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#### **SENATE**

WEDNESDAY, February 13, 2013

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Standard Time.

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

#### **PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Reverend CRAIG C. GOMMER, O.S.L. of the Twenty-Ninth Street United Methodist Church, Harrisburg, offered the following prayer:

Let us be in an attitude of prayer.

Gracious and loving God, we come to this moment to offer prayers before the work can begin of this day. We come together on a day recognized by some as the beginning of a season of reflection and introspection. It is a time of giving up those things which get in the way of our relationship with You, the time to search our hearts and to turn back to You, to turn back to those values, beliefs, and practices which have guided Your people in how to love You and to love one another for so long. We know that it is not an easy thing to do. As I ask this blessing on the people in this room who do the work for the people of Pennsylvania, You know it is not always an easy calling to serve Your people. Some are happy with what happens here in these hallowed halls and others are not. But we ask You to search our hearts, O God, as we seek Your wisdom in serving Your people. Give us the courage to be who You call us to be, give us the strength to lay down the past and to move forward. As You have forgiven us, help us to forgive ourselves for falling short sometimes.

There are many this day who are on our hearts and on our minds. We ask that You be with the families of those here, be with those who serve and protect us on our streets, and be with those who serve and protect the freedoms that we hold so dear. As the work begins today, help us to keep in mind the words of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, when he encouraged those he was leading to "Do all the good you can, By all the means you can, In all the ways you can, In all the places you can, At all the times you can, To all the people you can, As long as ever you can." And we pray this today in Your name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Gommer, who is the guest today of Senator Teplitz.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### 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:

#### February 13, 2013

Senators McILHINNEY, ALLOWAY, WHITE, YAW, SCARNATI, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, MENSCH and CORMAN presented to the Chair **SB 100**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, providing for wine and spirits retail license; and further providing for interlocking business prohibited.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, SCARNATI, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, MENSCH, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES and SOLOBAY presented to the Chair **SB 103**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for revocation and suspension of licenses and fines.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, February 13, 2013.

Senators FOLMER, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, WAUGH and EICHELBERGER presented to the Chair SB 296, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 18, 1935 (P.L.1286, No.402), entitled "An act empowering counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, and townships to charge and collect from owners of and water users in property served thereby, annual rentals, rates or charges for the use of certain sewers, sewerage systems and sewage treatment works, including charges for operation, inspection, maintenance, repair, depreciation, and the amortization of indebtedness and interest thereon; empowering counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships to contract with authorities organized by cities of the second class, by cities of the second class A, by counties or by cities of the third class for sewer, sewerage and sewage treatment services; to grant, convey, lease, transfer, encumber, mortgage and pledge to such authorities, their sewers, sewerage systems and sewage treatment works; to assign and pledge to such authorities rentals, rates and charges charged and collected by them for the use thereof, and to assign to such authorities their power to charge and collect the same; and validating all such contracts, grants, conveyances, leases, transfers, assignments, encumbrances, mortgages and pledges heretofore made," further providing for rentals for use of sewage system and for amount of rental or charge.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOV-ERNMENT, February 13, 2013.

Senators PILEGGI, BRUBAKER, MENSCH, FOLMER, SMUCKER, VULAKOVICH, ARGALL, GREENLEAF, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, HUTCHINSON, ERICKSON, BAKER, TOMLINSON, SOLOBAY, YAW, YUDICHAK, ROBBINS, WHITE, VOGEL, WARD, WAUGH, SCHWANK and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB** 303, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, FOLMER, WAUGH, FONTANA, ERICKSON, STACK, FARNESE, FERLO, BREWSTER, BAKER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 408**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for definitions and adding a definition of "State-related institution and its affiliates."

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOV-ERNMENT, February 13, 2013.

Senators DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, FOLMER, FONTANA, FARNESE and BREWSTER presented to the Chair **SB 410**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 24, 1905 (P.L.50, No.35), entitled, "An act to reorganize the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State College," further providing for title of the act and for members of the Board of Trustees of The Pennsylvania State University; and providing for quorum and lifetime service limitation.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOV-ERNMENT, February 13, 2013.

Senators STACK, TEPLITZ, FONTANA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 464**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, No.164), known as the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, in Office of Attorney General, further providing for legal advice and civil matters.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators COSTA, BREWSTER, KASUNIC, STACK, YUDICHAK, SMITH, WASHINGTON, FONTANA, SOLOBAY, HUGHES, FERLO, BLAKE, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, SCHWANK and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair SB 471, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, providing for private management agreements.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, ALLOWAY, WHITE, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, WARD, ERICKSON, MENSCH, HUGHES, COSTA, FONTANA, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, WOZNIAK, WASHINGTON and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 478, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in forgery and fraudulent practices, providing for the offense of unlawful procurement, sale or receipt of telephone records.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, BROWNE, ERICKSON, YAW, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, MENSCH, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, WOZNIAK, FERLO, SCARNATI and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 479**, 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 special education services for nonpublic school students.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, COSTA, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, STACK, BREWSTER, FARNESE, WOZNIAK, SOLOBAY, WASHINGTON, FERLO and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 480**, entitled:

An Act providing for home energy assistance to certain persons through payment of matching funds to the hardship funds of certain home energy providers and for powers and duties of the Department of Public Welfare.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, FERLO, EICHELBERGER and ERICKSON presented to the Chair **SB 481**, 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 funding for charter schools.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, February 13, 2013.

Senators TOMLINSON, RAFFERTY, MENSCH, ERICKSON, McILHINNEY, SOLOBAY, WASHINGTON and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 482**, entitled:

An Act requiring health insurers to disclose fee schedules and all rules and algorithms relating thereto; requiring health insurers to provide full payment to physicians when more than one surgical procedure is performed on the patient by the same physician during one continuous operating procedure; and providing for causes of action and for penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, BROWNE, SOLOBAY and FARNESE presented to the Chair **SB 483**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, BROWNE, WAUGH, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, STACK, SOLOBAY, WASHINGTON, WOZNIAK, ARGALL, VOGEL, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB** 484, entitled:

An Act authorizing senior citizens to claim an exemption from tax increases as to certain real property; and providing for termination of the exemption.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, BROWNE, FERLO, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, SOLOBAY, VULAKOVICH and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 485**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for exemption from payment of real estate taxes.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, HUGHES, FONTANA, BROWNE, FARNESE, WOZNIAK, BREWSTER and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB** 486, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for registration of domestic violence predators; establishing the Domestic Violence Predator Assessment Board; and imposing powers and duties on the Pennsylvania State Police and on the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, BROWNE, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, TEPLITZ, SOLOBAY, BREWSTER and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair **SB 487**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for policy, for the definition of "felony sex offense" and for DNA sample; providing for collection from persons accepted from other jurisdictions; and further providing for procedures for withdrawal, collection and transmission of DNA samples and for expungement.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, SOLOBAY, WOZNIAK and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair **SB 488**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, February 13, 2013.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, KASUNIC, FONTANA, HUGHES, BROWNE, ERICKSON, TEPLITZ, SCHWANK, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, KITCHEN, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, FOLMER and BRUBAKER presented to the Chair **SB** 489, 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, February 13, 2013.

Senators WASHINGTON, FARNESE, BREWSTER, WAUGH, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, HUGHES, FERLO, BRUBAKER and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 490**, entitled:

An Act providing for bisphenol A-free baby and toddler products.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, February 13, 2013.

Senators FOLMER, EICHELBERGER, VOGEL, WHITE, PILEGGI, ALLOWAY, HUTCHINSON and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB** 491, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, providing for the definitions of "farmer" and "farming"; and further providing for declaration and payment of income taxes and for withholding and remittance.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators VANCE, WASHINGTON, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, KASUNIC, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, GORDNER, BREWSTER, SOLOBAY, WHITE, YAW, ERICKSON, BAKER, SCHWANK, WAUGH and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB** 492, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 1, 1956 (1955 P.L.1944, No.655), referred to as the Liquid Fuels Tax Municipal Allocation Law, further providing for allocated money.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators VANCE, VULAKOVICH, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, GORDNER, FARNESE, VOGEL, ALLOWAY, SOLOBAY, BAKER, FOLMER, TOMLINSON, WAUGH, BOSCOLA and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 493**, 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, for disqualification and forfeiture of benefits and for restitution for monetary loss.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, SCARNATI, ERICKSON, BAKER, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, SOLOBAY, FERLO, BREWSTER and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 495**, 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, February 13, 2013.

Senators ALLOWAY, YAW, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, FOLMER, FONTANA, BREWSTER, TOMLINSON, RAFFER-TY, WAUGH, MENSCH, HUTCHINSON, ERICKSON, COSTA, McILHINNEY, VOGEL, EICHELBERGER, SOLOBAY, BAKER, BRUBAKER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB** 496, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, February 13, 2013.

Senators EICHELBERGER, ERICKSON, BLAKE, ROB-BINS, WOZNIAK, YAW, SCHWANK, FOLMER, FERLO, MENSCH, BREWSTER, YUDICHAK, COSTA, SOLOBAY and PILEGGI presented to the Chair **SB 497**, entitled:

An Act reenacting and amending the act of June 23, 1931 (P.L.932, No.317), known as The Third Class City Code.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOV-ERNMENT, February 13, 2013.

Senators WAUGH, STACK, RAFFERTY, TOMLINSON, FONTANA, ERICKSON, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, WASHINGTON, FERLO and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 498**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for education and training.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, February 13, 2013.

Senators WAUGH, FOLMER, WHITE, MENSCH, ALLOWAY, EICHELBERGER, SMUCKER, BAKER and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair **SB 499**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, allowing local governments to remove themselves from the jurisdiction of the act; and making repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 13, 2013.

Senators WAUGH, FOLMER, WHITE, MENSCH, ALLOWAY, EICHELBERGER, SMUCKER, BAKER and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair **SB 501**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, excluding political subdivisions from the act; authorizing optional prevailing wage ordinances; and making repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, February 13, 2013.

Senators WAUGH, RAFFERTY, ROBBINS, TEPLITZ, ALLOWAY, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, VOGEL, BAKER, HUTCHINSON, BROWNE and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 502**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, requiring compliance with Federal Selective Service requirements.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 13, 2013.

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Baker, Senator Folmer, Senator Smucker, Senator Mensch, and Senator Greenleaf.

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Dinniman, Senator Solobay, and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Baker, Senator Folmer, Senator Smucker, Senator Mensch, and Senator Greenleaf.

Senator Fontana requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Dinniman, Senator Solobay, and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

#### **CALENDAR**

#### THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### SB 302 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

**SB 302 (Pr. No. 412)** -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 1 of the Third Consideration Calendar, by Senator PILEGGI, as a Special Order of Business.

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 302 (Pr. No. 412) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for compilation of war records and the director of veterans' affairs.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Alloway	Farnese	Pileggi	Vogel
Argall	Ferlo	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Baker	Folmer	Robbins	Ward
Blake	Fontana	Scarnati	Washington
Boscola	Gordner	Schwank	Waugh
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smith	White
Browne	Hughes	Smucker	Wiley
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Solobay	Williams
Corman	Kasunic	Stack	Wozniak
Costa	Kitchen	Tartaglione	Yaw
Dinniman	Leach	Teplitz	Yudichak
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Erickson	Mensch	Vance	

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Greenleaf has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF BASHKORTOSTAN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STACK. Mr. President, I rise today to welcome several very important guests to our Capitol today. We are delighted to have some members of the Russian Federation Embassy in Washington, D.C. They are Rinat Dosmukhamedov, a minister, counselor, and Trade Representative of the Russian Federation in the USA; Mikhai Kalugin, head of the Economic Group at the Embassy of the Russian Federation in the USA; and Aydar Shakirov, Chief of the Economic Section at the Trade Representation of the Russian Federation in the USA.

I also want to welcome members of the Republic of Bashkortostan Delegation. We have Mustafin Akhat Gazizvanovish, who is the Rector of Bashkir State University; and I.A. Tazhitdinov, Deputy Prime Minister of the Government of the Republic of Bashkortostan, whom we will be hearing from on the Senate floor today. They are here today with a delegation of hosts, our good friend, Alan Gulko, who is the co-owner of the Avangard Capital Group located in my senatorial district; and Irina Strumila, who is Executive Assistant at Avangard Capital Group. We also have Dmitry Poteryahin.

My guests are here to connect with Pennsylvania lawmakers to foster positive relations between the Commonwealth and the Republic of Bashkortostan, as well as positive interactions between our nation and Russian regions. I hope that you and the Senate will all join me in welcoming this great delegation and hearing, here on this floor, from the Deputy Prime Minister. I ask my colleagues, of course, to extend our usual warm welcome to our guests.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

(Applause.)

(Translation from Russian:)

Mr. TAZHITDINOV. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you very much for inviting us to take a part in today's Pennsylvania Senate Session. I would like to tell you briefly about our region and its vast potential. The Russian Federation consists of entities, one of them is our Republic of Bashkortostan. Bashkortostan is an ancient land which occupies 142,947 square kilometers. Bashkiria is outstretched in the oldest mountain ranges in the world of the Ural Mountains, and located on the boarder between Europe and Asia. Bashkortostan has 4 million diligent and peaceful people living in friendship and harmony. Our land is unique in its geographical and biological diversity. There are mountains, steppe, taiga, rivers, lakes, and waterfalls.

Today, Bashkortostan is one of the major industrialized regions of the Russian Federation. We are in the top 20 of the most successful regions of the country. It is a republic with a vibrant developing economy, tremendous resources, and production potential. Europe's largest oil refining and petrochemical gas companies are operating in Bashkortostan. Every eighth ton of Russian oil is being processed in our region. We produce more than 15 percent of gasoline fuel and 14 percent of diesel fuel. Almost every sixth car in Russia is fueled with high-quality fuel made in Bashkortostan. A developed machine-building complex of the Republic produces jet engines for aircraft by the name of "Dry," helicopter engines, and helicopters known as "Kamov." We also produce metal cutting and electrochemical machinery, oil and gas equipment.

Ladies and gentlemen, our goals are to improve and to expand industries such as engineering, pharmaceuticals, electronics, and modern chemistry. We actively support innovative enterprises. An example of such work is a joint project with a French company Alstom, where the goal is to establish a technopark of efficient technology. We have legislated unprecedented benefits for investors, and many foreign corporations are actively using opened opportunities. We look forward to the participation of foreign partners, business representatives, and our economic and social life. We want to collaborate with the whole world. We maintain trade relations with more than 100 foreign countries on all continents. We already have partners in the U.S., and we would be delighted to extend our American relations in Pennsylvania. Over the past 2 years, volume of trade with the United States was about \$650 million. Such indicators do not correspond with the potential of the Bashkortostan Republic. Therefore, we hope to develop mutually beneficial, good, and constructive relations with the State of Pennsylvania. We have ambitious plans for economic development and social welfare. Bashkortostan has a powerful industrial base which is in need of modernization. We hope that Pennsylvania's businesses and investors will express interest in the big potential within our Republic. We are interested in your technology, your competencies, and know-how. On our side, we will provide the most favorable conditions for the success of your business in our country.

Welcome to Bashkortostan. Thank you very much for your attention.

(Applause.)

## GUEST OF SENATOR MICHAEL W. BRUBAKER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator BRUBAKER. Mr. President, I would like to say thank you to Senator Stack for bringing such a high-level delegation from Russia. We certainly do appreciate his foresightfulness in understanding just how important it is to develop meaningful relationships around the globe. So Senator Stack, thank you very much.

Mr. President, at this time I would like to introduce someone sitting in the gallery. She is an intern in my office, her name is Ambre Biehl. She will be graduating from Elizabethtown College in May with a bachelor of arts degree in political science with a concentration in criminal justice. Ambre someday hopes to work at the United Nations. Ambre's overall GPA is 3.94, and

she has been on the Dean's List for seven consecutive semesters. Ambre is the daughter of Cindy and Eugene Biehl of Willow Grove. Mr. President, please join me and fellow Members in welcoming such a fine young lady to the Senate Chamber.

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

(Applause.)

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Folmer, Senator Mensch, Senator Dinniman, Senator Solobay, and Senator Smucker have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Tartaglione.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Tartaglione. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS LINCOLN DAY ADDRESS

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I ask that the Chair recognize Senator Hutchinson for the purpose of delivering the Lincoln Day Address.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Senator Hutchinson.

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, it is truly an honor to rise today to honor the memory and the legacy of an American icon and hero for the ages, our 16th President, Abraham Lincoln. Later this year, our nation will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, and just a few months later, the 150th anniversary of Lincoln's landmark Gettysburg Address. Both events, which occurred less than 40 miles from Harrisburg in my friend Senator Alloway's senatorial district, played important roles in the Civil War and in the shaping of the destiny of our nation.

It is especially fitting that the Senate of Pennsylvania honor President Lincoln. Abe was an intimate friend of Pennsylvania's Civil War governor, Andrew Curtin, and he had warm and friendly relationships with many State Senators, including John Penney of Pittsburgh, Harry White of Indiana, and Erie's Morrow B. Lowrie.

When Lincoln was assassinated, there was truly grief among Members of Pennsylvania's General Assembly at that time. In fact, on January 23, 1866, the Pennsylvania State Senate passed a resolution honoring his memory, from which I am now going to quote:

"He was a statesman, wise and incorruptible; a patriot, earnest and self-devoted; a leader of clear discernment and forecast, and a ruler most benignant where the calls of mercy might persuade. But he was just and firm where the truth and right demanded. His life was full of excellence and beauty, and truly illustrated the gentle and guileless

disposition of his heart, and the high order and reach of his intellect. To this country, he gave the love and service of his soul, and for the continued greatness of its glory he thought and toiled through the days and nights of four dark and weary years."

Today, 147 years after our predecessors adopted that resolution, Abraham Lincoln remains etched in our memories as a man who is guided by his conscious and his compassion. He was a leader who followed his beliefs against the advice of handlers, at the risk of public ridicule. And, he was a public servant who left a lasting legacy of honesty, decency, and integrity, one that we should all aspire to.

Political historians and, more recently, filmmaker Steven Spielberg, have spent years studying Lincoln's speeches, his writings, and his records in an attempt to discover the real Abraham Lincoln. Yet, he remains a complex man, in many ways contradictory. Personally, Lincoln possessed an engaging, wry country wit that could bring people to their knees in laughter. Yet he was cursed by bouts of deep despair, self-criticism, and self-doubt. Politically, he was despised by half the nation, but he was elected to the Presidency twice. While he often viewed his administration as a failure, and his performance was at times anything but great, many historians call him the greatest President that this country has ever known.

So despite all we know about him, Lincoln remains a bit of an enigma. And he struggled mightily in his life, success that never came easy. He failed in business at age 22. He lost his first legislative race a year later. He had a nervous breakdown at the age of 27. And before the age of 49, he was defeated for Speaker, elector, defeated for Congress twice, defeated for the Senate twice, and defeated in his bid for the Vice Presidency. But through these trials and tribulations, Lincoln built an inner strength and a belief in himself and in what was right. He learned the importance of perseverance and courage, and he gained the wisdom that comes from being tested.

So with that in mind, it is only right and proper that today we honor our 16th President, Mr. Abraham Lincoln, for his deeds and for his spirit.

Thank you, Mr. President. (Applause.)

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Baker has returned, and her temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

# CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 82** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

# BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**SB 333 (Pr. No. 311)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, eliminating the Traffic Court of Philadelphia.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I would like to submit my remarks for the record, and also to thank Members of the Philadelphia delegation for their support and cooperation in the development of these two bills, Senate Bill No. 333 and Senate Bill No. 334.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, the remarks will be spread upon the record.

(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Delaware, Senator PILEGGI:)

Mr. President, the next two bills the Senate will consider, Senate Bill No. 333 and Senate Bill No. 334, will abolish the Philadelphia Traffic Court. These bills are necessary because the Philadelphia Traffic Court has proven, year after year and decade after decade, to be an embarrassment to the State. Traffic court has a multi-generational tradition of dysfunction. In the most recent episode, 12 people, including 9 current and former judges, were charged with taking part in what the Federal government calls "a fraud conspiracy that involved frequent and pervasive ticket-fixing." If the need for these bills was not already clear enough, two of these individuals pleaded guilty yesterday.

Article V of the State constitution requires the establishment of a traffic court for Philadelphia. One of these bills, Senate Bill No. 333, is a proposed constitutional amendment to eliminate that mandate. The other bill, Senate Bill No. 334, is a proposed statute that can be enacted whether or not the constitutional amendment is eventually adopted. It will transfer the responsibilities of Philadelphia Traffic Court to Philadelphia Municipal Court. The president judge of municipal court is empowered to hire hearing officers, if needed, to manage the caseload.

Mr. President, Pennsylvania has 67 counties, only one has a separate traffic court. Whatever reason there might have been in the past for Philadelphia to have this separate court no longer exists. It is time to do away with it.

I ask for an affirmative vote on Senate Bill No. 333 and Senate Bill No. 334.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, again, thank you to the Majority Leader and to the delegation headed by Senator Kitchen for her leadership on this issue. Just very briefly, looking forward, as this bill moves out of the Senate to work on it, to make any revisions or amendments with regard to the complement of municipal court judges, and as this legislation further moves ahead, to identify any potential issues that may arise, and I look forward to working with the Majority Leader on that. Again, I fully support the legislation and will be voting "yes" today on both this Senate Bill No. 333 and Senate Bill No. 334. Thank you.

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

Senator STACK. Mr. President, I want to compliment the Majority Leader on how fast he has moved with this legislation, my colleagues here in the Senate, and from the Philadelphia delegation. As I have said before, the issue of public trust and corruption that has gone on, the betrayal of public trust in the traffic court in Philadelphia is a travesty, and it is a slap in the face to all Pennsylvanians, to Philadelphians, and it is an issue which demands incredible amounts of reform. I am heartened that we are moving forward with this. I look forward to working with the Majority Leader and with my colleagues here in the Senate to transition what has clearly been a court that has not worked on the grand scheme, to make sure that we transition that into a justice system in which all Pennsylvanians can be proud. And as I have also said in previous speeches, at the same time, I think we need to make sure that the moves that we make with regard to folks who are just working folks, who are working in the court system who do nothing but work hard and are honest and have nothing to do with the terrible news stories and the issues with the indictments, I would hope that we make sure we look out for them and we do not throw the baby out with the bath water and end up taking away a lot of jobs of folks who are just trying to work hard and support their family.

So, I am glad we are moving forward in fighting corruption, and I want to make sure that we also look out for people who are in precarious situations economically, and make sure that we continue to protect jobs and make sure that we protect families and protect the economic environment. But the key is, we are moving forward with reform and that is a good thing. I salute the Majority Leader and my colleagues.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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Alloway	Farnese	Pileggi	Vogel
Argall	Ferlo	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Baker	Folmer	Robbins	Ward
Blake	Fontana	Scarnati	Washington
Boscola	Gordner	Schwank	Waugh
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smith	White
Browne	Hughes	Smucker	Wiley
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Solobay	Williams
Corman	Kasunic	Stack	Wozniak
Costa	Kitchen	Tartaglione	Yaw
Dinniman	Leach	Teplitz	Yudichak
Eichelberger	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Erickson	Mensch	Vance	

#### NAY-0

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

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

**SB 334 (Pr. No. 413)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the makeup, jurisdiction and venue of the Philadelphia Municipal Court; restricting and eliminating the Traffic Court of Philadelphia; and making an editorial change.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Alloway	Farnese	Pileggi	Vogel
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#### NAY-0

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

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

#### SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**HB 84, SB 114, SB 117** and **HB 124** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL REREFERRED

**SB 155 (Pr. No. 368)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L.1610, No.181), known as the Rabies Prevention and Control in Domestic Animals and Wildlife Act, further providing for findings, for legislative intent, for definitions, for Statewide system for rabies control, for powers and duties of department, for testing, for vaccination required and certificate and tag, for antirabies clinics, for veterinarians participating in low-cost rabies clinics and for powers and duties of department relating to wildlife.

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 193** and **SB 194** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### **BILL REREFERRED**

**SB 196 (Pr. No. 142)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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.

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 267, SB 308, SB 340 and SB 360 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### **BILL REREFERRED**

**SB 381 (Pr. No. 314)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 13 (Commercial Code), 30 (Fish) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, revising secured transaction provisions relating to definitions, to control of electronic chattel paper, to location of debtor, to perfection of security interests in property subject to certain statutes, regulations and treaties, to continued perfection of security interest following change in governing law, to interests which take priority over or take free of security interest or agricultural lien, to priority of security interests created by new debtor, to discharge of account debtor, notification of assignment, identification and proof of assignment, restrictions on assignment of accounts, chattel paper, payment intangibles and promissory notes ineffective, to restrictions on assignment of promissory notes, health-care-insurance receivables and certain general intangibles ineffective, to contents of financing statement, record of mortgage as financing statement, time of filing financing statement, to name of debtor and secured party, to effect of certain events on effectiveness of financing statement, to duration and effectiveness of financing statement, effect of lapsed financing statement, to what constitutes filing, effectiveness of filing, to claim concerning inaccurate or wrongfully filed record and to collection and enforcement by secured party; providing for transition provisions for 2013 amendments; imposing duties upon the Department of State and the Department of Transportation; and making editorial changes.

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 391, SB 411 and SB 428 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**SB 436 (Pr. No. 377)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 443** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 470 (Pr. No. 411)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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, establishing the Special Education Funding Commission; in reimbursements by the Commonwealth and between school districts, further providing for definitions; and providing for the distribution of special education funding for student achievement and instruction of eligible students and for special education accountability.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator BRUBAKER, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bills:

SB 4 (Pr. No. 347)

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for criteria for institutions of purely public charity.

SB 67 (Pr. No. 38)

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.

SB 68 (Pr. No. 39)

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in local taxpayers bill of rights, further providing for requirements for requests.

SB 141 (Pr. No. 96)

An Act amending Title 12 (Commerce and Trade) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for an angel investment tax credit.

#### SB 266 (Pr. No. 162)

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.

SB 286 (Pr. No. 205)

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, further providing for the definition of "income."

#### SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators TOMLINSON and VOGEL, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 33**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of March 1 through 7, 2013, as "Weights and Measures Week" in Pennsylvania and commending the outstanding service of inspectors of county and city weights and measures offices and the Weights and Measures Division of the Department of Agriculture in the protection of our citizens by ensuring accuracy, equity and confidence in commercial and retail measurements.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Tomlinson.

Senator TOMLINSON. Mr. President, I rise to ask for unanimous adoption of a resolution commending the great work of our weights and measures inspectors of the Commonwealth, and to designate the week of March 1 through 7, 2013, as "Weights and Measures Week" in Pennsylvania. Most Pennsylvanians are familiar with monitoring accuracy at gas pumps when fueling their cars, but the work of weights and measures inspectors covers a vast array of equipment and industries. Whether it is a gas pump, checkout scanner at a grocery store, or the scale used in measuring the mulch that is delivered to your home, inspectors certify that these provide accurate measurements. The work of these inspectors protects both the consumer and the retailer, and provides confidence in the marketplace. While inspectors are in the counties of the Commonwealth, my home, Bucks County, has the distinction of having its own consumer protection weights and measures officer, Mr. Michael Bannon. Their office receives over 8,000 consumer calls a year and serves our residents and businesses well.

Mr. President, I ask for unanimous approval of this resolution.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator TOMLINSON, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 34**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of March 2013 as "National Athletic Training Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Tomlinson.

Senator TOMLINSON. Mr. President, I rise to ask unanimous consent of a resolution designating the month of March 2013 as "National Athletic Training Month." Certified athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality healthcare for athletics and persons engaged in physical activities. The National Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports more than 30,000 members of athletic training professionals employed throughout this country. I ask for your support of this resolution to recognize public awareness of athletic training and promote certified athletic trainers as allied health professionals.

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 BAKER, KASUNIC, DINNIMAN, STACK, GREENLEAF, YAW, ERICKSON, FERLO, BREWSTER, FONTANA, ARGALL, RAFFERTY, ALLOWAY, PILEGGI, WHITE, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, COSTA, WASHINGTON, TARTAGLIONE, BRUBAKER and BOSCOLA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 35**, entitled:

A Resolution observing March 1, 2013, as "St. David's Day" in Pennsylvania, and honoring the many Pennsylvanians of Welsh heritage.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senators BAKER, DINNIMAN, ERICKSON, YAW, STACK, GREENLEAF, WAUGH, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, ALLOWAY, GORDNER, BREWSTER, WARD, ARGALL, WHITE, FARNESE, COSTA, WASHINGTON, VANCE, PILEGGI, TARTAGLIONE, KASUNIC, SOLOBAY, FERLO, BROWNE, BRUBAKER, VULAKOVICH, MENSCH and HUGHES, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 36**, entitled:

A Resolution designating March 2013 as "American Red Cross Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was read, considered, and adopted by voice vote.

Senator BLAKE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 37**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of February 2013 as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BLAKE. Mr. President, Turner Syndrome is a noninheritable chromosomal disorder that affects 1 in 2,500 live female births. Early diagnosis can help the girls and women get a complete cardiac screening. It will facilitate prevention or

remediation of growth failure, hearing problems, and learning disabilities. Individuals with Turner Syndrome have an increased risk of a nonverbal learning disorder that can cause problems in math, visual-spatial skills, executive-function skills, and job retention. A disproportionately small amount of funding is available for Turner Syndrome research, Mr. President, and we need to dedicate more resources. With the help of medical specialists and a good social support system, a woman with Turner Syndrome can live a happy, productive, and healthy life.

Back home, Mr. President, Dana-Lynne Bozym from Throop is a proud mother to Carly-Joy, a beautiful little 5-year-old who is truly a miracle. She was born with this condition called Turner Syndrome. She is a miracle, Mr. President, because only 1 percent survive full-term pregnancy. So for little Carly-Joy and other miracles out there, let us join with a host of other States that have declared February as "Turner Syndrome Awareness Month." I will leave the resolution open at the desk for other Members to sign on.

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.

#### **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 Isaac Grant Baughman by Senator Alloway.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Silfies, Mr. and Mrs,. Leonard Ludinsky, Thomas Bonner, Cody Sassaman, Simon Bandzi, Sr., Steve Ulicny, Jason DeMarco and to Schlouch, Inc., by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alicia Silliman and to Robert Stevenson by Senators Argall and Yudichak.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rollman, Steven Aaron Ross, Scott Roper, John C. Metz, Sr., and to Barbara Ann Gregory Simms by Senator Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Yvonne Gatto and to Patrick J. Dempsey by Senator Blake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Keith Biel, Kevin John Conerly, Joseph John Poplawski, Fountain Hill Exchange Club and to the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Patrick J. Caughey, William R. Pendergraft, Samuel Coyle Durant, Copper and Glass Federal Credit Union and to the Burrell High School Wrestling Team by Senator Brewster.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. and Mrs. Moshe Markowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Koch, Dr. Hartley Lachter, Dr. Jessica Cooperman, Bishop Ronald W. Gainer, Scott Adam Foley, Jr., Roberta M. Marcus, Eugene Harvey Schlicher, Michael S. Kucharik and to the Kiddush Committee by Senator Browne.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sister Janice Marie Johnson, Robert G. Werts, Dwayne R. Schantz, Brianne M. Wilburne and to David M. Jaindl by Senator Browne and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Eaby, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cammauf, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boyer, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitcraft, Brendan Schuetze, Cody William Allwein, Wilmer Gentry, Trevor MacKenzie, Elmer Wolf, Tyler Scott Spangenburg, Michael J. Warren, Zachary John Gibbons, Columbia River Park and to the Historic Smithton Inn by Senator Brubaker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Kelley, Nicholas Heister, Ruth Ann Linn, Mark Shelley, Katie Osborne, Jonathan Taylor Baird, James W. Felmlee, Hannah Jones, James Adam White and to Amber N. Gabel by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Franchesqua Bannister, Mitchell Rode and to Dustin J. Wichelmann by Senator Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, Leo J. Scoda, Dr. Alan Slobojan, Dr. Irving Friedlander, Regina Horton Lewis, Kevin Johnson, Robert Miller, Matt Scalia, John Valvardi and the late K-9 officer Nemo, Ken Boyd, Ian Michael Wilson, Richard Roberts, Robert Williams, Alice Hammond, John Bravacos, Saint Mary's Franciscan Shelter for Homeless Families, Good Works of Coatesville and to Mars, Inc., by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Charles G. McMahon, Rebecca L. Scura, Bryan D. Sockel, Bridge of Hope Lancaster and Chester Counties and to the Coatesville Area Branch of the NAACP by Senators Dinniman and Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Colonel Louis Steinbugl, Eric Breton Lynn, Justin Levi Walker and to Leslie Cregger by Senator Eichelberger.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael Miller and K-9 officer Aatwood, Steven Russo and K-9 officer Spike, Michael Andrel and the late K-9 officer Yago, Elwood L. Adams, Rebecca Leppert, Connor Brown and to Andrew Niccolo Marlino by Senator Erickson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kieron Declan Pleis by Senator Farnese.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas C. Wesoloski, Phillip Barner, Zachary D. Fischer, Blaine D. Santi, Kathryn Silvis, Mike Klein and to Citizens Hose No. 2 Volunteer Fire Department by Senator Ferlo.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dominic James Rodriguez, Graham Christian Rich, Andrew Elliott Young, Timothy Scott Howe and to Carl Kauffman by Senator Folmer

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kyle C. Fawver by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Meghan Harrison, Julie Baldassano, Elizabeth Hirsch, Helena Gehrung, Christian Fetterhoff, Patrick William Matthews and to Ann's Choice of Warminster by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Donna J. Byrne by Senators Greenleaf, McIlhinney, and Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Earl L. Johnson, Helen Portia Bundy and to Elsie L. Wise by Senator Hughes.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Reverend and Mrs. Gale Boocks, Claribel O'Neil, James E. Paxton and to Ty Douglas Turba by Senator Hutchinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend Vincent L. Winfrey, Sr., Wesley Church Health Center, Inc., Carnegie Free Library of Connellsville and to the Masontown Business and Professional Women's Club by Senator Kasunic.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thelma Kennerly-Scott, Taylor Fletcher, Helen Theresa Smith, Thankful Baptist Missionary Church and to the Philadelphia Chapter of the Ausar Auset Society by Senator Kitchen.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Andrew Fritz-Lang, James J. McKee, Jr., Sam Fishman, Jennie Ciaverelli Alampi and to the Main Line Reform Temple-Beth Elohim by Senator Leach.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Petty Officer Second Class Kevin Bush, Brandon James Lederach, Tracey Arndt, John Tomlinson, Cheryl Boehringer Morris, Kyle Stack, Bucks Beautiful and to the Community Conservancy of the Arts by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Pennridge Chamber of Commerce by Senators McIlhinney and Mensch.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the James A. Michener Art Museum by Senator McIlhinney and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Barbara Gormley, Floyd Bless, Jr., and to the PennSuburban Chamber of Commerce by Senator Mensch.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Reverend Dr. William Lewis Rocky Brown, Sergeant Michael Montgomery and the late K-9 officer Mickey, Michael Musso and former K-9 officer Luther, William Murphy and K-9 officer Chase, Darlene Sullivan and service dog Ripley, Maria Marinakis and therapy dog Amber, William Rodstein and therapy dog Korie, David L. Hewitt, Howard W. Young, Conal Joseph Brown, Joseph Henry Ennis, Jr., Aaron Thomas George, Jeffrey David Franz, Marjorie S. Hoopes, Olive F. Bishop, Ruth N. Gensel, Margerine V. Price, Warren Given, Florence H. Guetter, George Anthony, Mary E. Young, Scott Michael Rickards, Alice Lamb, William F. Wallace, Jr., Mary P. Cohen, Arpine Maxwell, Mildred Queen, Stella H. Ross, Evelyn Council, Theddress G. Thorpe, Emily R. Talley, Frederick F. Shahadi, Donna Marie Blisard, Robert Fleming, George F. Chidester, John Neil Kasley, Jaquelynn Olseski and to Sam and Sam Meats by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jason Andrew Fein by Senator Pileggi and Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Nicholas R. Pellegrino, Dorothea Covaleski, Nathan Fuerman and to the Perkiomen Valley Airport by Senator Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mercer Martin, Roy H. Ritter, Cory R. Woods, John M. Houghton and to Matthew D. Amon by Senator Robbins.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Morelli by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jared R. Mattern, Zachary E. Edwards, Alexander D. Kramer, Nicholas P. Steiger, Juan de Dios Ventura Soriano, Christopher M. Collier, Thomas Russell Reber, El Pacha, citizens of the Dominican Republic and to the members and friends of Union Dominicano Americano by Senator Schwank.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Albert R. Boscov by Senator Schwank and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael Mavinus Storm, Cynthia K. Richey, Timothy Aidan Geldmaker,

William Garrett Geldmaker, Jordan Tyler Hartung, Jarrod Thomas Cingel, Nathan Alexander Roth, Sean Michael Raymond, Adam Robert Larson, Kara D. Rutowski, Benjamin Thomas Settimio, Mitchell William Klocke, August James Rothenberger, Jack W. Wise, Nicholas George Gula, Mount Lebanon Extended Day Program, Moon Area High School Girls' Varsity Gymnastics Team, Saint James Parish of Sewickley, Saint James School of Sewickley and to the Presbyterian Church, Sewickley by Senator Smith.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Aldus Martin, Brantley Wetherington, Barry Kline and to Derrick Ferguison by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gardner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas B. Coulter, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Teegarden, Trooper Ty W. Bintrim, Thomas James Dellirocili, Stanley Rossell, Courtney Stiles, Joseph Barna, Lewis H. Fuller, Jacob Melvin Durila, Christopher G. Brandl, Bryan Milligan, Lloyd Knox, Terry Hazlett, Winnie Knox and to the F. Julius LeMoyne House by Senator Solobay.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to John J. Gaittens, Lieutenant Thomas Tomlin and to Saint Peter's Jacobite Syriac Orthodox Church by Senator Stack.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to His Eminence Edwin F. Cardinal O'Brien, Lauren E. DeBruicker, Joel D. Feldman, Kenneth Vassallo, Joseph Green, Thomas Tomlin, Congreso and to the Philadelphia Area Project on Occupational Safety and Health by Senator Tartaglione.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Harvey Kuntz, Margaret Craig, Ellen Stevenson-Pleasant, Katye Trexler, James Johnson, Downtown Daily Bread and to Success HQ by Senator Teplitz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. David Losinno, Reverend George B. Moore, Anthony Prato, Robert Healey, Louis Volpe, Tyler J. Grainey and to Saint Mark Roman Catholic School by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Dennis M. O'Brien, Honorable Gene DiGirolamo, Honorable Thomas P. Murt, Dr. Joel Kramer, Greg Grant, Marianne Roche and to Doug Dotzman by Senators Tomlinson and Tartaglione.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Betty Brooks, Robert G. Loughery and to the Bucks County Saint Patrick's Day Parade by Senator Tomlinson and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Clair Rice, Mr. and Mrs. William Henne, Master Sergeant Douglas MacDonald, Grace G. Shughart, Samuel William Rogers, Mary A. Holland, Jerome Martin, Melanie Cohick and to the Lower Allen Fire Company by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Tony Court, George Washington Statton, Ron Galbreath, Yolanda Prosperini, Edwin D. Hill, Domenic Viccari, Andrew Aniceti, Michael Drabick, Brock Crawford, Ryan O'Hara and to Stephanie DiRuscia by Senator Vogel.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Tom Ridge, Drew Sundquist, Mike Huber, Zachary Reuss, Nicholas Bradley Lohrmann, Gina Repp, Glenn Pfeifer, Dave Van Atta, Eric Young, Judy Manjerovic, Mike Marchese, Jim Marshall, Robert Ryan Rankin, Shane P. Sorg, George W. Stass, Jr., Robert K. Kaufman, Richard M. Elster, Larry Iden, James B. St. Clair, John P. Sutherin, Angelo J. Naso, Ralph Stroede and to Clair J. Bouts by Senator Vulakovich.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Keslar, Sr., Donna Eakmen, Rhonda Adamson, Patrick Adamson, Michael Seice, Teresa M. Kennicutt, Heath Crossett, Richard A. Snyder, Samuel Bray, William Ray, Kevin Sapanara, Phillip Hawk, Scott Lamolinara, John Ott, Jeff Tirpak, Shawn Stitely, Harry T. Keslar, Sr., Anna Yoder and to Bill Sadler by Senator Ward.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lew Klein and to Linda J. Miller by Senator Washington.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jonathan Snyder, Michael Raymond Hogg, Caleb M. Welty, Tyler Dean Garrett, Matthew Henry Thiess, Patrick Clemens and to Andrew D. Yoder by Senator Waugh.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gabrielle Murphy, Skyblu Farms, Inc., and to Hoke Mills, Inc., by Senators Waugh and Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Samuel Mariskanish, Nancy S. Relich, Brett Charles Lomman, William B. Bartley and to Catherine Clements by Senator White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Cadet Captain Shawn Gregory Thomas, Erie Chapter of the Order of DeMolay and to the Council of Women's Organizations in Erie by Senator Wiley.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend George Ruben Richmond by Senator Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Peiffer and to Scott Alan Becker by Senator Wozniak.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. William McConnell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gunns, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bair, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wise, Mr. and Mrs. John Stetts, Mr. and Mrs. Robert George, Mr. and Mrs. G. Robert Kissell, Tyler M. Burlew, Rosanna A. Wilson Steinbacher and to Tina Hans by Senator Yaw.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Captain John W. Kelly, Charles A. Adonizio III, Frederick H. Voelker, Richard Owens, John H. Kelley, Jr., Joseph Arnone, Catherine Soroka and to Margaret E. Tomascik by Senator Yudichak.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul Frederick Fuller, Sr., by Senators Yudichak and Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Lewis Druffner by Senators Yudichak and Blake.

#### 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 Elsie B. Jolley by Senator Baker.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Donald F. Parsons by Senator Dinniman.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Eula M. Cousins by Senator Hughes.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Ernest W. Schleicher by Senator Schwank.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Katherine Ruth Fenerty by Senator Tartgalione.

#### **POSTHUMOUS CITATIONS**

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

Posthumous citations honoring the late Reverend Leon Howard Sullivan, the late Honorable Roxanne H. Jones, the late Honorable Juanita Kidd Stout, the late Earl Stout, the late Vernon Marks, the late Floyd W. Alston and to the late Fatimah Ali were extended to the families by Senator Hughes.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Stan MacFarlane was extended to the family by Senator McIlhinney.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Mr. and Mrs. Martin Benen was extended to the family by Senators Tomlinson and Tartaglione.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Ernesto Valente was extended to the family by Senator Yudichak.

#### **BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION**

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to consideration of all bills reported from committee for the first time at today's Session.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

#### SB 4, SB 67, SB 68, SB 141, SB 266 and SB 286.

And said bills having been considered for the first time, Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for second consideration.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcement was read by the Secretary of the Senate:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETING

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2013

2:00 P.M.

GAME AND FISHERIES (public hearing to provide information to the Senate Game and Fisheries Committee and other interested parties from the PA Fish and Boat Commission on the following topics: PA Fish and Boat Commission Fiscal Slope: Spending reallocation plan and revenue generating options)

Erie Yacht Club, 1 Ravine Drive Erie, PA 16505

#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, just a brief remonstrance. I was so happy to hear the very articulate address on Lincoln that was given. Lincoln was a President of all of us and we are all very proud of Abraham Lincoln. But I want to remind the Senate that this is the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, and we still today face the problem of human trafficking and human slavery. I want to urge this body, in the spirit of Abraham Lincoln, in the spirit of the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, to take very seriously and to pass Senator Greenleaf's bill, Senate Bill No. 75, which would end the problem of human trafficking in this Commonwealth.

Over 100,000 U.S. citizens are forced into situations of sexual exploitation and forced labor. Over 50,000 people come into the

United States illegally and are often forced into similar situations, especially in terms of forced labor. This is intolerable. Mr. President, there are over 12 million people in situations of slavery today. Human trafficking is the second-largest illegal global trade that is going on after the trade in drugs. We have a chance to do something about this, Mr. President, and that is in Senate Bill No. 75.

So I wanted to rise today to recognize the importance of Abraham Lincoln, to remind our body that it is the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, and of the importance of supporting Senate Bill No. 75 so that we in the Senate can take Abraham Lincoln's spirit and make sure that it is alive and well and makes a difference in the lives of people today.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Senate will be at ease.

(The Senate was at ease.)

#### **HOUSE MESSAGE**

#### HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 187**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

# APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER

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

Mr. Cliff Reiders as a member of the Patient Safety Authority.

#### **BILL SIGNED**

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

SB 187.

#### **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 Monday, March 11, 2013, at 1 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 4:03 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.