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SENATE

MONDAY, June 29, 2009

The Senate met at 2 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend RONALD BACHMAN, of Rexmont Evangelical Congregational Church, Rexmont, offered the following prayer:

Good afternoon. Let us pray.

Gracious God, our Heavenly Father, You have revealed in Your word that rule and authority in government are in keeping with Your divine order. So today, Father, keep these men and women mindful of the sacred trust You have committed to their care by using them as officers of the State to carry out Your plans and Your will for the betterment of us all. And Father, I ask all of these things in the name of He who said, lo, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Bachman, who is the guest today of Senator Brubaker.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those assembled.)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
LABOR RELATIONS BOARD**

June 25, 2009

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, L. Dennis Martire, 124 Sandlewood Drive, McDonald 15057, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial

District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Labor Relations Board, to serve until June 2, 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE PLANNING BOARD

June 25, 2009

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, Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Planning Board, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Rubye Jenkins-Husband, Jr., Erie, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION
BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS,
LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS**

June 25, 2009

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, Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve for a term of six years or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice George Roman, Summerhill, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 25, 2009

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, Stephanie Moore, R.R. 2, Box 397, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of

Butler, Magisterial District 50-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Clifford J. Woessner, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPY EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

June 29, 2009

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, Matthew Kuhn (Public Member), 1120 Yankee Drive, Downingtown 19335, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Arthur McVitty, Hilton Head Island, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the House of Representatives presented to the Senate the following bills for concurrence, which were referred to the committees indicated:

June 26, 2009

HB 786 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

HB 984 and **1394** -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 1332 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1431 and **1551** -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

HB 1523 -- Committee on Game and Fisheries.

HB 1597 -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.

HB 1609 and **1671** -- Committee on Local Government.

HB 1654 -- Committee on Banking and Insurance.

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:

June 26, 2009

Senators D. WHITE, WOZNIAC, M. WHITE, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, ORIE, BRUBAKER, BOSCOLA, ARGALL, TARTAGLIONE, FOLMER, ROBBINS, GREENLEAF, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, SMUCKER, WARD and PIPPY presented to the Chair **SB 974**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, providing for continuation of lease agreements.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 26, 2009.

Senators D. WHITE, STOUT, SCARNATI, M. WHITE, WONDERLING, ROBBINS, WARD, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, KASUNIC and WOZNIAC presented to the Chair **SB 981**, entitled:

An Act providing for funding to certain hospitals in sixth, seventh and eighth class counties; and imposing powers and duties on the Department of Public Welfare.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, June 26, 2009.

Senators ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, DINNIMAN, HUGHES, WILLIAMS, O'PAKE, PILEGGI, WASHINGTON, FARNESE, McILHINNEY, PIPPY, COSTA, EARLL, BAKER, LEACH and TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SB 982**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for State appropriations for approved private schools and for chartered schools for the deaf and blind.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, June 26, 2009.

Senators PICCOLA, DINNIMAN, ORIE, WILLIAMS, PIPPY, FARNESE, ERICKSON, WARD, WAUGH, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, FERLO, BOSCOLA, ALLOWAY and TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SB 983**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in charter schools, providing for the establishment of a Charter School Funding Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, June 26, 2009.

Senator ARGALL presented to the Chair **SB 985**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ownership of property and legal title and equitable estate, further providing for right to dispose of a decedent's remains.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 26, 2009.

Senators ARGALL, FONTANA, ERICKSON, ALLOWAY and EARLL presented to the Chair **SB 986**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, further providing for disposition of unserviceable personal property; and providing for disposition of surplus vehicles to qualified municipalities.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 26, 2009.

Senators STOUT, PIPPY and KASUNIC presented to the Chair **SB 987**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Washington County Authority, certain lands situate in Cecil Township, Washington County.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 26, 2009.

Senators WAUGH, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA, BRUBAKER, COSTA, EARLL, ERICKSON, FARNESE, FERLO, FOLMER, GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, LOGAN, O'PAKE, ORIE, SMUCKER, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, WARD, WASHINGTON, D. WHITE, M. WHITE and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair **SB 989**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for returns of married individuals, deceased or disabled individuals and fiduciaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 26, 2009.

Senators WAUGH, RAFFERTY and STOUT presented to the Chair **SB 990**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1987 (P.L.220, No.39), known as the Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act, further providing for qualifications for license.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, June 26, 2009.

RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 26, 2009

Senators ARGALL, YAW, WASHINGTON, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, TARTAGLIONE, KASUNIC, BAKER, ALLOWAY, FERLO and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SR 142**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to complete a study and cost analysis of the implementation of a Statewide blighted property database and report its findings, conclusions and recommendations to the Senate.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, June 26, 2009.

GENERAL COMMUNICATION

ANNUAL LIST OF EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING CONTRIBUTIONS FROM BUSINESSES

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Department of Revenue
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
17128-1100

June 30, 2009

Mr. Mark R. Corrigan
Secretary of the Senate
Senate of Pennsylvania
462 Main Capitol
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Mr. Corrigan:

In accordance with the provisions of Act 4 of 2001, the Department of Revenue is to provide a list of all Scholarship Organizations, Educa-

tional Improvement Organizations and Pre-Kindergarten Scholarship Organizations receiving contributions from business firms granted a tax credit to the General Assembly June 30 of each year.

The enclosed lists represent the organizations in each category and the total tax credit granted.

If you have any questions regarding this account, please contact me at (717) 783-3680.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN H. STETLER
Secretary of Revenue

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator CORMAN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bills:

SB 628 (Pr. No. 673) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in post-trial matters, prohibiting the imposition of the death sentence in cases of mental retardation.

SB 949 (Pr. No. 1228) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act establishing a joint legislative, executive and judicial commission on juvenile justice.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator McIlhinney, Senator Tomlinson, and Senator Don White.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests legislative leaves for Senator McIlhinney, Senator Tomlinson, and Senator Don White. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator PILEGGI asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator GREENLEAF, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

Senator PILEGGI offered the following resolution, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, June 29, 2009

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14, of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Regular Session of the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, July 6, 2009, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14, of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Regular Session of the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, July 6, 2009, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Ferlo	Orie	Vogel
Argall	Folmer	Piccola	Ward
Baker	Fontana	Pileggi	Washington
Boscola	Gordner	Pippy	Waugh
Browne	Hughes	Rafferty	White, Donald
Brubaker	Kasunic	Robbins	White, Mary Jo
Corman	Kitchen	Scarnati	Williams
Costa	Leach	Smucker	Wonderling
Dinniman	Logan	Stack	Wozniak
Earll	McIlhinney	Stout	Yaw
Eichelberger	Mellow	Tartaglione	
Erickson	Musto	Tomlinson	
Farnese	O'Pake	Vance	

NAY-0

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

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

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, each year in my district offices back in the Pittsburgh area, I have the privilege of hiring interns who work 3 days a week in our offices to learn a little bit about the experience of State government. Mr. President, each year, I have been blessed to be able to have students who, I think, are the highest-caliber-performing students in the Pittsburgh area, both in high school and in college. And Mr. President, this year is no different. This year's crop of interns came up here today to experience an opportunity in Harrisburg to see how it is, what we do here, and how it impacts the lives of Pennsylvanians.

I have a number of students here I would like to take a moment to introduce. The first one, Mr. President, is Jeanette Daily, who is a resident of Whitehall Borough, a 2006 graduate of Baldwin High School. This is actually Jeanette's second year working with us as an intern in our office. This fall, she will be a senior at the University of Chicago, where she is majoring in English and minoring in classics. She is president of the Delta Gamma Sorority, and a three-time letter winner as a member of the varsity swim team.

We also have with us Gina DelRio, a resident of Forest Hills and a recent 2009 graduate of Woodland Hills High School. While at Woodland Hills, Gina was a 3-year member of the Allegheny County championship mock trial team, the stage crew captain, and a participant in a number of other activities in the school district. This fall, Gina will be heading to Dickinson College, not too far from here, where she intends to pursue a major in international relations and play on the school's tennis team.

Jillian Kennedy is also a resident of Forest Hills. Jill is a 2008 graduate of Oakland Catholic High School in Pittsburgh. She is a rising sophomore at John Carroll University in Ohio. She is active on campus as a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and a member of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

Matthew Stoffregen is a resident of Edgewood Borough and is also a 2009 graduate of Woodland Hills High School. During

his high school career, Matt was also a 4-year starter for the Allegheny County championship mock trial team and captain of the cross country team. Matt will attend the University of Pittsburgh this fall, where he intends to major in mathematics.

And Mr. President, last but not least is Samantha Wolfe from Wilkins Township. She, too, is a 2009 graduate of Woodland Hills High School. During her high school career, she was a member of the National Honor Society and the marching band. This fall, Samantha will attend Catholic University of America, where she plans to major in political science.

Mr. President, these young people are joined today by two of our staff folks, John Kennedy, a recent University of Pittsburgh graduate, and Jamie Glasser, who has been coordinating activities for our interns and provides plenty of work for them back in my district. Mr. President, I ask that my colleagues give these fine students a warm Senate welcome, and thank you very much.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Costa please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT J. MELLOW
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I was very happy to listen to Senator Costa talk about the tremendous accomplishments of students from Allegheny County. Well, I want to inform Senator Costa that I am going to introduce a group of students from Lackawanna County who defeated a baseball team from Allegheny County for the PIAA Class AAA State Baseball Championship on June 12 against Chartiers Valley High School to determine who would be the AAA State baseball champions. Allegheny County came up a little bit short in that game, and the Abington Heights Comets, who are in the gallery today, were able to go home representing the State and winning the PIAA Class AAA State Baseball Championship. They were honored earlier today in the House of Representatives. I believe they have had the opportunity to meet and to visit with the Governor. They are here, Mr. President, with their coach, Bill Zalewski, and his assistant coaches, Mike Zwanch and Gary McIntire. I would like it if we could extend to the Abington Heights Comets Baseball Team, the PIAA Class AAA State baseball champs, our warmest regards, and they are seated in the balcony. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Mellow please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I was just reminded that in Lackawanna County, we will never win a Stanley Cup, although we supported the Penguins, we will never win a Super Bowl, and we will never win a World Series. I do not remember the last time the Pirates even played in the World Series. But nevertheless, I am very proud of these young men who were able to defeat Allegheny County in winning a baseball championship. So thank you very much.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR LLOYD K. SMUCKER
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Senator Smucker.

Senator SMUCKER. Mr. President, I am really pleased to introduce two guest Pages who are here with us today. The first is Nick Hiestand. He is a student at the Kraybill Campus of Lancaster Mennonite School in Mount Joy, which is actually in Senator Brubaker's district. And his grandfather, Ron Cohen, is from Wrightsville, in my district, and he is in the gallery with us today.

The second guest Page is Lydia Massa. She is a student at Wrightsville Elementary School, and her father, Ernie Massa, from Wrightsville, is here with us. So would you please give them a welcome. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Smucker please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT WONDERLING PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Wonderling.

Senator WONDERLING. Mr. President, it is indeed my great honor and pleasure today to introduce two families that hail from the 24th Senatorial District. The first are Mr. and Mrs. Billy and Patricia Hurst, who live in Marlborough Township, Montgomery County, and they are accompanied today by Billy's mom, Catherine Hurst, who is a constituent of Senator Rafferty from Worcester Township in Montgomery County.

In addition to the Hurst clan, we are also joined today by the Baxter family, and that would be Henry and Jacqui and their two wonderful sons, Thomas and Peter. The Baxters actually hail from the United Kingdom but have been in the United States for a number of years now and are recent transplants from California to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

So with that, Mr. President, I ask that we offer both the Hurst and Baxter families a warm welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Wonderling please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHAEL J. FOLMER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Folmer.

Senator FOLMER. Mr. President, I am honored today to introduce to you a Berks County constituent, Christopher Grove, who is here today with his father, Randall Grove. Chris is a senior at Conrad Weiser High School. Chris is very interested in learning more about the legislative process, and today, he is acting as my shadow as part of his graduation project, which is a chronicle of a day in the life of a Pennsylvania State Senator. After graduation, Chris has plans to attend a 4-year college to major in secondary education with a concentration in social studies. His goal is to teach at the high school level. Please give Chris and his family our usual warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Folmer please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHAEL J. FOLMER AND SENATOR MICHAEL W. BRUBAKER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

Senator FOLMER. My next guest I share, actually, with Senator Mike Brubaker, and we are both honored today to welcome and recognize the Donegal High School Girls' Soccer Team, who, earlier this month, were crowned the 2009 PIAA Class AA State Girls' Soccer Champions. The team finished the regular season with a record of 10 wins, 4 losses, and 2 ties. While they did not make league playoffs, they did qualify for the district tournament. They finished title runners-up, the highest place finish in district play the team has ever earned.

The State championship game was the first in Donegal school history for the girls' soccer team. The sport did not exist until 2001 and only in 2003 was admitted into Lancaster league play. In a mere 6 years of competition, Donegal was able to win a State championship. Last season, the team made it to the State quarterfinals. These accomplishments speak volumes of the students, the parents, the school, and the community. Please join me in congratulating school principal John Felix, team head coach Heather Kemp, team captains Laura Kassab, Britt Knouse, and Alecia McNiff, and the State championship Donegal Girls' Soccer Team.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Folmer and Senator Brubaker please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR LISA M. BOSCOLA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I am here to tout two great interns from Northampton County. I am very honored that they are working in my Bethlehem office. Two of them are here at the Capitol today. First is Sean Heravi. Sean is currently attending Penn State University at the Lehigh Valley campus. He has taken an active leadership role in the college. Aside from his studies, he works very closely with the advisory board and is president of the Student Government Association. And I also have to mention this: Sean served with great honor in our Armed Services as a member of the United States Marine Corps. So I would like to take the opportunity to formally thank him for his service to our country. It is an honor for him to be working with the people in the 18th Senatorial District. Thank you, Sean.

Also with us today is Ashley Longcor. Ashley is a Northampton County native and is currently attending the University of Rhode Island, where she is a political science major. She is very active in the Student Alumni Association and has coordinated many community activities over the years.

Both of these interns are incredible assets to my office. They have worked very hard to get where they are today. Thank you, Mr. President. Let us give them a warm welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Boscola please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room. I expect the caucus to last approximately 1 hour.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I request that our Members report to our caucus room at the rear of the Chamber upon recess.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator PILEGGI asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator PIPPY, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tomlinson has returned, and his legislative leave is cancelled.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE AS AMENDED OVER IN ORDER

SB 936 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 88, HB 270, HB 421 and SB 746 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 969 (Pr. No. 1182) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Altoona Regional Health System certain lands situate in the City of Altoona, Blair County.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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:

YEA-48

Alloway	Farnese	Musto	Tomlinson
Argall	Ferlo	O'Pake	Vance
Baker	Folmer	Orie	Vogel
Boscola	Fontana	Piccola	Ward
Browne	Gordner	Pileggi	Washington
Brubaker	Hughes	Rafferty	Waugh
Corman	Kasunic	Robbins	White, Donald
Costa	Kitchen	Scarnati	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Leach	Smucker	Williams
Earll	Logan	Stack	Wonderling
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Stout	Wozniak
Erickson	Mellow	Tartaglione	Yaw

NAY-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 REREFERRED

SB 973 (Pr. No. 1206) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 17, 2008 (P.L.1645, No.132), known as the Home Improvement Consumer Protection Act, providing for the definition of "home improvement retailer"; and further providing for procedures for registration as a contractor and for prohibited acts.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 14 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 48 (Pr. No. 2092) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for definitions and for limited number of retail licenses to be issued in each county.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 89, HB 92, HB 93, HB 115, SB 235, SB 303, HB 330, SB 369, HB 372, HB 416 and SB 460 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 563 (Pr. No. 1198) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1175, No.497), known as the Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963, further providing for definitions and for waiver of lien by claimant.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 624, SB 629 and SB 639 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 688 (Pr. No. 801) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for revocation of habitual offender's license, for driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked, for permitting violation of title, for homicide by vehicle and for habitual offenders.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Don White has returned, and his legislative leave is cancelled.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 693, SB 700, HB 703, SB 765, SB 778, SB 820, SB 821, SB 825, SB 851 and SB 880 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 886 (Pr. No. 1137) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, in recycling fee, further providing for recycling fee for municipal waste landfills and resource recovery facilities.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 891, SB 893 and SB 896 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 904 (Pr. No. 1177) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Public Welfare and the Governor, to grant and convey to West Bradford Township, certain lands situate in West Bradford Township, Chester County.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 919, SB 920, SB 925, SB 929, SB 951, SB 954, HB 1392 and HB 1533 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 133, AMENDED

Senator PILEGGI, without objection, called up from page 8 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 133**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Governor and the General Assembly to institute a mobilization strategy to manage funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

Senator FOLMER offered the following amendment No. A2172:

Amend Resolution, page 1, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Urging the President of the United States and the Governor to institute a broadband mobilization strategy to manage funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Amend Resolution, page 1, lines 4 through 18; page 2, lines 1 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 8, by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

WHEREAS, With the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Public Law 111-5, 123 Stat. 115), many states are coordinating large, cross-agency, statewide strategies to enhance their American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funding opportunities in order to maximize broadband deployment strategies; and

WHEREAS, Because the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 will be competitive, the Commonwealth must put forth a broad strategy that leverages and combines American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 opportunities and all other available economic resources to promote sound economic development for the deployment of broadband access; and

WHEREAS, To best maximize this Commonwealth's share of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds, the strategy must be transparent and nonpartisan as it leverages all opportunities with existing Federal, State, local and corporate resources; and

WHEREAS, The strategy should follow the following principles:

- (1) Provide broadband leadership at the State level, through a decentralized system that promotes Pennsylvania as a whole, much like the highly publicized California Broadband Initiative which is seeking \$1,000,000,000 of the \$7,200,000,000 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 funds.

- (2) Leverage existing public and private infrastructure.

- (3) Develop competitive bid processes.

- (4) Address public safety improvements through broadband deployment.

- (5) Provide appropriate incentives for investment in

underserved and unserved regions.

(6) Link with proven existing programs and stimulating demand through anchor tenants, schools, hospitals and other community anchors.

(7) Focus on the final leg of delivering services to a customer ("last mile") for connecting residential broadband customers.

(8) Update broadband mapping that is delivered immediately after collection ("real-time data") and insisting on data transparency.

(9) Establish meaningful reports and accountability for all projects.

(10) Invest in state-of-the-art infrastructure.

(11) Ensure that all projects receiving stimulus money have proven, identified sustainability plans after the stimulus money is used; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of Pennsylvania urge the President of the United States and the Governor to work in conjunction with the General Assembly to institute a broadband mobilization strategy to manage funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States and the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Folmer.

Senator FOLMER. Mr. President, I believe that this is an agreed-to amendment, which helps to clarify the language in calling for guidelines in the possible use of Federal stimulus moneys for broadband. Thank you.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

Without objection, the resolution, as amended, was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room immediately.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room immediately, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported a communication from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, recalling the following nomination, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CANCER CONTROL, PREVENTION AND RESEARCH ADVISORY BOARD

June 24, 2009

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 June 8, 2009, for the appointment of Barry A. Wingard, MD, MS, FACS, 3603 Golfview Drive, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the Pennsylvania Cancer Control, Prevention and Research Advisory Board, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Roy E. Smith, MD, Erie, whose term expired.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

NOMINATION RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. President, I request that the nomination just read by the Clerk be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

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

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following nominations made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read by the Clerk as follows:

MEMBER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

June 10, 2009

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, Susan K. Breon, 102 Gay Road, Northeast 16428, Erie County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, to serve until July 1, 2011, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS

June 8, 2009

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, James F. Bird (Public Member), 2115 Lori Lane, Hermitage 16148, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve until December 10, 2010, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Douglas W. Anderson III, Pittsburgh, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES
OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 29, 2009

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, Joy "JD" Dunbar, 103 Atlee Circle, State College 16803, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Melvin Witherspoon, Erie, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

May 15, 2009

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, Helen M. Billak, 800 Larchmont Road, Pittsburgh 15243, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

May 15, 2009

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, Allan M. Dabrow, 1919 Chestnut Street, Apartment 717, Philadelphia 19103, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice William Davis, Williamsport, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

May 15, 2009

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, Nicholas S. Haden, 114 Julianna Drive, Coraopolis 15108, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY

May 15, 2009

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, George F. Komelasky, 42 Larch Circle, Holland 18966, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

April 8, 2009

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, J. Whyatt Mondesire, 6661 Germantown Avenue, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, to serve for a term of five years or until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MASSAGE THERAPY

April 6, 2009

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, Loreli H. Bauer, M.Ed., NCTMB, 420 South 9th Street, Perkasio 18944, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2011, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice new board.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON PROBATION

May 12, 2009

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, The Honorable John Henry Foradora, 200 Main Street, Brookville 15825, Jefferson County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Advisory Committee on Probation, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice The Honorable Richard Lewis, Mechanicsburg, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE ON PROBATION

May 12, 2009

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, Richmond S. Parsons, Jr., 1826 Osbourne Avenue, Willow Grove 19090, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Advisory Committee on Probation, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

April 28, 2009

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 Mike Jacobs (Public Member), 274 Sleepy Hollow Road, Mount Lebanon 15228, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Kelly, Havertown, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

REGISTER OF WILLS AND RECORDER
OF DEEDS, SNYDER COUNTY

June 16, 2009

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, Stacey L. Zerbe, 2640 Kissimmee

Road, Middleburg 17842, Snyder County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Register of Wills and Recorder of Deeds, in and for the County of Snyder, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable Harvey J. Kreamer, Jr., resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

June 12, 2009

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, Christopher A. Lewis, 1449 Sugartown Road, Berwyn 19312, Chester County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of West Chester University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jessie Pincus, West Chester, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

June 12, 2009

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, Christine M. Thomas, 116 Rosetree Lane, Exton 19341, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of West Chester University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable Elinor Z. Taylor, West Chester, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, Armand A. Martin, 3246 Overlook Drive, McKeesport 15133, Allegheny County, Forty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-3-09, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice Armand Martin, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, Brian R. Arthur, 361 Wasser Bridge Road, Greenville 16125, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Mercer, Magisterial District 35-3-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable William L. Fagley, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, D. Neil McEwen, Esquire, 420 Forest Drive, P.O. Box 646, Grove City 16127, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Mercer, Magisterial District 35-3-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable Lawrence T. Silvis, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, Michael D. Snyder, Esquire, 828 Elk Street, Franklin 16323, Venango County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Venango, Magisterial District 28-3-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable Robert L. Boyer, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, Barry L. Bloss, Jr., 2945 Chesapeake Road, York 17402, York County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of York, Magisterial District 19-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable Harold Kessler, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 16, 2009

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, John H. Fishel, 240 Manor Road, Red Lion 17356, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of York, Magisterial District 19-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2010, vice The Honorable Douglas F. Meisenhelter, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. President, I request that the nominations just read by the Clerk be laid on the table.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS**

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

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to J. Robert Hunsicker by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kevin Naniewicz by Senator Mellow.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alexander Oleginski and to Brant J. Portner by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Eppinger by Senators Orié and M.J. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Eric Kilmer by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Munger, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Shultz, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Neff and to Anna Orlosky Getto by Senator Stout.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mary Maravich, Jared Andrew Haidet, John S. Michael Miller, Jarin T. Boyle and to Liam Joseph Surry by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Moore and to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kleck by Senator M.J. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kels Lomison by Senator Wozniak.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

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

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Grace E. Geho Hnatin by Senator Baker.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Farnese.

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, this month, as you know, is gay pride month. And over the last few months, the media has

focused a great deal of attention on the rights of the LGBT community. But unfortunately, one event seems to have been forgotten or passed over recently in the press. Yesterday marked an important milestone in the modern gay rights movement, as many remembered the 40th anniversary of the Stonewall Riots in New York City.

For those unfamiliar with the Stonewall Riots, I will provide a very brief history. While police raids on gay bars in the 1960s was nothing out of the ordinary, this particular night, it did not go as planned for the police. During the raid of the Stonewall Inn, officers quickly lost control of the situation, inciting the crowd to riot. The palpable tension between Greenwich Village residents and the New York City Police resulted in more protests the following night, and again several nights later.

Within weeks, the area's residents had organized into activist groups, and within a month, the Gay Liberation Front was officially created. Additionally, three newspapers were founded in this timeframe to promote gay and lesbian issues. Regardless of where one stands on the issues surrounding the LGBT community, I believe it is important and extremely significant to recognize the historical significance of the Stonewall Riots.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2009

10:00 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider Senate Bills No. 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913 and 917)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:30 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 881, 899, 968 and 971)	Room 8E-A East Wing
11:00 A.M.	LAW AND JUSTICE (public hearing on Pennsylvania State Police Budget issues)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
12:00 P.M.	JUDICIARY (confirmation hearing for judicial nominees: Robert O. Baldi, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County; Farley Toothman, Court of Common Pleas, Greene County; Kenneth Mummah, Court of Common Pleas, Juniata/Perry Counties; John Pavlock, Court of Common Pleas, McKean County; Roger Gordon, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County; Kenneth Powell, Philadelphia Municipal Court; and Joseph Waters, Philadelphia Municipal Court)	Room 8E-B East Wing
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider certain executive nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 1, 2009

10:00 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bill No. 900 and Senate Resolution No. 142)	Room 8E-B East Wing
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The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, June 30, 2009, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 4:13 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.