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SENATE

MONDAY, April 13, 2015

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

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend JAMES FOX, Supervising Elder of Valley's United Methodist Parish, Spring Run, offered the following prayer:

Our Heavenly Father, we thank You for these our Senators and Representatives who have met the challenge of discerning what will bring progress, hope, justice, and great change as we grow as a State, the State of Pennsylvania. Bless them in their efforts. Eternal God, in whose appointment our life stands and who committed us to the work that we share this day and every day, we commit ourselves to You. We thank You that we are Your children and that You have assured us that while we are intent upon Your will, You will heed our wants. Fill us with the compassion for other struggles which comes from forgetfulness of our own, with charity of those who know their own unworthiness, and with the glad hope of the children of eternity, and to You, the beginning and the end, the Lord of the living, the refuge of the dying, be thanks and praise forever more.

In a world of change, You placed eternity in our hearts and gave us the power to discern good and evil. So, grant us sincerity, grant these our Leaders with sincerity that they may be persistent in seeking the things that endure, refusing those which perish, and that amid things vanishing and deceptive, we may see the truth steadily, follow the light faithfully, and grow ever richer in love, which is the life of all people. Bless those who congregate here this day. We pray in Your name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Fox, who is the guest today of Senator Alloway and Senator Eichelberger.

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 APPALACHIAN STATES
LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION**

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Bryan Troop (Voting Member), 155 Foxchase Drive, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, as a member of the Appalachian States Low-Level Radioactive Waste Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice The Honorable E. Christopher Aburzzo [*sic*], Hershey, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

SECRETARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Bryan Troop, 155 Foxchase Drive, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, as Secretary of Environmental Protection, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable E. Christopher Aburzzo [*sic*], Hershey, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

**JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
YORK COUNTY**

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated

December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Gregory E. Dunlap, Esquire, 613 Sweetbriar Drive, Harrisburg 17111, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, York County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2016, vice The Honorable Sheryl Ann Dorney, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Gregory E. Dunlap, Esquire, 613 Sweetbriar Drive, Harrisburg 17111, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, as Judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2016, vice The Honorable Joseph C. Waters, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 10, 2015

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 February 5, 2015, for the appointment of Kenneth G. Gormley, 228 Glasgow Road, Pittsburgh 15221, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, as Justice, Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until January 4, 2016, vice The Honorable Seamus P. McCaffery, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS'
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve until October 16, 2015, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Barbara Butcher, Wellsboro, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 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 Osteopathic Medicine, to serve until October 15, 2016, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Maria DeMario, Media, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore (Public Member), 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, to serve for a term of four years or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Barbara Wiggin, Mechanicsburg, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Jon Anzur (Public Member), 71 Kelly Drive, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve until March 31, 2015, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joseph Mackey, Mount Bethel, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 2, 2014, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore (Public Member), 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, and Geologists, to serve until March 31, 2015, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Earnest E. Long, Jr., Gettysburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 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 Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, [data missing] Paul Kaufman, Wexford, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

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

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 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 Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve until October 1, 2016, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice John Hickey, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WHITE HAVEN CENTER

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 15, 2014, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17036 [sic], Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as a member of the Board of Trustees of White Haven Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2015, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Donald Karpowich, Drums, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WHITE HAVEN CENTER

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 2, 2014, for the appointment of Bryan Throop [sic], 155 Foxchase Drive, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, as a member of the Board of Trustees of White Haven Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2017, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Louise Powell McLafferty, Clarks Summit, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 10, 2015

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 the nomination dated December 2, 2014, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, 349 Orchard Road, Millerstown 17062, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of York, Magisterial District 19-1-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2016, vice the Honorable Richard E. Martin, II, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF Governor

NOMINATION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

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

TREASURER OF THE COMMONWEALTH
OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 8, 2015

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, Timothy Reese, 7807 Froebel Road, Laverock 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2017, vice The Honorable Robert McCord, Bryn Mawr, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

March 6, 2015

Senators HUGHES, FONTANA and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 424**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 46 (Legislature) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for racial impact statements in consideration of legislation.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 6, 2015.

Senators LEACH, BREWSTER, FONTANA, KITCHEN, HUGHES and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 541**, entitled:

An Act providing for paid family and medical leave for eligible employees under certain circumstances and for regulations by the Department of Labor and Industry.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 6, 2015.

Senators LEACH and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 549**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for procedures regarding the request and dispensation of lethal medication to patients seeking to die in a dignified and humane manner, for duties of attending physicians, for duties of consulting physicians, for insurance or annuity policies; imposing duties on the Department of Health; providing for immunities and for attorney fees; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 6, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, DINNIMAN, SMUCKER, SCHWANK and McILHINNEY presented to the Chair **SB 557**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for an impact fee for pipelines of natural gas or oil; establishing a fund; and imposing powers and duties on the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 6, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, MENSCH, DINNIMAN and McILHINNEY presented to the Chair **SB 561**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2011 (P.L.586, No.127), known as the Gas and Hazardous Liquids Pipelines Act, replacing the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission with the Department of Transportation of the Commonwealth; and providing for Federal delegation.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, March 6, 2015.

Senators GORDNER, SCARNATI, BROWNE, MENSCH, COSTA, VOGEL, SCHWANK, YAW, YUDICHAK, FOLMER, STEFANO, VULAKOVICH, AUMENT, WHITE, VANCE, RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, BLAKE and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 580**, 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 transfers not subject to tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, COSTA, FARNESE, RAFFERTY and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 593**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rights of action, providing for liability for intentional or negligent killing of pet by another.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 6, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, ALLOWAY, COSTA, FARNESE, RAFFERTY, WARD, BROWNE, BOSCOLA and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 594**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 6, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, FONTANA, ALLOWAY, HUGHES, COSTA, BROWNE, SMITH, FARNESE, BREWSTER and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 595**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for an approved pet foster care provider tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, WARD, YAW, VOGEL, STEFANO, FOLMER, WHITE, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, BROOKS and WAGNER presented to the Chair **SB 596**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for imposition of income tax; and freezing certain funds for programs.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, YAW, GORDNER, VOGEL, STEFANO, FOLMER, BOSCOLA, WHITE, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, BROOKS and WAGNER presented to the Chair **SB 597**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, WARD, YAW, GORDNER, VOGEL, STEFANO, FOLMER, BOSCOLA, WHITE, HUTCHINSON, BROOKS, WAGNER and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SB 598**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in corporate net income, further providing for the definition of "taxable income."

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, YAW, GORDNER, VOGEL, STEFANO, SCHWANK, BOSCOLA, WHITE and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 599**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, establishing a career development tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators WARD, GREENLEAF, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, STEFANO, COSTA, WHITE, HUTCHINSON and SCARNATI presented to the Chair **SB 600**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Governor and other constitutional officers, of the Executive Board and of the Pennsylvania State Police, providing for contracting for State trooper services.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 6, 2015.

Senators FOLMER, EICHELBERGER, HUTCHINSON, SCAVELLO, WHITE, WARD, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, McILHINNEY, TEPLITZ, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, BROOKS,

AUMENT, BARTOLOTTA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 601**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators EICHELBERGER, FOLMER, HUTCHINSON, SCAVELLO, WHITE, WARD, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, McILHINNEY, TEPLITZ, BOSCOLA, BROOKS, AUMENT, BARTOLOTTA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 602**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators HUTCHINSON, FOLMER, EICHELBERGER, SCAVELLO, WHITE, WARD, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY, McILHINNEY, TEPLITZ, BOSCOLA, BROOKS, AUMENT, BARTOLOTTA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 603**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 6, 2015.

Senators WILEY, ALLOWAY, BREWSTER, COSTA, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, GORDNER, RAFFERTY, SCHWANK and SMITH presented to the Chair **SB 604**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special licenses and permits, further providing for Lake Erie fishing permits.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, March 6, 2015.

Senators McGARRIGLE, PILEGGI and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 606**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in particular rights and immunities, providing for limited liability for pilots and apprentices.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 6, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, ARGALL, SMITH, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, McILHINNEY, VANCE, BLAKE and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 609**, entitled:

An Act establishing a task force on prostate cancer and related chronic prostate conditions; and providing for powers and duties of the task force, the Department of Health, the Insurance Department, the Department of Aging and the Department of Human Services, and for prevention and education strategies.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, March 6, 2015.

Senators WAGNER, AUMENT, SCAVELLO, GORDNER, BROWNE and McGARRIGLE presented to the Chair **SB 610**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968, further providing for minimum wages, for exemptions and for preemption.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 6, 2015.

March 11, 2015

Senators LEACH, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, SCHWANK and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 550**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, further providing for findings and declaration of policy, for right to freedom from discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodation, for definitions and for unlawful discriminatory practices.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 11, 2015.

Senators ALLOWAY, AUMENT, BLAKE and YAW presented to the Chair **SB 563**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fertilizer, further providing for labels and labeling and for disposition of funds; and providing for fertilizer for use on turf.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, March 11, 2015.

Senators SCHWANK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, WOZNIAK, VANCE, COSTA, YUDICHAK, WILEY and BLAKE presented to the Chair **SB 564**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Public Pensions Review Commission; providing for duties; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 11, 2015.

March 12, 2015

Senators EICHELBERGER, BREWSTER, ALLOWAY, FOLMER, BOSCOLA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 592**, entitled:

An Act authorizing countywide implementation of sales, use, occupancy, personal income or earned income and net profits taxes; providing for the levying, assessment, collection and distribution of such taxes among municipalities within a county; requiring reduction of other taxes on real property and individuals; and providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Community and Economic Development, the Department of Revenue and the State Treasurer.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 12, 2015.

Senators TEPLITZ, FONTANA, DINNIMAN, GREENLEAF, SMITH, ALLOWAY, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, FARNESE, COSTA and KITCHEN presented to the Chair **SB 605**, entitled:

An Act establishing a task force on prostate cancer and related chronic prostate conditions; and providing for powers and duties of the task force and the Department of Health and for prostate cancer prevention and education strategies.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, March 12, 2015.

March 13, 2015

Senators GORDNER, SCARNATI, CORMAN, MENSCH, ARGALL, VOGEL, FOLMER, STEFANO, SCAVELLO, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, WHITE, WARD, RAFFERTY and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair **SB 562**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions, for proposed regulations and procedures for review, for final-form regulations and final-omitted regulations and procedures for review and for procedures for subsequent review of disapproved final-form or final-omitted regulations by the commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, March 13, 2015.

Senators McGARRIGLE, ARGALL, MENSCH and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 608**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in city revitalization and improvement zones, further providing for the definition of "city."

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, FONTANA, YUDICHAK, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, YAW, GORDNER, SCHWANK, VANCE, COSTA, BOSCOLA, HUGHES, WHITE and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 611**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, further providing for general powers of Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 13, 2015.

Senators VANCE, BAKER, MENSCH, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, ARGALL, BROOKS, STEFANO, GORDNER, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, VULAKOVICH and McGARRIGLE presented to the Chair **SB 613**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, in human services block grant pilot program, further providing for definitions, for establishment of human services block grant, for powers and duties of the department and for powers and duties of counties and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, SMITH, COSTA, SCHWANK, HUTCHINSON, BAKER and McILHINNEY presented to the Chair **SB 614**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in medical education loan assistance, further providing for definitions and for Pennsylvania Medi-

cal Education Loan Assistance Program; and establishing a loan forgiveness program for physician assistants.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, VANCE, WHITE, BOSCOLA and McGARRIGLE presented to the Chair **SB 616**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for gubernatorial appointments.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, HAYWOOD and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 617**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in revenues, further providing for establishment of State Gaming Fund and net slot machine revenue distribution.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, YAW, HUGHES, BROWNE and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 618**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, further providing for department records for vehicle registration.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, YAW, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, MENSCH, BREWSTER, COSTA, SCARNATI, BOSCOLA and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 619**, entitled:

An Act providing for remediation of real property contaminated by methamphetamine production, for decontamination guidelines to be developed by Department of Health and for restitution; prohibiting certain activity relating to certain property; providing for enforcement; establishing immunity for real estate professionals under certain circumstances; and authorizing fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, March 13, 2015.

Senator VANCE presented to the Chair **SB 620**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the release of Project 70 restrictions on certain land owned by the Borough of Carlisle, Cumberland County, in return for the development of park and open-space lands within the Borough of Carlisle, Cumberland County.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators COSTA, WHITE, ARGALL, SMITH, ALLOWAY, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, AUMENT, McILHINNEY, WOZNIAK, YUDICHAK, MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, PILEGGI and KITCHEN presented to the Chair **SB 621**, entitled:

An Act relating to the right to practice naturopathic medicine; providing for the issuance of licenses and the suspension and revocation of licenses; providing for penalties; and making repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, March 13, 2015.

Senators FOLMER, WOZNIAK, TOMLINSON, GREENLEAF, VOGEL, WILLIAMS, SCHWANK, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, WARD, SCARNATI, MENSCH, KITCHEN, YAW, YUDICHAK, AUMENT, BLAKE, HUTCHINSON, WHITE, BREWSTER, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, ALLOWAY, COSTA, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, BAKER, DINNIMAN, SMUCKER, LEACH, BARTOLOTTA, BROWNE, BROOKS and SMITH presented to the Chair **SB 623**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for the definition of "child with a disability"; and further providing for inheritance tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 2015.

Senators WOZNIAK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, VOGEL, RAFFERTY, COSTA, VANCE, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 624**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 13, 2015.

Senators WOZNIAK, FONTANA, ALLOWAY, COSTA and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair **SB 625**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators WOZNIAK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 626**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for definitions and for exemptions from taxation.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 2015.

Senators WOZNIAK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, MENSCH, YUDICHAK, COSTA and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 627**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Real Rainy Day Fund; and providing for the deposit of a portion of the liquor tax into the fund and for use of fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 2015.

Senators WOZNAK, FOLMER and VANCE presented to the Chair **SB 628**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, abolishing the Department of Drug and Alcohol programs; in powers and duties of the Department of Health and its departmental Administrative and Advisory Board, transferring the Department of Drug and Alcohol's powers and duties to the Department of Health; and, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, making a repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, March 13, 2015.

Senators HUTCHINSON, ALLOWAY, AUMENT, BOSCOLA, COSTA, RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, WHITE and SCARNATI presented to the Chair **SB 629**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in sales and use tax, excluding from sales tax all equipment and devices which prohibit a firearm from being fired without a key or combination.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 13, 2015.

Senators GREENLEAF, WARD, SCHWANK, KITCHEN, TEPLITZ, SCARNATI, HUGHES, RAFFERTY and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 630**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 13, 2015.

Senators EICHELBERGER, WAGNER, SCAVELLO, BARTOLOTTA, WARD, VULAKOVICH, ALLOWAY and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 634**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for limits on the terms of members of the General Assembly.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, BROWNE, VULAKOVICH, SCHWANK, ALLOWAY, AUMENT and SMITH presented to the Chair **SB 636**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in electronic voting systems, providing for campaign finance reporting by write-in candidates; and, in primary and election expenses, further providing for filing fees and certificates of filing.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, VANCE, BOSCOLA and ARGALL presented to the Chair **SB 637**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for

malt and brewed beverages alternating brewers' licenses, for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc., for breweries and for unlawful acts relative to malt or brewed beverages and licensees.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 13, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 638**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, further providing for administration of the act by requiring notification regarding theft or loss of controlled substances.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 13, 2015.

Senators ARGALL, COSTA, YUDICHAK, WOZNAK, McGARRIGLE, RAFFERTY and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 639**, entitled:

An Act providing for licensing of elevator contractors and mechanics; and imposing duties on the Department of Labor and Industry.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 13, 2015.

March 20, 2015

Senators McGARRIGLE, FONTANA, AUMENT, RAFFERTY and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair **SB 607**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, making an editorial change; further providing for loss of property rights to Commonwealth; providing for vehicle forfeiture when driving under the influence; and further providing for procedure with respect to seized property subject to liens and rights of lienholders, for grading and for penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 20, 2015.

Senators GORDNER, BROWNE, MENSCH, COSTA, HUGHES, VULAKOVICH, WARD, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, SMITH and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 641**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 20, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, YAW, SCHWANK, SMITH and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 642**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 14, 1982 (P.L.1227, No.281), known as the Architects Licensure Law, further providing for definitions, for powers of board and for issuance and renewal of certificates.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, March 20, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, GREENLEAF, BREWSTER, COSTA, YUDICHAK and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 649**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.396, No.86), entitled "An act requiring notice of rate increases, policy cancellations and nonrenewals by property and casualty insurers," further providing for notice of increase in premium and for notice requirements for midterm cancellations.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, March 20, 2015.

Senators FOLMER, EICHELBERGER, SMUCKER, ALLOWAY, WAGNER, WHITE, VANCE and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 650**, entitled:

An Act prohibiting employers from making employment conditional on certain labor organization status; providing for remedies and penalties; and making related repeals.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 20, 2015.

Senator GREENLEAF presented to the Chair **SB 651**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, reenacted and amended June 29, 1987 (P.L.32, No.14), further providing for definitions, for general powers of board, for board to establish State liquor stores, for when sales may be made at Pennsylvania liquor stores, for sales by Pennsylvania liquor stores, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for license districts and license period and hearings, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees; providing for wine expanded permit for restaurant licensees; further providing for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers' and distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc., for retail dispensers' restrictions on purchases and sales, for revocation and suspension of licenses and fines and for shipment of wine into Commonwealth; providing for direct shipment of wine; further providing for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees, for premises to be vacated by patrons and for moneys paid into the State Stores Fund for use of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 20, 2015.

March 23, 2015

Senators AUMENT, CORMAN, SCARNATI, SMUCKER, WAGNER, FOLMER, WHITE, BARTOLOTTA, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, EICHELBERGER, VANCE, YAW, STEFANO and ALLOWAY presented to the Chair **SB 5**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in professional employees, further providing for temporary professional employees, for contracts, execution and form, for causes for suspension and for persons to be suspended and to receive tenure, for collective bargaining agreements and for timing of appeal of suspension; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 23, 2015.

Senators RAFFERTY, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, SMITH, SCHWANK, YUDICHAK, McILHINNEY and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 615**, entitled:

An Act requiring the design, construction and renovation of certain State-owned or State-leased buildings to comply with specified energy and environmental building standards; and providing for the powers and duties of the Department of General Services.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 23, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, FOLMER, BOSCOLA, WHITE and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 622**, entitled:

An Act providing for elimination of certain reporting duties of the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 23, 2015.

Senators GREENLEAF, SCHWANK, KITCHEN, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, RAFFERTY and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 631**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, further providing for the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency; and establishing the Mental Health and Justice Advisory Committee and the Mental Health and Justice Grant Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 23, 2015.

Senators GREENLEAF, SCHWANK, KITCHEN and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 632**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses), 23 (Domestic Relations), 34 (Game), 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, repealing and adding provisions relating to firearms and other dangerous articles; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 23, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, YUDICHAK, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, COSTA, STEFANO, WARD and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 640**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, further providing for right to freedom from discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodation.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 23, 2015.

Senators AUMENT, CORMAN, SCARNATI, ALLOWAY, FOLMER, SMUCKER, RAFFERTY, BARTOLOTTA, STEFANO, VANCE, WHITE, WARD and WAGNER presented to the Chair **SB 643**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 23, 2015.

Senators VANCE, ALLOWAY, BAKER, BREWSTER, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, BARTOLOTTA, SCHWANK and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair **SB 653**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in conservation and natural resources, providing for water well construction standards; and prescribing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 23, 2015.

Senators VANCE, RAFFERTY, SCHWANK and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 654**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for legal advertising.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 23, 2015.

Senator BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 655**, entitled:
An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in special funds, further providing for expiration.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 23, 2015.

March 31, 2015

Senators FARNESE, FONTANA, BREWSTER, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, BLAKE, LEACH, KITCHEN, WOZNIAK, GREENLEAF, EICHELBERGER, ALLOWAY and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair **SB 95**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in particular rights and immunities, providing for immunity for protected communications.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senators HUTCHINSON, SCARNATI, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, WHITE and YAW presented to the Chair **SB 657**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senators GREENLEAF, MENSCH, BREWSTER, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, SCHWANK, VULAKOVICH, VANCE, KITCHEN and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 658**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senators BLAKE, GREENLEAF, WILEY, FARNESE, FONTANA, SMITH, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, ALLOWAY, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, LEACH and WHITE presented to the Chair **SB 659**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for nonprofit animal shelter tax credit; and imposing duties on the Department of Revenue.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senators BLAKE, BREWSTER, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, GREENLEAF, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA and HUGHES presented to the Chair **SB 660**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in county correctional institutions, further providing for establishment.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senators BLAKE, FARNESE, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, SMITH, GORDNER, HUGHES, YUDICHAK, COSTA, BOSCOLA and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 661**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, in Pennsylvania Housing Affordability and Rehabilitation Enhancement Program, further providing for definitions and for fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, March 31, 2015.

Senators BLAKE, FOLMER, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, WILEY, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, FARNESE, SCHWANK, WOZNIAK, SMITH, LEACH and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 662**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the legislature, further providing for the designation of legislative and congressional districts within this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2015.

Senators VULAKOVICH, SCARNATI, ALLOWAY, AUMENT, BOSCOLA, BROOKS, COSTA, FOLMER, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, McGARRIGLE, McILHINNEY, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, STEFANO, TARTAGLIONE, VOGEL and WARD presented to the Chair **SB 663**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in support matters generally, further providing for liability for support; and, in child custody, further providing for consideration of criminal conviction.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senator TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SB 664**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 31, 2015.

Senators TOMLINSON, FOLMER, DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, HAYWOOD, TARTAGLIONE, GREENLEAF, BROOKS, ALLOWAY, HUTCHINSON and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair **SB 665**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for implementation of scores from Keystone Exams.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 31, 2015.

Senators FOLMER, VULAKOVICH, SCARNATI, WOZNIAK and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 666**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in management of planned communities, further providing for voting and proxies.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, March 31, 2015.

Senators FONTANA, WILLIAMS, BREWSTER, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, KITCHEN, COSTA, WILEY, SCHWANK, FARNESE, BOSCOLA and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair **SB 673**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, further providing for revolving loan program accounts, for indebtedness, for Business in Our Sites Program and for First Industries Program; and making a transfer.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, March 31, 2015.

Senators SCHWANK, BREWSTER, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA and WARD presented to the Chair **SB 674**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in preliminary provisions, providing for the definition of "credentialed media"; and, in preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, further providing for regulations in force at polling places.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2015.

Senators SCHWANK, BREWSTER, SMITH, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, VOGEL, RAFFERTY and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 675**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in the legislature, reducing the size of the General Assembly.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2015.

Senators SCHWANK, FONTANA, BLAKE, SMITH, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 677**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for the definition of "eligible entity."

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 31, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, TEPLITZ, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, YUDICHAK, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, KITCHEN and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 679**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, further providing for ineligibility for compensation.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, March 31, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, WILLIAMS, BREWSTER, FONTANA, VANCE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 680**, entitled:

An Act imposing a tax on smokeless tobacco; and providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senators YAW, SCAVELLO, YUDICHAK, VULAKOVICH, STEFANO, BAKER, SMITH, COSTA, MENSCH, AUMENT, ALLOWAY and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 682**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senators PILEGGI, GREENLEAF, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, COSTA, McGARRIGLE, SCHWANK, VULAKOVICH, VANCE, WARD, YAW and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 683**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senators BROWNE and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SB 687**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions for planned communities, further providing for applicability of local ordinances, regulations and building codes.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, March 31, 2015.

Senators BROWNE and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SB 688**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions for condominiums, further providing for applicability of local ordinances, regulations and building codes.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, March 31, 2015.

Senators BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, HAYWOOD, TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 689**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in health and accident insurance, providing for insurance coverage for infertility treatment services.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senator BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 690**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, March 31, 2015.

Senators MENSCH, COSTA, WILEY, BLAKE, TEPLITZ, YUDICHAK, RAFFERTY, ARGALL, SCARNATI and SMUCKER presented to the Chair **SB 691**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in cigarette sales and licensing, further providing for definitions, for retention of records and for violations and penalties and providing for preemption.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, March 31, 2015.

Senators AUMENT, COSTA, RAFFERTY, YAW and VULAKOVICH presented to the Chair **SB 692**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations, further providing for responsible alcohol management.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, March 31, 2015.

April 6, 2015

Senators HAYWOOD, HUGHES, KITCHEN, FARNESE, SCHWANK, TARTAGLIONE and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 415**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in unconventional gas well fee, deleting expiration provision; providing for the taxation of natural gas extraction in Pennsylvania; establishing the Shale for Our Future Fund; and providing for use of revenues.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 6, 2015.

Senators TEPLITZ, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, FARNESE, BOSCOLA, SMITH, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, HAYWOOD and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 582**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in limitation of time, further providing for six months limitation and for tolling limitations of certain civil actions; and, in matters affecting government units, further providing for exceptions to sovereign immunity and governmental immunity.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 6, 2015.

Senators TEPLITZ, FONTANA, BREWSTER, SMITH, RAFFERTY, HUGHES, BLAKE, WOZNIAK, COSTA, BOSCOLA, LEACH and WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 583**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for persons required to report suspected child abuse.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, April 6, 2015.

Senators SCARNATI, FOLMER, GORDNER, ALLOWAY, ARGALL, VOGEL, SCAVELLO, MENSCH, YAW, BAKER, EICHELBERGER, STEFANO, BARTOLOTTA, VANCE, WHITE, AUMENT, WARD, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, WILLIAMS, YUDICHAK, SCHWANK, SMITH, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, BOSCOLA, BLAKE, COSTA and PILEGGI presented to the Chair **SB 695**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in lobbying disclosure, further providing for registration, for reporting and for registration fees, fund established, system and regulations.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 6, 2015.

Senators YUDICHAK, BAKER, BLAKE and GORDNER presented to the Chair **SB 699**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the disposition of certain lands situate in Plymouth Township, Luzerne County, subject to Project 70 restrictions.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 6, 2015.

Senators HAYWOOD, FARNESE, WILLIAMS, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, HUGHES, LEACH and KITCHEN presented to the Chair **SB 701**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, providing for a limit on handgun purchases and sales; and establishing the Violence Prevention Account within the General Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 6, 2015.

Senators HAYWOOD, HUGHES, FONTANA, FARNESE, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, WILLIAMS and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 702**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 6, 2015.

April 7, 2015

Senators SMITH, TEPLITZ, BLAKE, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, FARNESE, HUGHES, BOSCOLA and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 237**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for the High-Performance Buildings Tax Credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, TEPLITZ, BLAKE, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, FARNESE, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, LEACH and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 240**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for an Energy Star-rated product manufacturing tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BLAKE, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, FARNESE, HUGHES, BOSCOLA and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 241**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for an Energy Star-rated glass or window technologies tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BLAKE, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, FARNESE and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 242**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 612**, entitled:

An Act providing for powers of local authorities to establish maximum speed limits on roadways and State-designated highways within their physical boundaries.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 7, 2015.

Senators BAKER, GREENLEAF, WILEY, SCAVELLO, BREWSTER, TOMLINSON, FONTANA, WARD, YUDICHAK, WHITE, MENSCH, COSTA, SMITH, TEPLITZ, HUTCHINSON, AUMENT, VULAKOVICH, STEFANO, VANCE and SCARNATI presented to the Chair **SB 652**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators TEPLITZ, ALLOWAY, SCAVELLO, FARNESE, FONTANA, SMITH, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 693**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, providing for a tax credit for adoption of dog or cat.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators EICHELBERGER, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, AUMENT, VULAKOVICH, YAW, McILHINNEY, STEFANO, SCHWANK, WHITE and WARD presented to the Chair **SB 694**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in grounds and buildings, further providing for approval by department of plans of buildings and exceptions, providing for accountability and reducing costs in construction process, further providing for limitation on new applications for Department of Education approval of public school building projects; and, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts, further providing for definitions, for approved reimbursable rental for leases hereafter approved and approved reimbursable sinking fund charges on indebtedness, for payments on account of leases hereafter approved and on account of sinking fund charges on indebtedness for school buildings hereafter constructed and for payments on account of building costs and providing for lump sum reimbursement for construction or reconstruction.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 7, 2015.

Senators McGARRIGLE, BOSCOLA, SCHWANK, TEPLITZ, LEACH, YUDICHAK, WILLIAMS, SMITH, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES and McILHINNEY presented to the Chair **SB 703**, entitled:

An Act providing for plumbing contractors licensure; establishing the State Board of Plumbing Contractors and providing for its powers and duties; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Labor and Industry; establishing fees, fines and civil penalties; establishing the Plumbing Contractors Licensure Account; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BREWSTER, COSTA, HUGHES and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 704**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, further providing for reimbursement for diabetic supplies.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, EICHELBERGER, GREENLEAF, BREWSTER, COSTA, VULAKOVICH and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 705**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for prohibitions relating to sun screening and other materials.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, EICHELBERGER, BREWSTER, BLAKE, COSTA, YUDICHAK, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 706**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in forgery and fraudulent practices, prohibiting deception relating to rebates for consumer goods; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BREWSTER, WOZNIAK, TEPLITZ, BAKER, FONTANA, YAW, BLAKE, YUDICHAK, HUTCHINSON, BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, STEFANO, RAFFERTY, WARD, McGARRIGLE and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 707**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 7, 2015.

Senators SMITH, GREENLEAF, KITCHEN, BREWSTER, TEPLITZ, BAKER, FONTANA, BLAKE, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, VULAKOVICH, HUGHES, WOZNIAK, LEACH, RAFFERTY, WARD and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 708**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in disabled veterans' real estate tax exemption, further providing for definitions and for duty of commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 7, 2015.

April 8, 2015

Senators WARD, ARGALL, YAW, EICHELBERGER, VOGEL, ALLOWAY, FOLMER, WHITE, VANCE, STEFANO, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SB 587**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for gubernatorial appointments, for terms of office and for deputies.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 8, 2015.

Senators EICHELBERGER, FOLMER, VULAKOVICH, HUTCHINSON and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 635**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 46 (Legislature) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for officers and leaders.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 8, 2015.

Senators STEFANO, SCARNATI, ALLOWAY, WARD, VOGEL, HUTCHINSON, BARTOLOTTA, VULAKOVICH, YUDICHAK, WOZNIAK and BLAKE presented to the Chair **SB 648**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, further providing for restricted account and for Snowmobile and ATV Advisory Committee.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 8, 2015.

Senator ALLOWAY presented to the Chair **SB 667**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; providing for eligible organizations; in enforcement, further providing for enforcement; and, in tavern gaming, further providing for definitions, for licenses, for application, for approval, for change in ownership, for tavern raffle, for distribution of net revenue, for tavern games tax, for host municipality tavern games tax, for reports, for enforcement and for prohibitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMUCKER, FONTANA, TOMLINSON, PILEGGI, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, WHITE, SCHWANK, COSTA, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, AUMENT, WARD, BAKER, BLAKE and YAW presented to the Chair **SB 678**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in the State System of Higher Education, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 8, 2015.

Senators DINNIMAN, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, KITCHEN, COSTA and PILEGGI presented to the Chair **SB 681**, entitled:

An Act providing for family and medical leave for eligible employees.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 8, 2015.

Senators LEACH, FONTANA, STEFANO, HUGHES, MENSCH and FARNESE presented to the Chair **SB 696**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for immunization required and penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BLAKE, COSTA, TEPLITZ, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 709**, entitled:

An Act permitting certain establishments to obtain a prescription for and maintain epinephrine kits; requiring the Department of Health to adopt regulations for the approval of certain training programs relating to the possession and administration of epinephrine in emergency situations; and limiting liability.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, BLAKE, COSTA, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 710**, entitled:

An Act requiring the Department of Health to adopt regulations for the approval of training programs relating to the possession and administration of epinephrine in emergency situations; authorizing certain individuals to obtain a prescription for, purchase and administer epinephrine in emergency situations; and limiting liability.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, YUDICHAK, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 711**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 2008 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Alternative Energy Investment Act, providing for the definition of "residential building"; and further providing for the Commonwealth Financing Authority.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, SCAVELLO, BREWSTER, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, McGARRIGLE, SCHWANK, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, HUGHES, COSTA, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, RAFFERTY, FARNESE and BLAKE presented to the Chair **SB 712**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for special plates for active members of the armed forces of the United States.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, TEPLITZ, ARGALL, BLAKE, FONTANA, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, VOGEL, RAFFERTY, BAKER and WARD presented to the Chair **SB 713**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations for liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for special occasion permits.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, April 8, 2015.

April 10, 2015

Senators TEPLITZ, FONTANA, BREWSTER, SMITH, COSTA, AUMENT, ALLOWAY and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 716**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridge on State Route 34 that connects the banks of the Juniata River in Newport, Perry County, as the Paul Reider Bridge.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 10, 2015.

Senators VANCE, SCARNATI, BAKER, YUDICHAK, HUTCHINSON, SCHWANK, HUGHES, BAROLOTTA, SCAVELLO, LEACH, WOZNIAK, McGARRIGLE, STEFANO, McILHINNEY, FOLMER, ARGALL, COSTA, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE and BLAKE presented to the Chair **SB 717**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 22, 1951 (P.L.317, No.69), known as The Professional Nursing Law, further providing for definitions; and providing for licensure as a certified nurse practitioner.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 10, 2015.

Senators TEPLITZ, BLAKE, SCHWANK, COSTA, FOLMER and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 718**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board, further providing for applicability of other statutes, for general and specific powers, for expenses of regulatory agencies and for regulatory authority of board.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 10, 2015.

Senators TOMLINSON, GREENLEAF, PILEGGI, MENSCH, LEACH and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SB 719**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for a natural gas severance tax; and repealing expiration provision relating to unconventional gas well fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 10, 2015.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

March 12, 2015

Senators WOZNIAK, ARGALL, FOLMER, COSTA, HUGHES, VANCE, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, WHITE, MENSCH, AUMENT, LEACH and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair **SR 52**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to study the cost-effectiveness of consolidating school districts in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 12, 2015.

Senators WOZNIAK, ARGALL, FOLMER, COSTA, HUGHES, VANCE, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, WHITE, MENSCH, AUMENT, LEACH and DINNIMAN presented to the Chair **SR 53**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to study the cost-effectiveness of consolidating school district services and positions in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 12, 2015.

March 23, 2015

Senators ARGALL, ALLOWAY, GORDNER, YUDICHAK, STEFANO and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SR 54**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the President and the Congress of the United States to consider imposing tariffs on imported anthracite coal that adversely affect American jobs.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 23, 2015.

March 31, 2015

Senators HUTCHINSON, SCARNATI, ARGALL, ALLOWAY, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, STEFANO, VULAKOVICH, WARD, WHITE and WILEY presented to the Chair **SR 55**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution establishing a forestry task force to study issues concerning the renewal and management of this Commonwealth's forests; providing for an advisory committee; and directing the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee to provide administrative support to the task force.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 31, 2015.

April 8, 2015

Senators FONTANA, BREWSTER, GORDNER, SCHWANK, GREENLEAF, SMITH, COSTA, KITCHEN, WARD and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SR 56**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to study the current and future state of compulsive and problem gambling treatment in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 8, 2015.

Senators SMITH, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, TARTAGLIONE, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, HUGHES, FARNESE, GORDNER, YUDICHAK, WILEY, COSTA, SCHWANK, BOSCOLA, HUTCHINSON, BROWNE and BLAKE presented to the Chair **SR 59**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a comprehensive study of work force investment programs of the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 8, 2015.

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

March 6, 2015

HB 57 and 140 -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

HB 73, 164, 186 and 446 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 166 -- Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

HB 188 -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 315, 319 and 568 -- Committee on Labor and Industry.

HB 530 -- Committee on Education.

April 8, 2015

HB 33 and 66 -- Committee on Local Government.

HB 88 -- Committee on Transportation.

HB 264 -- Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

HOUSE RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the House of Representatives presented to the Senate the following resolution for concurrence, which was referred to the committee indicated:

March 6, 2015

HR 75 -- Committee on Labor and Industry.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

ANNUAL FINANCING STRATEGY REPORT

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Department of Community and Economic Development
Harrisburg, PA 17120

March 17, 2015

To the General Assembly
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: ANNUAL FINANCING STRATEGY REPORT

Enclosed herewith is the report as required by Act 12 of 2004 that sets forth in detail an Annual Financing Strategy Report for business financing and Economic Stimulus programs that are administered by the department for Fiscal Year 2015-16. This document includes the Department's goals, objectives and strategy for each of the programs outlined in Act 12.

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LAND RECYCLING PROGRAM

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Department of Environmental Protection
Rachel Carson State Office Building
P.O. Box 2063
Harrisburg, PA 17105-2063

March 17, 2015

Ms. Megan Totino Consedine
Secretary-Parliamentarian of the Senate
Senate Post Office Box 203053
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3053

Dear Ms. Consedine:

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is pleased to present to you its Industrial Land Recycling Fund Annual Report. This report summarizes DEP's revenues and expenditures under the Industrial Land Recycling Fund.

As provided in the Land Recycling and Environmental Remediation Standards Act, DEP is distributing the report electronically and providing a link for accessing the report online. The report can be found on DEP's Web site at www.dep.state.pa.us. From that page, click on "Environmental Cleanup and Brownfields" and then "Land Recycling Program" to locate the report under the Land Recycling Program page.

Thank you for your interest in this report and for continuing to partner with DEP to promote a clean environment and safer communities for all Pennsylvanians.

Sincerely,

JOHN QUIGLEY
Acting Secretary

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE FOR 2014

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

OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Suite 1102, Commerce Building
300 North Second Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101

March 20, 2015

To the General Assembly
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, PA 17120

RE: 2014 ANNUAL REPORT

Enclosed herewith is the Annual Report of the Pennsylvania Office of Small Business Advocate for Fiscal Year 2014.

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

2014 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

PENNSYLVANIA AUTO THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Pennsylvania Auto Theft Prevention Authority
5 Kacey Court, Suite 201
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

April 6, 2015

To the Honorable Governor
Tom Wolf and Members of the
Pennsylvania General Assembly

I am pleased to report, last year was another productive year for auto theft prevention. From 2013 to 2014, convictions increased by 59% and restitution increased 4.7%, as reported by our grantees. The Pennsylvania Auto Theft Prevention Authority (ATPA) once again realized a reduction in vehicle theft across the state with:

- 7% decrease in auto theft statewide in 2014
- 10% decrease in Pittsburgh
- ATPA grantees and partners recovered \$25.7M in stolen vehicles and parts
- \$7 return on investment since inception

ATPA was created by the General Assembly in 1994. Since then, our work has contributed to a 73% decrease in the rate of motor vehicle theft in Pennsylvania, compared to the national decrease of 53%. We do not use tax dollars. Our funds come from an annual assessment of more than 380 insurance companies that conduct business in Pennsylvania. Our highly-skilled grantee network of law enforcement officers and prosecutors initiate their own investigations, outreach, and prosecutions, while also offering assistance to unaffiliated agencies and municipalities across the state. This has been a great model for success and provides substantial reach.

Motor vehicle theft is a wide-ranging crime. While joyriders and thrill seekers still exist, often vehicles are stolen by complex, professional theft rings whose tactics often involve violence, financial fraud, identity theft, and international trafficking.

We will continue to tamp down this crime that affects every community and every auto insurance policy-holder in the Commonwealth. Know that the grantees, partners, board members, and employees of the Authority continue to combat theft, protect Pennsylvanians, and keep auto insurance rates low. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve Pennsylvania's citizens and we thank you for your support.

Respectfully,

RONALD W. KOSH
Chairman

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

Senator Ryan P. Aument as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, as a member of the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee, and as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Senator Lisa Boscola as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority.

Senator Michele Brooks as a member of the Advisory Committee of the Department of Health for the Primary Health Care Practitioners Program.

Senator Art Haywood as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing.

Senator Daylin Leach as a member of the State Planning Board.

Senator Charles T. McIlhinney as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

Senator Mario Scavello as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Senator Lloyd K. Smucker as a member of the Education Commission of the States, as a member of Adult and Family Literacy Education Interagency Coordinating Council, and as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Senator Patrick Stefano as a member of the Mining Reclamation Advisory Board.

Senator Christine Tartaglione as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

Senator Robert M. Tomlinson as a member of the Pennsylvania Athletic Oversight Committee.

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

Senator John N. Wozniak as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority.

Senator E. Eugene Yaw as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Energy Development Authority.

Senator John Yudichak as a member of the Mining Reclamation Advisory Board.

Mr. Brian J. Clark as a member of the Environmental Hearing Board Rules Committee.

Mr. Charles G. Wilker as member of the Board of the Insurance Fraud Prevention Authority.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MINORITY LEADER

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

Senator Matthew Smith as a member of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

Mr. Nello Giorgetti as a member of the Film Advisory Board.

Ms. Juliet Moringiello as a member of the Board of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Mr. Ross Nese as a member of the Board of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Browne, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Tartaglione, and a legislative leave for Senator Leach.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Browne, and a legislative leave for Senator Tomlinson.

Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Tartaglione, and a legislative leave for Senator Leach.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

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

In the Senate, April 13, 2015

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14, of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, April 20, 2015, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14, of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, April 20, 2015, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Eichelberger	Mensch	Vogel
Argall	Farnese	Pileggi	Vulakovich
Aument	Folmer	Rafferty	Wagner
Baker	Fontana	Scarnati	Ward
Bartolotta	Gordner	Scavello	White
Blake	Greenleaf	Schwank	Wiley
Boscola	Haywood	Smith	Williams
Brewster	Hughes	Smucker	Wozniak
Brooks	Hutchinson	Stefano	Yaw
Browne	Kitchen	Tartaglione	Yudichak
Corman	Leach	Teplitz	
Costa	McGarrigle	Tomlinson	
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Vance	

NAY-0

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

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

**GUESTS OF SENATOR PATRICIA H. VANCE
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Cumberland, Senator Vance.

Now, I want to tell you that Senator Smucker and I had a discussion about Senator Vance. To preview what she is going to talk about, we do not think that there is a Senator with more champions in her district than Senator Vance. So everybody needs to listen closely to the great guests she is going to introduce.

Senator VANCE. Mr. President, today I have the distinct pleasure of introducing the Boiling Springs High School Wrest-

ling Team. The team captured the PIAA Class AA team wrestling title on February 7, 2015, at the Giant Center by defeating Chestnut Ridge 36 to 21. The team compiled a record of 18 wins and 3 losses for the season. The team was also District III Class AA team champions for the fourth season in a row. The team is coached by Rodney Wright and assisted by Trevor Byers and Roland Miller, led by seniors Grant Bond, Nate Gouhin, Tyler Kauffman, Korbin Myers, Kyle Shoop, and John Vaughn. The team, coaches, and their families are in the gallery. Please give them our usual warm Senate welcome. I am very proud to have them here today.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR LISA M. BOSCOLA
AND SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Mensch and I, and I know Senator Mensch will be talking right afterwards, we have some wonderful students to introduce to the Senate today. In the Senate today is Pennsylvania's Coca-Cola New Century Scholar, Aaron Rosengarten, from Northampton Community College. In each State, the student who receives the highest community college academic team application score is named a Coca-Cola New Century Scholar. Every year 52 scholars are recognized with scholarships of \$2,000 each, and special recognition of them in their school at the American Association of Community Colleges convention.

This year, Aaron has been recognized as Pennsylvania's New Century Scholar. He has a 3.96 GPA at Northampton. Pretty incredible. Aaron made the decision to attend Northampton even though he was accepted at New York University and offered a \$35,000 scholarship. Now, what weighed heavily on his decision at the time was the fact that he would have still needed to finance the rest of NYU's tuition. He, unfortunately, would have been saddled with years of additional loan debt for himself and his family members, which simply did not make financial sense for him. Aaron has made the most of his Northampton experience as president of the college's Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society chapter and the Political Science Club. He even found time to intern in my Bethlehem office this year, and I can tell you he is an outstanding intern. Aaron has researched important legislative issues such as redistricting reform, and is always eager to answer the phone and to help constituents with their concerns. There is no doubt that Aaron will continue to succeed as he continues his academic career and eventually pursues a doctorate in law degree.

Mr. President, the Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team also recognizes high-achieving 2-year college students who demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual rigor combined with leadership and service that extends to their education beyond the classroom to benefit society. This year Pennsylvania has five gold scholars, which represent 10 percent of all scholars nationwide, as well as three silver scholars, all from Pennsylvania. We are honored to recognize the following gold scholars: Cassie Gartin and Jennifer Alspaugh of Community College of

Allegheny County, Michael Colarusso of Lehigh Carbon Community College, and Steven Davanzo and Carla Garis of Northampton County Community College. We are also honored to recognize the following silver scholars: Kendra Houck and Heidi Hunsberger of Montgomery County Community College, and Patrick Lehman of Pennsylvania Highlands Community College. So after Senator Mensch's remarks, please join me in giving them the Senate's usual warm welcome.

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to join Senator Boscola in recognizing our champions for the day. By the way, you are not the only one who has noticed that Senator Vance has so many of these championship teams. We wonder how she gerrymandered her district to make that possible. Oh, she kicked me.

Mr. President, let me get to the point of business here. We have watched community colleges grow for the last 50 years, and so today we take great pleasure in recognizing the academic All-Pennsylvania Community College Team, and as Senator Boscola pointed out, they have teamed with the Phi Theta Kappa fraternity to honor these students. There are 42 of them who are here, there are 44 who have been recognized, and let me give you a summary of the caliber of these individuals. The 2014 All-Pennsylvania Academic Team includes 29 students who plan to transfer to PASSHE schools; 14 students plan to pursue a doctorate level degree; 21 students plan to pursue a master's degree; 9 students plan to pursue a bachelor's degree; 7 students are parents; 1 of them happens to be a grandparent; 1 team member is a dual enrollment student who will graduate this May with a diploma as well as an associate's degree.

So, Mr. President, you can see the wide span of academic strength that is represented here with our students today, and we ask that everyone join us in a warm Senate welcome to the 44 All-Pennsylvania Academic Team students.

The PRESIDENT. Would the Senate join us in welcoming the guests of Senator Boscola and Senator Mensch.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR ELISABETH J. BAKER
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Luzerne, Senator Baker.

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I am proud to join my colleague, Senator Yudichak, in introducing the coaches and team members from the Wyoming Seminary Wrestling Team. The wrestlers won their ninth consecutive State championship at the 2015 PA Independent Schools Athletic Association Tournament. Under the guidance of head coach Scott Green, and assistant coaches Andre Bartlett, Joe Rovelli, Steven Mytych, Rocky Bonomo, and Pat O'Hara, the Wyoming Seminary Blue Knights earned 375 points to capture the State title. In addition, the team earned second place at the 2015 national prep school tournament; nine members won individual State titles, and five were crowned national champions.

The team is comprised of Tyler Aslanian, Zane Black, Daniel Boychuck, Duncan Breig, John Busiello, Anthony Cable, Jonathan Carrera, Michael Casey, Paul Crane, Jack Davis, David Diaz, Christian Dietrich, Ryan Guers, Tristan Hanshaw, Jake

Hendricks, Anna Kang, Gregory Kleinsmith, Aaron Kliamovich, Angela Mancini, Aidan Mathews, William Moss, Jack Mueller, Andrew Munn, Patrick Munn, Vu Nguyen, Harrison Nye, Trent Olson, Kritapat Pornkumpolrat, Nicholas Reenan, Peter Robinson, Michael Rogers, Dillon Ryan, John Stramiello, Colin Toggas, Maximus Toman, William Verallis and Christopher Weiler.

I am honored today to welcome the team members and coaches as their Senator and also as a member of the board of trustees of Wyoming Seminary as the United Methodist Conference representative. So, please join me in offering our warm congratulations for a stellar season and our very best wishes for continued success.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN C. RAFFERTY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, I have the distinct pleasure today to be able to introduce to the Senate of Pennsylvania some extended family members, those people who keep coming to the Senate from the State of Delaware, legislative members who had the fortune to meet Representative Corbin, whose legislative district is wholly in my Senate district, while they attended Eastern Leadership Academy. Becky told them all about the House and the Senate here. The staffers work for the Senate of Delaware and decided to come up and check out the Senate of Pennsylvania—I mean, why not look at the best—and then report back to their colleagues. They are tremendous individuals, very enthusiastic, very energetic. Now I know why the Senate of Delaware is so successful.

They spent the better part of the day with my staff and Representative Corbin's staff. I can introduce them here to you today, Mr. President, and Members of the Senate. We have Heather Contant, legislative assistant; Stephen Crockett, legislative assistant; LaNisha Harris, legislative assistant; Alton Irvin, communications assistant; Patrick Jackson, deputy communications director; Valerie McCartan, chief of staff, Senate Democratic Caucus; Glenn Shipley, legislative assistant; Marcie Smith, legislative assistant; and Michelle Zdeb, legislative assistant.

Mr. President, they are all terrific people doing a great job representing the State of Delaware and the Senate of Delaware. I ask the Senate of Pennsylvania to give a traditional warm welcome to our guests today.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. We are happy to have them, Senator Rafferty, and would the guests of Senator Rafferty please rise so that we can say hello to you and give you our welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN EICHELBERGER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. Since he is already standing, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blair, Senator Eichelberger.

Senator EICHELBERGER. Mr. President, that saves that extra wear and tear on the knees. I am not getting any younger, so I appreciate that very much.

I am proud to introduce a group today from Franklin County who are here, a group of ladies from the Women's Republican Club of Franklin County. It is Red Jacket Day, and they are all appropriately dressed in their red jackets, and they had several Members from our Caucus speaking to them this morning as they were here gaining knowledge and getting around the building meeting with various legislators. So, I ask for a warm welcome for my friends from Franklin County.

The PRESIDENT. I noticed their very handsome red jackets. Would the guests of Senator Eichelberger please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MATTHEW H. SMITH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to welcome my constituent, Susan Fancali, who is visiting the Capitol today with her mother, Kim. Susan, a Pleasant Hills native, was recently crowned U.S.A. National Miss Pennsylvania 2015. Susan has achieved impressive success despite entering her first pageant only 3 years ago. She placed first runner-up in two competitions prior to her selection as U.S.A. National Miss Pennsylvania at the pageant in Erie. At the State level competition, Susan was honored with the supermodel and super-role model awards, examples of her 10 years of modeling experience and commitment to community service.

She volunteered her time at senior assisted living facilities and worked on autism awareness programs. She continues to make hundreds of holiday cards and ornaments each year for senior patients and recently spent some time with children at the local Ronald McDonald House. Susan has also studied dance for 15 years. Susan excels in academics as a presidential scholar at California University of Pennsylvania. She will graduate this spring from California University with a degree in business management, then she will be heading to Orlando, Florida, in July to compete in Nationals 2015.

Susan shows appreciation for the opportunities that participating in pageants have afforded her, a commitment to volunteerism, and is a positive example to others. Her selection as the 2015 National Miss Pennsylvania is a testament to her values, work ethic, leadership abilities, commitment to others, integrity, and determination to be the best person that she can be. I respectfully ask my Senate colleagues to join me in welcoming Susan and Kim to the Capitol and extend best wishes for continued success at the national competition and in all future endeavors.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. We thank you, Senator, and congratulate Susan and her mother. It has been a pleasure to meet them, and I ask them to please stand to be recognized by the Senate for our customary warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR ARTHUR L. HAYWOOD
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator HAYWOOD. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce guests from the AKA Sorority, Inc., here visiting the Capitol today on what we know as AKA Day. This is an organization whose motto is supreme service to all mankind, has a long tradition of community service, and I appreciate that they are here today to raise the voices of the citizens here in the Capitol. We will offer a resolution on their behalf later in the day, but I wish to recognize our guests at this moment.

The PRESIDENT. We are delighted to have the members of AKA here with us in Harrisburg and in the gallery. We ask them to please rise to be given our usual warm Senate welcome.

(Applause.)

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held in the Rules room, and then a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room beginning at about 2:15 p.m.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, after the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for caucus.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, to be followed by 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.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 43 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tartaglione and Senator Browne have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 61 (Pr. No. 40) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in operation of vehicles, further providing for drivers of emergency vehicles.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, I rise to ask for approval of this bill. This would allow individuals who are licensed emergency medical service providers by the Department of Health and who have also obtained a certificate of First Responder Emergency Medical Technician to use their bikes the same way that police officers use their bikes in the enforcement of law. This will allow these bike medics access to areas in which the patrol car cannot reach or have difficulty reaching, and would have individuals who are authorized and trained in the early intervention and treatment of emergency situations and the sick and injured individuals. I think this is an idea that will help in providing those services and will give them easier access to the people who need to be served in emergency situations, where there are parades or other crowds. I ask for passage of the legislation.

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:

YEA-49

Alloway	Eichelberger	Mensch	Vogel
Argall	Farnese	Pileggi	Vulakovich
Aument	Folmer	Rafferty	Wagner
Baker	Fontana	Scarnati	Ward
Bartolotta	Gordner	Scavello	White
Blake	Greenleaf	Schwank	Wiley
Boscola	Haywood	Smith	Williams
Brewster	Hughes	Smucker	Wozniak
Brooks	Hutchinson	Stefano	Yaw
Browne	Kitchen	Tartaglione	Yudichak
Corman	Leach	Teplitz	
Costa	McGarrigle	Tomlinson	
Dinniman	McIlhinney	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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 178 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 405 (Pr. No. 378) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating Exit 30 from Interstate 84 onto State Route 402, in Pike County, as the Corporal Bryon K. Dickson, II, Exit.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Luzerne, Senator Baker.

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, before we vote on Senate Bill No. 405, I ask the Members of the Senate to stop and take a moment to pause and reflect upon the service and sacrifice of Pennsylvania State Police Corporal Bryon Dickson, who lost his life at the Blooming Grove Barracks last September. With this bill, we formally designate Exit 30 on Interstate 84 as the Corporal Bryon Dickson Exit. "It is a symbol of our reverence, respect, and solidarity and his badge must never tarnish or lessen in importance." Those words were from Peter Becker of The News Eagle newspaper in Hawley, Pennsylvania. So, we all know that this is such a stark reminder of the difficulties that our Troopers confront each and every day.

So please join me as we honor, remember, and recognize the life of Corporal Bryon Dickson with this fitting memorial. He truly was a wonderful husband, father, son, friend, PSP Trooper, and a Marine who served and gave his all in everything that he did. Today we also reflect and remember Trooper Alex Douglass, as we continue to pray for his recovery. So with this designation we honor a true American and Pennsylvania hero.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentlewoman for her very important remarks and work on this bill.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Blake.

Senator BLAKE. Mr. President, I want to commend my friend and colleague, Senator Baker, for her leadership on this issue and for Senate Bill No. 405, which is a fitting acknowledgment, as she has stated, for Corporal Bryon Dickson. His family's most recent residence, prior to his tragic passing at the hands of a criminal, was in the 22nd Senatorial District in Dunmore Borough. That tragic date, Mr. President, is etched in my memory, in our memory, and the acknowledgment today is certainly fitting. His beautiful wife and two young boys were also at a beautiful ceremony not too long ago to name a street in the Borough of Dunmore in his honor. I say again that our prayers will continue to be with his family, as well as with Trooper Douglass.

The most moving experience I have had as a Senator, Mr. President, was at the memorial service for Corporal Dickson that was held at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton. I have never seen

anything quite like it. It was a brotherhood of State Police from all over the nation who came to acknowledge his extraordinary service. So I again commend Senator Baker, and I thank my colleagues for their support and understanding of this important acknowledgment of a Pennsylvania hero, as Senator Baker has said.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Senator Blake for his remarks and his work. The Chair also thanks the family for their sacrifice to all Pennsylvanians, and you are in our prayers.

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:

YEA-49

Alloway	Eichelberger	Mensch	Vogel
Argall	Farnese	Pileggi	Vulakovich
Aument	Folmer	Rafferty	Wagner
Baker	Fontana	Scarnati	Ward
Bartolotta	Gordner	Scavello	White
Blake	Greenleaf	Schwank	Wiley
Boscola	Haywood	Smith	Williams
Brewster	Hughes	Smucker	Wozniak
Brooks	Hutchinson	Stefano	Yaw
Browne	Kitchen	Tartaglione	Yudichak
Corman	Leach	Teplitz	
Costa	McGarrigle	Tomlinson	
Dinniman	McIlhinney	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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 427 and **SB 489** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 89, **HB 90** and **HB 221** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 286 (Pr. No. 499) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 12, 1931 (P.L.575, No.200), entitled "An act providing for joint action by Pennsylvania and New Jersey in the development of the ports on the lower Delaware River, and the improvement of the facilities for transportation across the river; authorizing the Governor, for these purposes, to enter into an agreement with New Jersey; creating The Delaware River Joint Commission and speci-

fyng the powers and duties thereof, including the power to finance projects by the issuance of revenue bonds; transferring to the new commission all the powers of the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission; and making an appropriation," further providing for the Delaware River Joint Commission, for composition, for employees, for financing and for executive sessions; providing for majority approval and contract procedures; further providing for report; providing for conflicts of interest, for master plan and creating the Port Authority Transit Corporation Commuter's Council; further providing for definitions; authorizing the Governor to apply for approval; prohibiting the entrance into a compact until passage of a similar act; and making editorial changes.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

SB 287 (Pr. No. 165) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 12, 1931 (P.L.575, No.200), entitled "An act providing for joint action by Pennsylvania and New Jersey in the development of the ports on the lower Delaware River, and the improvement of the facilities for transportation across the river; authorizing the Governor, for these purposes, to enter into an agreement with New Jersey; creating The Delaware River Joint Commission and specifying the powers and duties thereof, including the power to finance projects by the issuance of revenue bonds; transferring to the new commission all the powers of the Delaware River Bridge Joint Commission; and making an appropriation," providing for gubernatorial veto.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 289 (Pr. No. 173) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 8, 1949 (P.L.418, No.58), entitled, "An act to provide for and regulate the accumulation, investment, and expenditure of funds by cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships for preparing plans for sewage disposal systems, and for the construction, improvement or replacement of sewage disposal systems for which plans have been approved by the Sanitary Water Board of the Commonwealth," further providing for definitions, for creation of a Sewage Disposal System Fund and for expenditure of fund; providing for expenditure of public funds for private lateral sewer lines; and further providing for grants of moneys.

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

SB 307 (Pr. No. 197) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for the Environmental Quality Board.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 333 (Pr. No. 568) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preemptions, providing for leave and compensation mandates.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 385, SB 485, SB 501, SB 514 and SB 525 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

SB 487 (Pr. No. 427) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, providing for limits on copayments for insured medical services provided by a physical therapist, chiropractor and occupational therapist.

SB 494 (Pr. No. 442) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of July 11, 1996 (2nd Sp.Sess., P.L.1879, No.10), known as the Flood Insurance Education and Information Act, further providing for flood insurance education and information.

HB 152 (Pr. No. 1181) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, further providing for the payment of death benefits and for definitions.

HB 159 (Pr. No. 145) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for medical professional liability reciprocal exchange-to-stock conversion and for adoption of plan of conversion; imposing duties on Insurance Commissioner; providing for contents of plan of conversion, for optional provisions of plan of conversion, for alternative plan of conversion, for effective date of plan, for rights of subscribers whose policies are issued after adoption of plan and before effective date, for corporate existence, for conflict of interest, for failure to give notice, for limitation on actions, for reciprocal insurer insolvent or in hazardous financial condition, for rules and regulations, for laws applicable to stock company, for licensing of stock company and commencement of business as an insurance company, for amendment of policies and for prohibition on acquisitions of control.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators FONTANA, GREENLEAF, HAYWOOD, KITCHEN, TEPLITZ, SCAVELLO, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, BAKER, PILEGGI, FARNESE, YUDICHAK,

SCHWANK, WHITE, ARGALL, ALLOWAY, GORDNER, COSTA, SMITH, RAFFERTY, MENSCH, HUTCHINSON, AUMENT, VULAKOVICH, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA and SCARNATI, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 60**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 12 through 18, 2015, as "National Library Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, I rise today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing this week as "National Library Week" in Pennsylvania. First sponsored in 1958, National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April. This tradition celebrates the valuable contributions of libraries, librarians, and staff in the services and resources they provide. Mr. President, libraries have worked hard to transform over time to become more than a repository for books by meeting the demands of a technology-based society with such items as e-books, audio books, computer stations, audio and video streaming, and other digital resources.

This year's theme, Mr. President, "Unlimited possibilities @ your Library" illustrates that libraries open up a world of possibilities to help individuals, communities, and schools accomplish their goals and dreams. The theme also demonstrates that libraries remain powerful resources for the residents of this Commonwealth by serving millions of visitors each year and conducting hundreds of thousands of programs for people of all ages and backgrounds. National Library Week encourages all residents to visit their local library to take advantage of the wonderful resources and opportunities. Mr. President, I encourage everyone to join me in supporting this resolution and help promote the importance of our libraries. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the Senator and agrees with him entirely.

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

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

Senators McILHINNEY, GREENLEAF, DINNIMAN, SCAVELLO, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA, SCHWANK, SMITH, RAFFERTY, MENSCH, VULAKOVICH, AUMENT, LEACH and FARNESE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 61**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2015 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator McILHINNEY. Mr. President, I rise today to ask my colleagues to support my resolution recognizing the month of April 2015 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania. Describing the physical, mental, and emotional struggles of those who suffer from limb loss is extremely difficult. Many of us take for granted our health, mobility, and ability to perform certain everyday tasks. It is hard to imagine what life would be like if those gifts were suddenly taken away. Those who experience limb loss and limb difference face that reality on a daily basis. Despite all of the advances in medicine and technology, there is no silver bullet to cure those woes. Prosthetic devices often require numerous adjustments and frequent replacements. The constant process of trial and error can be disheartening and financially distressing, not only for the individual, but also for their family.

The issue has touched our Senate family on a personal level. Brett Waple, son of my executive director, Gail Reinard, had partial amputation of his foot several years ago, and John Platek, husband of my chief of staff, Heather Cevasco, had his leg amputated below the knee 2 years ago this month. Seeing and hearing about their journeys offers a revealing perspective. While John still deals with significant challenges due to his condition, it is inspiring to see the obstacles he has overcome and the courage he has shown in adjusting to life after limb loss. Although he is adjusting to a new normal with heart and determination, he is still able to do the things he loves. In many cases, we see individuals like John and Brett conquer new obstacles and earn significant personal victories. What we do not see are the weeks, months, and years of physical pain, emotional heartbreak, and dogged determination leading up to those accomplishments. Regardless of the cause of their limb loss, amputees must learn to contend with a lifelong condition that can turn even the simplest task into a serious chore. The general public is often unaware of the challenges faced by the amputee community, and raising awareness of these issues is the best way to honor their struggle. I ask all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing that struggle and reminding those who suffer from limb loss that they do not have to take on this fight alone.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Senator McIlhinney for a uniquely important issue.

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

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

Senators HUTCHINSON, TEPLITZ, EICHELBERGER, ALLOWAY, ARGALL, AUMENT, BAKER, BLAKE, BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, COSTA, FONTANA, GORDNER, GREENLEAF, HAYWOOD, MENSCH, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, SCHWANK, SMITH, VULAKOVICH, WHITE, WOZNIAK, YAW and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 62**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of April 13 through 17, 2015, as "Local Government Week" and April 15, 2015, as "Local Government Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, today I rise to ask my colleagues to support this resolution recognizing and honoring the thousands of Pennsylvanians who selflessly work to improve their communities. This resolution designates the week of April 13 through April 17, 2015, as "Local Government Week," and April 15 as "Local Government Day" here in Pennsylvania. Mr. President, we, as legislators, tend to look at the big picture when it comes to enacting laws in this Commonwealth, and we sometimes view Pennsylvania as one big government entity, but we must never forget that our Commonwealth is a very diverse State made up of 2,565 separate municipalities, each with its own specific local strengths, issues, and concerns.

The fact is, Mr. President, that government begins at the local level. Municipal governments are there to address neighborhood concerns and provide for the well-being of the people in their communities. With that in mind, we set aside Local Government Week each year as a way to recognize the accomplishments of local governments and their officials. So, I am pleased to support this effort. Mr. President, our local government officials provide a valuable service to our communities, and I ask my colleagues to honor these men and women with an affirmative vote on the resolution.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator TEPLITZ. Mr. President, briefly, I am honored to work with Senator Hutchinson and a dozen of our colleagues on the Senate Committee on Local Government, and to further assist the Senate in working on the needs of local governments and their constituents. Senator Hutchinson is absolutely right about the importance of government at the local level, and we should be doing everything we can to help them, and this resolution designating the week and the day are just further indication of our interest in pursuing those issues. I ask my colleagues to join us in sponsoring the 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 GORDNER, on behalf of Senators BROOKS, HAYWOOD, VULAKOVICH, ARGALL, BAKER, McGARRIGLE, MENSCH, SCHWANK, SMITH, AUMENT, BLAKE, BREWSTER, COSTA, EICHELBERGER, FARNESE, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, TEPLITZ, VOGEL, WARD, WHITE, WOZNIAC, YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE and ALLOWAY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 63**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2015 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Brooks, I offer the following remarks for the record.

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 Columbia, Senator GORDNER, on behalf of the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator BROOKS:)

Mr. President, I rise today to offer this resolution designating April 2015 as "Child Abuse Prevention Month in Pennsylvania." All too often, it seems we hear the news of another heartbreakingly tragic incident of child abuse somewhere in Pennsylvania. These stories just grab our attention. We wonder, how can this happen? Who could do this? And, why did no one help?

In 2013, there were 3,425 substantiated cases of child abuse in the Commonwealth, with 38 children dying as a result of abuse and neglect. Those were the reported cases. Those were the cases that we know about. We can only wonder how many other cases are out there. How many other young lives are in peril?

Child abuse crosses all racial, economic, and geographic boundaries. Child abuse can and must be prevented. We must work together to let families know that they have access to community resources that offer support, information, and guidance to help stop or prevent abusive behaviors or conditions. Together, schools, social service agencies, churches, and neighborhood groups are working to make a real difference in the lives of children at risk for abuse throughout this Commonwealth.

Mr. President, this resolution recognizes and commends the efforts being made to give every child in this Commonwealth a childhood free of abuse and victimization.

I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators PILEGGI, AUMENT, COSTA, DINNIMAN, McGARRIGLE, RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, SMITH, VULAKOVICH and WOZNIAC, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 64**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 14, 2015, as the observance of Vaisakhi in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators PILEGGI, BREWSTER, COSTA, DINNIMAN, FARNESE, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, HAYWOOD, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, RAFFERTY, SCAVELLO, SCHWANK, VULAKOVICH, WOZNIAC, AUMENT and SMITH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 65**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of March 2015 as "Fibromuscular Dysplasia Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, ARGALL, HAYWOOD, VULAKOVICH, SCAVELLO, BAKER, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, AUMENT, SMITH, GREENLEAF, BREWSTER, COSTA, PILEGGI, YUDICHAK, MENSCH and ALLOWAY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 66**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2015 as "Sexual Assault Awareness Month" 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, today I offer this resolution with Senator Teplitz to bring awareness to an important issue in the State, "Sexual Assault Awareness Month." This is not something that only affects women or men or young or old. Sexual assault is a serious issue that affects all of us, and the more we talk about it and educate people about it, the better chance we have of preventing it. For children, teens, and adults, both male and female, we need to act now to stop the violence by taking precautionary steps in our schools, across college campuses, and in the workplace. By teaching people how to recognize the signs of sexual abuse and what to do when someone is assaulted and abused, every one of us can make a difference in someone's life.

So I ask for your support to combat sexual assault, to take steps toward preventing it, and to help survivors gain counseling in order to overcome it. Thanks to organizations like the National Sexual Violence Resource Center, these efforts are already underway across the country. I ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator TEPLITZ. Mr. President, I rise to join my colleague, Senator Tartaglione, in recognizing April 2015 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Pennsylvania. Sexual assault is a terrible crime that impacts women, children, and men. It knows no age, race, ethnicity, or class status. Many victims often wait years to come forward about their trauma, if ever. That is why it is crucial we have an open and honest discussion about sexual assault so that we, as a society, can help victims and strengthen our laws. So I ask our colleagues to join Senator Tartaglione and me in supporting this resolution designating the month of April as Sexual Assault Awareness Month in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks both Senator Teplitz and Senator Tartaglione for this important 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 COSTA, on behalf of Senators HAYWOOD, KITCHEN, GREENLEAF, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAK, FONTANA, BREWSTER, WILLIAMS, DINNIMAN, PILEGGI, SMITH, RAFFERTY, VULAKOVICH, FARNESE and WHITE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 67**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 13, 2015, as "Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Haywood, I offer the following remarks.

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 Allegheny, Senator COSTA, on behalf of the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator HAYWOOD:)

Mr. President, I am proud to present this resolution to designate April 13, 2015, "Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Day." The Alpha Kappa Alphas have a long history of service to the community, beginning in 1908, when Howard University student Ethel Hedgeman founded the AKAs to bring together a network of like-minded women to lift each other up. It was the first ever black Greek-letter sorority. There are now more than 280,000 collegiate members across 980 chapters around the world. The work of the AKAs reflects their motto: "To be supreme in service to all mankind."

In recent decades, they have funded scholarships, improved the reading skills of 16,000 children, added the largest number of minorities to the National Bone Marrow registry, and they pushed anti-lynching legislation shortly after their inception. They are a voice of the citizens, a voice that needs to be louder in the General Assembly. I appreciate their support of my recently introduced independent prosecutor legislation, Senate Bill No. 400, which will help to restore trust in our justice system and improve police/community relations.

The AKAs serve as a fine example of what a collective commitment to community service can accomplish.

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 Soroptimist International of Hanover by Senator Alloway

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sally Kohr by Senators Alloway and Teplitz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Pottsville Business and Professional Women's Club by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sauder by Senator Aument.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Tiffany Iriana by Senators Blake and Alloway.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Tyler Vath, Michael Bartolo, Cole Matthews, Seth Hogue, Vera Lucille Meerdink, Malik Miller and to West Middlesex Junior/Senior High School Boys' Basketball Team by Senator Brooks.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dusten John Pisarcik and to Taylor Allderdice High School Boys' Basketball Team by Senator Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Captain Scott Butler, Gerald W. Davis, Sam Matthews, Sabrina Mangeri, Stephanie Baylouny, Shannon McWilliams, Joseph F. Greenwalt, Herbert Lee and to Maria DiBernardi by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul B. Redman by Senators Dinniman and Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ciesluk, Noah Crawford and to the Bloomsburg Area High School Boys' Swimming Team by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael Thomas, Mary Elizabeth Lyons, Catherine E. Jevit, Marion Laura St. Clair Benner and to Antonia M. Santacroce by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth E. Wagner by Senator Hutchinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lilia Kazansky by Senator Leach.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alexandra Adams by Senator McGarrigle.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Barry G. Ginsberg, Dr. Richard O. Coe, Honorable Libby White, Carolyn Della-Rodolfa, Gina Furia Rubel, Ronald Bernstein, Jeffrey Marshall, Mauda Franca Catelani Warden, Cassandra G. Budson, Alexandra Y. Attinger and to Gilmore and Associates, Inc., by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Trinity United Methodist Church of Chester by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sarah J. Haunstein and to Lookout Fire Company No. 1 by Senator Scavello.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Chris Yeshulas and to Dustin Michael Wolf by Senator Schwank.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jacob Wentzel, Gregory Bulsak, Matthew Kwalick, Ryan Dudzinski, Maria Lohman, Jarod Kehl, Kellan Stout, Mike Carr, Quaker Valley High School Boys' Swimming Team and to Upper St. Clair High School Boys' Swimming Team by Senator Smith.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Rami Ibrahim by Senator Tartaglione.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lee Kopp, Vivian Tafuto, Allie Raab, Hershey High School Girls' Swimming Team and to Hershey High School Girls' Swimming and Diving Team by Senator Teplitz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Taylor Petrak by Senator Vogel.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Cathedral Preparatory School Varsity Ice Hockey Team, Fairview High School Girls' Swimming Team and to Erie Insurance Group by Senator Wiley.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to South Philadelphia Lions Club by Senator Williams.

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 Carol M. Masters, to the family of the late Charles Bauer, to the family of the late Marlene Casey Miller, to the family of the late Owen James Costello, to the family of the late Judith E. Shaffer, to the family of the late George William Pyle, Sr., and to the family of the late Olin L. Miner by Senator Baker.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late William J. Guth, Jr., to the family of the late Dennis L. Fehnel, to the family of the late Mary L. Spirk and to the family of the late John J. Bartos by Senator Boscola.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Charles P. Bednarik by Senators Browne and Boscola.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Jackson G. Horner by Senator Corman.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Francis J. Haas by Senator Dinniman.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Bruce G. Riddell by Senators Dinniman and Pileggi.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late James P. Stuhlman by Senators Farnese and Hughes.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Hattie Mims by Senator Hughes.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Ruth Arlyne Price Campbell by Senators Hughes and Williams.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Dr. Henry R. Schmidt, to the family of the late Newton L. Beck, to the family of the late Barry L. Moyer, to the family of the late James F. O'Neill, Jr., and to the family of the late Robert C. Van Pelt by Senator McIlhinney.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Elaine Keogh-Martinez by Senator Scavello.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jarrett Yoder and to the family of the late Mary Ann Watts by Senator Schwank.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Edward Ritter Kennedy, to the family of the late Russell Enders, to the family of the late Douglas Ford, Jr., and to the family of the late Ivan T. Smith by Senator Teplitz.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late John J. Doster and to the family of the late Robert Lewis, Jr., by Senator Tomlinson.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Ian Matthew McCloskey by Senator Vance.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Edward Mathews Mead by Senator Wiley.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Novella S. Williams, and to the family of the late Mark Allen Hudson by Senator Williams.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Robert Wilson III by Senator Williams and others.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Jeffrey Scott Buck, Jr., by Senator Wozniak.

POSTHUMOUS CITATION

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

A posthumous citation honoring the late Charles Way was extended to the family by Senator Dinniman.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2015

10:00 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (joint public hearing with the House State Government Committee on the Constitutional Convention under Article V of the United States Constitution)	Leroy Irvis Bldg. Room G-50
Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 352, 487 and 494; and House Bills No. 152 and 159)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015

10:30 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (to consider Senate Bills No. 442, 622 and 699; House Bill No. 192; and a confirmation hearing on the Executive Nomination of Richard Steigerwald to the State Athletic Commission)	Room 8E-A East Wing
11:00 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bill No. 285; and House Bill No. 157)	Room 8E-B East Wing
11:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Bills No. 163, 202, 533 and 683)	Room 8E-B East Wing
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 562; and certain Executive Nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2015

9:30 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bills No. 330, 482, 486 and 566)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bills No. 386, 580 and 623)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:30 A.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (to consider Senate Bills No. 22 and 305)	Room 461 Main Capitol
1:30 P.M.	FINANCE (public hearing on pension plan design proposals)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 2015

12:30 P.M.	JUDICIARY and MAJORITY POLICY COMMITTEE (joint public hearing on the State Pet Protection Law)	Gettysburg Rec. Ctr. Charlie Sterner Bldg.
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MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2015

10:00 A.M.	BASIC EDUCATION FUNDING COMMISSION (basic education funding issues)	Assembly Room Univ. of Pitt.
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PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, I wanted to remind everyone of the significance of this month 150 years ago. I read a book a few years back, "April 1865: The Month That Saved America," that talked about everything that was happening in the

country at that time - the Union armies moving against the Confederate armies, how some of the Confederate armies were going to break off and become guerrilla fighters in the woods in the Carolinas - and it was a very interesting period of time. Of course, we lost one of our greatest Presidents, Abraham Lincoln, in April 1865.

Recently, the gentleman from Lancaster County, Senator Aument, tweeted about Lancaster's celebration of the signing of the peace treaty at Appomattox Court House, the surrender of the Confederate troops under Robert E. Lee to General Ulysses S. Grant, commander of the Union troops. Lancaster County rang the bells that day to remind everyone of its significance. I do not want to lose that.

April happens to be a busy month. We celebrated Easter and Passover, two very important days on our religious calendars. We certainly celebrate the opening of baseball at the major league level, the minor league level, and our Little Leagues. But April should be a reminder for us of the end of the most bloody conflict that this country has ever witnessed, the Civil War, where brother fought brother, blue against gray, where our country was torn asunder, and by the force and foreknowledge of Abraham Lincoln was able to, once again, pull together as a country. I know he was dead at the time, but he had laid out his vision for what would become the reconstruction and reuniting of two separate entities at that time, the United States and the Confederacy. We also remember the brave men and women who lost their lives in that struggle. Many women who were nurses suffered casualties as well during the Civil War.

It was a horrific time in our history, yet a time that eventually worked to bring us even closer together, the north and the south. The only time you really hear about north and south anymore are in athletic competitions. It has been very fortunate for us in that regard that we have been able to heal. When we look at some of the countries around the world, they still have north and south dividing lines. We do not, and our country was able to pull together that day and I cannot give credit enough to Robert E. Lee and Ulysses S. Grant for when they sat down at Appomattox to hammer out the peace terms. General Lee was under a lot of pressure to move his army south to hook up with General Joseph Johnston, who was facing General William Sherman, and try to do a guerrilla warfare, if you will, to carry on for the independence of the Confederate States, but both General Lee and General Johnston realized that that was not to the benefit of the country as a whole. With General Ulysses S. Grant's very generous surrender terms, followed later by General William Tecumseh Sherman's very liberal surrender terms as well, we were able to see an end to the conflict, a laying down of the arms, and once again, the north and south become brothers and embraced one another to form a stronger, more united United States of America.

So this month, April, 150 years ago, 1865, was that turning point in our history where wiser men prevailed in the face of war, made the right decisions, and we are today a united nation, stronger than ever. Mr. President, may their efforts never be forgotten.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The the Chair thanks my good friend and would like to emphasize that we appreciate his unique take and very important and informative discussion on The Civil War.

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The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, April 14, 2015, at 1 p.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 4:27 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.