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

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley) in the Chair.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

JOINT SESSION

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of the Governor
Harrisburg

January 3, 2013

The Honorable Samuel H. Smith
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
139 Main Capitol Building
P.O. Box 202066
Harrisburg, PA 17120-2066

The Honorable Joseph B. Scarnati, III
Senate of Pennsylvania
292 Main Capitol Building
Senate Box 203025
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3025

Dear Speaker Smith and Senator Scarnati:

If it meets with the approval of the General Assembly, I am respectfully requesting a Joint Session of the General Assembly on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. for the purpose of addressing the Members for the annual budget address.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

TOM CORBETT
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:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of the Governor
Harrisburg

January 3, 2013

The Honorable E. Joseph Rafferty, Judge
JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

January 3, 2013

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, Gregory E. Dunlap, Esquire, 613
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:

MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

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, Ash Khare (Alternate Member), 5 Leslie Boulevard, Warren 16365, Warren County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Lisa M. Hughes, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 4, 2013

SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE

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 R. Evans, 1841 Meadow Ridge Drive, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as the Small Business Advocate, to serve until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice William R. Lloyd, Jr., Somerset, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 11, 2013

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

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, Lawrence J. Sylvester, OD, 3232 Muirfield Drive, Chambersburg 17202, Franklin County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, 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 Janet H. Schwartz, O.D., Wynnewood, whose term expired.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 4, 2013

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

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, 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, to serve until October 9, 2015, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Loreli H. Bauer, M.Ed., NCTMB, Perkasie, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 18, 2013

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Stephanie Moore, 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, to serve until October 9, 2015, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Loreli H. Bauer, M.Ed., NCTMB, Perkasie, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

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:

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA TRAFFIC COURT

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, Gregory E. Dunlap, Esquire, 613 Sweetbriar Drive, Harrisburg 17111, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Philadelphia Traffic Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2014, vice The Honorable Willie Singletary, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 11, 2013

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

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, Mike Downing, 123 Stanford Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Northumberland, Magisterial District 08-3-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2014, vice The Honorable Robert J. Bolton, resigned.

TOM CORBETT
Governor

January 11, 2013

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

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 R. Evans, 1841 Meadow Ridge Drive, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Northumberland, Magisterial District 08-3-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2014, vice The Honorable Robert J. Bolton, resigned.
Senators FARNESE, FERLO, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, SCHWANK, COSTA and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair SB 36, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for shipment of wine into Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, January 4, 2013.

Senators SMUCKER, PILEGGI, FARNESE, BAKER, ALLOWAY, ERICKSON, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, WASHINGTON, WILLIAMS, SMITH, FERLO, LEACH, SCHWANK, BRUBAKER, GORDNER, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, BREWSTER, WOZNIAK and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 37, entitled:

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for employment history review.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, WILLIAMS, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, STACK, HUGHES, COSTA and FONTANA presented to the Chair SB 38, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, WILLIAMS, FARNESE, STACK, HUGHES, COSTA and FONTANA presented to the Chair SB 39, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 26, 1997 (P.L.508, No.55), known as the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act, further providing for criteria for institutions of purely public charity.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for acknowledgment of receipt of funds from the Property Tax Relief Fund; and further providing for school district tax notices.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, TEPLITZ, FARNESE, WILLIAMS, BROWNE, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, COSTA, LEACH, FONTANA and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 42, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY, COSTA, SOLOBAY, FONTANA and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 43, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 26, 1997 (P.L.508, No.55), known as the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act, further providing for criteria for institutions of purely public charity.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, VULAKOVICH, COSTA, SOLOBAY, FONTANA and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 44, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the definition of "abandoned vehicle," for notice to owner prior to removal and for property owner's removal of vehicle.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators FERLO, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, BROWNE, COSTA, SOLOBAY, FONTANA and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 45, 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 courses of study in high school.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, BROWNE, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, EICHELBERGER, MENSCH, BLAKE and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 46, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for employment history review.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, FARNESE, TEPLITZ, BROWNE, WASHINGTON, SCHWANK, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, BREWSTER, FONTANA, DINNIMAN and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 47, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for Holocaust, genocide and human rights violations instruction.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE and ERICKSON presented to the Chair SB 48, entitled:
An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, further providing for disposition of abandoned personal property.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, FARNESE and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair SB 49, entitled:
An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for form of ballots, printing ballots, stubs and numbers, for form of ballot labels on voting machines and for forms.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, FARNESE, GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, BREWSTER and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 50, entitled:
An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for responsibility of parents and guardians and for pre-trial diversion program.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, YUDICHAK, HUGHES, SCHWANK, STACK, ERICKSON, FERLO and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 51, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in educational improvement tax credit, further providing for definitions and for qualification and application; and, in educational opportunity scholarship tax credit, further providing for definitions and for qualification and application.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators WILLIAMS, YUDICHAK, HUGHES, SCHWANK and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 52, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for assessments for scholarship recipients.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, EICHELBERGER, GREENLEAF, D. WHITE, LEACH, WARD, WAUGH and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 53, entitled:
An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for use of farm vehicle plates.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, MENSCH, HUGHES, KASUNIC, RAFFERTY, BREWSTER, EICHELBERGER, YUDICHAK, SOLOBAY, FERLO and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 54, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of assault of law enforcement officer.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, KASUNIC, MENSCH, FONTANA, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, BREWSTER, FERLO, FARNESE, HUGHES, YUDICHAK, SOLOBAY, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 55, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in malt beverage tax, further providing for limited tax credits for small brewers.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, FONTANA and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 56, entitled:
An Act amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, extensively revising provisions on practice and procedure and judicial review of administrative adjudications; and establishing the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, BREWSTER, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, RAFFERTY, COSTA and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 57, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for exceptions to prohibition of interception and disclosure of communications.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, FARNESE, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, WAUGH and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 58, entitled:
An Act amending the act of June 9, 1936 (Sp. Sess., P.L.13, No.4), entitled, as reenacted and amended, "An act imposing an emergency State tax on liquor, as herein defined, sold by the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board; providing for the collection and payment of such tax; and imposing duties upon the Department of Revenue and the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board," further providing for distribution of proceeds from tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators WARD, RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 59, entitled:
An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal police education and training, further defining "police department" and "police officer"; and further providing for reimbursement of expenses and for payment of certain county costs.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, January 4, 2013.
Senators WARD, SCARNATI, MENSCH, ERICKSON, KASUNIC, SCHWANK, VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, D. WHITE, BRUBAKER, BREWSTER, BAKER and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 60, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for mandate waiver program for transportation.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

Senators WARD, VOGEL, ROBBINS, MENSCH, ERICKSON, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, GREENLEAF, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON, D. WHITE, SOLOBAY, COSTA, WAUGH, BRUBAKER, FOLMER, BAKER, EICHELBERGER and McILHINNEY presented to the Chair SB 61, entitled:

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 4, 2013.

Senators WARD, FONTANA, FARNESE, MENSCH, SCARNATI, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, WILLIAMS, SOLOBAY and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 62, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 4, 2013.

Senators WARD, KASUNIC, ERICKSON, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, EICHELBERGER, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, D. WHITE, COSTA, WAUGH and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 63, entitled:
An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, providing for contracting for State trooper services.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, January 4, 2013.

Senators WARD, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, MENSCH, ERICKSON, FONTANA, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, FERLO, BREWSTER and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 64, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for braille literacy assessment.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 4, 2013.

January 8, 2013

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESE, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, TEPLITZ, LEACH, HUGHES, SOLOBAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 69, entitled:
An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for the definition of "proof of identification" and for requirements relating to voter identification.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 8, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESE, STACK, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 73, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for possession of weapon on school property.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 8, 2013.

January 9, 2013

Senators WARD, ARGALL, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, WAUGH and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 65, entitled:
An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for local referenda.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, January 9, 2013.

Senators GORDNER, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, YUDICHAK, SCHWANK, D. WHITE, FERLO, WARD, RAFFERTY, YAW, VANCE, PILEGGI and EICHELBERGER presented to the Chair SB 66, entitled:
An Act amending the act of June 27, 1996 (P.L.403, No.58), known as the Community and Economic Development Enhancement Act, codifying the State Tax Equalization Board into the act; further providing for creation of board, for membership, for general powers and duties and for common level ratio; providing for publication of information by board funding contingency; and making a related repeal

Which was committed to the Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, January 9, 2013.

Senators GORDNER, BREWSTER, ERICKSON, HUGHES, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY and FOLMER presented to the Chair SB 67, entitled:
An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in local taxes, further providing for limitation on assessment; and, in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for powers and duties of tax officer.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 9, 2013.

Senators GORDNER, BREWSTER, ERICKSON, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY and FOLMER presented to the Chair SB 68, entitled:
An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in local taxpayers bill of rights, further providing for requirements for requests.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 9, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FONTANA, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SCHWANK, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, FARNESE, WILLIAMS and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 70, entitled:
An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, repealing provisions relating to the relatives’ liability.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, DINNIMAN, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, FARNESE, YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, FERLO, SOLOBAY, YAW, PILEGGI, HUGHES, BRUBAKER, LEACH, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA, COSTA, WILLIAMS, TEPLITZ and STACK presented to the Chair SB 75, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.893, No.141), known as the Volunteer Health Services Act, providing for volunteer mental health services for military families; limiting liability of persons who hold volunteer licenses and provide mental health services to military families; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, WASHINGTON, YUDICHAK, SOLOBAY, SMITH, FERLO, WOZNIAK, COSTA, BOSCOLA and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 82, entitled:


Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNES, ALLOWAY, KITCHEN, ARGALL, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, WOZNIAK and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 79, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L. 90, No. 21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations, further providing for the sale of certain containers of malt or brewed beverages by distributors and importing distributors.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair SB 79, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), known as the Mental Health Procedures Act, providing for assisted outpatient treatment programs.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARMES, ALLOWAY, ERICKSON, WASHINGTON, YAW, FERLO, LEACH, SCHWANK and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 80, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 2008 (P.L.182, No.27), known as the Clean Indoor Air Act, further prohibiting smoking in public places; providing for local ordinances; and making a related repeal of the Fire and Panic Act.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 9, 2013.
Senators BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, HUGHES, FONTANA, BROWNE, FARANESE, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAK, YUDICHAk, ERICKSON and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 87, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for statutes of limitations for certain offenses.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, HUGHES, FONTANA, BROWNE, FARANESE, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAK, YUDICHAk, ERICKSON, WAUGH and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 88, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for limitations on civil actions based on certain assaults.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, WAUGH, FARANESE, TEPLITZ, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 89, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for drug-free school zones.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, WAUGH, FARANESE, TEPLITZ, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 90, entitled:
An Act amending the act of July 8, 1978 (P.L.752, No.140), known as the Public Employee Pension Forfeiture Act, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 9, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, WAUGH, FARANESE, SOLOBAY, STACK, ALLOWAY and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair SB 91, entitled:
An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in proceedings prior to petition to adopt, further providing for grounds for involuntary termination.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, FONTANA, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, FERLO and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 92, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for assessment and counseling of chronic runaway children.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, FONTANA, HUGHES, VOGEL, FERLO, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 93, entitled:
An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for multiple war veteran plate; and, in fees, further providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, SOLOBAY, FERLO, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 94, entitled:
An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for veteran plates and placard.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ARGALL, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, WAUGH, BOSCOLA and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 95, entitled:
An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Prison Industry Enhancement Authority; providing for employment of prisoners by private industry and for subcontracts with correctional agencies; establishing guidelines for prisoner compensation; and providing for location of private sector prison industry.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, STACK, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, KITCHEN, HUGHES, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, ARGALL, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, SMITH, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAk, BROWNE, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA, BAKER and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 96, entitled:
An Act amending the act of December 16, 1998 (P.L.980, No.129), known as the Police Officer, Firefighter, Correction Employee and National Guard Member Child Beneficiary Education Act, extending known as the Police Officer, Firefighter, Correction Employee and National Guard Member Child Beneficiary Education Act, extending benefits to certain surviving spouses; and further providing for title of act, for short title, for definitions, for Postsecondary Educational Gratu- ity Program, for report to General Assembly and for retroactivity.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, STACK, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, KITCHEN, HUGHES, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, ARGALL, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, SMITH, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAk, BROWNE, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA, BAKER and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 97, entitled:
An Act establishing a tuition credit program for certain members of volunteer fire companies, volunteer ambulance services and volunteer rescue squads and their dependent children and spouses.
Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, STACK, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, KITCHEN, HUGHES, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, ARGALL, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, SMITH, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA, BAKER and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 98, entitled:

An Act establishing the Volunteer Emergency Service Personnel Educational Assistance and Loan Forgiveness Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair SB 99, entitled:

An Act amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating provisions on administrative procedure and rulemaking; and making related repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, STACK, FARNESE, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, BREWSTER, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, FERLO, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, COSTA, WAUGH, BOSCOLA and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 111, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, FARNESE, VULAKOVICH, FERLO and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 112, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 23 (Domestic Relations), 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in proceedings prior to petition to adopt, further providing for grounds for involuntary termination; in juvenile matters, further providing for disposition of dependent child; and adding provisions relating to certain arrest protocols.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH and SOLOBAY presented to the Chair SB 113, entitled:

An Act amending Title 48 (Lodging and Housing) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating statutory provisions on hotels; and making related repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, January 9, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, VULAKOVICH, SCARNATI, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, ROBBINS, MENSCH, ERICKSON, FONTANA, SCHWANK, KASUNIC, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, YAW, WILLIAMS, BOSCOLA, GREENLEAF, FERLO, WARD, YUDICHAK, FOLMER, GORDNER, VANCE, WAUGH, BREWSTER, BRUBAKER and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 114, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, further providing for notification of breach; and providing for investigation of breach involving a State agency, for investigation of breach involving a county, school district or municipality and for individuals responsible for breach.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, January 9, 2013.

January 14, 2013

Senators WASHINGTON, FONTANA, FARNESE, STACK, ERICKSON, BOSCOLA, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, VULAKOVICH, WILLIAMS, LEACH, SOLOBAY, COSTA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 71, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 6, 1987 (P.L.381, No.79), known as the Older Adults Protective Services Act, further defining "facility"; and further providing for information relating to prospective facility personnel.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, January 14, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FONTANA, SCHWANK, HUGHES and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 72, entitled:

An Act providing for financial assistance to foster youth and youth adopted from the foster care system; reducing long-term costs for taxpayers by enhancing opportunities for youth who are or have been in substitute care; and encouraging adoption of youth from substitute care by assisting families with financing of postsecondary education.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESE, STACK, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, LEACH and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 74, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 9, 2011 (P.L.441, No.101), known as the Safety in Youth Sports Act, further providing for concussions and traumatic brain injuries; and providing for Department of Health oversight.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, MENSCH, WASHINGTON, TEPLITZ, BROWNE, FARNESE, RAFFERTY, FERLO, BRUBAKER, COSTA and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 115, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in protection from abuse, further providing for arrest for violation of order.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.
Senators GREENLEAF, EICHELBERGER, YUDICHAK, VULAKOVICH, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY, BAKER, COSTA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 116, entitled:

An Act amending Title 10 (Charities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act; consolidating the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act; and making related repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, BROWNE, STACK, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, COSTA and ERICKSON presented to the Chair SB 117, entitled:

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in orphans' court divisions, further providing for appointment and purpose and for compensation; and, in incapacitated persons, providing for venue and for confidentiality and disclosure of information; further providing for petition and hearing and independent evaluation; repealing provisions relating to county of appointment and qualifications; further providing for review hearing; providing for affidavit in contested termination matters and for counsel; further providing for emergency guardian; repealing provisions relating to provisions similar to other estates; providing for removal and discharge of guardian, for appointment of guardian in con-

ditions of incapacity, for cross-examination of witnesses and for provisions concerning powers, duties and liabilities; further providing for when accounting filed, for distributions of income and principal during incapacity and for guardianship services.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, FERLO, SCHWANK, YUDICHAK, BROWNE and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 118, entitled:

An Act establishing the Child Welfare Workers Loan Forgiveness Program for Commonwealth residents who graduate from institutions of higher education and who apply their degrees to careers in child welfare work.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, SMUCKER, COSTA, BAKER, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, ROBBINS, MENSH, ERICKSON, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, YAW, WILLIAMS, D. WHITE, WARD, LEACH, YUDICHAK, WAUGH, TEPLITZ, BRUBAKER, EICHELBERGER and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 120, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in primary and election expenses, further providing for registration; and providing for monthly reporting and for manner of filing.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, WOZNIK, COSTA, BOSCOLA and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 121, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in safe schools, further providing for definitions, for Office for Safe Schools, for reporting and for maintenance of records.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, HUGHES, BROWNE, LEACH and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 122, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for general requirements for school buses.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, FONTANA, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, BROWNE, GORDNER, WOZNIAK, COSTA, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, BREWSTER and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 123, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for a child-care tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ALLOWAY, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, HUTCHINSON, SOLOBAY, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, BROWNE, WAUGH, BOSCOLA and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 124, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FONTANA, HUGHES, WASHINGTON, SOLOBAY, SCHWANK, BROWNE, COSTA and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 125, entitled:

An Act establishing a Statewide program to support and guide public and private schools in this Commonwealth in the establishment of extended school day child-care programs for school-age children; defining eligibility; and further providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Public Welfare.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, SOLOBAY, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, BROWNE, COSTA, WAUGH and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 126, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for special tax provisions for poverty and for returns and liability.
Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, WAUGH and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 127, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in obstructing governmental operations, further providing for the offenses of weapons or implements for escape and for contraband; and making a conforming amendment.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, STACK, ERICKSON, WILLIAMS, VULAKOVICH, SCHWANK, FERLO, BROWNE, COSTA and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 128, entitled:

An Act establishing the Criminal Justice and Mental Health Reinvestment Program; and providing for the powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, GORDNER, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair SB 129, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in officers serving process and enforcing orders, providing for municipal police.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, BOSCOLA and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 130, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of April 16, 1862 (P.L.538, No.513), entitled "An act relating to certain Children's Homes."

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA, LEACH, BAKER, YAW and Eichelberger presented to the Chair SB 131, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), known as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, in insurance, further providing for Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, FONTANA, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, HUGHES, BROWNE, FERLO, COSTA and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 132, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for restrictions on gasoline taxes and motor license fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, TEPLITZ, HUGHES, ERICKSON, STACK, BREWSTER, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, SCHWANK, FERLO, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 133, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 11, 1947 (P.L.565, No.248), known as the World War II Veterans' Compensation Act, extending the time during which applications may be filed for veterans' compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, TEPLITZ, HUGHES, ERICKSON, STACK, BREWSTER, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, SCHWANK, FERLO, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 134, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 8, 1957 (P.L.569, No.317), known as the Korean Conflict Veterans' Compensation Act, extending the time period for filing applications for compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 14, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, TEPLITZ, HUGHES, ERICKSON, STACK, BREWSTER, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, SCHWANK, FERLO, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 135, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 18, 1968 (P.L.405, No.183), known as the Vietnam Conflict Veterans' Compensation Act, extending the time period for filing applications for compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 14, 2013.

January 15, 2013

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, ERICKSON, BREWSTER, HUGHES, SOLOBAY, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, BOSCOLA, COSTA and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 136, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for advisory boards and commissions; and, in powers and duties of Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, establishing the Advisory Board on Acquired Brain Injury.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 15, 2013.

Senators GORDNER, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, ERICKSON, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, WILLIAMS,
SCHWANK, FERLO, SOLOBAY, RAFFERTY and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 137, entitled:
An Act amending the act of December 21, 1984 (P.L.1253, No.238), known as the Speech-Language and Hearing Licensure Act, further providing for title of act, for short title, for declaration of policy, for definitions, for creation of board, appointment and term of members and officers, for powers and duties of board, for license required and persons and practices not affected and exclusions, for requirements for licensure, for application and fees, for examinations, for refusal to issue and revocation, for requirement of a medical examination, for renewal fees and records, for limitation of renewal time and new license and for certification to the board; providing for use of title; and further providing for enforcement of certification to board, for impaired professionals, for penalties, for injunction against lawful practice and for appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 15, 2013.

Senators EICHELBERGER, TOMLINSON, TEPLITZ, ROBBINS, MENSCH, WARD, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, VULAKOVICH, RAFFERTY, VOGEL, BREWSTER, ALLOWAY, BROWNE, SMUCKER, FOLMER, HUTCHINSON, SCARNATI, BAKER, D. WHITE, PILEGGI, WAUGH and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 138, entitled:
An Act prohibiting bonuses for employees of Commonwealth agencies.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 15, 2013.

Senators FONTANA, KASUNIC, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, HUGHES, MENSCH, ERICKSON, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, BOSCOLA, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, YUDICHAK, FERLO, SMITH, WARD, SOLOBAY, COSTA, BAKER, DINNIMAN and BLAKE presented to the Chair SB 142, entitled:
An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for provisions relating to disabled veterans and former prisoners of war.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, January 15, 2013.

Senators FONTANA, WASHINGTON and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 143, entitled:
An Act amending the act of November 26, 1997 (P.L.508, No.55), known as the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act, further providing for legislative findings; and providing for the definition of “governing body,” for other contributions and for partial property tax exemption.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 15, 2013.

Senators WARD, WAUGH, MENSCH, ERICKSON, ALLOWAY, BAKER, FONTANA, EICHELBERGER, BOSCOLA, VULAKOVICH, FARNESE, FERLO, SOLOBAY, BRUBAKER and FOLMER presented to the Chair SB 145, entitled:
An Act amending the act of August 24, 1963 (P.L.1175, No.497), known as the Mechanics' Lien Law of 1963, providing for the definition of “costs of construction”; and further providing for right to lien and amount, for priority of lien and for discharge or reduction of lien on payment into court or entry of security.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 15, 2013.

Senators WARD, STACK, ERICKSON, FONTANA, MENSCH, TOMLINSON, VULAKOVICH, KASUNIC, WASHINGTON, VOGEL, D. WHITE, YUDICHAK, SCARNATI, SOLOBAY, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, BAKER and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 147, entitled:
An Act amending the act of July 8, 1978 (P.L.752, No.140), known as the Public Employee Pension Forfeiture Act, further providing for the definition of “crimes related to public office or public employment.”

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, ERICKSON, YAW, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY, BROWNE, SCHWANK, FERLO, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, HUGHES, ALLOWAY and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 148, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in particular rights and immunities, providing for certain immunity for hospitals that donate medicine, medical supplies and equipment in good faith for humanitarian assistance.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.
Senators GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, SCHWANK, ALLOWAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 149, entitled:
An Act regulating bail bond enforcement agents; requiring licensure and registration; and providing for penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 151, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for court reporting contracts.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH and FARNESE presented to the Chair SB 152, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in falsification and intimidation, prohibiting the simulation of legal process and related acts and the use of unofficial license plates; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 153, entitled:
An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in safety and anti-pollution equipment, further providing for windshield obstructions and wipers.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FONTANA, ERICKSON, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, FERLO and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 154, entitled:
An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in development, providing for gas mineral rights lease agreement disclosure and indemnification.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 155, entitled:

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 156, entitled:
An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Office for Faith-Based and Nonprofit Community Organizations and an advisory commission; and providing for their powers and duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, BROWNE, FERLO, HUGHES and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 158, entitled:
An Act requiring information relating to parenting and prenatal depression, postpartum depression, postpartum psychosis and other emotional trauma counseling and screening to be provided to a pregnant woman; and providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Health.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 15, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, GREENLEAF, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, BROWNE, SMITH, ERICKSON, FONTANA, SOLOBAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 159, entitled:
An Act establishing the Regional Efficiency Aid Program; providing for powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development and the Department of Revenue; and establishing the Regional Efficiency Aid Program Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, January 15, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, WILLIAMS, GREENLEAF, WASHINGTON, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, HUTCHINSON, BROWNE, KASUNIC, MENSCH, SMITH, WARD, KITCHEN, ERICKSON, VOGEL, FARNESE, VULAKOVICH, D. WHITE, FERLO, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, RAFFERTY, BRUBAKER, COSTA, FOLMER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 160, entitled:
An Act relieving members of the United States Armed Forces or other civilians serving in a combat zone or in support of the armed forces from certain local tax filing deadlines; and making an inconsistent repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 15, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, BROWNE, SMITH, ERICKSON, FERLO, FONTANA, GORDNER, SOLOBAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 161, entitled:
An Act establishing the Regional Efficiency Development Incentive Program; providing for powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development; and establishing the Regional Efficiency Development Incentive Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, January 15, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, HUGHES, VULAKOVICH, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, RAFFERTY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 163, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in realty transfer tax, further providing for excluded transactions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 15, 2013.
Senators YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, FERLO, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, COSTA, BREWSTER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 164, 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 the Environmental Quality Board.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 15, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, FARNESI, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, ARGALL, FERLO, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, RAFFERTY, COSTA, BREWSTER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 165, entitled:

An Act requiring the Department of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection to coordinate and cooperate on any investigations into suspected disease or cancer clusters in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 15, 2013.

Senator EICHELBERGER presented to the Chair SB 166, entitled:

An Act providing for a surveyor's right to enter the land of another to perform surveying services.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 167, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal history record information, further providing for general regulations; and, in child protective services, further providing for information relating to prospective child-care personnel.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FONTANA, FERLO, HUGHES and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 171, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in commencement of proceedings, requiring municipal police department policies relating to strip and body cavity searches.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY, BREWSTER, BRUBAKER, COSTA and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 172, entitled:

An Act providing for the rights of law enforcement officers concerning certain complaints and grievances.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, WASHINGTON, FARNESI, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, COSTA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 173, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special damages, further providing for actions on insurance policies.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, YAW, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, BREWSTER, BRUBAKER, BOSCOLA and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 174, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juries and jurors, further providing for exemptions from jury duty.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, WASHINGTON, FONTANA and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 175, entitled:

An Act amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in practice and procedure of Commonwealth agencies, further providing for the contents and service of adjudications.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, FARNESI, SOLOBAY, HUGHES, BOSCOLA and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 176, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 15, 2013.

January 16, 2013

Senators PILEGGI, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, ERICKSON, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, COSTA, YAW, VULAKOVICH, BOSCOLA, WARD, SOLOBAY, GORDNER, VANCE, BAKER and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 150, entitled:

An Act amending Title 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in DNA data and testing, further providing for policy, for definitions, for powers and duties of State Police, for State DNA Data Base, for State DNA Data Bank, for State Police recommendation of additional offenses, for procedural compatibility with FBI and for DNA sample required upon conviction, delinquency adjudication and certain ARD cases; providing for collection from persons accepted from other jurisdictions; further providing for procedures for withdrawal, collection and transmission of DNA samples, for procedures for conduct, disposition and use of DNA analysis; providing for request for modified DNA search; and further providing for DNA data base exchange, for expungement and for mandatory cost.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, BREWSTER, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, COSTA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 178, entitled:
An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, repealing provisions relating to home inspections; providing for home inspections; establishing the Pennsylvania Board of Home Inspectors; providing for licensure of home inspectors and for disciplinary proceedings by the Pennsylvania Board of Home Inspectors; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, BROWNE, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY, TOMLINSON, BREWSTER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 179, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania National Guard, providing for the National Guard Youth Challenge Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, BREWSTER, ERICKSON, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY, FERNSE, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, COSTA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 180, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further defining "unfair or deceptive acts or practices"; and further providing for unlawful acts or practices and exclusions.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, STACK, ERICKSON, FOLMER, VULAKOVICH, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, BRUBAKER, COSTA, EICHELBERGER, BOSCOLA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 181, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699), known as the Pharmacy Act, further providing for refusal to grant and revocation and suspension of licenses; and providing for the donation of unused prescription drugs.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, ARGALL, BROWNE, TEPLITZ, SMUCKER, ERICKSON, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, FERLO, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, PILEGGI, SCARNATI and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 182, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for powers and duties of county boards of election.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, BREWSTER, RAFFERTY, FERLO, SOLOBAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 183, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for short title and for definitions; and expanding the scope of the act to include boats.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, WASHINGTON, STACK, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WAUGH and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 184, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 16, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, FERNSE, WASHINGTON, STACK, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, FERLO and WAUGH presented to the Chair SB 185, entitled:

An Act imposing limitations on credit blocking by the retail industry and providers of travel services; establishing a ceiling amount on the amount of credit allowed to block; prescribing a fixed time period to block a certain amount in a consumer's account or line of credit; and providing for enforcement.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 16, 2013.

Senators CORMAN, SCARNATI, PILEGGI, YUDICHAK, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, WASHINGTON, MENSCH, YAW, GREENLEAF, ARGALL, ROBBINS, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, GORDNER, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, HUTCHINSON, ERICKSON, BAKER, TOMLINSON, SCHWANK, WAUGH, D. WHITE and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 187, entitled:

An Act requiring certain institutions of higher education that enter into consent decrees which impose fines to pay the fines into endowments under certain circumstances; and providing for duties of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, January 16, 2013.

January 17, 2013

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, FARNESE, MENSCH, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, GORDNER, BROWNE, D. WHITE, SMITH, SMUCKER, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, FERLO, YAW, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, COSTA, BOSCOLA, BAKER, McELHINNEY and DINNERMAN presented to the Chair SB 177, entitled:

An Act establishing a task force on Lyme disease and related maladies; and providing for powers and duties of the task force, the Department of Health, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Pennsylvania Game Commission to execute prevention and education strategies.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 17, 2013.
Senators WASHINGTON, FONTANA, STACK, TEPLITZ, WILLIAMS, FARNESI, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 189, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, prohibiting persons ordered to undergo involuntary mental health treatment on an outpatient basis from owning firearms.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 17, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESI, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, WILLIAMS, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 190, entitled:
An Act amending the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L.817, No.143), known as the Mental Health Procedures Act, further providing for confidentiality of records.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 17, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESI, FONTANA, WILLIAMS, TARTAGLIONE and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 191, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a limit on handgun purchases and sales; and establishing the Violence Prevention Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 17, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESI, STACK, WILLIAMS, TARTAGLIONE and HUGHES presented to the Chair SB 192, entitled:
An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a limit on handgun purchases and sales; and providing for limitation on the regulation of firearms and ammunition and for limitation on municipal powers.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 17, 2013.

Senators VANCE, ERICKSON, BROWNE, GREENLEAF, BREWSTER, STACK, WASHINGTON, FARNESI, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, FONTANA, FERLO, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, RAFFERTY, COSTA, BOSCOLA, BAKER and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 193, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school health services, further providing for employment of school health personnel.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 17, 2013.

Senators FOLMER, D. WHITE, STACK, GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, ARGALL, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, SCARNATI, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, ALLOWAY and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 194, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), known as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, in regulation of medical professional liability insurance, repealing provisions relating to reports to commissioner and claims information.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, January 17, 2013.

Senators FOLMER, TEPLITZ, FERLO, BOSCOLA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 195, entitled:
An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in party organization, further providing for definition of political parties and political bodies; and, in nomination of candidates, further providing for nominations by minor political parties and for nominations by political bodies.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 17, 2013.

Senators D. WHITE, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, ARGALL, VULAKOVICH, GORDNER, VANCE, YAW, ERICKSON, BAKER, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, WAUGH, SCARNATI, COSTA and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair SB 196, entitled:
An Act amending the act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, No.16), known as the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority Act, further providing for definitions, for financial assistance and for annual report.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 17, 2013.

Senators YAW, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, VOGL and PILEGGI presented to the Chair SB 258, entitled:
An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in particular rights and immunities, providing for actions to quiet title involving subsurface rights.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 17, 2013.

January 18, 2013

Senators ERICKSON, SCARNATI, PILEGGI, EICHELBERGER, YAW, GREENLEAF, STACK, FONTANA, KITCHEN, MENSCH, TOMLINSON, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, WASHINGTON, GORDNER, HUTCHINSON, BROWNE, D. WHITE, WARD, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, VANCE, WAUGH, ALLOWAY, COSTA, BAKER, BREWSTER, SMUCKER, ROBBINS, ARGALL, DINNIMAN and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair SB 5, entitled:
An Act establishing the Community-Based Health Care Subsidy (CHCS) Program in the Department of Health; providing for hospital health clinics and for mobile prenatal and natal care demonstration project.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, STACK, SOLOBAY, LEACH, FOLMER, VANCE, BOSCOLA and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 85, entitled:
A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the judiciary, abolishing the mandatory retirement age for justices, judges and justices of the peace.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 18, 2013.
Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators WARD, ERICKSON, ARGALL, MENSCH, D. WHITE and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 146, entitled:
An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for elections and vacancies.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, HUTCHINSON, BROWNE, ERICKSON, FERLO, FONTANA, GORDNER, SOLOBAY, COSTA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 162, entitled:
An Act providing for State assistance grants to municipalities for regionalizing police operations; imposing powers and duties on the Center for Local Government Services; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, BAKER and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 168, entitled:
A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for retention election of justices of the peace.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, D. WHITE, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 169, entitled:
A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, making editorial changes by replacing the phrase "justice of the peace" with "magisterial district judge."

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, ERICKSON, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, FOLMER, VANCE, ALLOWAY and LEACH presented to the Chair SB 170, entitled:
A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for qualifications of certain judges.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, TEPLITZ, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, STACK, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 186, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in kidnapping, further providing for missing children; providing for a clearinghouse for missing children; and imposing powers and duties on the Pennsylvania State Police, school districts and parents.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, January 18, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, FOLMER, VOGEL, KASUNIC, WASHINGTON, ERICKSON, FONTANA, SCHWANK, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, GREENLEAF, YAW, BOSCOLA, YUDICHAK, D. WHITE, WARD, LEACH, SOLOBAY, VANCE, WAUGH, BAKER, BREWSTER and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair SB 188, entitled:
An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further providing for definitions and for registration requirement; and providing for unwanted automatic political calls.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, McILHINNEY, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, ERICKSON, BROWNE, WAUGH, COSTA, RAFFERTY, ARGALL, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, WILLIAMS, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, KASUNIC, STACK, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WARD, D. WHITE, HUTCHINSON and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 197, entitled:
An Act providing for a freeze on real estate taxes for senior citizens.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, ERICKSON, WAUGH, WARD, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, BREWSTER, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, RAFFERTY and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair SB 198, entitled:
An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for the offense of endangering welfare of children.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 18, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, BRUBAKER, D. WHITE, VOGEL, FONTANA, STACK, ROBBINS, MENSCH, ERICKSON, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, TEPLITZ, EICHELBERGER, VULAKOVICH, FARNESE, FERLO, YUDICHAK, COSTA, WAUGH and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 199, entitled:
An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for prohibited activities.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.
Senators TOMLINSON, MENSCH, ERICKSON, GREENLEAF, COSTA, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, FERLO, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, WARD, ALLOWAY and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 251, entitled:

An Act providing for Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations for influenza vaccination in children.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, STACK, FONTANA, FARNESE, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, SOLOBAY, ERICKSON and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair SB 252, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in assault, providing for the offense of aggravated assault by a person in custody.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, BROWNE, MENSCH, ERICKSON, COSTA, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, EICHELBERGER and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair SB 253, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, BROWNE, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, COSTA, EICHELBERGER and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair SB 254, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for technology grants for equipment and services.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, D. WHITE, MENSCH, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SCHWANK, ALLOWAY, GREENLEAF, YUDICHAK and BAKER presented to the Chair SB 255, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for affidavit of circulator.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, WAUGH, D. WHITE, COSTA, MENSCH and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair SB 256, entitled:

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in open meetings, further providing for executive sessions.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 18, 2013.

Senator TOMLINSON presented to the Chair SB 257, entitled:

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of Transportation to erect sound barriers on certain sections of Interstate 95 in Bensalem Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, with the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to pay certain costs associated with the project.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators YAW, BAKER, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, FOLMER, VOGEL, WAUGH and BROWNE presented to the Chair SB 259, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 20, 1979 (P.L.183, No.60), entitled "An act regulating the terms and conditions of certain leases regarding natural gas and oil," adding definitions; providing for payment information to interest owners for accumulation of proceeds from production; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, COSTA and BREWSTER presented to the Chair SB 260, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, in the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, further providing for parks.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, BROWNE, SCHWANK, ALLOWAY and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 261, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1995 (P.L.89, No.18), known as the Conservation and Natural Resources Act, in Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, further providing for rivers conservation; and establishing the Water Recreation Advisory Board.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, BROWNE, BREWSTER, VOGEL, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, SCARNATI, KITCHEN, COSTA, BAKER, WAUGH and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 262, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, STACK, SCHWANK, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, WAUGH and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 263, entitled:

An Act providing for the prevention, detection, treatment and follow-up of cases of hepatitis B among State and local law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics, emergency medical technicians, ambulance attendants, first responders and health professionals.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 18, 2013.
Senators GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, SCHWANK and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 264**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in accidents and accident reports, further establishing a duty to stop vehicles at accident scenes; providing an exception from the duty for emergency vehicles; and prescribing a penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 265**, entitled:

An Act providing for restroom access for certain customers of retail establishments and for a penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, ERICKSON and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 266**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, FERLO, SMUCKER, SOLOBAY and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 267**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for excuses from attending school; and making an editorial change.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, FARNESE, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 268**, entitled:

An Act providing tax credits for services and equipment donated to colleges and school entities.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, KASUNIC, TOMLINSON, HUGHES, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY and SCARNATI presented to the Chair **SB 269**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SOLOBAY, COSTA, TOMLINSON and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 270**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Department of Aging, further providing for powers and duties in general.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, SOLOBAY and WAUGH presented to the Chair **SB 271**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in accidents and accident reports, further providing for the offenses of accidents involving death or personal injury and for accidents involving damage to attended vehicle or property; and providing for the offense of leaving scene of accident.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators SMUCKER, EICHELBERGER, ALLOWAY, MENSCCH, YAW, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON, D. WHITE, ROBBINS, VANCE, WAUGH, BRUBAKER, FOLMER and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 272**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further defining "public work."

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 18, 2013.

Senators SMUCKER, BAKER, ALLOWAY, MENSCCH, EICHELBERGER, YAW, D. WHITE, VANCE, WAUGH, BRUBAKER and FOLMER presented to the Chair **SB 273**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for duty of secretary.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.

Senators SMUCKER, ALLOWAY, MENSCCH, EICHELBERGER, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON, D. WHITE, GORDNER, VANCE, WAUGH, BRUBAKER, FOLMER and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 274**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for duty of secretary.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 18, 2013.

Senators SMUCKER, ALLOWAY, MENSCCH, EICHELBERGER, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON, D. WHITE, GORDNER, VANCE, WAUGH, BRUBAKER, FOLMER and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 275**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, January 18, 2013.

Senators VOIGLE, MENSCH, FONTANA, YUDICHAK, SCARNATI, ROBBINS, BREWSTER, ALLOWAY, VULAKOVICH, SOLOBAY, GREENLEAF, FOLMER, ERICKSON, BAKER, WAUGH and D. WHITE presented to the Chair **SB 277**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for commercial driver's license qualification standards.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, January 18, 2013.
Senators BROWNE, BRUBAKER, PILEGGI, SCARNATI, CORMAN, EICHELBERGER, FOLMER, HUTCHINSON, SMUCKER, YAW, RAFFERTY, TOMLINSON, ARGALL, ERICKSON, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, GREENLEAF, WARD, VANCE, ALLOWAY, D. WHITE, BAKER, WAUGH, McILHINNEY, ROBBINS and VOGEL presented to the Chair 

SB 279

 Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2013.

Senators YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA and BAKER presented to the Chair 

SB 278

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2013.

Senators WOZNIAK, YUDICHAK, KASUNIC, TEPLITZ, FERLO, FONTANA, KITCHEN, SCHWANK, SOLOBAY, HUGHES, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, COSTA, FARNESE, WAUGH and BLAKE presented to the Chair 

SB 207, entitled:

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a unified retirement system for employees of the Commonwealth and school districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, January 22, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, FARNESE, VULAKOVICH, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA and BAKER presented to the Chair 

SB 278, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Judicial Conduct Board, providing for review of complaints, for criminal investigations and for target letters.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 22, 2013.

Senators FOLMER, ERICKSON, EICHELBERGER, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, TEPLITZ, WASHINGTON, FERLO, GORDNER, SCHWANK, BROWNE, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, ROBBINS, FERLO, VANCE, PILEGGI, WAUGH, WARD, ALLOWAY, BRUBAKER, BAKER, BOSCOLA and BREWSTER presented to the Chair 

SB 279, entitled:

An Act requiring notification in advertising.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 22, 2013.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

January 18, 2013

Senators YUDICHAK, WASHINGTON, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, ERICKSON, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, WAUGH, STACK, HUGHES, COSTA, BAKER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair 

SR 5, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution establishing a commission to study the Commonwealth's fragmented system of local governance and identify methods to promote more regional collaboration in the delivery of municipal services and the execution of local government.

Which was committed to the Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, January 18, 2013.

Senators GREENLEAF, TOMLINSON, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, SCHWANK, PILEGGI, WASHINGTON, MENSCH, ARGALL, RAFFERTY, FARNESE, BROWNE, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, BREWSTER, McILHINNEY, WOZNIAK, STACK, VULAKOVICH, D. WHITE, BOSCOLA, COSTA, ALLOWAY, YUDICHAK, WILLIAMS, BLAKE and HUGHES presented to the Chair 

SR 6, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to study the issue of violence prevention, to establish an advisory committee to conduct a thorough and comprehensive analysis of the underlying causes of violent crime, including mass shootings, and to report to the Senate with its findings and recommendations.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 18, 2013.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE FOR 2011

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of Small Business Advocate
Suite 1102, Commerce Building
300 North Second Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

December 28, 2012

Megan Totino Consedine
Secretary-Parliamentarian of the PA Senate
Senate Box 203053
462 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3053

Dear Ms. Consedine:

I am pleased to present you with a copy of the Annual Report of the Office of Small Business Advocate for Calendar Year 2011.

In carrying out its mission in 2011, the OSBA was guided by the realization that every dollar a business must spend on utility service or workers’ compensation insurance is a dollar unavailable for expanding that business, creating jobs, or increasing pay and benefits.

The OSBA’s principal goal before the Public Utility Commission is to assure that small business customers are not required to pay a disproportionate share of any utility rate increase. In 2011 alone small business customers will pay about $5 million per year less for electric, gas, and wastewater service than they would have under the proposals of other parties. Significantly, because the OSBA has had such significant success reducing the rate increases for small business customers, the OSBA has now expanded its efforts to reduce the overall revenue increases requested by utility companies. The OSBA has successfully argued to reduce utility revenue increases by tens of millions of dollars in 2011. This is yet another way that the OSBA can fight to keep the utility rates paid by the Commonwealth's small business customers as low as possible.

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If you have any questions concerning this report or the operations of the OSBA, please contact me.

Sincerely,

STEVEN C. GRAY
Acting Small Business Advocate

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

2011-12 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TREASURY 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Treasury Department
The Pennsylvania 529 College Savings Program
607 South Drive, Suite 529
Harrisburg, PA 17120

January 3, 2013

Ms. Megan Totino Consedine
Secretary of the Senate
Senate of Pennsylvania
Room 462 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Fellow Pennsylvanians:

On behalf of the Advisory Board, I am pleased to present the 2011-12 Annual Report of the Pennsylvania 529 College Savings Program. This annual report details much good news. The program enjoyed a year of growth in accounts, contributions, assets, and investment returns. Additionally, the actuarial funding status of the PA 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan (GSP) remained strong. These developments mean the PA 529 Program is helping to put the dream of higher education within the grasp of more families.

But we must do better as a Commonwealth when it comes to making higher education more affordable and accessible. Plus, we must continue to encourage families to save in greater amounts and to begin sooner. It is increasingly difficult for families to pay or save for higher education. Students who are able to earn a bachelor's degree are doing so by incurring record levels of debt. Nearly 70 percent of our college graduates are burdened with an average $29,600 in student loans. This debt will have long-term ramifications on the next generation of Pennsylvanians by delaying home ownership, retirement planning, and saving for their own children's future.

As we look ahead and consider how best to address the issue of college affordability, it is clear Pennsylvania's policy leaders and lawmakers can take certain steps to make the PA 529 Guaranteed Savings Plan an even more competitive and attractive plan for families. The Commonwealth should provide its explicit backing and stand behind those families who have made the positive choice to save for college. Further, the state should eliminate the favorable tax treatment for out-of-state plans that puts Pennsylvania's program at a competitive disadvantage and results in Pennsylvanians subsidizing benefits for residents in other states.

We are extremely proud of the achievements detailed in this annual report. The PA 529 College Savings Program is serving over 167,000 accounts, with over $2.5 billion in assets. We look forward to doing even more to help make higher education affordable and accessible.

Yours in service,

ROB McCORD
Pennsylvania State Treasurer

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

ANNUAL REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE CATASTROPHIC LOSS BENEFITS CONTINUATION FUND

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of the Insurance Commission
1326 Strawberry Square
Harrisburg, PA 17120

To: The General Assembly
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, PA 17120

From: MICHAEL CONSEDINE
Insurance Commissioner
CHARLES ZOGBY
Secretary of the Budget

Date: January 7, 2013
Re: Annual Report of the Status of the Catastrophic Loss Benefits Continuation Fund

Pursuant to Act 24 of 1989, the Department is pleased to present the annual report of the status of the Catastrophic Loss Benefits Continuation Fund of the Insurance Department of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Should any questions arise regarding these statistics, members should feel free to contact me, Deputy Commissioner Joseph DiMemmo or our legislative office at (717) 783-2500.

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

REPORT OF THE JOINT STATE GOVERNMENT COMMISSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS

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

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
JOINT STATE GOVERNMENT COMMISSION
Room 108 - Finance Building
Harrisburg 17120

January 9, 2013

SUBJECT: Report of the Joint State Government Commission

TO: Members of the Senate of Pennsylvania

FROM: Glenn J. Pasewicz
Executive Director

Senate Resolution 194 of 2007 directed the Joint State Government Commission to establish an Advisory Committee to study the review, update, and codify Pennsylvania's public health laws.

The Advisory Committee will be issuing a series of reports. The first provides background information on its work to date and on Pennsylvania's public health laws, has been released.

A one page summary accompanies this memo. Copies of the full report may be obtained through our website: http://jsg.legis.state.pa.us.

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the library.
REPORT PURSUANT TO
SENATE RESOLUTION 344 OF 2010

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

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH
OF PENNSYLVANIA
JOINT STATE GOVERNMENT COMMISSION
Room 108 - Finance Building
Harrisburg 17120

January 9, 2013

Summary-Report on the Criminal Justice System in Philadelphia

The Joint State Government Commission of the Pennsylvania General Assembly released a report on the criminal justice system of Philadelphia. The report was mandated by 2010 Senate Resolution 344, whose prime sponsor was Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf. The study was prompted by a series of articles that appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer on December 13-16, 2009, which presented a scathing indictment of the system. The principal deficiencies were found to be high violent crime rates, low conviction rates, a dysfunctional bail system, and witness intimidation. The commission was directed to arrive at recommendations to address these problems. Under the guidance of the sponsors of the resolution, commission staff assembled a 34-member advisory committee, headed by David Sonenshein, professor of law at Temple University's Beasley School of Law.

FINDINGS

• Since the publication of the Inquirer's critique, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, the First Judicial District, the District Attorney, the City Administration, the Defender Association, and private stakeholders have come together to formulate and implement a wide variety of measures to address the system's deficiencies. The initial results of this reform initiative have been very positive. A great deal of progress has been made in the last three years.
• Attempts to improve the City's criminal justice system face a chronic shortage of funds and other resources.
• Among the most important measures that have been taken to improve the system are:
  • the consolidation of hearings and trials in the Criminal Justice Center
  • more accurate charging of offenses
  • advances in electronic filing and discovery
  • implementation of techniques to counter witness intimidation in court

RECOMMENDATIONS

At the same time, further measures are needed to further reform the system. The Advisory Committee made recommendations under four topics: pretrial services and bail, witness intimidation, court procedure, and technology.

• Update the guidelines for setting bail
• Expand use of nonfinancial pretrial release conditions
• The committee was split over whether to encourage the participation of private bail sureties
• Create a witness intimidation investigation and prosecution unit under the District Attorney
• Commence criminal proceedings before an indicting grand jury if witness intimidation is taking place or appears to be a serious threat
• Try felony cases in absentia (outside the defendant's presence) if the defendant deliberately fails to attend the trial

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

STANDING COMMITTEES APPOINTED

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

To: The Honorable Megan Totino Consedine
Secretary of the Senate

From: Senator JOSEPH B. SCARNATI III
President Pro Tempore

Subject: Standing Committees of the Senate
Appointments - 2013-2014 Sessions

Date: January 11, 2013

Pursuant to Rule 5 (a)(1), as President Pro Tempore, I hereby ap-
point the following Senators to the Standing Committees of the Senate for the 2013-2014 Sessions of the Senate. The appointment of Minority members is based on the recommendation of the Minority Leader and the naming of Minority chairmen by designation of the Minority Leader.

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE
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SESSIONS OF 2013-2014

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Baker Washington* Yudichak
Vogel Schwank Scarnati,
ex-officio

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Waugh, Vice Chair
Argall Yaw Kitchen
Brubaker Schwank* Solobay
Robbins Dinniman Scarnati,
ex-officio

APPROPRIATIONS
Corman, Chair
Tomlinson, Vice Chair
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Baker Vance Ferlo
Brubaker Vogel Schwank
Gordner Vulakovich Solobay
Greenleaf Waugh Washington
Mensch Hughes* Wozniak
Rafferty Blake Yudichak
ex-officio members:
Scarnati Pileggi

BANKING AND INSURANCE
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APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the President pro tempore has made the following appointments:

Senator Richard L. Alloway II as a member of the Board of Governors for the State System of Higher Education.

Senator John H. Eichelberger, Jr., as a member of the Local Government Commission.

Senator Edwin B. Erickson as a member of the Local Government Commission.

Senator Lawrence M. Farnese as a member of the Public School Employees' Retirement Board.

Senator John R. Gordner as a member of the Capitol Preservation Committee.

Senator Scott E. Hutchinson as a member of the Hardwoods Development Council.

Senator Daylin Leach as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing.

Senator Robert B. Mensch as a member of the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee.

Senator Dominic Pileggi as a member of the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee.

Senator John C. Rafferty, Jr., as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing.

Senator Robert D. Robbins as a member of the Local Government Commission.

Senator Patricia H. Vance as a member of the Capitol Preservation Committee.

Senator Randy Vulakovich as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Senator Kim Ward as a member of the Film Advisory Board, and to serve in his stead as a member of the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee.

Senator Don White as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority.

Senator John N. Wozniak as a member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Rural Pennsylvania.

Senator E. Eugene Yaw as a member of the Board of Directors of the Center for Rural Pennsylvania.

Ms. Cynthia Carrow as a member of the Citizens Advisory Council.

Mr. Walter Heine as a member of the Citizens Advisory Council.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the Minority Leader has made the following appointments:

Senator Andrew Dinniman as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Educational Facilities Authority and as a member of the Pennsylvania State Public School Building Authority.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Hughes, Senator Washington, and Senator Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests legislative leaves for Senator Hughes, Senator Washington, and Senator Williams. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator COSTA asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator FERLO, 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, January 22, 2013

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, January 28, 2013, 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 Senate recesses the week of January 28, 2013, it reconvene on Monday, February 4, 2013, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, February 4, 2013, 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

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Argall    Folmer   Robbins  Ward
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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 DAYLIN LEACH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator LEACH. Mr. President, I have some guests here today. From the Montgomery County Anti-Human Trafficking Coalition, we have Bonnie Weiner, Gina Goldstein, and Marilyn Popp. We also have a tremendous artist from the 17th Senatorial District who also happens to be my office manager's mother, Lois Charles. They are up there in the gallery, and I ask you to join me in welcoming them.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Leach please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JUDY SCHWANK PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Berks, Senator Schwank.

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I am pleased to welcome to the Senate today an employee of mine, Tara Kutzer, who started as my scheduling secretary when I came onboard with the Senate, but actually she started with Senator O'Pake back when she was 17 years old. Tara Kutzer is here today with her daughter, Zoey, who is going to be a year old on Monday, and also her sister, Melissa Scheirer, and her two nieces, Emily and Allison. They are visiting from Orlando, Florida. I am very pleased to have them here, and I ask the Senate to join me in welcoming them.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Schwank please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators LEACH, FARNESE, FERLO, DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, BREWSSTER, VOGEL, VULAKOVICH, GREENLEAF, COSTA, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, PILEGGI, HUGHES, YUDICHAK, STACK, BRUBAKER, WILLIAMS and VANCE, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 7, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing January 11, 2013, as "National Human Trafficking Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator LEACH. Mr. President, I apologize, I was gaining some wisdom from Senator Rafferty and I appreciate that. Very briefly, as people may know from some of the legislation we passed last Session and some of the discussions we had relative to that legislation, human trafficking is the second-most common crime in the world after drug trafficking. It involves hundreds of thousands of people, many young people, many very young people who are essentially treated as human slaves both in the sex trafficking industry and in labor trafficking. We have to do all we can to make sure people are aware of this, to help rescue people who are involved in it, and to move whatever legislation is necessary in order to combat it. I appreciate the Senate's concurrence with this resolution today, and I look forward to working with my colleagues to do everything we can do to combat human trafficking going forward.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators DINNIMAN, KASUNIC, SOLOBAY, BREWSSTER, STACK, ERICKSON, BAKER, SMITH, RAFFERTY and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 8, entitled:

A Resolution observing the month of January 2013 as "Pennsylvania Thrift Month," observing the week of January 17 through 23, 2013, as "National Thrift Week" and calling on individuals, families and government at all levels to exercise thrift and fiscal responsibility.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Dinniman.

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, simply stated, we all need to know how to save a little money and to have thrift. The economic situation we are in as individuals is a result of using too many credit cards. The importance of educating young people to learn finance, and especially the situation of our Federal government shows that we should learn a little about how to save and how to spend. So I introduce this resolution, it is part of a national movement, for Pennsylvania's part of "National Thrift Week."

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators COSTA, TOMLINSON, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, YUDICHAK, SOLOBAY, HUGHES, TEPLITZ, KASUNIC, DINNIMAN, ALLOWAY, ARGALL, BAKER, BLAKE, BREWSSTER, BROWNE, BRUBAKER, CORMAN,
Eichelberger, Erickson, Farnese, Ferlo, Folmer, Gorder, Greenleaf, Hutchinson, Kitchen, Leach, McIlhinney, Mensch, Pileggi, Rafferty, Robbins, Scarnati, Schwank, Smith, Smucker, Stack, Tartaglione, Vance, Vogel, Vulakovich, Ward, Washington, Waugh, D. White, Wiley, Williams, Wozniak and Yaw, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 9, entitled:

A Resolution honoring former Senator H. Craig Lewis, distinguished attorney, legislator and business executive, and mourning his death.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator Costa. Mr. President, I rise on behalf of myself and my colleagues, especially Senator Tothlinsin, to offer this condolence resolution on the passing of our former colleague, Senator H. Craig Lewis, who died unexpectedly last week. We were all shocked and saddened by the sudden passing of our friend and colleague. Our heartfelt prayers and deepest sympathies go out to his family and friends as they deal with the loss of such a vibrant and energetic soul.

Pennsylvania has surely lost one of its finest citizens, Mr. President. Born in Hazleton, Senator Lewis spent his career focused on public service and improving the lives of Pennsylvanians. He was first elected to the Senate just 2 years after graduating from law school. Serving the 6th Senatorial District for 20 years, he served as chairman of many prominent committees, including Local Government, Appropriations, Ethics, Judiciary, and State Government. During his time in this Chamber, Senator Lewis exemplified the true meaning of a public servant. His dedication and commitment to those he served has had a lasting impact on this Commonwealth.

Craig was a thoughtful and meticulous legislator. He was very measured in his decisionmaking, taking time to focus on the intent of proposed legislation and the impact it would have on those he served. His ability to relate to constituents was invaluable. He truly felt the issues and understood how they would affect families from Bucks County to Erie.

During his time in the Senate, Mr. President, Senator Lewis helped to reform the municipal pension system and contributed to the state budget process as chair of the Committee on Judiciary, Local Government, Ethics, also while leading the Committee on Appropriations as its minority chair. Most notably, Senator Lewis was Democratic chair of the Senate Impeachment Trial Committee in 1994, the first one convened since 1811.

Senator Lewis will always be remembered for the detailed person and lawmaker he was. His strategic and focused thinking transcended the floor of the Senate. For those of you who had the good fortune of knowing Senator Lewis, you understand what a tremendous athlete he was as well. Once his tenure was complete here in the Senate, Craig devoted his time and talents to Norfolk Southern. Senator Lewis practiced law and served as a member of the Bar of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Council, and the State Advisory Committee for Guidance Service. In addition to everything else, Senator Lewis served on the boards of the Philadelphia Foundation, Aria Health, and the Philadelphia Zoo.

Throughout all of his works, both professional and charitable, Senator Lewis did his part and was committed to recognizing the work of others who did the same. In fact, just weeks before his passing, Craig presented the Philadelphia Foundation's H. Craig Lewis Leadership and Governance Award to the retiring president of the Please Touch Museum in Philadelphia. Craig noted during the presentation how instrumental this individual was in changing the lives of children. It was Craig's understanding and appreciation of what that meant to our future here in Pennsylvania and could never be duplicated, for they will be forever indebted to him.

Today we mourn the loss of a devoted leader who touched so many communities, and we have all lost a very dear friend. Again, I would like to extend my heartfelt condolences to Senator Lewis's family, his wife, children, grandchild, his colleagues, and his many, many, many friends. I hope all take solace in knowing that Senator H. Craig Lewis made a difference, and his life's work made Pennsylvania a better place.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

(Whereupon, the Senate stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Senator H. CRAIG LEWIS)

The PRESIDENT. Let the record reflect that the resolution was adopted unanimously.

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. Ronald Robertshaw, Honorable George M. Leader, Mark R. Boran, Radu Gherghel, Corine Rollman and to Mildred Harahus by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mohn and to Gregory J. Fitzwater by Senator Brubaker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Minnie R. McNeil and to William A. Lambert by Senator Dinniman and Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Konnor Addis and Dorothy by Senator Gorder.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bove, Diane S. Knight, Clarion Eat 'N Park, All American Awards and Engraving and to the Clarion Pizza Hut by Senator Hutchinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Daniel Paradiso by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Souderton Area School District, Montgomery Theater and to the Altek Business Systems, Inc., by Senators Mensch, Greenleaf and McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Peter G. Galantino, Fred Boyer and to James W. Frankowsky by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to David J. Rohrbach by Senator Rafferty.
Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alex James Barnett, Adam Joseph Werley and to the Wyomissing Area High School Golf Team by Senator Schwank.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Stephen Samuel Miller by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Clipper by Senator Solobay.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Merlyn Chester Hoppel and to the Indian National Overseas Congress, Kerala Chapter of Pennsylvania by Senator Stack.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Karen Thorpe, Benjamin Keyes, Herbert Lenz, Bruce Reeder, Chris Doster and to Ralph Douglass by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Mr. and Mrs. David Bixler, Honorable Jonathan Vipond III, Tyler Gutshall, Ryan Oiler, Jason Emig, James Hall and to Lincoln A. Warrell by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jarek Ingros, Riley Lamison and to Matthew Petersen by Senator Vogel.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lori Wielgus by Senator Washington.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Captain Bradley D. Allen and to Jordyn Colao by Senator Wiley.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend Paul McDonnell by Senator Yudichak.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

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

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Ronald A. Noyalis by Senator Baker.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Theresa Vasselo by Senator Fontana.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Thomas E. Mellon, Jr., and to the family of the late Doris Jane H. Miller by Senator McIlhinney.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Mamie J. Lewis Rearden by Senators Rafferty and Dinniman.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Nephi H. Timpson, Jr., by Senators Schwank and Pileggi.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Verna M. McKenery, to the family of the late Dena Catherine Riggi and to the family of the late Gordon B. Greenlee by Senator Solobay.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Wendell W. Young III by Senator Tartaglione and others.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Shane A. McQuiston by Senator Vogel.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late James J. F. McCarthy by Senator Yudichak.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2013

10:30 A.M. ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider Senate Bills No. 164, 196, 258 and 259) Room 461 Main Capitol

Off the Floor APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 187) Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

Off the Floor INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 66) Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

Off the Floor JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Resolution No. 6) Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2013

10:00 A.M. LABOR AND INDUSTRY and Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

                             LAW AND INDUSTRY and Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

                             Summary of legislation in the Unemployment Compensation Call Center Issue

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2013

9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Governor's Office/Governor's Budget Office/Executive Offices) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Public Utility Commission) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Independent Fiscal Office - Economic Outlook & Revenue Overview) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2013


1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of General Services) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

2:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Insurance) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Gaming Control Board) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Liquor Control Board) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

11:00 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of State) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Military & Veterans Affairs) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Conservation & Natural Resources) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
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9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Revenue) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Drug & Alcohol Programs) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Health) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2013
9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - SERS/PSERS) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Aging) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
2:30 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Environmental Protection) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2013
9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Penn State University) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
11:00 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Temple University) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - University of Pittsburgh) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
2:30 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Lincoln University) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
MONDAY, MARCH 4, 2013
9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Education) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Corrections/Office of Probation and Parole) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Community & Economic Development) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2013
9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Public Welfare) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - PASSHE) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Agriculture) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2013
9:30 A.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Transportation) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
1:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Labor & Industry) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
3:00 P.M. APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Department of Banking & Securities ) Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise for a few moments to talk about some initiatives that the Senate Democratic Caucus intends to explore and hopes it will be brought to closure and conclusion during the course of the 2013-14 legislative Session.

Mr. President, job creation, education investments, strengthening local communities, and rebuilding Pennsylvania’s social safety net are priorities for the Senate Democratic Caucus for the 2013-14 legislative Session. Our priorities are pragmatic and prudent. The plan needs us to look at tax increases that would not create new hardships for Pennsylvania families. The plan employs creative and commonsense solutions to generate the revenue to fund critical investments, as I said earlier, without increasing broad-based taxes.

Mr. President, we believe that we need to move forward on making critical investments to attract new business investment, provide for a skilled workforce, and rebuild and strengthen our basic infrastructure systems. We also believe it is imperative that we adopt a comprehensive transportation plan for our roads, bridges, transit rails, ports, and airports to fund critical needs and provide for public safety. We also believe that we need to initiate a multiyear funding plan to help restore some of the deep cuts to our basic and higher education programs. We need to address fiscally-challenged communities with meaningful solutions including expanding revenue options, targeted aid, and incentives for local consolidation and cooperation. Plus, Mr. President, we need to plug recently created holes in our social safety net programs and to expand access to quality medical care, to improve home and community-based assistance, and reduce homelessness.

Mr. President, for the past couple of years our State budgets have been regressive and, in many respects, disadvantaged working men and women. Instead of moving forward, Pennsylvania has fallen behind. Budget plans have failed to aid our schools and communities, and as a result, test scores have declined, more cities and more school districts are teetering on the edge of financial chaos, and more than a half-million people remain out of work.

Mr. President, we need a new direction. This Senate Caucus priority plan, which will be discussed in much greater detail as we move forward over the next several weeks with very specific legislation, is something that we believe is imperative and warrants serious consideration by this General Assembly, and more specifically by the Senate. So we look forward to working with our colleagues on these issues, as well as a number of other issues, as we move forward and move into the 2013-14 legislative Session.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Dinniman.

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, yesterday and over the last week we celebrated Martin Luther King Day. But what I want to remind and ask this Chamber to focus on this year is a report that came out in June of 2012 from our Joint State Government Commission. This report, requested by Senator Greenleaf, outlined the problem of human trafficking here in the Commonwealth. Think about it for a second, if you will, as Members, that 150 years after the Civil War, 150 years after the Emancipation Proclamation, almost 150 years after the passing of the 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments to the Constitution, we still have the existence of slavery in the form of human trafficking here in the
Commonwealth. That is wrong, Mr. President, and we need to get together here in the Senate and support Senator Greenleaf's bill, Senate Bill No. 75, which reflects this Commission's report.

Let me assure you, Mr. President, and let me tell you the facts of this, that after the trade in drugs, the second-most profitable and largest illegal global transactions are the trafficking of people. Mr. President, worldwide 12.5 million people, many of them children, are trafficked and in a situation of virtual slavery. This too exists right here in the Commonwealth, as the Joint Commission report plainly pointed out. Some of these are our own U.S. citizens who are often put into situations of sexual exploitation. Some are children, some are people who come from abroad, who are here illegally, who are put into situations not only of sexual exploitation, but of human bondage in terms of forced labor. We can read stories in our press and in our papers about these situations.

We need to act on this Joint Commission report, Mr. President. Senator Greenleaf, to his great credit as chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, has introduced Senate Bill No. 75. I urge every Member of the Senate to sign onto Senate Bill No. 75. I did so just 2 days ago because we need to stop this inhumane practice. Mr. President, what the bill does is it increases our ability to prosecute by adding another section to the Crimes Code. It increases our ability for prevention by establishing the Pennsylvania Council for the Prevention of Human Trafficking, and it offers protection and assistance for the victims.

Finally, Mr. President, if I may, yesterday in my district, and I am sure in Senate districts across this Commonwealth, we celebrated Martin Luther King Day. We had many activities in the weeks leading up to Martin Luther King Day. But the problem is, who would believe the truth of the matter that 150 years after the Civil War, slavery, human trafficking exists right here in this Commonwealth. We focused in my district on this question of human trafficking, and I made a commitment to my constituents five times yesterday at five different events that I would be committed to working with every Member in this legislature to end this practice once and for all in the Commonwealth. So I urge all the Senators to sign on to Senator Greenleaf's bill, Senate Bill No. 75. Let us in a bipartisan way, let us in a humane way, end this inhumane practice that continues to exist here in the Commonwealth.

Thank you, Mr. President.

**ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER**

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus.

**RECESS**

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Wednesday, January 23, 2013, at 11 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 1:48 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.