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SENATE

TUESDAY, March 13, 1990.

The Senate met at 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mark S. Singel) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by the Secretary of the Senate, Hon. MARK R. CORRIGAN:

Almighty Father, in the beginning of the universe when all was darkness, You said, "Let there be light," and light was made. We pray that You would brighten our paths this day and every day with this heavenly light, that we may clearly see the way to better serve You and our people. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding Session of March 12, 1990.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding Session, when, on motion of Senator LOEPER, further reading was dispensed with, and the Journal was approved.

HOUSE MESSAGES

SENATE BILL RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate SB 971, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT. Pursuant to Senate Rule XV, Section 5, this bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to **HB 1179**.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate, entitled:

Weekly Adjournment.

BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mark S. Singel) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

HB 1179.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

Senator LOEPER, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following bill on concurrence in House amendments:

SB 498 (Pr. No. 1908)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for payment of fees and taxes when applying for a certificate of title; providing for commercial drivers; further providing for buses, for antique and classic vehicles, for exemptions from licensing, for classes of licenses, for school bus drivers, for issuance and content of driver's license, for production of a driver's license or evidence to avoid certain penalties, for revocation or suspension of operating privilege, for schedule of convictions and points, for surrender of license, for chemical testing to determine amount of alcohol or controlled substance, for occupational limited licenses, for judicial review, for violations concerning licenses, for driving under foreign license during suspension or revocation and for certain indemnification payments; providing for registration of limousines; authorizing dealers of motor carrier vehicles and designated agents of the Department of Transportation to be agents for the Department of Revenue for certain purposes relating to the motor carrier road tax identification marker; further providing for penalties for operation of certain vehicles without required identification markers, for reckless driving, for driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance, for enforcement agreements and for reports by courts; and providing for careless driving.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Fumo and temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Lewis, Senator Jones, Senator Stewart, Senator Regoli and Senator Williams.

Senator LOEPER. Mr. President, I understand that Senator Wilt has been detained in his office and I would request a temporary Capitol leave on his behalf and also temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Shumaker and Senator Peterson, who has been detained in a meeting, and a legislative leave on behalf of Senator Hopper.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Mellow requests legislative leave for Senator Fumo and temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Lewis, Senator Jones, Senator Stewart, Senator Regoli and Senator Williams. Senator Loeper requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Wilt, Senator Shumaker and Senator Peterson and a legislative leave for Senator Hopper. The Chair hears no objection. Those leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 382 (Pr. No. 3063) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1947 (P. L. 1110, No. 476), known as the "Motor Vehicle Sales Finance Act," adding a definition of "heavy commercial motor vehicle"; and providing for contracts and for rates.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-49

Afflerbach	Greenleaf	Lynch	Rocks
Andrezeski	Greenwood	Madigan	Salvatore
Armstrong	Helfrick	Mellow	Scanlon
Baker	Hess	Musto	Shaffer
Belan	Holl	O'Pake	Shumaker
Bell	Норрег	Pecora	Stapleton
Bodack	Jones	Peterson ·	Stewart
Brightbill	Jubelirer	Porterfield	Stout
Corman	Lemmond	Punt	Tilghman
Dawida	Lewis	Regoli	Wenger
Fattah	Lincoln	Reibman	Williams
Fisher	Loeper	Rhoades	Wilt
Fumo			

NAYS-0

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which concurrence of the House is requested.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the presence on the floor of Senator Regoli, Senator Jones and Senator Shumaker. Their temporary Capitol leaves will be cancelled.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leave for Senator Fattah.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Mellow requests temporary Capitol leave for Senator Fattah. The Chair hears no objection. The leave will be granted.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR NO. 1

BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 498 (Pr. No. 1908) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for payment of fees and taxes when applying for a certificate of title; providing for commercial drivers; further providing for buses, for antique and classic vehicles, for exemptions from licensing, for classes of licenses, for school bus drivers, for issuance and content of driver's license, for production of a driver's license or evidence to avoid certain penalties, for revocation or suspension of operating privilege, for schedule of convictions and points, for surrender of license, for chemical testing to determine amount of alcohol or controlled substance, for occupational limited licenses, for judicial review, for violations concerning licenses, for driving under foreign license during suspension or revocation and for certain indemnification payments; providing for registration of limousines; authorizing dealers of motor carrier vehicles and designated agents of the Department of Transportation to be agents for the Department of Revenue for certain purposes relating to the motor carrier road tax identification marker; further providing for penalties for operation of certain vehicles without required identification markers, for reckless driving, for driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance, for enforcement agreements and for reports by courts; and providing for careless driving.

Senator LOEPER. Mr. President, I move the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 498.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

Senator BELL. Mr. President, for many years I have introduced bread and butter licenses. I have seen many cases where a man driving a truck who is the source of income for his wife and children, because of being picked up in a radar trap or a speed trap or other minor infractions that give him points so that he loses his license, loses the sole source of income not only for himself, but also for his wife and children. I am very happy to be able to vote for this bill today.

Senator ARMSTRONG. Mr. President, on the surface I guess this bill seems like a good bill, but I wish I would have had a couple more days to review it. After glancing through some of the provisions in the bill, I do not think it is in the best interests of Pennsylvanians. Right off in the bill it states you have to be twenty-one years of age. If an eighteen year old

wants to drive a dump truck that is over 36,000 pounds, he will be ineligible. I have an eighteen year old son who does want to drive a dump truck and has a dump truck, but I guess it is possible that he could be ineligible to drive that to make a living during the summer. It is amazing to me that an eighteen year old can fly a chopper down in Panama or I know in Vietnam, however, he cannot drive a truck. I do not think that is quite fair. We are discriminating against the eighteen year olds. They can go to war, but they cannot drive a truck.

Another provision is the test will be given in both English and Spanish. I happen to have a large Spanish-speaking population in Lancaster. However, I do not think it is fair that we just say Spanish. How about Pennsylvania Dutch? I also have some people in Lancaster County who speak Pennsylvania Dutch. Why not have the test given in Pennsylvania Dutch? In fact, I believe the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Fumo, had a bill that would have English as the language of the United States, and here we are encouraging another language for taking a test.

It also extends to interstate drivers the right to refuse to drive a vehicle when the driver determines it is unsafe. The driver says, I do not feel like working today, I do not feel good or I just want to go golfing, therefore, he could say the vehicle is unsafe. I do not think we should give that much authority or power to a driver, particularly if he is working for me. I think I should have some determination in whether that vehicle is safe or not.

It also allows fifteen days to pass before you can come up with a valid driver's license if you are stopped. I believe the federal requirements indicate the license must be in the drivers' possession. I think that is reasonable.

There are many offenses that you can commit and still receive a license that I do not think the people of Pennsylvania are aware of. This bread and butter license is a catch-all. Once this passes I know we are going to be inundated with people requesting that they get bread and butter licenses. Once they are available, anyone who has a hardship case will be turning to us asking for a bread and butter license. If you flee or attempt to flee the police, you can still get a bread and butter license. If you pass a school bus, you can still get a bread and butter license. Also, if you have certain drug offenses, I understand you can get a bread and butter license. In fact, I believe there is one technicality that you can even have a drunk driver offense and you can still get a bread and butter license if you do not respond to the citation. I think there are enough loopholes in it that almost anyone, including drunk drivers, can receive a bread and butter license, and I do not think the people of Pennsylvania want that. I think they have given us a message years ago to keep the drunks off the highways, and here we are saying, well, you need your license to make a living, therefore, you can have one, and, they say, just in the use of business. Well, who determines what business is? If you are a salesman and you are out driving or going to Sunday church, you can still say that you are going to call on someone that day. I think there are too many loopholes in the bill, and I urge my colleagues to nonconcur.

Senator STOUT. Mr. President, I rise to urge nonconcurrence in Senate Bill No. 498 that is before us now. Some of the previous speakers alluded to some of the problems dealing with Senate Bill No. 498 as amended in the House and adding the commercial driver's license and a number of other significant amendments to that bill. Quite frankly, this Chamber has never had an opportunity to debate and discuss the commercial driver's license here. I would think it would better serve the people of Pennsylvania if this Body were to nonconcur and place this bill in a committee of conference of the two Chambers where we could work out some type of compromise dealing with the problems.

I, in general, support the so-called bread and butter unlimited occupational driver's license because I fully realize many of my constituents, as many, many people in Pennsylvania, are dependent upon earning a living, and commercial drivers are out on the road literally ten to twenty times more miles per year in a vehicle earning a living and, therefore, have potential exposure to violations that could interrupt and disrupt their living. But currently, as the bill is before us now, and while it enumerates a number of reasons why a limited license would not be available, in many cases it does not address very serious traffic safety concerns affecting all Pennsylvanians, both the commercial drivers and the general public. It would allow for hit-and-run drivers, except when they are driving a commercial vehicle, being permitted a limited license. I think anyone who commits a hit-and-run violation should not be allowed a limited occupational license. Also, a lot of drivers are suspended for failure to maintain insurance. There is no more controversial issue before this General Assembly over the years that I have been here than auto insurance, and if you are going to allow a person who does not comply with the law to be issued an occupational license, I think it is wrong. Also, drivers would be allowed a limited commercial license even if they were convicted of passing a stopped school bus loading and unloading school children. I think that is clearly wrong. This Legislature has spoken out many times concerning the safety issues as it deals with the transportation of school students. Also, drivers would be eligible for a limited license if they were racing on a highway, fleeing or eluding the police, or turning off their lights to avoid identification. I do not feel that people who received citations and convictions for those types of offenses should be allowed occupational licenses. Also, it would allow for a limited license to be issued to people who would be suspended for cause of failure to pay some traffic citations.

So, again, there are sufficient reasons, and one of those is, an amendment was added in the House which deals with the requirement on the issuance of titles for people who have paid sales tax and other registration fees to a dealership where, in turn, the dealership did not remit those funds into the state. It does, in the future, correct that. Three checks would be issued. One for the sales tax, one for the other fees and one for the actual purchase of the vehicle, and included in here, one of the latter pages of the bill makes it retroactive clear back to January 1, 1989. As of this date we have not been able

to ascertain a figure of cost. In other words, the Commonwealth would have to rebate these monies paid even by the second time, although they had not collected from the original payment due from the dealership because of a dealer's bankruptcy, and so forth, but could have the potential of costing several million dollars to the Treasury of this Commonwealth. I think it is right to crack down for the future by the issuance of three separate checks to try to deal with this problem. But, there has been little said to date about the loss of revenue to the Commonwealth, and we are all aware that this is going to be a very tight budget. I would urge that this Body nonconcur in Senate Bill No. 498 and appoint a committee of conference so we can work with the other Chamber and with the interested parties to try to work out a commercial driver's license law that not only meets the federal requirements, but also takes into consideration and protects the health, safety and welfare of all the motorists of Pennsylvania and all the residents of Pennsylvania.

Senator LOEPER. Mr. President, as I indicated in my original motion to concur in Senate Bill No. 498, I think it is important that we realize this legislation was amended substantially in the House of Representatives. I think, if we recall, the debate was extensive on many of the provisions that are included within Senate Bill No. 498, and I think, if we recall, it was passed by the House on February 6th and returned to the Senate for concurrence. This bill contains provisions relating to the commercial motor vehicles driver's license, and the provisions that are contained in Senate Bill No. 498 are in response to the federal government's enactment of the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986. The federal law which I refer to calls for the formation of a national system for licensing commercial drivers in all of our states and requires the United States Secretary of Transportation to promulgate rules and regulations in order to implement this law. The 1986 federal act contains a series of provisions which must be adhered to by each of the individual states—a minimum testing standard for commercial drivers, a system of disqualification from driving a commercial vehicle for repeat violations, as well as development of a national commercial driver's information system. Mr. President, it is necessary that all of these provisions must be adhered to and enforced by all of the states by the deadlines established at the federal level. Failure of a state to substantially comply with the provisions of the 1986 act will result in the loss of federal highway aid funds beginning with a 5 percent federal highway reduction in fiscal year 1993, which actually begins October 1, 1992. I believe, Mr. President, that Senate Bill No. 498, as it is before us today, contains many of the provisions that will meet these federal requirements and mandates and does not jeopardize Pennsylvania's highway funding. I would also finally note, Mr. President, that this bill passed in the House of Representatives by a vote of 195-1, and I believe, deserves an affirmative vote on concurrence here in the Senate today.

Senator FISHER. Mr. President, I, too, rise to urge concurrence in the House amendments to Senate Bill No. 498. The Majority Leader has just outlined a number of reasons in support of concurrence. I would just like to put two additional factors on the record.

First of all, the gentleman from Lancaster, Senator Armstrong, in his arguments against concurrence or for nonconcurrence, indicated that a person under this law could just disregard a citation for drunk driving, and, therefore, avoid the section of the bill which would prohibit a bread and butter license for a drunk driving citation. I would just like to state for the record that that is incorrect. First of all, in drunk driving offenses a person does not get a citation. Rather, they would be arrested on the scene. They would be taken in. They would be charged, they would be arraigned and they would go through the processes, and I can assure you if anyone would fail to show for any part of that proceeding, they would be quickly and swiftly picked up by the courts and tried and, in fact, charged with another offense. So, the fact that a person could fail to respond to a drunk driving citation is not part of the law. It would not be permissible under this act and really is not a reason for considering nonconcurrence.

Another provision of this bill, which was added in the House which I think is a very important provision, was added by Representative Trello, which adds language that would prohibit the department from refusing to issue registration papers to a person who went to a car dealer, paid his vehicle registration and sales tax monies and then had the car dealer go out of business or go bankrupt. That situation occurred recently in the Pittsburgh area in a car dealership out near the Greater Pittsburgh Airport. There were some 300 people who were without registration and I believe were issued temporary registrations that may have expired perhaps even this week. The language in this bill would cover that. These are victims of poor business practices by those dealerships, and they should not be forced to suffer because of a subsequent bankruptcy. That language is in this bill, and I think it is just another good reason why we should concur in the House amendments to Senate Bill No. 498.

Senator AFFLERBACH. Mr. President, I, too, rise to urge a concurrence vote on this piece of legislation. Approximately an hour ago at literally the twelfth and one-half hour on this issue, I received a message from the Secretary of Transportation enumerating a number of the concerns which our colleague, the gentleman from Washington, Senator Stout, has also enumerated. Frankly, I do not understand why it took the administration this long to bring these concerns to our attention, because I was asking some of the very same and similar questions several weeks ago. At that time it was pointed out to me that this bill provides a great deal of flexibility to the administration to prohibit the issuance of a bread and butter license for the very specific reasons which the Secretary has enumerated. The bill is a "may" provision, and that "may" provision provides that kind of flexibility, and we, as a General Assembly and as a Senate, will have a second bite at that apple in the regulatory process. Rather than delay this legislation any further, which has already been Christmas-treed with a number of extraneous amendments, I would urge a concurrent vote so we can, in fact, put the CDL

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provisions into effect as soon as possible and take care of the second bite, if you will, during the regulatory process on a bread and butter license. Clearly, none of us in this Chamber would like to see drivers who have been enumerated in these exceptions given a bread and butter license, and there is no reason why they have to be. It is simply a matter of timing, it is simply a matter of oversight by the department and continued oversight by this Senate, and I urge a concurrence vote.

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I would just like to add one additional thing to what was stated by the gentleman from Lehigh, Senator Afflerbach, and that is that the letter that was received by Secretary Yerusalim starts off in the second paragraph by saying, "The proposed law would allow occupational licenses under the following circumstances which we think threaten the safety of our citizens." I think it is important that we note the clarification, that the bill on page 19, Section 3, subparagraph (a), talks about how the department may issue an occupational limited license under the provisions of these sections to a driver whose driver's license has been suspended and then lists a number of other areas, so, in the letter that was sent to us that was indicated. In the letter it says that the proposed law may allow, with the discretionary judgment of the Secretary of Transportation, so, I very strongly feel the same way Senator Afflerbach feels and the Majority Leader of the Senate, that its time has come. It is now time we pass a bread and butter proposal, that if changes have to be made in the next several months before this action even takes place, which is in November, we will have plenty of time to do that, and if it can be handled through the regulatory process, I believe that the proper vehicle would be through the regulatory process where we also have a substantial amount of input. I would strongly urge the support and the ratification of this bill.

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, I rise to also support the motion to concur and to vote in favor of the amendments. Presently there are, I understand, forty other states that have a bread and butter or occupational license provision. Only ten other states, of which we are one, maintain no provision for such an operator's license. In addition, it was my understanding that under the federal guidelines and regulations this is permitted and allowed for us to proceed in this direction, so both the federal government and forty other of our sister states have a similar provision, and, therefore, I would rise to urge a "yes" vote.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the presence on the floor of Senator Fattah. His temporary Capitol leave will be cancelled.

And the question recurring, Will the Senate agree to the motion?

(During the calling of the roll, the following occurred:)
Senator PETERSON. Mr. President, I would like to change
my vote from "no" to "aye."

The PRESIDENT. The gentleman will be so recorded.

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-44

Afflerbach	Fumo	Lynch	Rhoades
Andrezeski	Greenleaf	Madigan	Rocks
Baker	Greenwood	Mellow	Salvatore
Belan	Holl	Musto	Scanlon
Bell	Норрег	O'Pake	Shumaker
Bodack	Jones	Ресога	Stapleton
Brightbill	Jubelirer	Peterson	Stewart
Corman	Lemmond	Porterfield	Tilghman
Dawida	Lewis	Punt	Wenger
Fattah	Lincoln	Regoli	Williams
Fisher	Loeper	Reibman	Wilt
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Armstrong	Hess	Shaffer	Stout

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the presence on the floor of Senator Stewart, Senator Wilt, Senator Peterson and Senator Hopper. Their temporary Capitol leaves will be cancelled.

RECESS

Senator LOEPER. Mr. President, at this time I would ask for a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to begin immediately in the first floor caucus room, with an expectation of returning to the floor at approximately 2:30 p.m.

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I do not see any need for a Democrat caucus. We will just await the call of the Chair.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a Republican caucus to begin immediately, the Senate will stand in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having elapsed, the Senate will be in order.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 408 and 647 — Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 649 (Pr. No. 1769) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing a Statewide hazardous material safety program; creating the Hazardous Material Response Fund; providing for the creation of Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Account in each county; further providing for the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, of the Pennsylvania Emergency Council, and of the counties and local governments; imposing obligations on certain handlers of hazardous materials; imposing penalties; and making an appropriation.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-48

Afflerbach Andrezeski Armstrong Baker Belan Bodack Brightbill Corman	Greenleaf Greenwood Helfrick Hess Holl Hopper Jones Jubelirer	Lynch Madigan Mellow Musto O'Pake Pecora Peterson Porterfield	Rocks Salvatore Scanlon Shaffer Shumaker Stapleton Stewart Stou
Brightbill	Jones	Peterson	Stewart
Corman	Jubelirer	Porterfield	
Dawida	Lemmond	Punt	Tilghman
Fattah	Lewis	Regoli	Wenger
Fisher	Lincoln	Reibman 🗋	Williams
Fumo	Loeper	Rhoades	Wilt

NAYS-1

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A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "ave," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1059 — Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1213 (Pr. No. 1985) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act regulating credit services; prohibiting certain activities; and providing for certain information to be given to buyers, for the contents of contracts and for enforcement.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I rise to acknowledge my presence on the floor and to record my vote in the affirmative. The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes his presence on the floor. His temporary Capitol leave will be cancelled and he will be recorded in the affirmative

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-49

Afflerbach	Greenleaf	Lvnch	Rocks
Andrezeski	Greenwood	Madigan	Salvatore
Armstrong	Helfrick	Mellow	Scanlon
Baker	Hess	Musto	Shaffer
Belan	Holl	O'Pake	Shumaker
Bell	Норрег	Ресога	Stapleton
Bodack	Jones	Peterson	Stewart
Brightbill	Jubelirer	Porterfield	Stout
Corman	Lemmond	Punt	Tilghman
Dawida	Lewis	Regoli	Wenger
Fattah	Lincoln	Reibman	Williams
Fisher	Loeper	Rhoades	Wilt
Fumo			

NAYS-0

A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1415 — Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 1572 (Pr. No. 1842) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 10, 1974 (P. L. 705, No. 235), known as the "Lethal Weapons Training Act," providing for the waiver of training requirements for active police officers under certain conditions.

Upon motion of Senator LOEPER, and agreed to, the bill was laid on the table.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 1781 — Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 24 — Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 309 (Pr. No. 559) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P. L. 103, No. 69), entitled "The Second Class Township Code," providing for appointed accountants and for the appointment of independent auditors in lieu of elected auditors; and further providing for expenses of non-employee supervisors.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 612 and **SB 634** — Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 802 (Pr. No. 882) — The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177, No. 175), entitled "The Administrative Code of 1929," providing for the continuation of medical insurance coverage for survivor-spouse annuitants.

Upon motion of Senator LOEPER, and agreed to, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1141, SB 1319, 1377 and **HB 1561** — Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator LOEPER.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator WILT, by unanimous consent, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following nomination, made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

December 6, 1989.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dr. Andrew W. Giran, 1415 Fallen Timber Road, Elizabeth 15037, Allegheny County, Forty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Chiropractic, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Louis P. Latimer, D.C., Carbondale, whose term expired.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

NOMINATION LAID ON THE TABLE

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I request the nomination just read by the Clerk be laid on the table.

The PRESIDENT. The nomination will be laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Senator WILT,

That the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of considering certain nominations made by the Governor.

Which was agreed to.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I call from the table certain nominations and ask for their consideration.

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL ON AGING

January 30, 1990.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Evelyn Wermuth, 1169 Wicklow Court, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 1991, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice John Killian, Elizabethtown, resigned.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

MEMBER OF THE NAVIGATION COMMISSION FOR THE DELAWARE RIVER AND ITS NAVIGABLE TRIBUTARIES

January 11, 1990.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph F. Bradley, 30 Stone Ridge Road, Thornton 19373, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Navigation Commission for the Delaware River and Its Navigable Tributaries, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice William A. Schmidt, Chester, whose term expired.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

January 23, 1990.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Margo P. Dinniman (Public Member), 467 Spruce Drive, Exton 19341, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, to serve until December 8, 1993, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Philip D. Rowe, Jr., Reading, resigned.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS AND SALESPERSONS

October 26, 1989.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Larry Filiaggi, R. D. Route 6, Box 634, Uniontown 15401, Fayette County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice J. Robert Ladd, Lebanon, whose term expired.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator WILT and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-49

Afflerbach	Greenleaf	Lynch	Rocks
Andrezeski	Greenwood	Madigan	Salvatore
Armstrong	Helfrick	Mellow	Scanlon
Baker	Hess	Musto	Shaffer
Belan	Holl	O'Pake	Shumaker
Bell	Hopper	Pecora	Stapleton
Bodack	Jones	Peterson	Stewart
Brightbill	Jubelirer	Porterfield	Stout
Corman	Lemmond	Punt	Tilghman
Dawida	Lewis	Regoli	Wenger
Fattah	Lincoln	Reibman	Williams
Fisher	Loeper	Rhoades	Wilt
Fumo	-		

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A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered. That the Governor be informed accordingly.

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I call from the table certain nomination and ask for its consideration.

The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

November 7, 1989.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas M. Nardozzo, D.M.D., 1504 Woodledge Circle, State College 16803, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 1992, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice William A. Schreyer, Princeton, New Jersey, whose term expired.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

Senator LINCOLN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Reibman, Senator Regoli and Senator Porterfield.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Lincoln requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Reibman, Senator Regoli and Senator Porterfield. The Chair hears no objection. Those leaves will be granted.

POINT OF INFORMATION

Senator LINCOLN. Mr. President, I rise to a point of information.

The PRESIDENT. The gentleman from Fayette, Senator Lincoln, will state it.

Senator LINCOLN. Mr. President, what are we about at this particular time?

The PRESIDENT. We have before us the nomination of Thomas M. Nardozzo, Board of Trustees, Pennsylvania State University, and the Chair was just about to call for the vote.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator WILT and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-23

Afflerbach	Fattah	Mellow	Scanlon
Andrezeski	Hess	Musto	Stapleton
Belan	Jones	O'Pake	Stewart
Bodack	Lewis	Porterfield	Stout
Corman	Lincoln	Regoli	Williams
Dawida	Lynch	Reibman	
		NAYS-26	

Armstrong	Greenwood	Madigan	Salvatore
Baker	Helfrick	Pecora	Shaffer
Bell	Holl	Peterson	Shumaker
Brightbill	Hopper	Punt	Tilghman
Fisher	Jubelirer	Rhoades	Wenger
Fumo	Lemmond	Rocks	Wilt
Greenleaf	Loeper		

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

Senator LINCOLN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Fattah, Senator Lynch and Senator Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Lincoln requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Fattah, Senator Lynch and Senator Williams. The Chair hears no objection. Those leaves will be granted.

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I call from the table certain nomination and ask for its consideration.

The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

November 7, 1989.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William A. Schreyer, 117 Mercer Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 1991, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Samuel A. Breene, Esquire, Oil City, whose term expired.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator WILT and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-21

Afflerbach Andrezeski	Jones Lewis	Musto O'Pake	Scanlon Stapleton
Belan	Lincoln	Porterfield	Stewart
Bodack	Lynch	Regoli	Stout
Dawida	Mellow	Reibman	Williams
Fattah			

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Armstrong	Greenleaf	Lemmond	Rocks
Baker	Greenwood	Loeper	Salvatore
Bell	Helfrick	Madigan	Shaffer
Brightbill	Hess	Pecora	Shumaker
Corman	Holl	Peterson	Tilghman
Fisher	Hopper	Punt	Wenger
Fumo	Jubelirer	Rhoades	Wilt

Less than a majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the negative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR

RECALL COMMUNICATION LAID ON THE TABLE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows, and laid on the table:

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA SECURITIES COMMISSION

March 13, 1990.

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated November 1, 1989 for the appointment of A. Richard Gerber, 5 Regency Circle, Penllyn 19422, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, as a member of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission, to serve until the third Tuesday of January, 1991, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Frederick H. Plank, McMurray, whose term expired.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

ROBERT P. CASEY.

NOMINATION RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I call from the table the nomination just read by the Clerk and move that the nomination be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator WILT and were as follows, viz:

YEAS-49

ı	Afflerbach	Greenleaf	Lynch	Rocks
ı	Andrezeski	Greenwood	Madigan	Salvatore
ı	Armstrong	Helfrick	Mellow	Scanlon
ı	Baker	Hess	Musto	Shaff_r
ı	Belan	Holl	O'Pake	Shumaker
ı	Bell	Hopper	Pecora	Stapleton
ı	Bodack	Jones	Peterson	Stewart
ı	Brightbill	Jubelirer	Porterfield	Stout
ı	Corman	Lemmond	Punt	Tilghman
ı	Dawida	Lewis	Regoli	Wenger
l	Fattah	Lincoln	Reibman	Williams
l	Fisher	Loeper	Rhoades	Wilt
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A constitutional majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

The PRESIDENT. The nomination will be returned to the Governor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator WILT. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolutions, which were read, considered and adopted:

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Grace E. Mack by Senator Afflerbach.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Sigman by Senator Armstrong.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Benner, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Tutolo, Mr. and Mrs. John Peters, Pastor and Mrs. James B. Speers, Jennie Rennick and to the Marianist Center of Folsom by Senator Bell.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lucille Anderson Dempsey by Senator Fattah.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Professor Charles Schmidt, Roger Myers, Max Hankin, Hyla Lipsky, Upper Moreland High School Marching Unit of Willow Grove and the Upper Moreland High School Girls Hockey Team of Willow Grove, Upper Moreland Little League Junior League All-Star Team of 1989 and to the Southland Corporation of Willow Grove by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Taylor by Senator Helfrick.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Genevieve P. Lucas by Senator Hopper.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Frank B. Washington by Senator Jones.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Banks, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Graves, Mr. and Mrs. Fay T. Harker, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Lewis D. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Keagle, Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Mason and to Douglas W. Smith by Senator Jubelirer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Pherreigo, Kevin Thomas Zawilski and to Mary La Bar by Senator Lemmond.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alphonse Paul Lepore, Sr. by Senator Lincoln.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Heather McHoul by Senator Loeper.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cobleigh by Senator Madigan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wrobleski, Andrew Kosar, Bill Hauck, Honorable John Mancak and to Robert Langman by Senator Mellow.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Senator Raphael J. Musto by Senators Mellow and Lemmond.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Honorable Joseph P. Verespy by Senator Musto.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Berks County Senior Citizens Council of Reading and to the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America and Home Economics Related Occupations by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Charles Bartolet, Sr. and to Christopher M. Schulze by Senator Reibman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Rochow and to Mr. and Mrs. Salvatore Speciale by Senator Salvatore.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davison and to Verna M. Vargo by Senator Shaffer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. George W. Clemens by Senator Shumaker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. John Milliron by Senator Stapleton.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Luketich by Senator Stout.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolution, which was read, considered and adopted:

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Eric Gathers by Senator Jones.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following Senate Bill had been approved and signed by the Governor:

SB 1095.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following Senate Bills numbered, entitled and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

March 13, 1990

Senator HOLL presented to the Chair SB 1506, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 11, 1968 (P. L. 149, No. 84), entitled "Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association Act," further providing for the expenditure of the funds of a volunteer firemen's relief association.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 1990.

Senator ROCKS presented to the Chair SB 1507, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment, organization, operation and termination of fraternal benefit societies; imposing additional powers and duties on the Insurance Department and on the Insurance Commissioner; and providing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, March 13, 1990.

Senators GREENLEAF, JUBELIRER, BELL, SHAFFER, BRIGHTBILL, WENGER, STAPLETON, HELFRICK, GREENWOOD, REIBMAN, SHUMAKER, PUNT, PORTERFIELD, MADIGAN and HOPPER presented to the Chair SB 1508, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 11, 1968 (P. L. 149, No. 84), entitled "Volunteer Firemen's Relief Association Act," further providing for volunteer firemen's relief association funds.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 1990.

Senators HELFRICK, JUBELIRER, BELL, SHUMAKER, WENGER, BRIGHTBILL, SALVATORE, BELAN, AFFLERBACH, SHAFFER, STAPLETON, CORMAN, HOPPER, PORTERFIELD, REGOLI and STOUT presented to the Chair SB 1509, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for prisoner of war plates and for special plates for recipients of the Purple Heart; and providing for a special license plate for Pearl Harbor survivors.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 13, 1990.

Senator RHOADES presented to the Chair SB 1510, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 1, 1966 (1965 P. L. 1656, No. 581), entitled "The Borough Code," authorizing cable television systems.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOV-ERNMENT, March 13, 1990.

Senators LOEPER, BAKER, SHUMAKER, BRIGHTBILL, PETERSON, HOLL, SCANLON and DAWIDA presented to the Chair SB 1511, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 14, 1967 (P. L. 746, No. 345), entitled "Savings Association Code of 1967," providing for reciprocal interstate operations; permitting the formation of mutual holding companies; further providing for acquisitions of the stock of a savings association; revising proxy rules; and making repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, March 13, 1990.

Senators BAKER, LOEPER, SHUMAKER, BRIGHTBILL, PETERSON, HOLL, SCANLON and DAWIDA presented to the Chair SB 1512, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 30, 1965 (P. L. 847, No. 356), entitled "Banking Code of 1965," permitting the formation of mutual holding companies; and providing for reciprocal interstate operations for savings banks.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, March 13, 1990.

Senators LEWIS, BELAN, REIBMAN, REGOLI, STAPLETON, AFFLERBACH, MUSTO and BELL presented to the Chair SB 1513, entitled:

An Act regulating toxic materials used in packaging; providing additional duties of the Department of Environmental Resources and the Environmental Quality Board; and providing for enforcement, remedies and penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRON-MENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 13, 1990.

Senators LEWIS, MUSTO, BELAN, AFFLERBACH, REGOLI, O'PAKE, REIBMAN, FATTAH, HOPPER, SHUMAKER and SALVATORE presented to the Chair SB 1514, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177, No. 175), entitled "The Administrative Code of 1929," further providing for crime victims' compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 13, 1990.

Senators LEWIS, JONES and HELFRICK presented to the Chair SB 1515, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 13, 1990.

BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mark S. Singel) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

SB 498.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcements were read by the Secretary of the Senate:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 1990

9:00 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (to Senate Majority further consider the Caucus Room 156

Department of Commerce's 1990-91 Budget Requests)

10:00 A.M. LABOR AND INDUSTRY Room 461
(to consider Senate Bills Conference Room
No. 320, 1313, 1442, 1458 4th Floor

and House Bill No. 1756

and any other matter which may come before the committee)

FRIDAY, MARCH 16, 1990

North Wing

9:30 A.M. JUDICIARY (Hearing to receive testimony regarding the transfer of PA inmates into the Federal prison system)

Room 8E-B

Hearing Room

East Wing

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 1990

10:00 A.M. TRANSPORTATION (to consider Senate Bills No. Hearing Room 94, 195, 272, 278, 442, East Wing 676, 679, 705, 706, 1113, 1373; and House Bills No. 240, 406, 704, 1658, 1769, and 1955)

FRIDAY, MARCH 23, 1990

9:30 A.M. JUDICIARY (Hearing to Room 8E-B receive testimony regarding Hearing Room prison overcrowding) East Wing

TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 1990

9:00 A.M. COMMUNITY AND Room 8E-A
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Hearing Room
(Public Hearing - On the East Wing
Sunset of the Pennsylvania
Milrite Council)

THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1990

10:00 A.M. LOCAL GOVERNMENT College Township
(Public Hearing - on Bldg, Rte 322
Senate Bill No. 1284) & Rte 26, State
College, Pa

ADJOURNMENT

Senator LOEPER. Mr. President, I move the Senate do now adjourn until Wednesday, March 14, 1990, at 10:30 a.m., Eastern Standard Time.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 3:35 p.m., Eastern Standard