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SENATE

WEDNESDAY, October 19, 2016

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. KENNETH L. PEARMAN, of Reaching Out For Jesus Christian Center, Brodheadsville, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Oh wise and eternal God, we thank You for our gathering here today. We pray, O God, as we cross the lines with our hands and blessings, that You keep us and keep our minds. Settle us in all our spirit that we will all make the right decisions. Bring us closer in unity as we work for the people. We thank You for a vision, for without a vision, the people perish, but vision brings forth light. We ask this in our Lord's name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Bishop Dr. Pearman, who is the guest today of Senator Scavello.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

October 19, 2016

HB 932 -- Committee on Finance.

BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill yesterday, October 18, 2016:

SB 286.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator WHITE, from the Committee on Banking and Insurance, reported the following bills:

SB 978 (Pr. No. 2176) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, providing for quality eye care for insured Pennsylvanians.

HB 1698 (Pr. No. 3532)

An Act providing for coverage requirements by an insurance carrier or health insurance plan for abuse-deterrent opioid analgesic drug products.

HB 2241 (Pr. No. 3858)

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in regulation of insurers and related persons generally, providing for retroactive denial of reimbursements.

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

HB 297 (Pr. No. 4071) (Amended)

An Act providing for release of information by coroners and medical examiners.

HB 1885 (Pr. No. 3075)

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in matters affecting government units, providing for exceptions to governmental immunity related to unauthorized aliens; and, in preemptions, providing for restriction on municipal regulation of official and employee communications relating to immigration status.

HB 2186 (Pr. No. 3728)

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for residency during military service.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator McIlhinney, and Senator Ward.

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Schwank.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator McIlhinney, and Senator Ward.

Senator Fontana requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Schwank.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of August 30, 2016, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of August 30, 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-49

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

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHAEL J. FOLMER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Folmer.

Senator FOLMER. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce two exchange students studying in the 48th Senatorial District.

The first is Aran Barrero Florez, a 16-year-old from Cangas del Narcea, Spain. She is the daughter of Maria Dolores and has a younger brother, Roman. She is studying with Bill and Pat Kasper while in Pennsylvania, where she is an 11th-grade student at Northern Lebanon High School. Aran would like to continue her education in the United States to pursue a degree in international politics or a language field to become a teacher or work in an embassy. Aran speaks Spanish, English, French, and is currently learning Japanese, Korean, Chinese, German, Russian, and Arabic.

The second student is 16-year-old Muratova Kamila Zhastalapovna from Uralsk, Kazakhstan, daughter of Zhastalap and Bibigul, and has a younger brother, Sanzhar. Kamila is also staying with the Kaspers and is a 10th-grade student at Northern Lebanon High School, where her favorite subjects are forensic science, photography, and physics. Kamila speaks Kazakh, Russian, and English, is currently studying German, and would also like to learn French, Chinese, Japanese, Italian, and Korean. She would like to continue her higher education at a European university, and aspires to travel around the world to gain cultural experience and view life from other perspectives.

Aran and Kamila are studying in the United States on a scholarship which only 500 out of 8,000 applicants received. They are very much enjoying their year in Pennsylvania and are extremely thankful for the opportunity to study here. Senators, please join me in a warm Senate welcome for Aran and Kamila.

The PRESIDENT. Will Aran and Kamila, the guests of Senator Folmer, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MARIO M. SCAVELLO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I extend my thanks to my constituent and good friend for over 20 years, Bishop Dr. Kenneth Pearman, Pastor of Reaching Out For Jesus Christian Center in Brodheadsville, Monroe County, who served as guest Chaplain today and offered the opening prayer for our Session.

Dr. Pearman is accompanied by numerous members of his church, including his mother, Madie Lanaham, seated to his right; his father, Jesse Lanaham; his sister, Natasha Pile; and his brother-in-law, Vence Pile.

Please join me in giving Dr. Pearman, his family, and all of the members of the Reaching Out For Jesus Christian Center who are here today a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Scavello, Bishop Dr. Kenneth Pearman, and his whole family and delegation, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Thank you for your prayer, Bishop Pearman.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR RICHARD L. ALLOWAY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Senator Alloway.

Senator ALLOWAY. Mr. President, I am proud to stand here and announce that in the gallery I have a shadow today, a young

man named Geoffrey Ford. He actually lives in Hagerstown, Maryland, which, for those of you who do not know, I live right on the border of Maryland. He is a senior at Barbara Ingram School for the Arts located in Hagerstown. Geoffrey plays the violin at Barbara Ingram and plans to attend Georgetown University to study business and prelaw. He is here today, and I would like to give him a warm welcome from the Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Alloway, Geoffrey Ford, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania State Senate.

(Applause.)

CALENDAR

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

HB 1699 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

HB 1699 (Pr. No. 4044) -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 11 of the Second Consideration Calendar, by Senator CORMAN, as a Special Order of Business.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 1699 (Pr. No. 4044) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for limitations on the dispensing of opioid drug products in hospital emergency departments and urgent care centers and to patients in observation status and for duties of the Department of Health; and imposing a penalty.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

HB 2290 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

HB 2290 (Pr. No. 3893) -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 14 of the Second Consideration Calendar, by Senator CORMAN, as a Special Order of Business.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 2290 (Pr. No. 3893) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 29, 1803 (P.L.542, No.156), entitled "An act to establish a Board of Wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned," further providing for fees.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

HB 2291 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

HB 2291 (Pr. No. 3769) -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 14 of the Second Consideration Calendar, by Senator CORMAN, as a Special Order of Business.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 2291 (Pr. No. 3769) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 11, 1889 (P.L.188, No.210), entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a board of wardens for the Port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotage, and for other purposes,' approved March twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and three, and for regulating the rates of pilotage and number of pilots," further providing for rates of pilotage and computation, for pilotage fees and unit charge and for charges for services.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of a series of off-the-floor committee meetings to be held in the Rules room starting with the Committee on State Government, followed by the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs, the Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development, and the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing. Following the committee meetings, there will be a Republican caucus in the Rules room.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, at the conclusion of the series of meetings that the Majority Leader referenced, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a short caucus.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of meetings of the Committee on State Government, the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs, the Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development, and the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing, followed by Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator McIlhinney, Senator Brooks, and Senator Schwank have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

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

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

HOUSE MESSAGE**HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL**

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 889**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Mike Stack) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 889 and **HB 1581**.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY**

The SECRETARY. Permission has been granted for the following Senate standing committee to meet off the floor: the Committee on Finance will meet off the floor to consider House Bill No. 932 in the Rules room.

LEAVE CHANGED

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request that Senator Smucker's leave be changed from a personal leave to a legislative leave.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests that Senator Smucker's leave be changed from a personal leave to a legislative leave. Without objection, the leave will be changed.

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, first being the Committee on Appropriations, followed by the Committee on Finance.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of meetings of the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Finance, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Reschenthaler and Senator Baker.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Boscola, Senator Brewster, and Senator Teplitz.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Reschenthaler and Senator Baker.

Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Boscola, Senator Brewster, and Senator Teplitz.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED**BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE
AMENDMENTS AS AMENDED****BILL OVER IN ORDER**

SB 385 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

SB 16, HB 34, HB 123, HB 162, HB 263 and **HB 423** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

HB 447 (Pr. No. 1037) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, providing for death of a tenant.

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-50

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| Alloway | Eichelberger | McIlhinney | Vance |
| Argall | Farnese | Mensch | Vogel |
| Aument | Folmer | Rafferty | Vulakovich |
| Baker | Fontana | Reschenthaler | Wagner |
| Bartolotta | Gordner | Sabatina | Ward |
| Blake | Greenleaf | Scarnati | White |
| Boscola | Haywood | Scavello | Wiley |

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| Brewster | Hughes | Schwank | Williams |
| Brooks | Hutchinson | Smucker | Wozniak |
| Browne | Killion | Stefano | Yaw |
| Corman | Kitchen | Tartaglione | Yudichak |
| Costa | Leach | Teplitz | |
| Dinniman | McGarrigle | Tomlinson | |

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.

HB 683 (Pr. No. 1427) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-50

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

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.

HB 869 (Pr. No. 4070) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in riot, disorderly conduct and related offenses, further providing for cruelty to animals.

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

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

HB 928 and HB 930 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 976 (Pr. No. 2165) -- 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 wiretapping and electronic surveillance, further providing for definitions, for exceptions to prohibition of interception and disclosure of communications and for exceptions to prohibitions in possession, sale, distribution, manufacture or advertisement of electronic, mechanical or other devices; and providing for recordings by law enforcement officers.

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-45

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| Alloway | Eichelberger | Reschenthaler | Vulakovich |
| Argall | Farnese | Sabatina | Wagner |
| Aument | Folmer | Scarnati | Ward |

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| Baker | Fontana | Scavello | White |
| Bartolotta | Gordner | Schwank | Wiley |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Smucker | Williams |
| Brewster | Hutchinson | Stefano | Wozniak |
| Brooks | Killion | Tartaglione | Yaw |
| Browne | McGarrigle | Teplitz | Yudichak |
| Corman | McIlhinney | Tomlinson | |
| Costa | Mensch | Vance | |
| Dinniman | Rafferty | Vogel | |

NAY-5

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| Blake | Hughes | Kitchen | Leach |
| Haywood | | | |

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

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1118, SB 1160, SB 1323, SB 1324, SB 1331, HB 1334, SB 1344, HB 1403, HB 1496, HB 1538 and HB 1600 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1734 (Pr. No. 2598) -- 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 certification of teachers, further providing for continuing professional development, for program of continuing professional education and for charter schools.

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-50

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| Alloway | Eichelberger | McIlhinney | Vance |
| Argall | Farnese | Mensch | Vogel |
| Aument | Folmer | Rafferty | Vulakovich |
| Baker | Fontana | Reschenthaler | Wagner |

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

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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1737 and HB 1774 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1841 (Pr. No. 2877) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, further providing for perfusionist.

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-50

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

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.

HB 1842 (Pr. No. 2878) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic Medical Practice Act, further providing for perfusionist.

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-50

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

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.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 1864 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1923 (Pr. No. 3023) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2005 in Drexel Hill, Delaware County, as the Officer Dennis McNamara Memorial Highway.

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-50

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

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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1948, HB 1959, HB 1998, HB 2026 and HB 2058 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 185, HB 192, HB 516, SB 525, HB 613, SB 805 and HB 813 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 850 (Pr. No. 3932) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 2, 1965 (P.L.490, No.249), referred to as the Money Transmission Business Licensing Law, further providing for title of act, for definitions, for license required and for exemptions; repealing provisions relating to partial exemption; further providing for qualifications for a license, for application for license, for fee, financial statement and security, for investigation issuance of license, for term of license, for renewal of licenses and for authority of the Department of Banking; providing for suspension, revocation or refusal and for licensee requirements; further providing for agents and subagents; repealing provisions relating to hearing and appeal, injunctions, rules and regulations and examinations by the Secretary of Banking; and further providing for penalties.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 851, HB 1070, HB 1103, SB 1260, SB 1357, SB 1360, SB 1363, SB 1366, SB 1369, HB 1398, HB 1415 and HB 1437 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1452 (Pr. No. 3015) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Game Commission, further providing for junior hunter projects; and, in hunting and furtaking licenses, providing for a volunteer instructor license and further providing for license costs and fees and for unlawful acts concerning licenses.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1455 and HB 1476 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1618 (Pr. No. 4068) -- 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, establishing the Office of State Inspector General.

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

HB 1703 (Pr. No. 2849) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, further providing for operation by persons under age sixteen and for mufflers and noise control.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1704, HB 1769, HB 1779, HB 1785, HB 1838 and HB 1872 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 1907 (Pr. No. 4045) -- 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 pupils and attendance, providing for purpose, further providing for definitions, providing for attendance policy at charter, regional charter and cyber charter schools, further providing for excuses from attending school 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 and 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 second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1974 (Pr. No. 3139) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in dispositions independent of letters, family exemption, probate of wills and grant of letters, further providing for payments to family and funeral directors.

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

HB 2025 (Pr. No. 4069) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in registration of vehicles, further providing for temporary registration cards, for display of registration plate and for surrender of registration plates and cards upon suspension or revocation and providing for suspension of registration upon unpaid tolls; in commercial drivers, further providing for commercial driver's license; in fees, further providing for trucks and truck tractors and for reinstatement of operating privilege or vehicle registration; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for the offense of homicide by vehicle and for the offense of aggravated assault by vehicle; in inspection of vehicles, further providing for requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles, for limited liability of inspection station or mechanic, for suspension of certificates of appointment and for certification of mechanics; in size, weight and load, further providing for permit for movement during course of manufacture; and, in abandoned vehicles and cargo, further providing for reports by private property owners of abandoned vehicles.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 2078 (Pr. No. 3452) -- 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 certification of teachers, further providing for issuing permanent college certificates, for program of continuing professional education and for professional educator discipline fee.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 2084 (Pr. No. 3509) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, providing for oleoresin capsicum spray.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

HB 2107 (Pr. No. 4063) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for public access to procurement records; in source selection and contract formation, further providing for sole source procurement and for emergency procurement; and providing for prohibited contracts.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

HB 2148 (Pr. No. 4064) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, amending the title of the act; providing for eligibility of firemen of airport authorities, firemen employed by the Commonwealth and emergency medical services personnel of cities; and making editorial changes.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2338 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

HB 932 (Pr. No. 4079) (Amended)

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

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

HB 74 (Pr. No. 65) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for the offense of endangering welfare of children.

HB 245 (Pr. No. 3951) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, in local taxes, further providing for definitions, for payroll tax, for payment of tax to other political subdivisions or states as credit or deduction and withholding tax and for tax limitations; in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for definitions, for declaration and payment of income taxes, for tax collection committees, for powers and duties of Department of Community and Economic Development, for powers and duties of tax officer and for withholding and remittance; and, in collection of delinquent taxes, further providing for penalties and for costs of collection of delinquent per capita, occupation, occupational privilege, emergency and municipal services, local services and income taxes.

HB 319 (Pr. No. 2657) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, in contributions by employers and employees, further providing for determination of contribution rate and experience rating; in compensation, further providing for qualification required to secure compensation and for rate and amount of compensation; and, in determination of compensation, appeals, reviews and procedure, further providing for decision of referee, further appeals and reviews and for powers of board over claims.

HB 946 (Pr. No. 3933) (Rereported)

An Act providing for pharmacy audit procedures, for registration of pharmacy benefits managers and for maximum allowable cost transparency.

HB 1351 (Pr. No. 3604) (Rereported)

An Act providing for the use of epinephrine auto-injectors by certain entities and organizations; and conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Health.

HB 1683 (Pr. No. 4078) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies.

HB 1699 (Pr. No. 4044) (Rereported)

An Act providing for limitations on the dispensing of opioid drug products in hospital emergency departments and urgent care centers and to patients in observation status and for duties of the Department of Health; and imposing a penalty.

HB 2290 (Pr. No. 3893) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 29, 1803 (P.L.542, No.156), entitled "An act to establish a Board of Wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned," further providing for fees.

HB 2291 (Pr. No. 3769) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 11, 1889 (P.L.188, No.210), entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to establish a board of wardens for the Port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotage, and for other purposes,' approved March twenty-ninth, one thousand eight hundred and three, and for regulating the rates of pilotage and number of pilots," further providing for rates of pilotage and computation, for pilotage fees and unit charge and for charges for services.

Senator WAGNER, from the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing, reported the following bill:

SB 1387 (Pr. No. 2136)

An Act amending the act of May 28, 1937 (P.L.955, No.265), referred to as the Housing Authorities Law, further providing for powers of the authority; and providing for relocation.

Senator VOGEL, from the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs, reported the following bills:

HB 1265 (Pr. No. 4075) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of April 28, 1937 (P.L.417, No.105), known as the Milk Marketing Law, in milk pricing, further providing for terms and method of payment.

HB 2303 (Pr. No. 3962)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, making editorial changes; consolidating an article of The Administrative Code of 1929 relating to race horse industry reform; further providing for Pennsylvania Breeding Fund; and making a related repeal.

Senator WARD, from the Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development, reported the following bill:

HB 1887 (Pr. No. 3421) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in administration and enforcement relating to gaming, further providing for compulsive and problem gambling program.

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

SB 1334 (Pr. No. 1992)

An Act providing for the preservation and maintenance of the Pennsylvania State area portion of the Medal of Honor Grove in Schuylkill Township, Chester County.

HB 1348 (Pr. No. 4076) (Amended)

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

HB 1968 (Pr. No. 4077) (Amended)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission and the Governor, to grant and convey to the Bradford House Historical Association certain lands situate in the City of Washington, Washington County; and to grant and convey, at a price to be determined through a competitive bid process, certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in South Strabane Township, Washington County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Governor, to grant and convey to the Salvation Army, or its successors or assigns, certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the Borough of East Stroudsburg, Monroe County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to ACMIII, LP, certain lands of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania situate in Derry Township, Westmoreland County.

RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator WAGNER, from the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing, reported the following resolution:

SR 421 (Pr. No. 2178) (Amended)

A Resolution urging the President and the Congress of the United States to review the changes to the Federal floodplain management regulations that negatively impact our blighted communities.

The PRESIDENT. The resolution will be placed on the Calendar.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators WILEY, COSTA, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, FARNESE, BAKER, BROWNE, EICHELBERGER, FOLMER, GREENLEAF, KILLION, McGARRIGLE, RAFFERTY, RESCHENTHALER, VULAKOVICH, BREWSTER, KITCHEN, SABATINA, SCHWANK and TEPLITZ, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 467**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of October 2016 as "Dyslexia 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 rise and ask for unanimous support to declare October "Dyslexia Awareness Month" in the Commonwealth. Dyslexia is a developmental reading disorder that occurs when the brain does not properly process accu-

rate word recognition, decoding, and spelling. Dyslexia is often a misunderstood disorder. While many people, children and adults alike, may struggle with many aspects of learning, dyslexia does not interfere with one's ability to think or to understand complex ideas. Too often it is not realized that most people with dyslexia have normal or above-average intelligence. Unfortunately, Mr. President, students with dyslexia are likely to struggle with many aspects of academic learning and are at a higher risk of dropping out of school.

Moreover, dyslexia often goes undiagnosed for years and sometimes it is not formally recognized until adulthood, where it can impact job performance and life skills. Systematic evidence-based instruction of early literacy skills is proven to move the needle, and while programs like these are a critical step toward early diagnosis of this disorder, we must continue our awareness efforts. Mr. President, I ask that my colleagues join me in supporting this resolution declaring October 2016 as Dyslexia Awareness Month in Pennsylvania. Thank you.

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

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

Senators RAFFERTY, FONTANA, TEPLITZ, SCHWANK, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, SABATINA, BOSCOLA, FARNESE, BAKER, VULAKOVICH, COSTA, KILLION and WHITE, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 468**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the 20th anniversary of the Council for a Strong America's Fight Crime: Invest in Kids organization and congratulating the organization's members for their lasting contributions towards a safer, prosperous future.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, very briefly, congratulations to the 20th anniversary of the Council for a Strong America's Fight Crime. It is a nonprofit organization that unites the Fight Crime: Invest in Kids organization, the Mission: Readiness organization, the ReadyNation organization, the Shepherding the Next Generation organization, and the Champion for America's Future organization in an effort to strengthen families, communities, the economy, and our national security. Fight Crime: Invest in Kids has collaborated with Pennsylvania's police chiefs, sheriffs, district attorneys, and other law enforcement leaders for more than 20 years to promote policies to protect public safety through evidence-based investments in children and families. Mr. President, as a result of these efforts, Invest in Kids' membership has grown from a small group of Pennsylvania law enforcement leaders to approximately 200 law enforcement leaders throughout our great Commonwealth.

They are a leading voice for investments in proven crime prevention initiatives, such as high-quality pre-kindergarten, which I know, Mr. President, you were always a champion of here in the Senate, as am I, and all of the Members of Senate, we have always been for high-quality pre-K education voluntary

home visiting for vulnerable families, assistance in accessing high-quality childcare for working families, juvenile diversion programs, and afterschool programs. Mr. President, it is a great organization. They spend a lot of time, commitment, and resources to make sure that our children receive the quality education and the afterschool activities they need to grow into productive members of society.

Thank you, Mr. President, for this opportunity.

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

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

Senator AUMENT, on behalf of Senators YUDICHAK, AUMENT, WOZNIAK, BREWSTER, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, SABATINA, GREENLEAF, ARGALL, BOSCOLA, FARNESE, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, WARD, TEPLITZ, KILLION, COSTA, RESCHENTHALER, BAKER, BARLOTTA and RAFFERTY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 469**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 20, 2016, as "Lights on Afterschool Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators MENSCH, DINNIMAN, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, GREENLEAF, ARGALL, FARNESE, SCAVELLO, BREWSTER, RESCHENTHALER, EICHELBERGER, FONTANA, COSTA, YUDICHAK and RAFFERTY presented to the Chair **SR 470**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of October 23 through 29, 2016, as "Pennsylvania German Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, it is often said that Pennsylvania, and by extension the entire nation, is comprised of immigrants, and it has been the entire history of our nation and our State that ever since our founding that we have seen one group of immigrants after another coming to our shores. So, today I rise to recognize the Pennsylvania Germans, and I want to say that my family, as far back as we can trace, came over in 1741, four brothers - two preachers, two teachers - to help settle this country. They were all German-speaking people. Obviously, they settled here in the eastern part of the State of Pennsylvania, where most of the Germans in Pennsylvania are concentrated yet today, from Lancaster through Montgomery County, where I am from. So we recognize the importance and the contribution that these people made hundreds of years ago to our society here in Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania Germans, by the way, are also called Pennsylvania Dutch. The German word for German is "Deutsch," and so it became the colloquial term to call it Pennsylvania Dutch. So, today we know them as Pennsylvania Dutch, but, in fact, they are Pennsylvania Germans.

The first major immigration of Germans to America resulted in the founding of the Borough of Germantown in northwest Philadelphia County on October 6, 1683. Of course, we know it as Germantown, which is part of the city of Philadelphia today. The German immigrants came to America to escape religious prosecution in Europe and to seek a better life. If we talk about all of the immigrants that have ever come to our country, they would share that same sentiment. They are fleeing because of religious persecution and they are looking for the opportunity that America offers. The Pennsylvania Germans maintained many different religious affiliations, with the greatest number being Lutheran or Reformed, as well as Anabaptists. Anabaptists promoted a simple lifestyle very often called Plain Deutsch, or Plain Dutch, while others chose to be what was called Fancy Dutch, who assimilated more easily into the American mainstream. This is where the dialect of Pennsylvania Dutch comes from. The dialect was so popular that at one time more than 1 in 3 Pennsylvanians spoke Pennsylvania Dutch.

Pennsylvania Germans have contributed greatly through literature, pottery, furniture, needlework, and barns decorated with the decorative motifs, which we also call hex signs, which is a tradition they brought from Germany. So, Mr. President, I ask that we recognize "Pennsylvania German Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania. Thank you very much.

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 Izaak Bishop by Senator Alloway.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas Joseph Rizzardi and to East End Fire Company by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kreider, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Hostetter, Mr. and Mrs. James Stoner, Clarence W. Newcomer, Richard Firestone, Rachael Nagle, Carroll E. Rickert and to Scott Hershey by Senator Aument.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to John Macey by Senator Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael David Boreman by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Francis Alice Hohol by Senator Brooks.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Franklin Stanley Westbrook by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Winters, Lawrence A. Dowdy, Massimo G. DiDario, Jim Jones, David Neiblum, Susanne Rosenberg, Patricia Lowe, Rod Hughes, Lauren Blake, Unruh, Turner, Burke & Frees, Reinhold Residential Properties, Barclay Grounds Preservation Alliance and to Tolsdorf Oil Lube Express by Senator

Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Barn at Spring Brook Farm by Senators Dinniman and Killion.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Major Peter J. Smith by Senator Folmer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Abington Township Public Library by Senator Haywood.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Chief Edward Zunino by Senator Killion.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Benjamin Caplan-Volkwein, Eamonn Rongione and to Bruce Herriott by Senator Leach.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Temple Sholom by Senator McGarrigle.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lee Phillips, Kyle Peter Lynch and to Sachin Rao Billakanti by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dalton Wyatt Butz by Senator Mensch.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Eric Schrader, Vincent Staub and to Nicholas Staub by Senator Reschenthaler.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Vincent Melchiorre by Senator Sabatina.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mary C. Mahon by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Teribio Cuono, Matthew James Bright and to Matthew Scott Schipps by Senator Scavello.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Tyler Hertzog by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to J. Nelson Kling by Senators Smucker and Aument.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Penn State Extension by Senator Stefano.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dauphin County Prison by Senator Teplitz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lorraine Lucisano, John Dougherty and to Walter Bennett by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Joseph DiGirolamo by Senator Tomlinson and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Samuel Jacob Lambert by Senator Vulakovich.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dan DiVecchio by Senator Wiley.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Charlotte Bernice Proctor Thomas by Senator Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. James Bruce Warburton by Senator Yaw.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Justin Skoniecki, Kranson Clothes and Uniforms and to Carbon Career and Technical Institute by Senator Yudichak.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Lynne Coslett-Charlton, Dr. Sandra Mattison, Dr. Rachel Levine, Alexandra Drezek, Donna Gatcha-Hines, Darlene Duggins-Magdalinski and to Maternal and Family Health Services, Inc., by Senators Yudichak and Baker.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

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

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Honorable Dorothy C. Laabs by Senator Baker.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Maria Cancel Gonzalez de Rodriguez by Senator Haywood.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Trisha Lyn Hoffman by Senator Teplitz.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late James Richard LeCorchick, to the family of the late Judith E. Jobes, and to the family of the late Ronald A. Steele by Senator Wiley.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Elizabeth A. Stanley and to the family of the late Robert Francis Wilson, Sr., by Senator Williams.

POSTHUMOUS CITATIONS

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

A posthumous citation honoring the late William Leo McLaughlin, Jr., was extended to the family by Senator Dinniman.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Honorable Robert Nelson Cornelius Nix, Sr., was extended to the family by Senator Tartaglione.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator MENSCH. 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 978, SB 1334, SB 1387, HB 297, HB 932, HB 1265, HB 1348, HB 1698, HB 1885, HB 1968, HB 2186, HB 2241 and HB 2303.

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2016

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| Off the Floor | APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 1331; and House Bills No. 192, 516, 932, 1087, 1348, 1403, 1437, 1774, 1907 and 2078) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
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| Off the Floor | EDUCATION (to consider House Bill No. 2381) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
| Off the Floor | FINANCE (to consider House Bills No. 1280 and 2370) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
| Off the Floor | LABOR AND INDUSTRY (to consider House Bill No. 2375) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
| Off the Floor | LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider House Resolution No. 1053) CANCELLED | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
| Off the Floor | RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 984, 1219 and 1311; House Bill No. 1196; and certain Executive Nominations) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2016

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| 9:30 A.M. | BANKING AND INSURANCE (public hearing on the cost and affordability of prescription drugs - Senate Bills No. 841 and 893) | Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. |
| 9:30 A.M. | VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (public hearing on the aftermath of the August flood in Connellsville) | Room 8E-A East Wing |

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2016

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| 9:00 A.M. | GAME AND FISHERIES (public hearing on Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) with officials from the PA Dept. of Agriculture and the PA Game Commission) | Room 8E-B East Wing |
| 9:00 A.M. | VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (H) and VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (S) (informational meeting on the State Veterans Commission) | Room 60 East Wing |

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2016

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| 9:00 A.M. | VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (H) and VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (S) (joint hearing to review emergency preparedness and response measures for natural gas/petroleum pipeline infrastructure across Pennsylvania) | Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. |
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RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Monday, October 24, 2016, at 1 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 2:11 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.