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TUESDAY, May 10, 2016

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

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend CHUCK ARNOLD, Pastor of Congregational Care, Grace Point Church, Newtown, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray together.

Almighty God, we come to You today because we know that You care about us in an intimate way. You are here today because You highly care about the things that go on in this great land of ours and in this great State. O God, it is such a joy to know that You do care about us and that when we are struggling with issues of life, when we are struggling with issues of family and friends, and some of the difficulties of life, that we can look to You and we can call to You. O God and Father, it is my prayer today as the deliberations go on that there will be a spirit of co-operation, a spirit of love, a spirit of concern, and a cooperation to really take to matters that need to be looked at.

Lord, I thank You for this great land that we live in, free to be here, to speak our mind, to be able to enjoy one another, and enjoy the freedoms that we have. Lord, I thank You for our military forces, and I thank You for those who are serving in conflict even at this very moment. Lord, thank You for guiding and directing us in all things. I certainly pray in Your name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Arnold, who is the guest today of Senator McIlhinney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

SB 428 (Pr. No. 379)

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusion, further providing for the offense of criminal trespass.

SB 1112 (Pr. No. 1528)

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in general administration relating to correctional institutions, providing for salary of corrections managers.

SB 1160 (Pr. No. 1775) (Amended)

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for licenses and for licensing of dealers; and providing for sheriffs and deputy sheriffs.

SB 1197 (Pr. No. 1776) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in dissemination of criminal history record information, further providing for general regulations and for order for limited access, providing for clean slate for convictions of misdemeanors and summary offenses, for charges not leading to convictions and for records of juvenile delinquency and for effects of expunged offenses and offenses provided limited access and further providing for use of records by licensing agencies.

Senator TOMLINSON, from the Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, reported the following bills:

HB 64 (Pr. No. 55)

An Act providing for suicide prevention continuing education.

HB 1864 (Pr. No. 3305) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of May 3, 1933 (P.L.242, No.86), referred to as the Cosmetology Law, further providing for student practice upon the public for pay prohibited.

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

SB 535 (Pr. No. 492)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices.

SB 559 (Pr. No. 536)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for schedule of convictions and points; in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices; and in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for State and local powers.

SB 1216 (Pr. No. 1774) (Amended)

An Act designating the bridge carrying State Route 3087 over Jacobs Creek connecting Scottsdale, Westmoreland County, and Everson, Fayette County, as the Private First Class Joseph Anthony Petrarca/Staff Sergeant John William Earnesty Memorial Bridge.

SB 1217 (Pr. No. 1739)

An Act designating a portion of State Route 523 in Somerset County as the Private First Class Nils G. Thompson Memorial Highway.

Senator BAKER, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported the following bill:

SB 876 (Pr. No. 1773) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, reenacted and amended June 21, 1939 (P.L.520, No.281), in liability and compensation, further providing for injuries outside this Commonwealth; in procedure, further providing for the Workmen's Compensation Administration Fund; and, in the Uninsured Employers Guaranty Fund, further providing for definitions, for fund, for claims, for claim petition, for administration and for assessments and transfers; and providing for uninsured employer obligations, for administrative penalties and stop-work orders and for annual reports to General Assembly.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Wagner.

The PRESIDENT. Senator CORMAN requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Wagner. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of February 9, 2016, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of February 9, 2016.

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

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

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

YEA-48

Alloway	Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson
Argall	Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance
Aument	Farnese	Rafferty	Vogel
Baker	Folmer	Resenthaler	Vulakovich

Bartolotta	Fontana	Sabatina	Wagner
Blake	Gordner	Scarnati	Ward
Boscola	Greenleaf	Scavello	White
Brewster	Haywood	Schwank	Wiley
Brooks	Hughes	Smucker	Williams
Browne	Hutchinson	Stefano	Wozniak
Corman	Leach	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	McGarrigle	Teplitz	Yudichak

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

**GUESTS OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Jefferson, Senator Scarnati.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, today I am very pleased to introduce our guest speaker, Yaron Sideman. Mr. Sideman serves as Consul General of Israel to the Mid-Atlantic region, which serves Pennsylvania, Ohio, Delaware, West Virginia, Kentucky, and southern New Jersey. In his most recent position, he served at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as Director of Congressional Affairs at the North American Division. In that role, he was responsible for supervising and directing Israel's relations to the U.S. Congress. Mr. Sideman holds a master's degree in political science from Haifa University, and a bachelor of arts degree in psychology and philosophy from Tel Aviv University. Also joining him on the floor today are Barry Shapiro, Michael Alexander, Elliott Weinstein, and Josh Ackerman. I ask that we offer Mr. Sideman and his colleagues a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Scarnati, the Consul General and the delegation, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. We are also honored to be able to receive an address from the Consul General, and for that purpose, I ask Members to give your complete attention.

Consul General, please address the Senate.

Consul General SIDEMAN. Thank you so much, Lieutenant Governor. I am deeply, deeply privileged and honored to be here and address you from this prestigious podium. Thank you, again, Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack and President pro tempore Joe Scarnati, for inviting me and offering me this remarkable honor. It is deeply humbling.

The first time I was given this great honor was nearly 4 years ago when I first assumed my position as Consul General of Israel in Philadelphia. I conveyed then a message of friendship that I wish to reiterate today. It is very simple: Israel has no better friend and ally than the United States of America.

(Applause.)

It is a friendship that is manifested in the broad bipartisan support that Israel enjoys in the U.S. Congress, but really the seeds of that relationship are planted right here in this Commonwealth and in this Chamber. It is a friendship that is nourished by mutually beneficial relationships and partnerships in numerous fields developed at the State and local level, and it is a friendship underscored by the shared values of life, freedom, and liberty, solidified by the strength of both of our democracies.

Tomorrow happens to be Israel's Memorial Day, and in a few short hours, a minute-long siren will be heard throughout the land of Israel in memory of the many fallen soldiers and victims of terrorism. It is a moment when everyone in Israel comes together to reflect and honor the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives in the name of those sacred values that we all embrace and that which bind our two countries and our two societies together. Some of those values, I will tell you, my friends, are being challenged these days. They are being challenged as the Middle East is being thrust in a prolonged period of instability and uncertainty. Nearly every year we are witness to some seismic, dramatic change in the region that no one was able to predict or foresee. The geopolitical vacuum that has been created in the Middle East is unfolding in many different ways in many different countries. No two countries share the exact same story.

There is, however, one common phenomenon that has raised its ugly head and is fast exploiting this vacuum, saturating it with an ideology promoting hatred and violence, and that phenomenon is radical militant Islam. Be it the ISIS Sunni branch or the Iranian Shiite version, it seeks to violently and ruthlessly impose its warped ideology on the region and the entire world, and it seeks to erase those values of life and liberty that we all cherish and that so many people we are honoring today and every day have died for. On this day, as we remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen in the line of duty in Israel, we remain as committed as ever to standing up for our shared ideals and values in the face of this dangerous ideology.

The best way to defeat those forces that insist on taking humanity backward to a dark past is to identify opportunities for creating a better future and seize those opportunities. Israel and Pennsylvania have a very important role to play in this effort. Israel's innovative technologies in areas such as cyber, homeland security, agricultural technologies, life sciences, and many more are a significant piece of those promising opportunities for creating a better and safer future. Few partners are more suited for jointly developing and leveraging these technologies than this great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

So, last year when Israel's Defense Ministry arranged a visit of 12 leading Israeli homeland security companies to the United States, I insisted that they come and visit Pennsylvania, and I must admit, it was a very easy sell. We worked with our Commonwealth partners and arranged meetings with over 40 Pennsylvania companies. Many promising partnerships have emerged, and as a result of that successful mission, a follow-up homeland security delegation from Israel is scheduled to visit Pennsylvania next week. It already has a packed and compelling agenda. When an Israeli company that invented a product that allows completely paralyzed people to stand up, walk erect, and even climb stairs was looking for a U.S. partner to jointly develop, test, and market that technology, it is not at all surprising that they found that partner right here in Pennsylvania. The product, ReWalk, was, I believe, showcased in this Chamber a few short months ago. Such partnerships between Israel and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that help people and that lead to more trade, jobs, revenue, and, most importantly, make the world a better, safer place, those partnerships make everything that we do here worthwhile. It makes me personally very proud to witness this wonderful growth in the relationship between Israel and Pennsylvania.

The future holds infinite opportunities for such partnerships between our States. Israel is committed to finding and develop-

ing those opportunities with all of you and with each and every one of you. I have been extremely fortunate to work with so many of you in this Chamber to that end, and I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your friendship, for your partnership, and for your steadfast and dedicated commitment to facilitating a rock-solid relationship between Israel and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and between Israel and the United States of America. Thank you so very much.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. The Chair would like to thank Senator Scarnati for hosting the Consul General, and to thank the Consul General for all his tremendous service. He has been called home to Israel, but he will always be our friend and partner, and we thank you for all your service.

GUEST OF SENATOR CHARLES McILHINNEY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes my high school classmate from the great county of Bucks, Senator McIlhinney.

Senator McILHINNEY. Mr. President, I extend my thanks to my constituent, Reverend Chuck Arnold, Pastor of Congregational Care, Grace Point Church in Newtown, for serving as guest Chaplain today and offering the opening prayer for Senate Session. Chuck served 20 years in the United States Marine Corps, and then 20 years in New Jersey Army National Guard, serving a total of 40 years and attaining the rank of Master Sergeant. He is a board certified pastoral counselor, board certified crisis response chaplain, and a board certified master life coach with the American Association of Christian Counselors.

Please join me in giving him a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator McIlhinney, Pastor Arnold, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Thank you for your prayers, pastor.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

GUESTS OF SENATOR STEWART GREENLEAF AND SENATOR ARTHUR L. HAYWOOD PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, in my senatorial district, in part of the district before redistricting, there was a Ukrainian cultural center and there was also a Ukrainian sports facility. Both of those facilities gave me an opportunity to come in contact with my Ukrainian-American constituents. The arts center was a cultural center and it had many, many opportunities for paintings, music, and for schooling, and it is now in the district of Senator Haywood. I retained the sports facility. This is a very large facility. They have soccer and other athletic pursuits there. They have cultural events there in the summertime and bring in people from the Ukraine and Americans from all over the State and other States to visit there during that period of time.

Out at the cultural center came a group of very, very dedicated, civic-minded, young Ukrainian Americans, and as in other

countries like Israel and others who are under the threat of tyranny, which we do not see too often, but we see what the other parts of our fellow countries in this world who choose to impose their will on other countries, the Ukraine is one of those countries. In spite of all that, in spite of being next to a very large former superpower in Russia, the Soviet Union, they have held their own and they have held their independence and they fought for their independence. I remember seeing on the news where the battle was bloody and fierce, but they came out with a democracy, and they continue to fight for that now with Russia invading their country. No one believes that independent people are going into that country to fight and are not supported or sponsored by Russia. That is not true. They are very much involved in it to try to undermine their democracy.

So, what do my constituents do, my Ukrainian American, young constituents do, who are sitting up there with my friend Gene Luciw, who is an attorney living in Montgomery County? They decided to reach out and go to Congress and speak to our Congress people and our other Federal legislators and now come here to Pennsylvania and advocate for the freedom that Ukraine deserves. The freedom of liberty, the freedom of not interfering with their way of life and their desire to have a free Ukraine. So I ask the Members here to welcome them and congratulate them and applaud them for their courage and determination to maintain their way of life and their democracy. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Also joining Senator Greenleaf with welcoming remarks is Senator Haywood.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Haywood.

Senator HAYWOOD. Mr. President, I join Senator Greenleaf and I commend the Ukrainian American Youth Civics and Public Policy Club from the Ukrainian Heritage Saturday School, which is in my district in Jenkintown. We visited with leaders of the school last year and I am so glad to see that the young folks have organized themselves to do more than just complain, but organized to take action. I hope that as they learn to become advocates for the Ukraine and its people, that they become part of a deep and broad engagement in active citizenship here in America as well. Advocating for those abroad is critical, but you should remember you are citizens of this country as well and that we, too, face certain threats to our democracy, although clearly not as severe. Keep in mind, young people, please, the citizens in this country own the government, and you should act accordingly.

Good luck on your venture and participation in active citizenship. I ask that we give them a warm Senate welcome, following the same request of Senator Greenleaf.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Greenleaf and Senator Haywood, the Ukrainian youth group in our gallery, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT TOMLINSON PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator TOMLINSON. Mr. President, today I welcome to the Senate the Franklin D. Roosevelt Middle School eighth grade

STEP team. Also joining them are their lead teachers, Meredith Mueller and Michael Ortman. STEP stands for Sustaining Today's Environmental Programs, and this team won the Outstanding Community Educational Project award at the 2015 Wheelabrator Environmental Symposium in Baltimore, Maryland. The Wheelabrator Symposium has promoted students to create innovative solutions to environmental issues, become leaders in their community, and build their interest in science, technology, engineering, and math concepts.

This STEP team utilized prior designed action plans to continue recycling efforts in their community. They designed a sticker with easy to follow recycling tips; coordinated an e-waste collection day that produced over 100,000 pounds of product; planned and implemented a zero waste day at their school; and created awareness of endangered species at their Bristol Township schools. Above all, these eighth-graders learned that we are all environmental stewards through awareness, inspiring action, and sustaining those actions.

Please join me in welcoming the Franklin D. Roosevelt Middle School STEP team and their lead teachers.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Tomlinson from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Middle School STEP Team please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR GENE YAW PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lycoming, Senator Yaw.

Senator YAW. Mr. President, I rise to welcome and congratulate several individuals from my Senate district who are with us in the Chamber today. Seated in the gallery are the 2015 Stock Market Game challenge winners from Montgomery Area High School in Lycoming County. Those students who participated with us include Josh Glover, Colby Barto, Dylan Rupert, Nephi Barnhart, and Austin LaChappelle. Also with them is their teacher and adviser, Ryan Monoski, a math teacher at Montgomery High School. They are joined by Montgomery School District Superintendent Daphne Bowers, as well as the high school principal, Joseph Stoudt.

The Stock Market Game challenge is an award-winning educational program used in classrooms to help teach math, social studies, business, economics, and language skills while focusing on the importance of longterm savings and investments. In the Stock Market Game, students are given a virtual cash account of \$100,000 and are encouraged to create the best performing portfolio using a live trading simulation. There are five games each year in the Stock Market Game. Montgomery Area High School participated in the fall 2015 game and won first place in the State for the game ending December 2015. The high school team's total equity was \$169,855. Remember, they started with \$100,000, and they have already received offers—we have certain State agencies that could probably benefit from their expertise.

It is worth noting that Montgomery has placed in the top rankings in the State championships for the past 3 years. The students placed second in 2014, and I am told that they vowed they would never let that happen again. In building their portfolio, students researched and evaluated stocks and made investment decisions

based on what they learned. Mr. President, again, I offer congratulations for my special guests from Montgomery Area High School, and I would appreciate a warm welcome from my colleagues in the Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Will the special guests from the Montgomery Area High School Stock Market Game challenge please rise so we that we may congratulate you and welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(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 off-the-floor committee meetings of the Committee on Finance, followed by the Committee on Local Government, followed by a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, at the conclusion of the two meetings, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus as well.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of meetings of the Committee on Finance and the Committee on Local Government, 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.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

PREFERRED APPROPRIATION BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 1106 (Pr. No. 1500) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act making a supplemental appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.

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

Pursuant to Senate Rule 9, the bill was laid on the table.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 31 and **HB 150** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 180 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 359 (Pr. No. 1766) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in enforcing attendance, further providing for definitions; providing for attendance policy at charter and cyber charter schools; further providing for reports of enrollments, attendance and withdrawals and public and private schools, and for penalties for violation of compulsory attendance requirements; providing for procedure by school when child habitually truant, for procedure upon filing of citation, for penalties for violating compulsory school attendance requirements and for study of truancy procedure; repealing provisions relating to suspension of operating privilege; in charter schools, further providing for provisions applicable to charter schools and for applicability of other provisions of this act and of other acts and regulations; and, in disruptive student programs, further providing for definitions.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I do not think I spoke about this legislation before the full body, but I have certainly spoken about it in committee, and it is an issue that is deeply personal to me. We do not get many opportunities to turn a tragedy into something positive, but Senate Bill No. 359 does give us that chance. There are many causes for truancy, which is what this bill is about, but we have largely been relying on a single solution to it: treating it as a crime with the unfounded belief that that would fix the problems.

The wake-up call for me came with the death in 2014 of Eileen DiNino, a widowed mother of seven, while she was in Berks County Prison because Pennsylvania law mandates a 5-day sentence for failing to pay truancy fines. Eileen died in prison with her children at home alone simply because she could not pay a \$2,000 fine that had accumulated against her. Frankly, it was very shocking to me and to many. In fact, in my community, it was a huge issue, and we were all surprised to learn that Pennsylvania mandated a prison sentence in truancy cases. It was an even greater shock to discover that not only do we have this bad idea of mandating prison for parents unable to pay truancy

finest, but even worse, that it is randomly applied. It turns out that whether you really go to prison or not depends to a large degree on what school district and magisterial district you live in, not just on whether you have the resources, financial and otherwise, to deal with truant children. In some counties, the law is applied hundreds of times every year. In others, it is not applied at all or rarely.

Eileen's death, sadly, put a human face to this ineffective justice. This bill today will not bring her back to her family and her friends, but it did prompt a very deep and serious reconsideration of the issue that resulted in Senate Bill No. 359. At the risk of over-simplifying the great efforts of so many, I think there are really two key points to keep in mind. One, no parent in Pennsylvania will ever go to prison because of truancy or because they could not afford to pay the fines for truancy. They can still go if they refuse to perform community service for a fine that they cannot afford but refuse to pay. That, however, is completely within their control. No one will ever go to prison because of poverty or the inability to manage their children's behavior or comply with a court order.

Second, this bill really recognizes the underlying fact that we want kids in school to learn. They cannot learn if they are not there. So, Senate Bill No. 359 ties the solution to the purpose, putting the responsibility to identify and address truancy issues on the shoulders of schools and to make sure it happens early. The courts and the power of the law will still be involved, but they no longer can be the first line of response. It will be up to teachers and administrators who meet and know the children on a daily basis to see the red flags and to report and deal with them first. Why this is important is that the causes of truancy are much deeper than a child simply not going to school. There are reasons for these choices, and they reflect many other concerns than whether or not a child attended class on a given day. These are things that we will all have to deal with because they affect our communities and neighborhoods. They affect whether these children will grow to participate responsibly in their communities and to create demands for services that help their communities grow or for services that they need just to survive.

Many people have contributed to reaching this point who deserve appreciation for their contributions. I cannot name them all, but certainly there are a lot of staff members who contributed to this, but I especially want to thank Senator Greenleaf and Senator Smucker, however, for immediately seeing this problem for what it means and committing to find a solution. I also thank Senator Reschenthaler for reaching out to the magisterial district justices and getting us to a place where we would have a solution.

Mr. President, I strongly urge my colleagues to affirm this bill. Thank you.

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to thank my colleague, Senator Smucker, who is the chair of the Senate Committee on Education, who took on this effort, and it is a serious effort. We have been discussing how to deal with this and solve this problem of children who are not going to school. One of the problems is not punishing the parents. That is what we are trying to do with this bill, not to do that, but to address it as a social problem and as a problem within the family. Many of these issues must be addressed not through harsh action, but

through a process of working with them to try to solve this issue and to make sure their children have a good education. Senator Smucker did that well.

There were other groups that were involved with this, such as the Educational Success and Truancy Prevention workgroup under the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, AOPC. Also the Joint State Government Commission Report of the State Truancy Advisory Committee, and then, of course, the staff and the individuals who are part of that committee that came up with the many additions to the original bill that Senator Schwank and I introduced.

Senator Schwank, thank you so much for your involvement. You brought this to my attention and to others' attention. Your help and support has been invaluable. Thank you so much and, of course, your background is in education, so why would you not be involved and interested in this. Senator Reschenthaler, thank you so much. I know this is a priority for you. The truancy issue is a priority and you came at it with the experience of dealing with issues such as this before you were elected here in the Senate, and you brought to our attention some emphasis that we should address, and your amendment was very, very helpful and helped to make the bill better, better to make sure that these children get the education we want them to obtain.

This bill has a long way to go. It may end up in an omnibus bill. That is okay, as long as it gets passed. Thank you so much for all of you and your involvement in this bill because you have taken steps, and helped us to take steps, that are so important for making sure our children are educated in our Commonwealth.

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-48

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

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 606, SB 691, SB 910, HB 928 and HB 930 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 944 (Pr. No. 2846) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 21, 1998 (P.L.1307, No.174), known as the Community and Economic Improvement Act, further providing for definitions, for powers of municipal corporations, for creation of neighborhood improvement districts, for creation of neighborhood improvement district management associations, for powers of neighborhood improvement district management associations, for annual audit and report and for applicability.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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Blake	Gordner	Scarnati	Ward
Boscola	Greenleaf	Scavello	White
Brewster	Haywood	Schwank	Wiley
Brooks	Hughes	Smucker	Williams
Browne	Hutchinson	Stefano	Wozniak
Corman	Leach	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	McGarrigle	Teplitz	Yudichak

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which concurrence of the House is requested.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1011 and **SB 1031** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1062 (Pr. No. 1679) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusions, further providing for burglary; and, in sentencing, providing for sentencing for burglary.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, this is a bill that you and I began working on a few Sessions ago here in the Senate of Pennsylvania, and Senator Sabatina joined in when you took the Lieutenant Governor rostrum as President of the Senate. We are very happy today to have this bill before the Senate of Pennsylvania.

This bill is for burglaries where the perpetrator is not just entering the home to steal something, but to inflict personal injury. Unfortunately, we see the newscasts. This is a growing problem throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and throughout our country. Currently, the burglary statute does not distinguish those burglaries where force or threat of force against an individual is used. This legislation will create a sentencing enhancement for burglaries of a home where the intent is to seriously hurt someone within the home or where during the course of the burglary the perpetrator commits or threatens to commit bodily injury to another person within that home. The distinction would only apply to burglaries in homes and will not automatically increase the sentence of the perpetrator, but would rather increase the recommended sentencing guidelines for which a judge within his or her discretion could sentence the individual.

These are some of the worst of the worst criminals committing these crimes. The safety of our homes, the health and safety of our families and ourselves are the most important things in life. These perpetrators are not just invading our homes, but they are violating the health, safety, and welfare of law-abiding citizens. There needs to be a distinction in our law so that we can treat these violations differently and recognize the severity of this offense and its harm to our safety and security here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. President, it was a pleasure working on this bill with you, and with my colleague from Philadelphia, Senator Sabatina. I ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks my friend from Montgomery County and commends him for his work, and for the involvement of Senator Sabatina.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I want to follow up and provide affirmative comments about the work that was done by the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Rafferty, as well as the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Sabatina, and yourself advancing this particular piece of legislation relating to home invasions. I think as the Members know, a few years back I had the privilege of working then with Senator Greenleaf on modifying the burglary statute along these lines that allow for the elements to be enumerated in a more efficient manner to comply with court cases, and subsequently, our Sentencing Commission adopted sentencing guidelines that reflected that and the enhancement. This is the next logical progression of that conversation.

As we see what is happening in Pennsylvania and around the country where these home invasions are becoming more abrasive and more harmful to individuals in this Commonwealth, it is

important and imperative that we take the necessary steps to provide for the enhancements to the penalties that this legislation provides. So, I thank the gentlemen and the folks involved in crafting this, as it builds upon the work that has been done in this area, because it is a very, very important issue, these home invasions, and how we can curtail what is being done. So, my hat is off to Senator Rafferty and Senator Sabatina and, of course, yourself, Mr. President, as well. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentleman for his remarks and also for his great leadership on the issue.

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-48

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

NAY-0

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

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

SB 1077 (Pr. No. 1765) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in wiretapping and electronic surveillance, further providing for exceptions to prohibition of interception and disclosure of communications.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

Alloway	Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson
Argall	Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance
Aument	Farnese	Rafferty	Vogel
Baker	Folmer	Reschenthaler	Vulakovich
Bartolotta	Fontana	Sabatina	Wagner
Blake	Gordner	Scarnati	Ward

Boscola	Greenleaf	Scavello	White
Brewster	Haywood	Schwank	Wiley
Brooks	Hughes	Smucker	Williams
Browne	Hutchinson	Stefano	Wozniak
Corman	Leach	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	McGarrigle	Teplitz	Yudichak

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1115, SB 1144, SB 1154, SB 1195 and HB 1199 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1200 (Pr. No. 2567) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 26, 1903 (P.L.71, No.71), entitled "An act relating to the location, construction and maintenance of viaducts and bridges in cities and adjacent territory; empowering the several cities of this Commonwealth to construct, or have constructed, bridges or viaducts over rivers, creeks, streams, railroads and private lands, or over and across any of them, for public highways, and to procure locations therefor by purchase or condemnation proceedings, whether the same be wholly within, or partly within and partly without, the city limits; authorizing said cities to unite and enter into a contract or contracts with the county commissioners of the proper county, and with railroad, street railway, and other companies and parties interested, or with any of them, for the erection, construction and maintenance of said viaducts and bridges, and for the payment of the damages caused by their location and erection; and forbidding any railroad company to pass under any such viaduct or bridge, without contributing to the cost of maintenance thereof," repealing provisions relating to contracts with railroads for maintenance of viaducts and bridges.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL AMENDED

HB 1310 (Pr. No. 1774) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency telephone service, providing for prohibited release of information.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator VULAKOVICH offered the following amendment No. A7100:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 through 13, by striking out "a" in line 11 and all of lines 12 and 13 and: inserting
individual identifying information of an individual calling a 911 center, victim or witness.

(b) Applicability.--This section shall not apply if the PSAP or a court determines that the public interest in disclosure outweighs the interest in nondisclosure.

Amend Bill, page 1, line 14, by striking out "(b)" and inserting:

(c)

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 15 and 16, by striking out the comma after "number" in line 15 and all of line 16 and inserting:
and home address. The term does not include:

(1) The location of the incident, unless the location is the caller's, victim's or witness's home address or the disclosure of the location would compromise the identity of the caller, victim or witness.

(2) The street block identifier, the cross street or the mile marker nearest the scene of the incident, which shall be public.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator VULAKOVICH. Mr. President, as a former law enforcement officer myself, I know it is important that there is no hesitation when an individual makes a 911 call, particularly when reporting a crime. The possibility of having their identifying information printed in the newspaper would certainly have a chilling effect on many potential 911 callers.

Due to some concerns that were expressed, I worked with the Office of Open Records, as well as the Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Emergency Numbers Association, or the 911 Association, to draft an amendment. The amendment aims to clarify the intent of the bill so that the identity of 911 callers will be confidential, as well as victims and witnesses. Overall, the amendment protects the identity of the caller/victim/witness, while providing public access to the street block identifier, the cross street, or milemarker nearest the scene of the incident. This last information is important to the news media, which will be assured of having the information it needs to monitor time responses. Furthermore, my amendment will allow for disclosure when in the public interest.

Again, House Bill No. 1310 is aimed at insuring the privacy of an individual's identifying information, and my amendment clarifies that intent. The County Commissioners Association, PA National Emergency Numbers Association, and the PA Association of Public Safety Communication Officers are all in agreement with the amendment.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1484 and **HB 1552** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1788 (Pr. No. 2734) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 21, 1998 (P.L.1307, No.174), known as the Community and Economic Improvement Act, providing for special financing assessments.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 215, SB 289, SB 342, HB 380 and **HB 602** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 608 (Pr. No. 2254) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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 authority to control, for schedules of controlled substances, for liquefied ammonia gas, precursors and chemicals and for promulgation of regulations.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 837 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1014 (Pr. No. 1272) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1038 and **SB 1041** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1052 (Pr. No. 1762) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in uniform military and overseas voters, further providing for definitions, for duties and responsibilities of secretary and for registering to vote.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1166, HB 1167 and **SB 1168** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1229 (Pr. No. 1763) -- 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 horse race industry reform, further providing for Pennsylvania Breeding Fund.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1325, HB 1330, HB 1661 and **HB 1712** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator CORMAN, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following bill:

SB 1156 (Pr. No. 1772) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for disposition and expunction of unfounded reports and general protective services reports, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for volunteers having contact with children and for recertification.

MOTION PURSUANT TO SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I call up Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1, House Bill No. 1156, and move the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 1156, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(m)(2).

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the motion?
A voice vote having been taken, the question was determined in the affirmative.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1**SB 1156 CALLED UP**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1156 (Pr. No. 1772) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for disposition and expunction of unfounded reports and general protective services reports, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for volunteers having contact with children and for recertification.

Considered the third time and agreed to,
And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

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

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

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Donald Burgard, 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 THE ARCHITECTS LICENSURE BOARD

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr. (Public Member), 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Architects Licensure Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice David Majernik, Pittsburgh, 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 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL OF *[sic]* THE ARTS

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard, 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, to serve until July 1, 2016, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Stephen Harmelin, Philadelphia, 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 AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Brenda L. Rios (Public Member), 1224 N. Third Street, Unit 502, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners, to serve for *[data missing]* three years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Timothy 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 THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 4, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard, 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg

17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve until April 15, 2016, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Kinginer, Kingston, 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 BARBER EXAMINERS

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr. (Public Member), 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve until October 6, 2017, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Donald Yost, Gaines, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carole Gravagno, Wayne, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

CONTROLLER, BUCKS COUNTY

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Leah Sheppard, 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller, in and for the County of Bucks, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice Raymond McHugh, Feasterville, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

CONTROLLER, CLEARFIELD COUNTY

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller, in and for the County of Clearfield, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice Antonio Scotto, [data missing], 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 DIRECTORS OF THE
PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
FINANCING AUTHORITY

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard, 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve until September 25, 2016, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Kane, Indiana, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE HEALTH POLICY BOARD

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Health Policy Board, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Anne Henry, Harrisburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 3, 2016, of Brenda L. Rios, 1224 N. Third Street, Unit 502, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, to serve for a term of five years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Garmon, Pittsburgh, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LACKAWANNA COUNTY

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lackawanna County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable Robert A. Mazzoni, 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,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 18, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable Peter F. Rogers, 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,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 4, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esq., 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable Gregory Smith, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 4, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esq., 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable David N. Wecht, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 10, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esq., 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable Christine L. Donohue, 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 EXAMINERS
OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 3, 2016, of Brenda L. Rios (Public Member), 1224 N. Third Street, Unit 502, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Margaret Matisko, Wilkes Barre [sic], 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 EXAMINERS
OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard, 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Etchells, State College, 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 OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPY EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard (Public Member), 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure, to serve for a term of three years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Turner, Mercer, 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
THADDEUS STEVENS COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esq., 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2021, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice John Levitski, Lititz, 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 VETERINARY MEDICINE

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 3, 2016, of Leah J. Sheppard (Public Member), 214 Cumberland Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve until June 10, 2018, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Glenda Brion, West Chester, 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
THE WESTERN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

April 21, 2016

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 11, 2016, of Brenda L. Rios, 1224 N. Third Street, Unit 502, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Western Youth Development Centers, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2017, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Thomas Fee, New Castle, 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
THE WESTERN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 4, 2016, of Mary K. Topper, Esq., 223 Pine Street, Apt. 3A, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Western Youth Development Centers, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2017, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable Gerald LaValle, Harrisburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 21, 2016

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated March 4, 2016, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 901 Capital Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appoint-

ment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-35, to serve until the first Monday of January 2018, vice The Honorable Hugh F. McGough, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

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

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

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

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

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

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON AGING

March 31, 2016

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, Dennis Flynn, 104 Crawford Road, Downingtown 19335, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2017, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Winegardner, New Holland, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON AGING

March 31, 2016

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard Turner, 1313 Pulaski-Mercer Road, Mercer 16137, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2017, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jen Martcheck, Wexford, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

March 31, 2016

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, Addrean Hahn, 3 West King Street, Abbottstown 17301, Adams County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology, to serve until October 14, 2017, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Karie Schoeneman, Pottsville, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

March 31, 2016

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, M. Joel Bolstein, Esquire, 404 Appian Way, Doylestown 18901, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, to serve for *[data missing]* five years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

March 31, 2016

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michael Hardiman, 690 Hopewell Road, Downingtown 19335, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, to serve for *[data missing]* five years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Meron Yemane, Camp Hill, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

March 31, 2016

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jacob Bierling, Jr., 3723 Huey Avenue, Drexel Hill 19026, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve for *[data missing]* three years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS'
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

March 31, 2016

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, Bart Burne, Ed.D., 37 Old Mill Road, Laflin 18702, Luzerne County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve for *[data missing]* three years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS'
EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

March 31, 2016

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, Patricia Dombrowsky, 125 Bungalow Road, Enola 17025, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve for *[data missing]* three years, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Barbara Butcher, Wellsboro, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

March 31, 2016

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, William Swallow, D.O., 7 Strawberry Lane, Lewistown 17044, Mifflin County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for *[data missing]* four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Jeffrey Heebner, D.O., Flourtown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES'
RETIREMENT BOARD

March 31, 2016

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, Glenn Becker, 713 Fox Hollow Road, PO Box 675, Gwynedd Valley 19437, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Employ-

ees' Retirement Board, to serve for *[data missing]* four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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March 31, 2016

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, David Fillman, 1877 Gramercy Place, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Employees' Retirement Board, to serve for *[data missing]* four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

March 31, 2016

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, Donald Stoy (Public Member), 608 Copper Circle, Lewisberry 17339, York County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve for *[data missing]* four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF WHITE HAVEN CENTER

March 31, 2016

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In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Lynn Falatko, 832 Pine Street, Freeland 18224, Luzerne County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of White Haven Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2017, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Louise Powell-McLafferty, Clarks Summit, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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March 31, 2016

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TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

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

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Senator ALLOWAY,
That the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of considering certain nominations made by the Governor.

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator ALLOWAY. Mr. President, I call from the table certain nominations and ask for their consideration.

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

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TOM WOLF
Governor

On the question,
Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator ALLOWAY. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator EICHELBERGER, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bill:

SB 1227 (Pr. No. 1759)

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of independent administrative boards and commissions, transferring certain powers and duties relating to public pension system analysis and legislation; providing for the Independent Fiscal Office; in powers and duties of the Department of the Auditor General, transferring certain powers and duties relating to municipal pension reporting and analysis; and making related repeals.

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

HB 902 (Pr. No. 1101)

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1979 (P.L.241, No.78), entitled "An act authorizing political subdivisions, municipality authori-

ties and transportation authorities to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and the sale of real and personal property where no bids are received," providing for contracts for services.

HB 1394 (Pr. No. 3306) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in storm sewers and watercourses, further providing for authority of boroughs and for manner of financing work; and, in watercourses, flood protection projects and storm water systems, further providing for establishing and changing watercourses, flood protection projects and storm water systems and for assessment of benefits and liens.

Senator FOLMER, from the Committee on State Government, reported the following bills:

SB 1192 (Pr. No. 1717)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to dedicate to Cresson Township a right-of-way from lands of the Commonwealth at the State Correctional Institution-Cresson, situate in Cresson Township, Cambria County, for the purpose of laying out and constructing a public roadway.

SB 1205 (Pr. No. 1727)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Borough of East Stroudsburg certain permanent public water supply system easements situate in the Borough of East Stroudsburg, Monroe County; and authorizing the East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the Borough of East Stroudsburg certain permanent public water supply system easements situate in the Borough of East Stroudsburg, Monroe County.

SB 1225 (Pr. No. 1755)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to partially release a reversionary interest and use restriction affecting certain real property situate in the Township of Weisenberg, Lehigh County.

SB 1232 (Pr. No. 1760)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Moshannon Valley Economic Development Partnership, Inc., certain lands and improvements situate in Rush Township, Centre County.

HB 1205 (Pr. No. 1983)

An Act establishing the Results First Project; and providing for data collection and analysis by the Independent Fiscal Office.

HB 1653 (Pr. No. 2661)

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for diverse and disadvantaged businesses.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators WILEY, FONTANA, FARNESE, GREENLEAF, RAFFERTY, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, SABATINA, TEPLITZ, WOZNIAC, SCHWANK, COSTA, VOGEL,

AUMENT and TARTAGLIONE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 356**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2016 as "Ehlers-Danlos Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie, Senator Wiley.

Senator WILEY. Mr. President, today I offer this resolution designating the month of May as "Ehlers-Danlos Awareness Month" in the Commonwealth. Many of you are asking, what exactly is Ehlers-Danlos syndrome? As a rare disease, that is a very common question, and this syndrome itself is very difficult to diagnose. I am no expert when it comes to rare disease or Ehlers-Danlos syndrome. I am just a guy who has had this disease touch his life, as those whom I care for very much are affected, and I happen to have a job where I can try to influence positive change in that regard.

This morning, I had the honor to share the podium with our Physician General, Dr. Rachel Levine, Senator Dinniman, Senator Costa, Senator Haywood, and Senator Sabatina, as we stood in the Rotunda in support of increased awareness for rare diseases. Like many other rare diseases, Ehlers-Danlos syndrome is a puzzle where pieces often do not fit, where misdiagnoses are common, and years go by with no answers. Imagine knowing that your child is sick and in pain but not knowing how to make them better. Imagine being told time and time again that there is nothing wrong with your loved one, but you know there is, and so do they. Countless doctor visits, countless medication regimens, countless sleepless nights, worry, fear, hopelessness, and darkness. Those suffering from rare diseases like Ehlers-Danlos syndrome know this cycle all too well, and meeting their needs must remain at the forefront.

Mr. President, as many of us here know, there is no stronger lobby than a mother with a sick child. Families with a loved one suffering from a rare disease are incredibly resilient, persistent in their quest to gain information, and unrelenting in their mission to find answers. It is quite awe-inspiring to see in the midst of such deep heartache, confusion, and frustration, there is still determination to forge a path toward a day where the worry subsides, the fear is gone, and hope has returned.

If you look at the Ehlers-Danlos syndrome theme, it is a zebra print in purple. Just last week, Physician General Dr. Levine shared with me the zebra analogy that she learned in medical school. When you think of a four-legged, hoofed animal running down the street, your first thought is a horse, right? Well, not all illnesses present as horses. One of them just might be a zebra. A zebra is also used for Ehlers-Danlos syndrome awareness, as the disease is simply not black and white. People with rare diseases face enormous challenges in their daily battles. Too many of these illnesses have gaps in medical care. Each of us in this Chamber can represent a force for change, a force for finding solutions to the medical challenges faced by over 30 million people who have rare diseases, and never forget those single patients, the individual people who fight their own battle every day.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

Senators SCAVELLO, BOSCOLA, ARGALL, FONTANA, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, BREWSTER, GREENLEAF, FARNESE, SABATINA, TARTAGLIONE, BAKER, DINNIMAN, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, RESCHENTHALER, HUTCHINSON, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, SCHWANK, AUMENT and MENSCH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 357**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing May 14, 2016, as "National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania and commending the National Association of Letter Carriers for its humanitarian efforts to eliminate hunger.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monroe, Senator Scavello.

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, thank you for allowing us to speak and introduce this resolution along with my colleague, Senator Boscola, on behalf of those joining in the fight to end hunger here in Pennsylvania and across the nation. Hunger exists in every community in the nation, from urban cities, throughout suburbs, and across rural America. This resolution recognizes May 14, 2016, as "National Association of Letter Carriers Food Drive Day" in Pennsylvania and commends the National Association of Letter Carriers for its continued humanitarian efforts to eliminate hunger. On Saturday, May 14, 2016, the National Association of Letter Carriers will conduct their 24th annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive to combat hunger, and this is the largest one-day food drive in the nation.

The summer months are particularly critical as donations and supplies are low and school lunch programs are suspended until fall, leaving millions of children's families to search for alternate sources of nutrition. Letter carriers see these families every day and postal patrons are encouraged to participate by leaving donations by their mailboxes on May 14. Letter carriers and volunteers will collect nonperishable donations as they deliver mail along their postal routes, and donations will be delivered to food banks, pantries, and shelters that serve the area where the donations are collected.

Since the inception of the food drive in 1993, local letter carriers have delivered more than 2.1 million pounds of food to Second Harvest and its network of member agencies. The National Association of Letter Carriers and its cosponsors should be commended for their humanitarian efforts to stamp out hunger, and I encourage the residents of this Commonwealth to continue to join the effort by generously contributing to this year's food drive to feed the hungry.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentleman for his great work on an important cause, and joining my friend from Monroe is my feisty friend from the Lehigh Valley.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I also rise today along with my good friend, colleague, and regional buddy from Monroe and Lehigh Valley, Senator Scavello, as we introduce this resolution declaring May 14 as National Association of Letter Carriers' Stamp Out Hunger Drive 2016. Hunger affects one out of every six individuals nationwide. A statistic that represents millions of hardworking families, adults, seniors, many children, and many grandchildren who have fallen upon hard times and they struggle. They struggle without meals and sometimes without food for days. So to help fight this epidemic within our communities, we are raising awareness with this resolution. I ask that people across this Commonwealth contribute at least one can or one box of food to be collected by your local carriers this Saturday, as well as urging others to donate.

Mr. President, through my work with Easton and Wilson Hunger Coalitions, as well as the Lehigh Valley Food Policy Council, I can tell you that there is a direct correlation between food security and quality of life, especially for learning and growing children. I also recently helped launch a bipartisan awareness campaign to better insure that Good Samaritan food donations are being conducted by restaurants and other businesses in Pennsylvania. Think about it, so much perfectly safe and nutritious food is thrown away, while others are left wondering how to provide meals for themselves and their families. We need a better, balanced approach, Mr. President. I thank my colleagues for joining me once again in sponsoring this resolution for the Letter Carrier Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, GREENLEAF, SCHWANK, BROOKS, FARNESE, SABATINA, BREWSTER, EICHELBERGER, BAKER, TEPLITZ, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, COSTA, RESCHENTHALER, VULAKOVICH, RAFFERTY, YUDICHAK, AUMENT and MENSCH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 358**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of May 2016 as "Older Americans 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, when we think about our future, it is important to think about our past and the hard work of all those who came before us. The efforts of those Americans have made our lives and dreams possible. I feel that it is our duty to recognize all of the individuals who have gone before us who have paved the way for the future. We as a nation owe all older Americans a few moments of our time to pay them the respect that they deserve. Our older Americans were the dreamers and workers who built this nation during the most troubling times and faced extreme hardship. We must focus on how older adults in our community are leading and inspiring others,

how we can support and learn from them, and how we might follow their examples to blaze trails of our own. We must demonstrate our appreciation for them so that they know how important their past contributions are and how much their wisdom and knowledge continues to inspire us. Not only have our older Americans earned our admiration, but also they have earned our support and they deserve our assistance.

Mr. President, in honor of all older Americans in this State, I ask my colleagues to support this resolution and declare the month of May 2016 as "Older Americans Month" in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, today I rise to offer my strong support for this resolution marking May as Older Americans Month in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania has a national reputation as a State that values, cares for, and looks after its older population. We are one of the few States that has a Department of Aging with cabinet-level status in the Governor's Office. We have and support a strong network of Area Agencies on Aging across our State. Our 52 Area Agencies on Aging play a vital role as they serve as local representatives of the department and manage a wide variety of programs and services. As we all know, older Pennsylvanians represent a large and growing segment of our State's total population. With about 2.4 million older residents, we currently rank fourth among all States in the percentage of 65 and older. Additionally, by 2030, Pennsylvania's 60 and older population is expected to make up nearly 30 percent of the State's population.

Those statistics are only part of the reason why we as a Commonwealth should honor and respect our older residents. We must recognize the contributions they have made in shaping our State by nurturing their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. We have seen them adapt to an ever-changing world. They have seen a wondrous transition across our State and nation during their lifetimes. The technology that today's young people take for granted was the stuff of science fiction a generation ago. While we as a society have progressed from party-line telephone service, three-channel black-and-white television programming, and sadly, handwritten letters, there is one constant in their lives - they have upheld and passed along strong values through the generations. We are strengthened by them. Their experiences have enabled us to grow and develop as a society.

Therefore, Mr. President, I would like to say thank you to our older Pennsylvanians, and God bless them.

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 and ALLOWAY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 359**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2016 as "Clean Water Counts 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 along with my friend and colleague, Senator Alloway, to offer this resolution designating May 2016 as "Clean Water Counts Month" in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania is estimated to have more than 83,000 miles of streams, approximately 4,000 lakes, and 80 trillion gallons of groundwater. Access to clean water is not only essential to public health, but also a right guaranteed by the Pennsylvania Constitution. Section 27 of Article I states, in part, that, "The people have a right to clean air, pure water, and to the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic values of the environment."

Sadly, Mr. President, we have seen the tragic consequences of water contamination during the recent public health crisis in Flint, Michigan. No family should ever have to endure the heart-break and long-term health concerns that residents of Flint are going through now. It is my hope that this resolution will bring greater attention to this issue in Pennsylvania so we can prioritize infrastructure funding to insure citizens continue to have access to safe, clean water. Making this issue a priority is the best way to promote better health, stronger communities, and a thriving economy. I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators RAFFERTY, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, KITCHEN, GREENLEAF, WILEY, FONTANA, SCAVELLO, WHITE, TEPLITZ, VULAKOVICH, BROWNE, FARNESE, SABATINA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, RESCHENTHALER, HUTCHINSON, AUMENT and MENSCH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 360**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of May 2016 as "Lupus Awareness Month" and May 10, 2016, as "World Lupus Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, every day an estimated 65,000 Pennsylvanians struggle with the consequences of lupus, a potentially fatal disease that can damage any part of a lupus patient's body. Mr. President, I have two people in my life, one who has since passed and one who has lupus today, and I have watched them suffer under this disease and be very strong in their character.

Mr. President, lupus has no cure and no known cause, and despite the current treatment and available medications, many lupus patients have symptoms that cannot be managed well enough for patients to lead normal lives, complete their education, and maintain employment. Mr. President, it is a very serious disease, but we owe it to the people who are suffering from lupus, and for all future generations of Pennsylvanians and those

in this great country, to find the cause and to find a cure for this disease. I ask for a unanimous vote on this resolution.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators RAFFERTY, FONTANA, EICHELBERGER, DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, FARNESE, GREENLEAF, SCHWANK, COSTA, SABATINA, AUMENT, BARTOLOTTA, RESCHENTHALER and VULAKOVICH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 361**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2016 as "AMBUCS Visibility Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, AMBUCS is an outstanding charitable organization. The AMBUCS, the American Business Clubs, is a national civic organization of volunteers from all walks of life who donate their resources to helping needy families, especially families with children who have physical disabilities that prohibit the movement of their lower extremities. Mr. President, the organization also provides scholarships for therapists and is the largest single private source of educational grants for therapists in the United States. Mr. President, this organization, for all the charitable work, and especially for helping those most in need, deserves a salute and a thanks from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. I ask for a unanimous vote on this resolution.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator LEACH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 362**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 24, 2015, as "Pennsylvania's Day of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide of 1915-1923."

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery in the bold cobalt suit, Senator Leach.

Senator LEACH. Mr. President, as you know, this suit is an homage to the Lieutenant Governor.

I will be very brief, because this is a resolution that we do every year here in Pennsylvania. It is a recognition and a commemoration of the first mass genocide of the 20th century where 1.5 million Armenians were killed between 1915 and 1923. Many more were displaced, whole sections of what was historical Armenia were taken from the Armenians, and when Hitler was asked about how Germany would be remembered given the Holocaust, he said, you know, no one remembers the Armenians. That is why it is important that we do remember the Armenians

and remember the suffering they endured. I am proud to say, Mr. President, that this is a resolution that we pass unanimously every year. Sadly, Congress cannot bring themselves to do the same thing, so I am glad that Pennsylvania recognizes the genocide and the fact that the measure of whether or not we should call something a genocide is whether or not a genocide occurred. So with that, I ask for adoption of the resolution.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair appreciates the purpose and the excellence of the resolution, and the homage with regard to the cobalt suit.

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 Cameron Rebok by Senator Alloway.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to A Pocono Country Place by Senators Blake and Scavello.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jeannette L. Liddick by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Robert F. Weer, Sr., Dwayne Walton, Brandywine Health Foundation and to Fountain Springs Wellness Spa by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gemelli Artisanal Gelato and Dessert Cafe by Senator Dinniman and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Carolyn Cubbin, Joan Mason and to Barbara Scuder by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sheila Schneider and to Dan Croce by Senator McGarrigle.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jacob Michael Hill by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jonathan William Summers by Senator Reschenthaler.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Richard Probst by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Elizabeth Adamson, Reyanna K. Keglovitz, Michael M. Mazzella, Jr., Jamie Wickett, Sabrina R. DePue, Samuel Hughes, Jordan Leh, Jessica Trout, Rachel E. Bush, Amanda Cooper, PengFei Li, Amanda Johnston, Melissa Boyer and to Amanda Romeiser by Senator Scavello.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dennis Kilfeather, John Gaul, Lenox, Inc., and to Heritage Creek Community Association by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Bryce Landis by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Brenda Dunmyre by Senator White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Shirley C. Blackall by Senator Yaw.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

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

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Richard Berry Yoder by Senator Dinniman.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 428, SB 535, SB 559, SB 876, SB 1112, SB 1160, SB 1192, SB 1197, SB 1205, SB 1216, SB 1217, SB 1225, SB 1227, SB 1232, HB 64, HB 902, HB 1205, HB 1653 and HB 1864.

And said bills having been considered for the first time,

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2016

9:30 A.M.	EDUCATION (public hearing on adult literacy)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
9:30 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (public hearing on the recent Governor's Executive Orders)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.
9:30 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bills No. 1096 and 1226; and House Bill No. 1877)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:30 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider Senate Bill No. 1194)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

TUESDAY, MAY 17, 2016

9:00 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (S) and GAMING OVERSIGHT (H) (joint public hearing regarding the PA Dept. of Revenue's recent notification of the 12 operating PA casinos of its intention to increase the assessment for section 1401 accounts from 1.5% to 2%)	Room 60 East Wing
9:00 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (H) and VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (S) (informational meeting to hear presentations by the Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs on the services they can provide to State agencies during emergencies and their plans for closing armories and by the Civil Air Patrol on their threefold mission - emergency services, cadet programs and aerospace education)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2016

9:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (H) and EDUCATION (S) (joint public hearing regarding ESSA - Every Student Succeeds Act)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
9:00 A.M.	GAME AND FISHERIES (public hearing to hear testimony on the expansion of Sunday hunting in Pennsylvania)	Room 8E-A East Wing

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, today it is my great honor and privilege to recognize James J. Duratz of Meadville, Crawford County, as he steps down as the chairman of the PCN Board. As we mark this momentous occasion, it is appropriate that we take a moment to recognize Jim for his work that has touched so many lives, not just in northwest Pennsylvania, but across the Commonwealth and this great country. Jim Duratz's legacy is deep and rich across our State. The beneficiaries of Jim's work include not just those watching us right now on PCN, but spans a spectrum of helping students and those who are ill, preserving our history, and serving our country. I wonder how many of the folks who are living in the small Fayette County coal-mining town of Grindstone back in the days between World War I and World War II could have guessed that a hometown boy would grow to become a leader in the communications industry and a philanthropist who would improve the quality of life for so many of his fellow Pennsylvanians.

From those beginnings, Jim's story is truly one of purpose, dedication, and public service. Like thousands of his fellow Pennsylvanians, Jim proudly answered the call of duty when America entered the Second World War to fight oppression and tyranny. He served his country as a member of the Army's 37th Infantry Division, a unit that saw action in heated battles with the Imperial Japanese forces throughout the South Pacific. After the war, Jim traded his Army uniform for that of a Pennsylvania State Police Trooper. While serving at the Meadville Barracks, Jim earned an economics degree from Allegheny College. He also worked for a short period at Westinghouse in Pittsburgh before making a truly life-changing decision to join his father-in-law's company, Meadville Master Antenna.

Jim joined the cable industry at its very infancy. This, of course, was back in the 1950s when the complete television listings available for most households was limited to a total number of stations that could be easily counted on the fingers of one hand. To his credit and the benefit of his customers in northwestern Pennsylvania, Jim managed the family business through a period of tremendous growth and development. In 1987, Armstrong Cable acquired Meadville Master Antenna, which meant Jim could have sat back and enjoyed the fruits of his long and successful career, but that is not Jim's style. The closing of one chapter in his life meant he had more time for other pursuits. His experience in the cable television industry now benefits all of the viewers out there today as Jim serves as chairman of the PCN board of directors.

In addition to the contributions Jim Duratz has made to the cable television industry, his charitable and philanthropic activities have enriched so many lives. The Barco Law Building at the University of Pittsburgh honors Jim's father-in-law and sis-

ter-in-law, who both earned law degrees at the school. Inside that building, future attorneys can take advantage of innovative communication training in the James J. Duratz Courtroom Technology Center. As part of his passion for Pitt athletics, Jim has supported capital improvements and athletic scholarships. He also serves on the board of trustees of Gannon University in Erie and has invested his time and financial resources to assist the school and its students.

As I noted before, Jim is a veteran and he is an avid military historian, so it is only natural that he also is extremely active in his efforts to protect, preserve, and promote the Gettysburg National Military Park. As a member of the National Council of the Gettysburg Foundation, he works locally and with the National Park Service in support of the battlefield, its artifacts, and the historical and educational facilities at the site. Finally, it is only appropriate to recognize Jim for his work in Meadville. Local nonprofit organizations know and certainly appreciate that Jim can always be counted on to be in the forefront of efforts to improve the quality of life in the community. Jim donated significantly to the Meadville Area High School for a complete renovation of their outdoor athletic facilities, and in honor of his beloved wife, Jim worked tirelessly to make the Yolanda G. Barco Oncology Institute a reality. Today, this center not only stands as a beacon of hope for so many, but also provides a place of great care, comfort, and compassion.

Yes, Jim Duratz has made a tremendous difference in Meadville and the surrounding area, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and this country. His life of distinguished service and philanthropy is honorable and deserving of our sincerest gratitude, and so today I thank Jim Duratz for his lifetime of work to improve our community, Commonwealth, and the lives of so many. Congratulations, Jim, on your retirement, and may God richly bless you in years to come.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentlewoman for honoring a great Pennsylvania citizen, Jim Duratz.

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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 Wednesday, May 11, 2016, at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 4:50 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.