxing authorities to adopt uniform special real property tax relief provisions in order to allow longtime owner-occupants of residences to remain in peaceful possession of their homes.

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 3 and 4

"Local taxing authority." A county, city, borough, incorporated town, township or school district which levies a tax on real property.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by striking out "<u>municipality</u>" and inserting

local taxing authority

Amend Bill, page 2, line 11, by striking out "municipality" and inserting

local taxing authority

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 16 through 19, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 3. Sections 4, 5 and 6 of the act are amended to read: Amend Bill, page 2, line 24, by striking out "<u>municipality</u>" and rting

local taxing authority

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

local taxing authority

Amend Bill, page 3, line 14, by inserting a bracket before "(c)"

Amend Bill, page 3, line 16, by striking out "(1)"

Amend Bill, page 3, line 19, by inserting a bracket after "jurisdiction."

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 20 through 23, by striking out all of said lines

Amend Bill, page 3, line 25, by striking out "municipality" and inserting

local taxing authority

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 27 and 28 Section 5. Conditions of deferral or exemption.

- (a) General rule.—Any deferral or exemption of payment of an increase in real property taxes granted pursuant to this act shall be limited to real property which meets all of the following conditions:
 - (1) The property is owned and occupied by a longtime owner-occupant.

- (2) The property is the principal residence and domicile of the longtime owner-occupant.
- (b) Penalties and interest.—No penalties and interest shall accrue on the portion of the deferral pursuant to this act.
- [(b.1) Counties of the first class.—Upon the determination by the governing body of a county of the first class to provide relief authorized by this act, such relief shall apply to real property taxes owed either to a city or school district of the first class.]
 - (c) Financial need or age.-
 - (1) Upon the determination by the governing body of a county of the first class to provide relief authorized by this act:
 - (i) For tax years 2014 through 2023, the governing body shall use financial need or age, or both, of the longtime owner-occupant to determine eligibility.
 - [(ii) Beginning with tax year 2024, the governing body may use financial need or age, or both, of the longtime owner-occupant to determine eligibility.]
 - (2) [School districts and municipalities within a county of the second class] Except as provided under paragraph (1), a political subdivision may determine whether financial need, age, or both, of the longtime owner-occupant shall be used to determine eligibility.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 30, by striking out "municipality" and inserting

local taxing authority

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

Section 4. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall transmit notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the next available issue of the Pennsylvania Bulletin that a constitutional amendment to section 2(b)(v) of Article VIII of the Constitution of Pennsylvania has been approved to authorize the General Assembly to, by law, establish standards and qualifications by which all local taxing authorities may make uniform special real property tax provisions applicable to taxpayers who are longtime owner-occupants as shall be defined by the General Assembly of residences in areas where real property values have risen markedly as a consequence of the refurbishing or renovating of other deteriorating residences or the construction of new residences.

- Section 5. This act shall take effect as follows:
 - (1) This section and section 4 of this act shall take effect mediately.
- (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect upon publication of the notice under section 4.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And this amendment opens the longtime owner-occupant property tax relief act to all municipalities statewide. While the underlying bill would only affect Pittsburgh, this amendment would provide property tax relief, and some security for longtime homeowners, throughout the Commonwealth. Not every longtime owner-occupant can currently benefit from this program because a statute in the Constitution only applies to first-and second-class counties. If we take this step here today, we would be creating a constitutional amendment to allow every single resident in this Commonwealth and every single municipality to apply this same relief for their residents as well.

I think this amendment makes sense. I think I can agree with the underlying bill. I think we have a lot of work to do on property taxes across this Commonwealth, but this would go a long way in providing that relief for everybody throughout the State. Everybody's district would benefit from this amendment. It is a constitutional amendment, so it would have to be passed in the House and Senate in two consecutive sessions, but let us start today. Let us start that movement now and let us get this done.

I would ask for an affirmative vote on amendment A00827. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

CONSTITUTIONAL POINT OF ORDER

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

Mr. BRADFORD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I stand to make a motion that amendment 827 is unconstitutional as it violates Article VIII, section 2 (b) (v), of the Pennsylvania Constitution. In particular, in support of this amendment in 1984, the citizens of the Commonwealth specifically amended the Constitution to allow this General Assembly to, and I quote, "Establish standards and qualifications by which local taxing authorities in counties of" – and I, for emphasis, point out – "counties of the first and second class may make uniform special real property tax provisions applicable to taxpayers who are longtime owner-occupants as shall be defined by the General Assembly of residences in areas where real property values have risen markedly as a consequence of the refurbishing or renovating of other deteriorating residences or the construction of new residences."

Obviously, the definition of "first- and second-class counties" does not include every municipality in the Commonwealth. This chamber obviously cannot ignore the Constitution of the Commonwealth. The General Assembly is required, obviously, to make uniform special real property tax to the taxpayers of the citizens designated. For that reason I would appreciate support for this motion.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Representative Bradford, raises the point of order that amendment A00827 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 Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Great news for the members who do not live in first- and second-class cities. The gentleman was aware of this constitutional provision when he drafted it, and if you look on page 6, lines 19 through 23, it specifically says that this act would only take effect upon the publication of a constitutional amendment that would make his proposal legal. So if you live anywhere in the Commonwealth and you would love to see this same kind of property tax reform that we are talking about in this bill be applied in your own neighborhoods, you should support the underlying amendment. This amendment is constitutional as drafted and we should vote in support of property tax relief for our residents.

The SPEAKER. On the motion, the Chair recognizes Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

And I would ask for support on this. How can you say it is unconstitutional to amend the Constitution? The people will speak to decide whether they are going to amend the Constitution after we pass it. Can we never change the Constitution? Can we ever get to the point where we are actually going to put up a vote to provide property tax relief to every resident of this State? We have been blocked by the majority leader on every procedural motion – germaneness, constitutionality, out of order this, out of order that. You know what is out of order? Property taxes and the increases constantly going up. Now we are going to select one little segment and give them additional relief. I say we give relief to everybody.

This is constitutional. It is— We can amend the Constitution. It is what we do as legislators. I would ask for support on constitutionality. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. 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:

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Barton	Gregory	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
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Benham	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
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Donahue	Kinkead	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 constitutionality of the amendment was not sustained.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **T. JONES** offered the following amendment No. **A00842**:

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 27 and 28
(e) Increase prohibited.—A local taxing authority may not increase the millage rate of its tax on real property to pay for uniform special real property tax provisions under this act.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Tom Jones.

Mr. T. JONES. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This amendment simply states that if a county or city under this bill chooses to enact a long-term owner-occupant property tax program, they cannot raise their millage rate to offset the loss of revenue because of the exemption or deferment of property taxes for longtime owner-occupants. This mirrors a provision that exists within the homestead property exclusion programs. This will reduce tax burden shift and ensure that tax burden is not moved to young families, to young professionals, first-time home buyers, or others who would not qualify as a longtime owner-occupants in the city.

So I would ask for your support of this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes Representative Innamorato.

Ms. INNAMORATO. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This bill is narrowly tailored to not expand the program in any way, shape, or form, just to apply it to cities of the second class. So I urge a "no" vote on this amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

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? Bill was agreed to.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1138**, **PN 1195**, entitled:

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.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

AMENDMENTS RULED OUT OF ORDER

The SPEAKER. The Chair rules the following amendments out of order for violating House rule 20: amendment A00815, amendment A00851, amendment A00854.

RULING OF CHAIR APPEALED

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

Mr. STRUZZI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise to challenge the ruling of the Chair that amendment A00815 is out of order.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Representative Struzzi, appeals the ruling of the Chair that amendment A00815 violates House rule 20. House rule 20 provides that no bill shall be passed containing more than one subject. The subject of HB 1138 is the sales and use tax and gross receipts tax on mobile telecommunication services. Amendment A00815 adds a second subject to the bill by allowing the telephonic filing of any tax return or document or remittance of payment for a fee or a tax liability under the Tax Reform Code.

On the question,

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the motion, Representative Struzzi.

Mr. STRUZZI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

HB 1138 clearly deals with the Tax Code. Telefiling is the collection of taxes. So clearly, again, it falls under the Tax Code.

Recently the Department of Revenue started to phase out the TeleFile system in favor of the online myPATH system for the collection of taxes. Last year 51,000 taxpayers used the TeleFile system to file their taxes, resulting in the collection of \$716 million in revenue. Currently 41,000 taxpayers still rely on the TeleFile system. Many of those taxpayers are in rural areas like the Amish and Mennonite communities. So by getting rid of this TeleFile system, we are essentially not going to be able to collect those taxes and putting these communities at a hardship.

Many of them, as you probably know, are in very rural areas and drive horses and buggies, and for them to get to a facility to file their taxes could actually put them in danger.

So again, this is clearly a Tax Code reform bill, HB 1138. This amendment has to do with the collection of taxes. It is clearly in order as part of this bill. So please, I urge everyone to support appealing the decision of the Chair and helping these communities, these rural communities like the Amish and the Mennonites, and allowing us to collect these important tax revenues. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. 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 an amendment, and I recognize that not everybody has the blessings of having some of the plain sect folks who use the TeleFile system. There are tens of thousands of these individuals scattered throughout the State. They happen to live in both of our communities. The gentleman's amendment very simply deals with actually paying your taxes. That is what these fine folks want to do. I will tell you, in most cases, they are doing it on a cell phone.

So the underlying bill, as he outlined, deals with Tax Code reforms and changes, happens to be a reduction on the cell phone tax, the very cell phone that those individuals would be using to call in and pay their taxes. It deals with Tax Code changes, it deals with cell phones, and it deals with those reforms. And most importantly, I believe we should make it simpler for people who want to pay their taxes to actually do so.

So I would urge support of the gentleman's motion, and then more importantly, support of the underlying issue, because without this amendment, we will have approximately forty to fifty thousand individuals who will no longer be able to pay their taxes on the method that they currently choose. And for those who might be unaware, the department's answer is that they would open 15 additional satellite offices across the Commonwealth; 15, when they can do it on their phone right now.

Madam Speaker, these individuals, many travel by horse and buggy. They will not be able to reach the centers. We have to find a solution for them. That solution is this amendment. I urge its support.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

Those in favor of sustaining the Chair's decision will vote "aye"; those opposed, "no."

On the question recurring,

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-102

Abney	Evans	Kinsey	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Kosierowski	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Krajewski	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Frankel	Krueger	Samuelson
Borowski	Freeman	Kulik	Sanchez
Boyd	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

NAYS-101

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

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

Less than a majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the negative, the decision of the Chair stood as the judgment of the House.

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 1259, PN 1369, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income; and, in Pennsylvania Child and Dependent Care Enhancement Tax Credit Program, further providing for credit for child and dependent care employment-related expenses.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. The Chair rules the following amendments out of order for violating House rule 20: amendment A00813, amendment A00852, amendment A00855.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. SAMUELSON offered the following amendment No. A00788:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by striking out "actual" and inserting following amounts, whichever is less:

(i) the actual

Amend Bill, page 2, line 29, by striking out ", or the following, whichever is less:" and inserting

(ii) the following amounts:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 30, by striking out "(i)" and inserting (A)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 2, by striking out "(ii)" and inserting (B)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 5, by striking out "actual" and inserting following amounts, whichever is less:

(i) the actual

Amend Bill, page 3, line 9, by striking out ", or the following, whichever is less:" and inserting

(ii) the following amounts:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by striking out "(i)" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 3, line 12, by striking out "(ii)" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 3, line 15, by striking out "actual" and inserting following amounts, whichever is less:

(i) the actual

Amend Bill, page 3, line 19, by striking out ", or the following, whichever is less:" and inserting

(ii) the following amounts:

Amend Bill, page 3, line 20, by striking out "(i)" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 3, line 22, by striking out "(ii)" and inserting (B)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 25, by striking out "actual" and inserting following amounts, whichever is less:

(i) the actual

Amend Bill, page 3, line 29, by striking out ", or the following, whichever is less:" and inserting

(ii) the following amounts:

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

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

Amend Bill, page 4, line 5, by striking out "actual" and inserting following amounts, whichever is less:

(i) the actual

Amend Bill, page 4, line 9, by striking out ", or the following, whichever is less:" and inserting

(ii) the following amounts:

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

Amend Bill, page 4, line 12, by striking out "(ii)" and inserting
(B)

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I offer amendment 788 to offer some clarifying language in the bill to clearly state the intent of this bill, which we are trying to have expand the tax credit for child and dependent care expenses. You recall that this tax credit was instituted in last year's budget, took effect when we voted last July 8, and the bill in chief proposes to expand that. The amendment clarifies that the maximum tax credit for child-care or dependent care expenses would be 30 percent of either the actual amount of child-care expenses or a maximum of \$300 – I am sorry, a maximum of \$3,000 for one child in child care or \$6,000 for two or more children in child care. So you can do the math. With this amendment, with this clarifying language, the maximum, the maximum credit for child and dependent care expenses would be \$900 for a person with one child in child care or \$1800 for two or more children; 30 percent of \$6,000 or 30 percent of \$3,000.

I ask for a "yes" vote on amendment 788.

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-112

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

NAYS-91

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

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. **SAMUELSON** offered the following amendment No. **A00858**:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 21 and 22, by striking out "<u>December 31, 2022</u>, and ending before January 1, 2028" and inserting <u>December 31, 2021</u>

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 23 and 24

(1) For the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2021, and ending before January 1, 2023, 30% of:

(i) the actual amount of employment-related expenses incurred by the taxpayer and claimed for the Federal tax credit under section 21 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 during the prior taxable year, or the following, as applicable, whichever is less:

(A) \$3,000 for one qualifying individual with respect to the taxpayer; or

(B) \$6,000 for two or more qualifying individuals with respect to the taxpayer; multiplied by

(ii) the applicable percent, with respect to the taxpayer, in effect for the taxable year beginning after

December 31, 2021, and ending before January 1, 2023. Amend Bill, page 2, line 24, by striking out "(1)" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 3, line 4, by striking out "(2)" and inserting (3)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 14, by striking out "(3)" and inserting (4)

Abney

Amend Bill, page 3, line 24, by striking out "(4)" and inserting (5)

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

Amend Bill, page 4, line 5, by striking out "ending before January 1, 2028," and inserting

for each taxable year thereafter,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you. I ask for a "yes" vote on amendment 858. This makes two changes to the bill. One, the proposed bill, the bill in chief is intended to affect tax years 2023 and thereafter. Of course, this just makes sure that we are not inadvertently affecting tax year 2022, which of course is underway. Most people filed in April. Some people got extensions and are still filing. This would clarify that this does not impact 2022 tax year, only 2023.

It also takes out a sunset date. In case the Federal government would extend its child and dependent care tax credit, this says that the provisions of this bill would stay in effect after 2027. Thank you. I ask for a "yes" vote.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

Fleming

YEAS-184

Kulik

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Abney	Fleming	Kulik	Rabb
Adams	Flick	Kutz	Rader
Armanini	Flood	Kuzma	Rigby
Banta	Frankel	Labs	Rozzi
Barton	Freeman	Lawrence	Ryncavage
Bellmon	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Salisbury
Benham	Gallagher	Mackenzie, R.	Samuelson
Benninghoff	Galloway	Madden	Sanchez
Bernstine	Gaydos	Madsen	Sappey
Bizzarro	Gergely	Major	Schemel
Borowski	Gillen	Mako	Scheuren
Boyd	Giral	Malagari	Schlegel
Boyle	Green	Maloney	Schlossberg
Bradford	Gregory	Marcell	Schmitt
Brennan	Greiner	Markosek	Schweyer
Briggs	Grove	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guenst	Matzie	Scott
Brown, M.	Guzman	Mayes	Shusterman
Bullock	Haddock	McAndrew	Siegel
Burgos	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
Burns	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
C Freytiz	Harris	Mentzer	Solomon
Cabell	Heffley	Merski	Staats
Causer	Hogan	Metzgar	Steele
Cephas	Hohenstein	Mihalek	Stender
Cerrato	Howard	Miller, B.	Struzzi
Ciresi	Innamorato	Miller, D.	Sturla
Conklin	Irvin	Moul	Takac
Cooper	Isaacson	Mullins	Tomlinson
Curry	James	Munroe	Topper
Cutler	Jones, M.	Mustello	Twardzik
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Neilson	Venkat
Daley	Kail	Nelson, E.	Vitali
Davanzo	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Warren
Davis	Kauffman	O'Mara	Watro
Dawkins	Kazeem	O'Neal	Waxman
Deasy	Kenyatta	Oberlander	Webster

Delloso	Kerwin	Ortitay	Wentling
Delozier	Khan	Otten	White
Diamond	Kim	Owlett	Williams, C.
Donahue	Kinkead	Parker	Williams, D.
Dunbar	Kinsey	Pashinski	Young
Ecker	Klunk	Pickett	Zimmerman
Emrick	Kosierowski	Pielli	
Evans	Krajewski	Pisciottano	McClinton,
Fee	Krueger	Probst	Speaker
Fiedler	Krupa		

NAYS-19

Bonner	Gleim	Leadbeter	Rowe
Borowicz	Hamm	Mercuri	Stambaugh
Cook	Jones, T.	Rapp	Stehr
Fink	Keefer	Roae	Warner
Fritz	Kenhart	Rossi	

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-0

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

On the question recurring,

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

Mr. **SAMUELSON** offered the following amendment No. **A00859**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 10, by inserting after "penalties,"" in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income; and,

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 15 through 18, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Section 303(a.7)(2)(i) of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, is amended by adding a clause to read:

Section 303. Classes of Income.—* * *

(a.7) The following apply:

* *

(2) (i) The following shall not be subject to tax under this article: * * *

(E) Amounts paid or incurred by an employer of an employe for dependent care assistance provided to the employe that are excludable under section 129 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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Section 2. Section 1903-I(a) and (b) of the act, added July 8, 2022 (P.L.513, No.53), are amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Amend Bill, page 4, line 15, by striking out "2" and inserting

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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

Mr. SAMUELSON. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The bill in chief provides for the child and dependent care tax credit at the State level, building off the Federal child and dependent care tax credit. The Federal government also allows individuals to exclude up to \$5,000 from income to save for dependent care expenses. Under current law, the State does not

have that exclusion. This amendment proposes to add that, allow up to \$5,000 of income for State income tax purposes to be excluded as an incentive to save for dependent care expenses.

We do have other categories of income that are excluded in Pennsylvania. Just recently we excluded COVID stimulus payments that folks received in 2020 and 2021. Those were excluded. When families save for a Tuition Account Program – the TAP Program, a very popular program – in the current tax year, you can exclude up to \$17,000. Your contributions to the TAP Program can be excluded. Just a few years ago the gentleman from Allegheny County, and I know the Speaker from Allegheny County was involved, expanded that to exclude payments that folks make to the ABLE (Achieving a Better Life Experience) program to save for dependent care expenses.

This amendment would allow up to \$5,000 to be excluded for dependent care expenses. I ask for a "yes" vote on amendment 859.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-118

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

NAYS-85

Adams	Fritz	Krupa	Rigby
Armanini	Gaydos	Kutz	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Kuzma	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Lawrence	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Leadbeter	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Major	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Mako	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Maloney	Schlegel
Brown, M.	Heffley	Mentzer	Schmitt
Cabell	Irvin	Mercuri	Scialabba
Causer	James	Mihalek	Smith
Cook	Jones, M.	Miller, B.	Staats
Cutler	Jones, T.	Moul	Stambaugh

D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Mustello	Stehr
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Diamond	Kaufer	Oberlander	Topper
Dunbar	Kauffman	Ortitay	Twardzik
Ecker	Keefer	Owlett	Warner
Fee	Kephart	Pickett	Watro
Fink	Kerwin	Rader	Wentling
Flick	Klunk	Rapp	Zimmerman
Flood			

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 1267**, **PN 1376**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 3, 1992 (P.L.28, No.11), known as the Tuition Account Programs and College Savings Bond Act, in tuition account program, further providing for declaration of policy, for definitions, for Tuition Account Programs Bureau, for powers of department, for Tuition Account Guaranteed Savings Program, for Tuition Account Investment Program, for general provisions governing both tuition account programs and for Federal taxation; establishing the Keystone Scholars Grant Program and the Keystone Scholars Grant Program Account; and making a repeal.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **LAWRENCE** offered the following amendment No. **A00863:**

Amend Bill, page 8, line 17, by inserting after "(2)"

<u>(i)</u>

Amend Bill, page 8, by inserting between lines 19 and 20

(ii) The notice shall contain the following phrase in addition to the other required information: Keystone Scholars is not funded by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, it is funded by the generosity of Pennsylvanians who made contributions to their own children's 529 college savings plans.

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 pulling this amendment at this time. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

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

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1272**, **PN 1389**, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. The Chair rules the following amendments out of order for violating House rule 20: amendment A00811, amendment A00853, amendment A00856.

On the question recurring,

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

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 718**, **PN 664**, entitled:

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

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-203

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
Boyd	Green	Malagari	Schlegel
Boyle	Gregory	Maloney	Schlossberg

Bradford	Greiner	Marcell	Schmitt
Brennan	Grove	Markosek	Schweyer
Briggs	Guenst	Marshall	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guzman	Matzie	Scott
Brown, M.	Haddock	Mayes	Shusterman
Bullock	Hamm	McAndrew	Siegel
Burgos	Hanbidge	McNeill	Smith
Burns	Harkins	Mehaffie	Smith-Wade-El
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Cabell	Heffley	Mercuri	Staats
Causer	Hogan	Merski	Stambaugh
Cephas	Hohenstein	Metzgar	Steele
Cerrato	Howard	Mihalek	Stehr
Ciresi	Innamorato	Miller, B.	Stender
Conklin	Irvin	Miller, D.	Struzzi
Cook	Isaacson	Moul	Sturla
Cooper	James	Mullins	Takac
Curry	Jones, M.	Munroe	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mustello	Topper
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Neilson	Twardzik
Daley	Kail	Nelson, E.	Venkat
Davanzo	Kaufer	Nelson, N.	Vitali
Davis	Kauffman	O'Mara	Warner
Dawkins	Kazeem	O'Neal	Warren
Deasy	Keefer	Oberlander	Watro
Delloso	Kenyatta	Ortitay	Waxman
Delozier	Kephart	Otten	Webster
Diamond	Kerwin	Owlett	Wentling
Donahue	Khan	Parker	White
Dunbar	Kim	Pashinski	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kinkead	Pickett	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kinsey	Pielli	Young
Evans	Klunk	Pisciottano	Zimmerman
Fee	Kosierowski	Probst	
Fiedler	Krajewski	Rabb	McClinton,
Fink	Krueger	Rader	Speaker
Fleming			

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 849**, **PN 1463**, entitled:

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.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

Mr. SCHLOSSBERG. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, it is a little strange to talk about \$100 million as a number that is both large and small, but that is actually what we are looking at here. This money will have a deeply personal impact on people across the Commonwealth. Now, to reiterate, after the amendment yesterday, this legislation will invest \$34 million in the behavioral health care workforce, \$31 1/2 million in criminal justice and public safety, and \$34 1/2 million to expand mental health supports and services. This money and this report came from the Behavioral Health Commission that we approved last year, and I do want to take a moment to thank the 24 members of the Behavioral Health Commission for their hard work.

That being said, if we are talking about unmet mental health needs, this money is truly just a drop in the bucket. The statistics are stark. One in five Americans suffers from some sort of mental illness, but only 40 percent will get the treatment they need. Suicide rates have increased by roughly 37 percent since 2000, and suicide is the leading cause of death for individuals between the ages of 10 and 34. It is in that context that we must discuss HB 849 because what we are doing today will make a difference. This legislation will improve lives. It will save lives. It will do so across the Commonwealth, helping children and adults in our deepest pockets of rural and urban poverty, our most affluent communities, and everywhere in between.

Furthermore, like everything else that we do here, this legislation does not exist in isolation. This bill is one of a series of mental health-related items that we will hopefully be passing by the end of the month. Those efforts include a \$20 million partial restoration of county funding cuts from more than a decade ago, a permanent stream of funding for the 988 suicide prevention hotline, and \$100 million in mental health for schools.

I do not want to spike the football here – at least spike it too hard. If legislation was a football game, we are at the other 20-yard line, but today is a first down. To be clear, we have major work to do when it comes to addressing the fundamentally underfunded mental health system that is being held together by string and duct tape. However, as the old expression goes, the only way to eat an elephant is one bite at a time. We are taking our first bite today, and it is a big one.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to thank both chairmen of the Human Services Committee for their bipartisan support of this effort. I also want to thank committee staff and leadership staff on both sides of the aisle, as well as my staff for their incredibly hard work. As always, staff is the glue that holds this building together and I am beyond grateful for their assistance in finishing this \$100 million package in front of the House.

Nine years ago I stood at this exact podium and discussed my own challenges with mental illness. It was not the first time, it will not be the last, and I am sorry about that. But at the time, I made the comment that as long as you breath, you have hope. I made that speech and discussed my own experiences to try to break the stigma that surrounds mental illness, and thankfully, even in that short period of time, we have come a long, long way. When I first discussed taking antidepressants and seeing a therapist, I did so in an op-ed in my local paper. Now members just tweet it out. We share our stories on the backs of those who

came before us because we are a reflection of our communities. Our constituents have not been shy. They have told us of their pain, and I hope this legislation will help to ease their struggles.

I will conclude by invoking another one of my favorite expressions: Do not tell me your values, show me your budget. This budget is real; \$100 million will make a personal impact in the lives of those who suffer and those who care for those who suffer. I have been honored to deliberate with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to do this good work. Let us send this bill over to the Senate, get this money out the door, and put it in the hands of people who need it the most. I urge a "yes" vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Marcell.

Mrs. MARCELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Today I rise in support of HB 849. In the previous session, my predecessor and the gentleman from Lehigh County fought to establish the Behavioral Health Commission for Adult Mental Health. The 24-member commission was charged with providing recommendations to the General Assembly on the allocation of one-time \$100 million American Rescue Plan funding to address adult behavioral health needs in Pennsylvania.

The reasons for action are clear. In Pennsylvania, more than 1.8 million individuals report having issues with anxiety disorders, depression, or manic episodes that impact their moods, behavior, and daily activities. Unfortunately, more than 1.7 million residents live in a community where there is a shortage of mental health professionals. Clearly, access to mental health care remains limited. This is an issue we must address.

We have all read about the negative impact the isolation and anxiety caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our children. As a former school board member, I have seen that personally. I have no doubt, and I am sure you do not either, that this same negative impact has been placed on too many Pennsylvania adults as well. The startling figures I noted bear this out. Faced with both this growing mental health crisis and the continued scourge of opioid deaths and drug addiction, we must find ways to expand the capacity of our existing mental health care resources.

Please join me in voting "yes" on HB 849. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the Representative.

The Chair recognizes Representative Kinsey on the question, shall the bill pass the House finally?

Mr. KINSEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I want to stand before you to say that I am thrilled to see HB 849 before the full House for consideration on final passage. This vital piece of legislation will get \$100 million in one-time Federal funds out to our districts, out to our communities that need supports and services for mental health concerns. This piece of legislation does just that. It provides the supports necessary to help our communities to heal and address the challenges that some individuals might have.

And, Madam Speaker, I would be remiss if I did not recognize all of the members of the Human Services Committee who worked in a bipartisan fashion and had robust conversation about this bill. This bipartisan legislation provides for behavioral health, workforce improvements, criminal justice, and public safety initiatives, and it expands access to mental health services and supports. The gentleman from Lehigh County and his staff

have worked diligently over the last 9 months to get this funding out to communities. We cannot afford to sit on \$100 million in Federal funds, especially when it is available right here, right now, to address the needs of our communities.

We do recognize that there is still work to be done. We hope that we can collaborate with the Senate to get this bill to the Governor's Office. But I stand before you and urge each and every one of my colleagues to support HB 849. Let us get this money out to those folks who need it.

Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

As a reminder to the members, if you want to be recognized to speak, please stand at a microphone so that I can see you. Happy to acknowledge everyone and ensure you have your voices heard.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Keefer. Mrs. KEEFER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My issue with HB 849 is that this grant program, or we are going to take money out of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act), \$100 million, for needs that we have for sure. It is greatly needed in all of our counties and our counties have been reaching out to us asking for resources, funding, programming, whatever it may be. But unfortunately, what this does is it takes this money and sets up a myriad of programs, and now our counties will have to come back and compete for these dollars instead of divvying this out to the counties and dictating what these resources can be used for, such as, you know, mental health in prisons, mental health services, whether it is social work, whatever the programs may be, and divvying it out equally to the counties. Now those with the best grant writers, those with the best lobbyist, those will be the ones who get the most funding. It will not be based upon needs.

And so while I think this is a noble effort and I think there is a great need here, unfortunately, it sets the counties up, pitted up against each other, and too much will be eaten up by bureaucracy. It will not go to the needs that we truly have in our counties. So for those reasons I cannot support this bill.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the Representative.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Madam Chair.

And I just want to thank the Representative from Lehigh County, the maker of the bill; my good friend and colleague, the chairman from Philadelphia County for working on this; and also Erin Raub and Imogen and all the folks that came together and really worked on getting these dollars out in a way that this one-time funding that was appropriated last year in the budget is going to go into the communities and it is really going to help to put things in place. Workforce, helping to make sure we have the workforce through different types of relief programs for those in the profession, making sure that our county prisons are getting the funding that they need, making sure that our money going into collaborative care, which is so important. These dollars are going to be used for capital investments in workforce, capital investments in infrastructure that are going to pay forward.

So I would ask for an affirmative vote. I think this is a good bipartisan effort, and I really appreciate when we can work together in a manner that is going to be good for the entire Commonwealth.

Thank you, Madam Speaker, and I ask for an affirmative vote on HB 849.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Cutler. Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank the prime sponsor and both chairs who worked on this important piece of legislation. It is not the first time that I have had the opportunity to work with the prime sponsor. Last session we did a series of mental health bills and he had a review panel that we passed. And we discussed the stigma that is associated with mental health, and we talked about many of the issues that are actually contained — and more importantly, funded — in this underlying bill. This money was encumbered in last year's budget. It is some of the Federal moneys that is left over from the COVID relief funds. And as we dive into the issue of mental health, it is a very big issue. It touches many aspects of our lives.

We have seen it in our young folks who struggled with isolation as they were shut out of their schools. We have seen skyrocketing suicide and overdose rates, so we need additional substance abuse treatments, because many people who may not even yet be on the radar, they may not have yet acknowledged that they have an issue because they are self-medicating at home with drugs and alcohol.

Thanks to the work of the prime sponsor and the committee, we have been able to arrive at a bipartisan solution. It tackles – starts to tackle – some of the issues of mental health; gun violence, trauma-informed care, and caring for those individuals who are directly impacted, while at the same time going upstream on the treatment of mental health, ensuring that there are providers, ensuring that there is increased access, and again, funding for those issues.

Madam Speaker, this is a great bipartisan product that deserves our support, and I hope that all the members would join me in doing so.

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-173

Abney Adams Armanini Barton Bellmon Benham Benninghoff Bizzarro Bonner Borowski Boyd Boyle	Fee Fiedler Fleming Flick Flood Frankel Freeman Friel Fritz Gallagher Galloway Gaydos	Krajewski Krueger Kulik Kutz Kuzma Labs Lawrence Mackenzie, M. Mackenzie, R. Madden Madsen Major	Pisciottano Probst Rabb Rader Rigby Rozzi Ryncavage Salisbury Samuelson Sanchez Sappey Scheuren
Bradford Brennan Briggs Brown, A. Brown, M. Bullock Burgos Burns C Freytiz Cabell Causer	Gergely Gillen Giral Green Gregory Greiner Grove Guenst Guzman Haddock Hanbidge	Mako Malagari Marcell Markosek Marshall Matzie Mayes McAndrew McNeill Mehaffie Mentzer	Schlegel Schlossberg Schmitt Schweyer Scott Shusterman Siegel Smith-Wade-El Solomon Steele Stender

Cephas	Harkins	Mercuri	Struzzi
Cerrato	Harris	Merski	Sturla
Ciresi	Heffley	Mihalek	Takac
Conklin	Hogan	Miller, D.	Tomlinson
Cook	Hohenstein	Moul	Topper
Cooper	Howard	Mullins	Twardzik
Curry	Innamorato	Munroe	Venkat
Cutler	Isaacson	Mustello	Vitali
Daley	James	Neilson	Warren
Davanzo	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Watro
Davis	Kail	Nelson, N.	Waxman
Dawkins	Kaufer	O'Mara	Webster
Deasy	Kazeem	O'Neal	Wentling
Delloso	Kenyatta	Oberlander	White
Delozier	Kerwin	Ortitay	Williams, C.
Diamond	Khan	Otten	Williams, D.
Donahue	Kim	Owlett	Young
Dunbar	Kinkead	Parker	
Ecker	Kinsey	Pashinski	McClinton,
Emrick	Klunk	Pickett	Speaker
Evans	Kosierowski	Pielli	-

NAYS-30

Banta	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Scialabba
Bernstine	Jones, T.	Miller, B.	Smith
Borowicz	Kauffman	Rapp	Staats
D'Orsie	Keefer	Roae	Stambaugh
Fink	Kephart	Rossi	Stehr
Gleim	Krupa	Rowe	Warner
Hamm	Leadbeter	Schemel	Zimmerman
Irvin	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 1086**, **PN 1303**, entitled:

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.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

Mr. TAKAC. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would like to note that this is my first opportunity to stand before you and our colleagues gathered here in the people's house. And just one day after celebrating Pennsylvania's National Guard and Veterans Day, it gives me great pleasure to stand in support of HB 1086.

Throughout our nation's history, Pennsylvania's veterans have served our Commonwealth and our country with honor and with distinction, and in return, we owe them not only our gratitude for their sacrifice and their service, but an unwavering commitment to support them and their families. HB 1086 will help us better fulfill those important obligations and assurances.

This legislation originated with a request from the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and will allow for the sharing of information in the voluntary veterans registry with community and veteran outreach partners who participate in the PA VETConnect program. By allowing this improved flow of information, the department, their partners, and the PA VETConnect program will be able to work together to provide more resources and to serve veterans in a more direct, efficient, and effective way. Improved coordination between these organizations will help target and connect veterans who may need assistance with employment, finances, substance use, mental wellness, post-traumatic stress, and many other issues.

This bill was unanimously reported as amended by the House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee, and it is supported by both the Pennsylvania Military Officers Association of America and the Pennsylvania National Guard Associations.

And before closing, I would like to recognize and thank my friend, the gentleman from Delaware and Chester Counties, as well as the committee chairmen, fellow members, and staff for their efforts and assistance to refine and improve this legislation.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak here today. I hope you will join me in continuing to support our veterans, and I ask for your support and a "yes" vote on HB 1086.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes Representative Gillen. Mr. GILLEN. I commend the gentleman from Centre County. I recommend an affirmative vote. He has covered all the territory of the bill.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

The SPEAKER. This Chair thanks the colleague.

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-190

Abney	Fleming	Kutz	Rossi
Adams	Flick	Kuzma	Rowe
Armanini	Flood	Labs	Rozzi
Barton	Frankel	Mackenzie, M.	Ryncavage
Bellmon	Freeman	Mackenzie, R.	Salisbury
Benham	Friel	Madden	Samuelson
Benninghoff	Fritz	Madsen	Sanchez
Bernstine	Gallagher	Major	Sappey
Bizzarro	Galloway	Mako	Schemel
Bonner	Gaydos	Malagari	Scheuren
Borowicz	Gergely	Marcell	Schlegel
Borowski	Gillen	Markosek	Schlossberg
Boyd	Giral	Marshall	Schmitt
Boyle	Green	Matzie	Schweyer
Bradford	Greiner	Mayes	Scialabba
Brennan	Guenst	McAndrew	Scott

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Briggs	Guzman	McNeill	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Haddock	Mehaffie	Siegel
Brown, M.	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Smith
Bullock	Harkins	Mercuri	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Harris	Merski	Solomon
Burns	Heffley	Metzgar	Staats
C Freytiz	Hogan	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Cabell	Hohenstein	Miller, B.	Steele
Causer	Howard	Miller, D.	Stehr
Cephas	Innamorato	Moul	Stender
Cerrato	Irvin	Mullins	Struzzi
Ciresi	Isaacson	Munroe	Sturla
Conklin	James	Mustello	Takac
Cook	Jones, M.	Neilson	Tomlinson
Cooper	Jones, T.	Nelson, N.	Topper
Curry	Jozwiak	O'Mara	Twardzik
Cutler	Kail	O'Neal	Venkat
D'Orsie	Kaufer	Oberlander	Vitali
Daley	Kauffman	Ortitay	Warner
Davis	Kazeem	Otten	Warren
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Owlett	Watro
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Delloso	Khan	Pashinski	Webster
Delozier	Kim	Pickett	Wentling
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Donahue	Kinsey	Pisciottano	Williams, C.
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Ecker	Kosierowski	Rabb	Young
Emrick	Krajewski	Rader	Zimmerman
Evans	Krueger	Rapp	
Fee	Krupa	Rigby	McClinton,
Fiedler	Kulik	Roae	Speaker
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NAYS-13

Banta	Gregory	Keefer	Leadbeter
Davanzo	Grove	Kephart	Maloney
Fink	Hamm	Lawrence	Nelson, E.
Gleim			

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. The Chair is in receipt of information on today, our colleague, Representative Bonner, and another colleague, Representative Howard, are both celebrating birthdays. Happy birthday, colleagues.

For the information of the members, there will be no further votes.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

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

HB 269; HB 664;

HB 711;

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HB 788;
HB 1085;
HB 1138;
HB 1259;
HB 1267; and
HB 1272.
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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 892; HB 931; HB 1032; HB 1092; HB 1131; and HB 1184.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The Chair requests that those speaking pursuant to rule 17 come to the well of the House so that you can be recognized and provide your remarks.

STATEMENT BY MS. O'MARA

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes Representative O'Mara.

Ms. O'MARA. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

June 10 is one of my favorite days of the year because it is Delco Day. Delco is more than a place, it is a vibe. We insist on Wawa over Sheetz. We start and end conversations with "Go Birds." We spend our summers down the shore or swimming in the crik, shop at the Acme, and worship on the Instagram feed of Aunt Mary Pat. We work hard, and we play harder.

As one of the oldest settled areas in the United States, Delco's history is as colorful as it is gritty. When William Penn first came to Pennsylvania, he arrived in Chester and dubbed it the provincial capital. Delco quickly became the fourth most populous county in Pennsylvania, although it has the third smallest land mass. Therefore, many, many families and many generations are Delco proud. It is the common thread that connects us all and makes it so easy for us to care about each other. That, and everyone collectively dreading the Blue Route.

Regardless of if you live in Springfield, Media, Drexel Hill, Newtown Square, Eddystone, Radnor, or anywhere in between, everyone embodies enough Delco pride to know that our hometown is obviously the best. Each one of the county's 47 communities has its own personality, and Delco Day is all about recognizing and celebrating that.

The great thing about Delco Day is that it mirrors our area code, 610. So on June 10, everyone in Pennsylvania is an honorary Delconian. We embody this unity by coming together

each year to benefit the HEADstrong Foundation. This organization works to provide housing, financial, and emotional support to individuals and families affected by cancer. The HEADstrong Foundation bought and renovated "Nick's House" to give people and families a complimentary place to stay while they are in the area for their essential, lifesaving treatment.

Celebrating our favorite place in Pennsylvania while fundraising for such a worthy cause showcases the very best of Delco residents and never fails to bring us together. That and an Eagles game. Go Birds.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady from Delaware County.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. In the gallery, the Chair is pleased to welcome to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives visitors from the Peace Islands Institute's 11th Annual Cultural Celebration. Guests, would you please stand if you are attending the Peace Islands Institute's 11th Annual Cultural Celebration. Welcome to the floor of the House. It was great to stop past earlier.

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 by the gentlelady from Delaware County. Representative Heather Boyd moves that the House now adjourn until Monday, June 12, 2023, at 12 m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 3:06 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.