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**SENATE**

TUESDAY, April 1, 2014

The Senate met at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

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

**PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Rabbi JEAN-CLAUDE KLEIN, of Congregations of Saare Shanayim, Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Heavenly Father, today is April Fools' Day, and even clergy can offer a prayer with some jest in it. We are gathered in this august body, and those who are on the floor are members of what Sigmund Freud once called an impossible profession. What makes it impossible - and it joins two others: pedagogues, parents, and clergy - what makes it impossible is, I am quoting him, "You can be sure beforehand of achieving unsatisfying results." By that I mean, you live in a world of cooperation, collaboration, some degree of adversity, and how to divide and allocate finite resources.

Our prayer for this body and all who are here is from the traditional liturgy where we pray for public servants. Our prayer is: May the One who blessed Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah, bless all of those who engage in public service. We pray that the Holy One will reward them, keep them in good health and vigor, forgive them for any faults they have, and make the work of their hands successful and joyous for all. The jest is that in our tradition we say, it is the Holy One who will bless them for their public service because many others do not. Our prayer is may you continue to serve God faithfully in your impossible profession and God will put all of your endeavors into one work that works for the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Rabbi Klein, who is the guest today of Senator Stack.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor

of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

April 1, 2014

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 10, 2014, for the appointment of Jon Anzur, 71 Kelly Drive, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice James Barnes, York, whose term expired.

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

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

April 1, 2014

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 10, 2014, for the appointment of Bryan Troop, 2 South Market Street, Apartment 205, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice William Mullin, Monroeville, whose term expired.

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

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS'  
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION**

April 1, 2014

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 31, 2014, for the appointment of Jon Anzur, 71 Kelly Drive, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve until October 16, 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Charles Horvat, Jr., Harrison City, resigned.

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

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:

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

April 1, 2014

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jon Anzur, 71 Kelly Drive, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Mary Lou Enoches, West Chester, whose term expired.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

#### JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, DELAWARE COUNTY

April 1, 2014

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, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2016, vice The Honorable Patricia H. Jenkins, resigned.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

April 1, 2014

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. Black, 1421 Main Street, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial

District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

April 1, 2014

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, Richard P. Rauso, ASLA, 267 Saunders Station Road, Trafford 15085, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice James Barnes, York, whose term expired.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

April 1, 2014

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, Patrick A. West, RLA, ASLA, LEED AP BD+C, 470 Willow Drive, Pittsburgh 15243, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects; to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice William Mullin, Monroeville, whose term expired.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

April 1, 2014

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, Jacob A. Bierling, Jr., 3723 Huey Avenue, Drexel Hill 19026, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve until October 16, 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Charles Horvat, Jr., Harrison City, resigned.

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

**BILL SIGNED**

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

**HB 89.****BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**

Senator EICHELBERGER, from the Committee on Local Government, reported the following bills:

**SB 1219 (Pr. No. 1676)**

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, further providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of district attorney.

**SB 1220 (Pr. No. 1677)**

An Act amending the act of May 3, 1850 (P.L.654, No.385), entitled "An act providing for the election of district attorneys," further providing for the filling of vacancies in the office of district attorney.

**SB 1255 (Pr. No. 1774)**

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for purposes and powers.

Senator RAFFERTY, from the Committee on Transportation, reported the following bills:

**SB 1225 (Pr. No. 1695)**

An Act designating the McKeesport-Duquesne Bridge off-ramp, State Ramp 8086, leading to State Route 148 in the City of McKeesport, Allegheny County, as the Officer Frank Miller, Jr., Memorial Ramp.

**SB 1287 (Pr. No. 1840)**

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, further providing for definitions.

**SB 1312 (Pr. No. 1877)**

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in size, weight and load, further providing for length of vehicles.

**HB 1214 (Pr. No. 1528)**

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of S.R. 58001, known as Elk Run Road, over the Pine Creek, Gaines Township, Tioga County as the SFC William Boyle Memorial Bridge.

**HB 1246 (Pr. No. 3277) (Amended)**

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for the definition of "emergency service responder" and providing for the definitions of "electric cooperative personnel" and "electric utility personnel"; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for duty of driver in emergency response areas.

**HB 1431 (Pr. No. 2648)**

An Act designating the bridge on State Route 3072, Hanover Road, near its intersection with State Route 3092, Lake Road, in Spring Grove Borough, York County, as the Corporal Luke S. Runyan Memorial Bridge; designating the traffic circle on State Route 116 at Hanover Road and Roth's Church Road in Spring Grove, York County, as the Officer David D. Tome Memorial Circle; designating a bridge on State Route 116 in Spring Grove Borough, York County, as the Specialist Cameron J. Stambaugh Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 4002 between Intermediate Avenue and Municipal Drive in Dover Borough, York County, as the Specialist Zachary R. Clouser Memorial Bridge; and designating the bridge on State Route 74 between Drawbaugh Avenue and Mill Alley, Dover Borough, York County, as the Sergeant Brett E. Walden Memorial Bridge.

**HB 1794 (Pr. No. 3278) (Amended)**

An Act designating Route 11 in Montour County as Veterans Highway.

**HB 1899 (Pr. No. 2763)**

An Act designating the bridge that carries State Route 35 over the Juniata River, in Juniata County, as the Juniata County Veterans Memorial Bridge.

**HB 2019 (Pr. No. 3004)**

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of S.R. 128 over Buffalo Creek, Freeport Borough, Armstrong County, as the Freeport Veterans Bridge.

Senator GREENLEAF, from the Committee on Judiciary, reported the following bill:

**HB 1154 (Pr. No. 3285) (Amended)**

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in assault, further providing for the offenses of harassment, stalking and threat to use weapons of mass destruction.

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Williams, and a legislative leave for Senator Teplitz.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Williams, and a legislative leave for Senator Teplitz. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

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

**JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of March 10, 2014, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of March 10, 2014.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and that the Journal be approved.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

**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, it is an honor for me today to introduce my guest, Kylee Lorio, who is seated in the gallery. Kylee, would you stand? Kylee is currently in 8th grade at Donegal Junior High School located in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania, where she has proven herself academically and athletically. In recent months, Kylee received the Student of the Month award. Outside the classroom, she was gifted with the Player's Player Award from her field hockey team. Additionally, she won second place in the Donegal Junior High Geography Bee. Aside from her studies and sports, Kylee participates in student leadership club, quiz bowl, writing club, and stage crew. Photography is also an interest and hobby for Kylee, which has led her to take part in some significant school-related projects. Following her 4 years of high school, Kylee hopes to obtain a degree in political science from George Washington University or Penn State University and ultimately pursue a career in politics. Mr. President, please help me welcome Kylee.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR DOMINIC F. PILEGGI  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, it is my pleasure this afternoon to introduce constituents who are visiting Harrisburg

today. We have students and faculty from Widener University, Neumann University, Delaware County Community College, and Penn State University. They are visiting the Capitol to meet with their legislators as part of AICUP's Student Lobby Day. Mr. President, I ask that we extend our traditional warm welcome to these special guests who are seated in the gallery.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR DONALD C. WHITE  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator White.

Senator WHITE. Mr. President, I think it is the first time in 14 years that I have two Pages here today, Catherine Achenbach and Jin Namgun. Catherine is a sophomore at Annville-Cleona High School in Annville, and Jin is a senior at Lebanon Catholic School, in Lebanon. Catherine is the daughter of Anne Achenbach, who works in my Harrisburg office, and Jin is a foreign exchange student from South Korea and has spent the last year living with the Achenbachs and will be returning to her country after she graduates in May. I would appreciate a warm round of applause for my two special young ladies.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I was checking to see whether or not our guests were still here, but earlier today, it was my honor and pleasure to meet with several students from the Community College of Allegheny County, students who are part of the 2014 Phi Theta Kappa All-Pennsylvania Academic Team. The students were chosen to be part of this academic team based on their stellar academic performance. Each of these students will receive a scholarship which can be used at any one of the 14 State-related or State-owned universities. These students are constituents of not only myself but my colleagues from Allegheny County, Senator Fontana and Senator Brewster. And some are here today in the Senate making the rounds and were here earlier, and I believe they are over in the House as we speak.

With us earlier today, Mr. President, were Pegdewnde Compaore, Jenice Jartberger, Tinamarie Brown, Dominic Dyer, Shawn Hinnebusch, Gavin Pordogna, and also, those who could not be with us earlier today were Marie Pellasce and Rachael Ridsen. They could not be here today but they are a part of this academic team.

Mr. President, as my colleagues know, community colleges provide access to an opportunity for students throughout Pennsylvania to have a high quality higher education at an affordable price. In Allegheny County, where I have had the privilege of serving for a number of years as the treasurer of our community college, we have a very active community college system. This education network gives traditional and nontraditional students the chance to gain credit and experience, as I

mentioned, at an affordable cost. And our community colleges also are training grounds that lead to jobs and the economic tools that can be used to bolster growth. I know about this system very well. As a graduate back in the late 1970s of the Community College of Allegheny County, Allegheny Campus, and having the privilege to serve on its board of trustees, I see firsthand how important our community colleges are and, more importantly, how important the resources are that are driven from this Commonwealth and from our local sponsors to the colleges to be able to provide affordable tuition along those lines. We continue to believe that the more we can do here at the State level, working in collaboration with our local sponsors, we will be able to continue to provide a high-quality affordable education to students all across this Commonwealth.

So, Mr. President, I want to, again, thank those students for their outstanding work and academic achievement and wish them all the best as they move forward. I ask my Senate colleagues to recognize them as well as the 2014 CCAC members of the Theta Theta Kappa All-Pennsylvania Academic Team.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the Senate join me in welcoming Senator Costa's guests to the Capitol.  
(Applause.)

**GUEST OF SENATOR MICHAEL J. STACK  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator STACK. Mr. President, I rise to introduce the person who said our opening prayer today, Rabbi Jean-Claude Klein. He is from one of the great synagogues in my Senate district, Congregations of Saare Shanayim. This area is a nerve center for Jewish life but also community life on the whole. It is a vibrant congregation which gives so much to the community. Rabbi Klein gave a great prayer for us today and has been a huge part of the quality of life in northeast Philadelphia and Pennsylvania. He is also a professor of traditional Judaic studies. We were delighted to have him say the opening prayer today, and I ask for us to give our customary and usual warm welcome to Rabbi Klein.

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

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED**

The PRESIDENT. Senator Teplitz and Senator Williams have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

**RECESS**

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

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

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 immediately as well.

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

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**CALENDAR**

**BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

**SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

**SB 24 (Pr. No. 1795)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions; providing for electronic reporting and for regulations; further providing for mandatory reporting and postmortem investigation of deaths, for establishment of pending complaint file, Statewide central register and file of unfounded reports, for establishment of Statewide toll-free telephone number, for continuous availability of department and for disposition of complaints received; providing for responsibility for investigation; and further providing for information in pending complaint and unfounded report files, for information in Statewide central register, for disposition of unfounded reports, for disposition of founded and indicated reports, for confidentiality of reports, for release of information in confidential reports, for studies of data in records, for information relating to prospective child-care personnel, for information relating to family day-care home residents, for cooperation of other agencies, for reports to Governor and General Assembly, for penalties and for county agency requirements for general protective services.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 24?

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 24.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

**YEA-48**

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

**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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**

**BILL OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 428** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE**

**HB 431 (Pr. No. 3179)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-48**

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

**NAY-0**

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

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

**BILL OVER IN ORDER**

**HB 434** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL OVER IN ORDER TEMPORARILY**

**HB 436** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order temporarily at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 799, HB 974, SB 1085 and SB 1096** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL AMENDED**

**SB 1107 (Pr. No. 1754)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, further providing for definitions and for revocation or refusal of kennel licenses.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator ALLOWAY offered the following amendment No. A6417:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 21 through 23, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

convicted person who seeks to operate a kennel at the same location as the convicted person unless the immediate family member shows by clear and convincing evidence that the convicted person will have no ownership interest in the kennel and play no role in the care of the dogs or management of the kennel. If the secretary subsequently determines that the convicted person has ownership interest, cares for the dogs or manages the kennel, the license to operate the kennel shall be permanently revoked. The secretary may revoke or refuse to

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 1188, SB 1236, SB 1237, SB 1238, HB 1513 and HB 1719** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 411, SB 959, HB 1053, SB 1149, SB 1155, SB 1180 and SB 1254** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL REREFERRED**

**HB 1259 (Pr. No. 3199)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the regulation of indoor tanning facilities; establishing the Indoor Tanning Regulation Fund; and providing for penalties.

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

## BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 1261** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

## BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**HB 1263 (Pr. No. 2021)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for definitions; and providing for transfer of ownership of vehicles used for human habitation.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION  
AND REREFERRED

**SB 1267 (Pr. No. 1855)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 8, 1986 (P.L.408, No.89), known as the Health Care Cost Containment Act, reenacted and amended June 10, 2009 (P.L.10, No.3), further providing for expiration of the act.

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.

## BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**SB 1301 (Pr. No. 1866)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for promulgation of rules and regulations by department.

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

## SENATE RESOLUTION No. 321, ADOPTED

Senator PILEGGI, without objection, called up from page 6 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 321**, entitled:

A Resolution adopting a temporary rule of the Senate relating solely to amendments to the General Appropriation Bill and other appropriation bills for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, including any amendments offered to or for supplemental appropriations for prior fiscal years.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?  
A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

## THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

## HB 436 CALLED UP

**HB 436 (Pr. No. 2723)** -- Without objection, the bill, which previously went over in its order temporarily, was called up, from page 2 of the Third Consideration Calendar, by Senator PILEGGI.

## BILL AMENDED

**HB 436 (Pr. No. 2723)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for penalties for failure to report or to refer.

On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?  
Senator WARD offered the following amendment No. A6425:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by striking out "and" and inserting a comma  
Amend Bill, page 1, lines 5 and 6, by striking out "; providing for privileged communications; further providing" and inserting a comma  
Amend Bill, page 7, lines 8 through 11, by striking out all of said lines  
Amend Bill, page 11, lines 18 through 30; page 12, lines 1 through 6, by striking out all of said lines on said pages  
Amend Bill, page 12, line 7, by striking out "4" and inserting:  
3  
Amend Bill, page 16, line 12, by striking out "5" and inserting:  
4  
Amend Bill, page 16, line 24, by striking out "6" and inserting:  
5  
Amend Bill, page 17, line 2, by striking out "7" and inserting:  
6  
Amend Bill, page 18, line 15, by striking out "8" and inserting:  
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On the question,  
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?  
It was agreed to.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, may we be at ease for a moment?

The PRESIDENT. The Senate will be at ease.  
(The Senate was at ease.)

## RECONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT A6425

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now reconsider the vote by which amendment No. A6425 was agreed to.

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

AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Westmoreland, Senator Ward.

Senator WARD. Mr. President, I withdraw my amendment A6425.

The PRESIDENT. The amendment is withdrawn.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator WARD offered the following amendment No. A6424:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 6, by : after "providing ": for persons required to report suspected child abuse; providing for privileged communications; and further providing

Amend Bill, page 13, lines 18 and 19, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. Section 6311(a) and (b) of Title 23 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read: § 6311. Persons required to report suspected child abuse.

[(a) General rule.--A person who, in the course of employment, occupation or practice of a profession, comes into contact with children shall report or cause a report to be made in accordance with section 6313 (relating to reporting procedure) when the person has reasonable cause to suspect, on the basis of medical, professional or other training and experience, that a child under the care, supervision, guidance or training of that person or of an agency, institution, organization or other entity with which that person is affiliated is a victim of child abuse, including child abuse by an individual who is not a perpetrator. Except with respect to confidential communications made to a member of the clergy which are protected under 42 Pa.C.S. § 5943 (relating to confidential communications to clergymen), and except with respect to confidential communications made to an attorney which are protected by 42 Pa.C.S. § 5916 (relating to confidential communications to attorney) or 5928 (relating to confidential communications to attorney), the privileged communication between any professional person required to report and the patient or client of that person shall not apply to situations involving child abuse and shall not constitute grounds for failure to report as required by this chapter.

(b) Enumeration of persons required to report.--Persons required to report under subsection (a) include, but are not limited to, any licensed physician, osteopath, medical examiner, coroner, funeral director, dentist, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, intern, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, hospital personnel engaged in the admission, examination, care or treatment of persons, Christian Science practitioner, member of the clergy, school administrator, school teacher, school nurse, social services worker, day-care center worker or any other child-care or foster-care worker, mental health professional, peace officer or law enforcement official.]

(a) Mandated reporters.--The following adults shall make a report of suspected child abuse, subject to subsection (b), if the person has reasonable cause to suspect that a child is a victim of child abuse:

- (1) (Reserved).
- (2) (Reserved).
- (3) (Reserved).
- (4) (Reserved).
- (5) (Reserved).
- (6) (Reserved).
- (7) (Reserved).
- (8) (Reserved).
- (9) (Reserved).
- (10) (Reserved).
- (11) (Reserved).
- (12) (Reserved).

(13) (Reserved).

(14) An attorney affiliated with an agency, institution, organization or other entity, including a school or regularly established religious organization that is responsible for the care, supervision, guidance or control of children.

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Section 2. Title 23 is amended by adding a section to read: § 6311.1. Privileged communications.

(a) General rule.--Subject to subsection (b), the privileged communications between a mandated reporter and a patient or client of the mandated reporter shall not:

(1) Apply to a situation involving child abuse.

(2) Relieve the mandated reporter of the duty to make a report of suspected child abuse.

(b) Confidential communications.--The following protections shall apply:

(1) Confidential communications made to a member of the clergy are protected under 42 Pa.C.S. § 5943 (relating to confidential communications to clergymen).

(2) Confidential communications made to an attorney are protected so long as they are within the scope of 42 Pa.C.S. §§ 5916 (relating to confidential communications to attorney) and 5928 (relating to confidential communications to attorney), the attorney work product doctrine or the rules of professional conduct for attorneys.

Section 3. Section 6319 of Title 23 is amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 15, line 26, by striking out "2" and inserting: 4

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators WHITE, WASHINGTON, FERLO, TEPLITZ, ERICKSON, DINNIMAN, GREENLEAF, BAKER, YAW, EICHELBERGER, RAFFERTY, SCHWANK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, SMITH, COSTA, PILEGGI, HUGHES, VULAKOVICH, ARGALL, YUDICHAK, BRUBAKER and BROWNE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 329**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 2014 as "Community Banking Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator White.

Senator WHITE. Mr. President, I offer this resolution designating the month of April as "Community Banking Month" in Pennsylvania. There are 190 community banks in this Commonwealth that continue the tradition of giving back to the local communities through nearly 1,200 banking offices. Community banks know that when money stays in a town it becomes a renewable resource, creating an economic cycle that constantly revitalizes and stimulates local communities. Community banks play a significant role in local economic development efforts. They stimulate the economy to produce jobs and new opportunities. They also continue their strong tradition of small business lending, despite difficult economic conditions, so that they may



strengthen and support this Commonwealth's economy. Community banks have long helped in the development of our communities, and this Commonwealth as a whole, and I look forward to many more contributions. Therefore, please join me in recognizing the many valuable efforts of community banks by designating April as Community Banking Month.

Thank you very much, 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 TEPLITZ, ERICKSON, FERLO, WASHINGTON, KITCHEN, STACK, GREENLEAF, DINNIMAN, FARNESE, FONTANA, BAKER, SCHWANK, KASUNIC, SOLOBAY, COSTA, SMITH, TARTAGLIONE, ALLOWAY, YUDICHAK, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, VULAKOVICH and BLAKE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 330**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2014 as "Distracted Driving Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dauphin, Senator Teplitz.

Senator TEPLITZ. Mr. President, my resolution designates the month of April 2014 as "Distracted Driving Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. Distracted driving is any activity that could divert a person's attention away from the road. Pennsylvania law bans texting while driving, but distracted driving also includes talking on the phone, playing with the radio, applying makeup, and a whole host of activities. This is a real problem that endangers motorists, passengers, and bystanders alike. In 2011, 3,331 people were killed in crashes involving a distracted driver, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. An additional 387,000 people were injured in motor vehicle crashes involving a distracted driver that year. Taking your eyes off the road for even a few seconds can be a matter of life and death. The smartphones that we all use offer convenience and instant access to information, but no text message, no email, no phone call is worth risking our own lives and the lives of those around us while we are driving. So, I ask my colleagues to not only support this resolution, but to also keep the phone out of reach in the car and encourage constituents, family members, and community leaders to do the same.

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, FOLMER, RAFFERTY, WASHINGTON, STACK, TEPLITZ, ERICKSON, VOGEL, GREENLEAF, FERLO, FONTANA, KASUNIC, GORDNER, HUGHES, SCHWANK, BROWNE, BREWSTER, VULAKOVICH, ARGALL, SMITH, MENSCH, WHITE, YUDICHAK, COSTA, BAKER, PILEGGI, VANCE, SOLOBAY, BRUBAKER,

ALLOWAY and FARNESE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 331**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 2014 as "Pennsylvania Community College Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, do you know that there are 365,000 students in Pennsylvania who go to community colleges? Do you know that in addition to that, there are 11,000 high school students who are involved in dual enrollment programs within the community colleges of the Commonwealth? Community colleges serve our students, serve our Commonwealth well and indeed they should be recognized. There is a saying that change is a great teacher, but no one ever wants to take its class, and that is true. But the good thing about community colleges and change is that community colleges have an agility, they have an ability to respond quickly to the changing needs and economics and social concerns of a community. So I rise, Mr. President, so that we, as a body, can recognize the tremendous contributions of community colleges within the Commonwealth. We are honored in our county, in Chester County, to actually have two community colleges that serve us, Delaware County Community College and Montgomery County Community College. So, Mr. President, let us celebrate the diversity of education in this Commonwealth and today, in fact, we indeed did celebrate it with people here from private institutions, community colleges, State-related and State-owned. And let us in this resolution recognize the good work that our community colleges are doing for 365,000 students in the Commonwealth.

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 TARTAGLIONE, BRUBAKER, ERICKSON, WASHINGTON, STACK, FERLO, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, DINNIMAN, HUGHES, WOZNIAK, VULAKOVICH, SCHWANK, KITCHEN, BREWSTER, RAFFERTY, FARNESE, COSTA, PILEGGI, SOLOBAY, SMITH, ALLOWAY and BROWNE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 332**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 2, 2014, as "National Walking Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator Tartaglione.

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, in recent years we have heard about the growing epidemic of living a sedentary

lifestyle. We are allowing technology like iPads, iPhones, and laptops to take over our lives while neglecting our personal health and well-being. Statistics show 50 percent of adults and 62 percent of children do not get enough daily exercise. This inactivity is leading to nearly 1 million heart attacks and 800,000 strokes each year. But 60 minutes of daily physical activity can reduce the risk of developing cardiovascular disease. That is why today I offer this resolution with Senator Brubaker in recognition of the American Heart Association's "National Walking Day" program. In addition to increasing our life expectancy and heart health, regular walking has proven benefits including lowering high blood pressure and bad cholesterol levels, improving mental wellness, and strengthening our immune systems. By increasing our own activity levels and encouraging others to become more physically active, we can help save lives and improve the quality of life for all residents.

Mr. President, people might be looking at me in my wheelchair and ask why I am doing a resolution for National Walking Day. I am doing it because I no longer can do it. I wish I could. So, please, anyone who has the opportunity to be able to walk up the steps instead of taking an elevator, do it. If you are in a chair, you are really going to miss it. That is why I join Senator Brubaker in proclaiming April 2, 2014, as National Walking Day in Pennsylvania, so that we can take part in the campaign to educate others about the importance of heart health and walk our way to a healthier living.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator BRUBAKER. Mr. President, I do not know that it is possible to have more respect than I have for Senator Tartaglione. As she just referenced, she is in a wheelchair and she is inspiring those of us who can physically walk to do that. Just 30 minutes of walking a day, Mr. President, it is proven time and time again, and most of us can do this, 30 minutes of walking a day can offer significant improvements to our health and ultimately reduce healthcare costs across the Commonwealth and across the entire nation. So, here we have on the floor of the Senate today a real, true leader, someone with integrity, someone everyone looks up to, someone who is trying to inspire others to do a little bit for their own health and the benefit of the community. So, Senator Tartaglione, I could not have more respect for you, and I wholeheartedly endorse her National Walking Day for tomorrow, April 2.

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.

Senator KASUNIC, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 333**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the Borough of Seven Springs in Somerset and Fayette Counties.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fayette, Senator Kasunic.

Senator KASUNIC. Mr. President, in the year 1964, the Borough of Seven Springs, which is located in the 32nd Senatorial District, straddling Somerset and Fayette Counties, was incorporated. The borough was founded near pristine springs and majestic mountains. The industries of the day were farming and timber operations, but it also was a primary spot for a perfect ski resort. The Dupre family recognized this and had a vision and at that time developed Seven Springs into a world-class resort. It is a destination here in Pennsylvania and has been for several years, attracting more than 1 million people each year. The success of the resort has helped trigger additional development and investment throughout the entire region. At 2,530 feet, Seven Springs Borough is the highest elevated borough in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I have been proud to represent Seven Springs throughout my career in the Senate, and congratulate the citizens of the community on its 50th anniversary as an incorporated borough.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators VOGEL, SCHWANK, ROBBINS, WASHINGTON, DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, ERICKSON, STACK, GREENLEAF, COSTA, MENSCH, ARGALL, KITCHEN, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, FONTANA, BAKER, McILHINNEY, PILEGGI, YAW, SMITH, GORDNER, WHITE, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY, HUTCHINSON, VULAKOVICH, FOLMER, HUGHES, KASUNIC and BRUBAKER, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 334**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 1, 2014, as "Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Day" and congratulating Pennsylvania Farm Bureau members for their contribution to this Commonwealth and to this Commonwealth's agricultural industry.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Beaver, Senator Vogel.

Senator VOGEL. Mr. President, today, as it was stated, April 1 is "Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Day" in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, formerly known as the Pennsylvania Farmers Association, was created on November 24, 1950, to provide Pennsylvania farmers and rural citizens with a strong voice in government. The Pennsylvania Farm Bureau represents 57,146 farm and rural families and has 54 county farm bureau organizations that are active in 65 counties in this Commonwealth. The Pennsylvania Farm Bureau has played an integral role in the development and implementation of legislation and governmental programs that have had a lasting and positive effect upon the economic welfare of agriculture and agribusiness in this Commonwealth. The Pennsylvania Farm Bureau has been and continues to be a strong voice for agriculture at the national, State, and local levels.

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 BOSCOLA, COSTA, KASUNIC, ERICKSON, KITCHEN, WASHINGTON, BREWSTER, TEPLITZ, GREENLEAF, DINNIMAN, STACK, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, FERLO, WHITE, SMITH, GARDNER, WHITE, SOLOBAY, ALLOWAY, HUTCHINSON, VULAKOVICH, FOLMER, HUGHES, KASUNIC, BRUBAKER, TARTAGLIONE, ALLOWAY, and BROWNE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 335**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2014 as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, Parkinson's is a devastating disease that affects approximately 1 million people nationwide, with approximately 40 percent of those diagnosed being under 60 years old. The cause of Parkinson's remains unclear, but it is believed that environmental factors trigger the disease in people with a genetic susceptibility. Parkinson's is a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system that impairs motor skills and speech. Specific symptoms vary from person to person, but include tremors, slowness, difficulty with balance, mood disorders, and skin problems, among others. Parkinson's can happen to anyone and it really, specifically, does not matter about race, ethnicity, gender; there is no specific target.

Mr. President, many of us in this Chamber may know someone personally who has had Parkinson's, but some of us have heard of some of these names who have, such as Muhammad Ali, Michael J. Fox, or Janet Reno. In addition to raising awareness for those afflicted with this disease, I would like to recognize the men and women who are caregivers, because caring for Parkinson's disease patients is a task that becomes increasingly complex and demanding as the severity of the disease progresses. Often, the result is a patient becoming the caregiver's main focus and activity, which can result in significant caregiver burden. So, it is so imperative and important that we continue our effort to educate the public and raise awareness about Parkinson's disease. We must also continue to support research efforts, which are specifically necessary, given the exact cause of Parkinson's is still unknown.

Mr. President, medications are available to combat symptoms, but these medications are only effective for a limited number of years, which I did not even really know. So, I applaud all of those from the medical and research communities who have dedicated their lives to study this disease and are committed to finding a cure.

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 James Scott Mellen by Senator Browne.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Timothy Gilpatrick by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Technical Sergeant Jody E. Smith by Senator Eichelberger.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sarah Walker, Katie Smith, Analisa Scott, Malory Swartz, Keith Gehman and to Kiersten Davis by Senator Folmer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Robert E. Colville by Senators Fontana and Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jonah Samuel Delmar by Senator Kasunic.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lenape Wapiti Chapter of the Keystone Elk Country Alliance by Senator Mensch.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jeannine T. Schoenecker, Moments to Remember of Bradford and to CARE for Children of Bradford by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Kim D. Eaton and to the members and coaches of the Bethel Park High School Ice Hockey Team by Senator Smith.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Joseph Richard Roehm and to Timothy James Roehm by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Dauphin County Library System by Senators Teplitz, Folmer, and Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Cornelius T. French, Jr., by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Master Sergeant Frank Mistretta III, Kali Yursha, John F. King III, Jessica Butts, Megan McKendry, Danielle Shunk, Madeline Rosti, Sarah Rulapaugh, Samantha Shank, Korbin Myers, Sabrina Mortell, Nathen Chandler Feldgus, Messiah College, Radisson Hotel Harrisburg and to the Cumberland Valley Girls' Softball Association by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul Fry, Jr., by Senators White and Ward.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Devin Charles Frantz 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 Ronnie L. Ranson by Senator Solobay.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Allison M. Frymoyer by Senator Teplitz.

**BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION**

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

**SB 1219, SB 1220, SB 1225, SB 1255, SB 1287, SB 1312, HB 1154, HB 1214, HB 1246, HB 1431, HB 1794, HB 1899 and HB 2019.**

And said bills having been considered for the first time,

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY**

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

## SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014

9:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (public hearing on PPACA Navigators, Senate Bill No. 1268)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
9:30 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (to consider Senate Bill No. 1290 and Senate Resolution No. 325)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bills No. 1078 and 1169)	Room 8E-A East Wing

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014

9:00 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (public hearing on DCED budget initiatives, an overview of the DCED programs available for PA businesses, and a summary of the economic impact of the PA travel and tourism industry)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
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THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

10:00 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (public hearing on Financially Distressed Municipalities and Senate Bill No. 1157)	Room 8E-A East Wing
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THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2014

9:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (public hearing on Senate Bill No. 1095 - SLAPP suits)	Phila. Bar Assoc. Conf. Ctr.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2014

9:30 A.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (public hearing to discuss Electric Reliability)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (public hearing on Senate Bill No. 1215)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

**PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

Senator SMITH. Mr. President, I rise to honor the life of Martha Dixon, recognize the continued work of the Martha Fund, and commemorate the 18th annual Martha's Run to be held on Saturday, April 12, 2014.

Martha Dixon was born on January 10, 1959, in Mount Lebanon, where she attended school and graduated from Mount Lebanon High School in 1977. She continued her education at the University of Pittsburgh and graduated in 1982 with a degree in chemistry. Ms. Dixon began her professional career in Little Rock, Arkansas, at the Arkansas State Crime Laboratory as a forensic chemist. In 1987, she became an FBI agent and was assigned to the Knoxville, Tennessee, FBI field office. It was here that she negotiated and resolved the uprising at the Talladega Federal Correctional Institution in August 1991, which allowed prison officials to regain control of the facility. Ms. Dixon was decorated for her bravery and transferred to the main field office of the FBI in Washington, D.C. She was assigned to the Cold Case Homicide Task Force to assist D.C. Metro Police with unsolved crimes.

Tragically, on November 22, 1994, Special Agent Dixon made the ultimate sacrifice when she responded to gunfire in the Cold Case Division of the District of Columbia Main Field Office. Ms. Dixon injured the gunman and prevented potentially greater injuries and loss of life, but gave her own life in the process. In the years since her death, Ms. Dixon has been posthumously awarded several honors including the FBI Memorial Star, the FBI Commendation for Meritorious Service, the FBI Medal of Valor, the Michael John Buczek Medal of Honor, the FBI Agents Association's J. Edgar Hoover Memorial Award for Valor, the Attorney General's Award for Bravery, and the naming of the FBI Pittsburgh Field Office in her honor. Martha Dixon also received numerous community acknowledgments in the 2006 Outstanding Mount Lebanon High School Alumni Award.

Joining Special Agent Dixon's love of running and for children, the Dixon family established the Martha Fund Foundation in her honor to raise money to build and renovate public playgrounds in the Pittsburgh area. The organization's largest fundraiser is the 18th annual Martha's Run 10-K, 2-Mile Fun Run, 1-Mile Memorial Walk, and the 10th annual children's race. This annual event brings runners and members of law enforcement together from throughout the region to share in Special Agent Dixon's passion for running. The race will be held on Saturday, April 12, ending in Mount Lebanon's main park at Martha's Playground, named in her honor.

Martha's spirit truly lives on today through the charitable work of the Martha Fund and in each playground it constructs. Special Agent Martha Dixon was an FBI agent of the highest caliber, a loving family member and friend, and a generous member of her community. She still gives back to this day as her legacy lives on. I respectfully ask my colleagues to recognize the continued work of the Martha Fund and to commemorate the 18th annual Martha's Run. I also ask for a brief moment of silence to not only honor the life of Martha Dixon, but to honor all of the brave members of law enforcement who have given their lives before her and after her.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Whereupon, the Senate en bloc stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of FBI Special Agent MARTHA DIXON.)

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, I was up here yesterday speaking about the budget; however, today, I would like to switch gears and speak about the recent flurry of legislation that has been proposed by my colleagues here in the Senate, and why I think, in my humble opinion, though these legislative initiatives are worthy in their scope, they do not fully strike to the heart of the issues that they are attempting to remedy. Mr. President, I am speaking about the recent pieces of legislation that would ban cash gifts to legislators. Now, I am a cosponsor of these proposals, I am not shirking their merits nor the public trust problems that they are undoubtedly attempting to in some way restore. But, the truth is, if we are going to really have a discussion about the problems that are here in Harrisburg, if we are going to really restore public trust in ourselves and other public officials serving within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and change the, quote, "culture of anything goes around here," then we need to get to the core of the problem and enact real campaign finance reform.

With Pennsylvania's complete lack of limits on campaign contributions, it is no wonder that our State has been called the Wild West when it comes to campaign finances. We have some of the least restrictive laws of any State in the country when it comes to how money can influence politics. We all know that accepting a substantial gift and failing to report it is a violation of the Ethics Act. We should also all know that accepting a gift in exchange for a vote is already a crime under our existing laws, and actually it is a crime under several existing laws; however, there is nothing illegal, Mr. President, about legislators receiving a \$50,000 or \$100,000 check made out to their PAC or a special interest or individual, and that is the real big problem we have here in Pennsylvania. It is a culture where there are few limits. Not only is it legal for these large checks to be written, but those checks may come just a month before a major vote on something or just a day thereafter. The public may not find out about these contributions for weeks or even months until after the influence of those moneys has already been expected. The premise that huge checks given as campaign contributions have no impact on public policies and the law that governs us is disingenuous.

Fortunately, Mr. President, there are many legislators who are seeking meaningful and respectful reform across the State and across all elected State offices. Since 2011, I have joined my Leader, Senator Costa, and others in sponsoring comprehensive campaign finance reform legislation. Senate Bill No. 472, in this current legislative Session, would limit donations to reasonable monetary levels depending on the office. The legislation specifically lays out limitations on in-kind contributions; caps on total contributions; annual aggregate limits; a ban on out-of-State contributions if the home State of the PAC has less restrictive laws than our own; as well as provides clarity on independent expenditures and corporate political accountability. Without these important reforms in place, no amount of ethics training will address the real elephant in the room that money talks and, well, I think we all know how the rest of that saying goes.

It is past time for Pennsylvania to get in line with the other 38 States. Let me say that again: It is time for Pennsylvania to get in line with the other 38 States that already place limits on campaign contributions. We need to hold a hearing and move forward with a vote on Senate Bill No. 472 so that we can send a message to our constituents, the voters of this Commonwealth, and each other that we support a political culture in the State where boundaries really do exist. Until such a time as we do that, the public that sent us here to work will continue to see us as nothing more than expensive window dressing or empty suits stealing a paycheck. Let us give something truly meaningful back to the people of this great State. Let us give them some trust in our elected officials and pass Senate Bill No. 472.

Thank you, Mr. President.

## HOUSE MESSAGE

### SENATE BILL RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 33**, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT. Pursuant to Senate Rule 13(c)(2)(I), the bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

## BILL SIGNED

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

### SB 24.

## RECESS

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Wednesday, April 2, 2014, at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 4:40 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.