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SENATE

TUESDAY, April 17, 2018

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

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. DONALD D. MOORE, of Mount Carmel Baptist Church, Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Dear wise and loving Father, our divine parent, thank You for this day. Lord, I come praying for our Governor as he continues to lead and direct this Commonwealth. Lord, we now enter collectively in prayer asking for Your continued love and guidance as these elected officials assemble here today to conduct the matters of the State. We come seeking Your blessings on the tasks that are before them as they navigate through the process of making informed decisions. Lord, we ask that You walk with them as they walk among Your people. Grant each Member represented here clear insight, deliberation, and wisdom as they make balanced and impartial choices that will impact not only the day-to-day lives, but also the futures of residents, and those who work throughout Pennsylvania. Equip this legislative body with the eyes and hearts for humanity to know that the end of every meeting and political decision is a human being, a human being that each individual promised to serve.

So based on their promises, I ask this group of lawmakers to act wisely, serve humbly, and conduct all matters justly. God, I ask that You give them the courage to look beyond any political or any other gains and embrace the need for reform and laws regulating the sale and acquisition of specific types of firearms. O God, I ask that You give these Senate Members a sympathetic ear to hear and listen to the voices of those marginalized. I ask that this body of public servants become the voice to make a difference. Lord, I conclude this prayer by requesting that You continue to transform, heal, and make a difference in this State through this Senate. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Dr. Moore, who is the guest today of Senator Williams.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

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

**MEMBER OF THE BOARD
OF FINANCE AND REVENUE**

April 17, 2018

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, Paul Gitnik, 60 Cielo Lane, Pittsburgh 15211, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Finance and Revenue, to serve for a term of six years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Scott Shearer, Harrisburg, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

April 17, 2018

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, James Szalankiewicz, 2924 Creekside Road, Indiana 15701, Indiana County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve for a term of six years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

**CORRECTIONS TO NOMINATIONS
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

Please note that the letter dated April 17, 2018, for the nomination of Paul Gitnik, 60 Cielo Lane, Pittsburgh 15211, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Finance and Revenue, to serve for a term of six years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Scott Shearer, Harrisburg, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

Paul Gitnik, 60 Cielo Lane, Pittsburgh 15211, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Finance and Revenue, to serve until January 1, 2024, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice R. Scott Shearer, Harrisburg, whose term expired.

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL
WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

April 17, 2018

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

Please note that the letter dated April 13, 2018, for the nomination of Jeanne Elberfeld, 420 Stephens Road, Orwigsburg 17961, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, 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 Lauren [*sic*] Hinds, Philadelphia, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

Jeanne Elberfeld, 420 Stephens Road, Orwigsburg 17961, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, 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 Laura Hinds, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 936**, 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 936 and **HB 1341**.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

SB 189 (Pr. No. 178)

An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, in crime victims, further providing for rights.

SB 1092 (Pr. No. 1577)

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.

SB 1132 (Pr. No. 1644)

An Act amending Title 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other officers, establishing the Pennsylvania Alternative Dispute Resolution Commission, providing for its powers and duties and establishing the Alternative Dispute Resolution Fund.

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

SB 299 (Pr. No. 1636)

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in nomination of candidates, further providing for number of signers required for nomination petitions of candidates at primaries.

SB 595 (Pr. No. 1654) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 57 (Notaries Public) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in revised uniform law on notarial acts, further providing for authority to perform notarial act, providing for notarial acts performed by remotely located individuals and further providing for notification regarding performance of notarial act on electronic record and selection of technology.

SB 1038 (Pr. No. 1474)

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in primary and election expenses, further providing for residual funds.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Baker, Senator Bartolotta, Senator Brooks, and Senator Mensch.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Baker, Senator Bartolotta, Senator Brooks, and Senator Mensch. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of January 29, 2018, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of January 29, 2018.

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-50

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| Aument | Farnese | McGarrigle | Tomlinson |
| Baker | Folmer | McIlhinney | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Fontana | Mensch | Vulakovich |
| Blake | Gordner | Rafferty | Wagner |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Regan | Ward |
| Brewster | Haywood | Resenthaler | White |
| Brooks | Hughes | Sabatina | Williams |
| Browne | Hutchinson | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Killion | Scavello | Yudichak |
| Costa | Langerholc | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Laughlin | Stefano | |

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 Mensch has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

GUESTS OF SENATOR ANTHONY H. WILLIAMS PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, today you will see why so many of us from Philadelphia and southeastern Pennsylvania are so delighted for this extraordinary day. You will witness our intellectual gifts from the oldest historically black university in the country, Cheyney University. You will see a visitor in our gallery who is one of the most gifted attorneys of all time, Michael Coard, and you will see some intellectual power from Senator Street's district, a Rhodes Scholar.

But we start first with all of us who we worship and have faith in, our pastor. We are greeted and proud today to have Senator Hughes' pastor, some of my staff, and my pastor who is today's Chaplain. Among many things, he is a father, he is a husband, and a very educated person, but most importantly, he is a man of God. He, in a very young part of his life, has established that he will give back to all of us in his form of ministry and does it in extraordinary ways at Mount Carmel Baptist Church. I am proud that he is not just my pastor, but my friend. He is my rock, as you would say with regard to my spiritual development, and we are honored to have him here with us today. I ask the Senate to give him a round of applause. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Williams, Reverend Dr. Donald Moore, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Thank you for your prayer.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR KIM L. WARD PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator WARD. Mr. President, today I am really happy, energetic, and so glad and proud to recognize and introduce a group of fine young student-athletes, their coaches, and their families. They are from Jeannette. They were the PIAA State Class A Championship Football Team in 2017. The Jayhawks captured their second State football championship by defeating Homer-Center High School by a score of 42-12. They finished this season with a 15-1 record under head coach Roy Hall and assistant coaches Charlie Cook, Jeremy Binakonsky, Doug Phillips, Ty Langford, Ryan Reitz, and Trevor Petrillo.

State championships are the result of year-round dedication, and all of these amazing student-athletes and their coaches are dedicated and successful. They can be an inspiration to their community, and they are. Their community is a hardworking, close-knit, family-oriented community. They all know each other, they all love each other, and every single one of them loves their Jayhawks. These young men and their efforts were a beacon of excitement, pride, and resolve for the city of Jeannette and everybody who lives there. Throughout their run for the State title, they showed great sportsmanship, speed, teamwork, and love for their town. I am very proud today to introduce them in this Chamber and respectfully ask the Senate to congratulate these great student-athletes for a tremendous year. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Ward, the Jeannette Jayhawks championship football team, Coach Hall, the whole coaching team, and all players and support please rise so that we may welcome and congratulate you.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. It was great to spend time with you, the whole team, in the Lieutenant Governor's Office. I learned 2 days in a row teamwork makes dreams work. Keep it up, guys.

GUESTS OF SENATOR THOMAS H. KILLION PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, it is my pleasure this afternoon to introduce guests from the Foundation of the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce who are visiting Harrisburg today. This foundation was established in 1989 and has more than 361 distinguished alumni. The program lays the foundation for the importance and significance of service to our communities. The foundation alumni holds State, county, Federal elected positions, leads nonprofit organizations, corporations, and are small-business owners. The individuals visiting today are part of the Business Leadership Academy Class of 2017 and are interested in learning more about State government and getting involved in their communities. The graduates will be recognized at the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting in June.

The Delaware County Chamber of Commerce is a resource for businesses in Delaware County with a focus on creating growth and stability in our region. Their staff has done a great job coordinating this visit. My daughter, Brittany Carter, the events and membership director, helped make this possible and is with us today.

Mr. President, I ask the Senate to extend our traditional warm welcome to these very special guests who are seated in the gallery. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Killion, Brittany Carter and the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce Leadership Academy, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Great to see everybody.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR RYAN AUMENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce my guest for the day, Angela Frola, a sophomore at Penn Manor High School. Angela boasts a long list of extracurricular activities, including membership in her school's politics club, Civil War club, and the Future Farmers of America. In her free time, Angela is an avid reader, horseback rider, and she also finds time to train and sell goats at the West Lampeter Fair each year. After high school, Angela hopes to pursue a career in history, politics or biology. However, after enrolling in an honors civics and government course, where she discovered her passion for politics, she is leaning more toward the field of government and politics. As such, Angela is excited to be in Harrisburg today to learn about the legislative process and to see what a typical day in the State Capitol is like.

Please join me in welcoming Angela to the Pennsylvania Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Aument, Angela, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

GUEST OF SENATOR SHARIF T. STREET AND SENATOR JOHN C. RAFFERTY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to introduce a young man with extraordinary talents who has achieved things that we can all look up to. Mr. Hazim Hardeman is a Rhodes Scholar, Temple University graduate, and graduate of the Community College of Philadelphia. He is from my neighborhood, just five blocks from where I grew up. He is from 23rd and Diamond, a neighborhood that is not always known for its Rhodes Scholars, but today is. Hazim will attend Oxford University in London. He aspires to teach economics and politics and one day could probably give us some good advice in this Chamber about how we deal with many of the great social issues of our day. At a mere 23 years of age, he has become an example and role model for young people where we are both from in north Philadelphia, at Temple University, and throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and indeed the United States of America. So it is with great pleasure that I join Senator Rafferty, who will have some remarks, to welcome Hazim Hardeman to the Senate and congratulate him on his accomplishments thus far in life and wishing him many, many more in the future and lending and pledging our aid in assisting him in his future endeavors.

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Mr. President, it is an honor for me to work, once again, with my colleague and friend, Senator Street.

When I read the article in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* about Hazim, I was truly overjoyed for him, his personal story, his accomplishments, his achievements, and also for my alma mater Temple, Temple Law graduate, having its first ever Rhodes Scholar in Hazim. I saw, shortly after that, the president of Temple and had a conversation with him about having Hazim visit the Senate and I would work with Senator Street. Senator Street and I had conversations and Senator Street's office arranged for today's visit and I had the opportunity to shake hands and have a brief conversation with this incredible young man, a man of perseverance, a man of intellect, a man of integrity, and a man who, when he sometimes faltered, as we all do with our human frailties, had professors and a mother there to get him back in the right direction to reach this goal and to accomplish this major achievement by being a Rhodes Scholar, and, as I said, the first ever from Temple.

So, it was a thrill to meet Hazim, and I join with Senator Street and ask my colleagues to recognize the achievements of this young man. He has made Temple proud, he has made the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania proud by being a Rhodes Scholar, and give an extra traditional warm welcome to Hazim from Temple University. Hazim Hardeman, Rhodes Scholar.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Street and Senator Rafferty, Hazim Hardeman, a Rhodes Scholar from north Philadelphia, Temple University, we are very proud, thank you for joining us, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. I am also particularly proud, as a Temple Trustee, of Hazim's great accomplishments. We hope for even more. I heard him at the Board of Trustees and he is also a great public speaker, which comes in handy, and we have passed out some information about Hazim to the Senators from Temple. We will be watching you carefully, Hazim, and we know great things are going to happen.

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 to introduce a wonderful group of high school students and staff from Lebanon High School in the 48th Senatorial District, which is also my alma mater, go Cedars. The group is visiting today as part of the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network Day at the Capitol. This is their first year at the ACS CAN Day at the Capitol event and they are excited to make a difference in the fight against cancer through volunteering.

Lebanon High School has been active with the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network, Relay for Life, and Bark for Life for the past 4 years. Joining us today are the following students: Denise Colon, Collin Mentzer, Solia Horn, Glorianna Fraytic, Elizabeth Cartagena, Jill Trate, Max Guzman, and Elizabeth Rivera. This is dear to their hearts as there are students and staff at their school and in their community who are fighting cancer and are cancer survivors also.

I hope the group enjoyed their experience here in the Capitol today and continue the great work they are doing with the Ameri-

can Cancer Society. Senators, please join me in a warm Senate welcome for the Lebanon High School American Cancer Society's Cancer Network Action volunteers.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Folmer, the great young people from Lebanon County, Relay for Life, please rise so we that may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Thanks for being of service.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR GENE YAW PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator YAW. Mr. President, it is with great pleasure today that I rise to introduce my Williamsport district office intern Jacob Quasius. Jacob is concluding his internship this month and I wanted to take a moment to acknowledge him and the excellent work he has done while being a part of our team here in the Senate. Jacob is the son of Paul and Tammy Quasius of Stanhope, New Jersey. He is a senior at Lycoming College in Williamsport, where he is majoring in history and has a triple minor in political science, domestic public policy, and economics, and also personally I would like to note that Lycoming College is the place of education of Senator Argall and myself.

During his time at Lycoming, Jacob has been an extremely active and engaged student. To name just a few of his activities, he has served as resident assistant, a department assistant, an academic liaison, student researcher, and he is a member of TKE fraternity. He has had many academic honors, been on the dean's list all 4 years, is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective college honor society, and he has also earned numerous other honors including academic Greek and leadership awards at the college.

Upon graduating in May, Jacob plans to attend George Mason University's Antonin Scalia School of Law in Arlington, Virginia. After law school he aspires for a career in public policy and advocacy. Mr. President, once again, I would like to thank Jacob for all of his hard work and contributions as my district intern, and I would ask all of my Senate colleagues to give Jacob a warm Senate welcome and wish him good luck in all of his future endeavors.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Yaw, Jacob Quasius, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR PATRICK J. STEFANO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, today I rise to introduce Sheila Shea. She is one of my constituents from Fayette County and she is here today along with 120 of her fellow American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network Pennsylvania volunteers. Sheila has been a leadership volunteer with the American Cancer Society since 2001. The American Cancer Society Action Cancer Network advocates for legislation and is a catalyst to fight cancer. They are working to pass laws and regulations that move us closer to the day when no one has to hear those three scary

words, you have cancer. I ask my colleagues to give Sheila Shea and her other colleagues a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Stefano, Sheila Shea and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network representatives, please rise so that we may welcome you all. Thank you for what you do.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR VINCENT J. HUGHES PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, we get a chance to recognize special people for special accomplishments, and I have that responsibility on two occasions today. One is a small group, the other is a large group, but this one is maybe more special than most, Mr. President. We wanted to take a moment, Mr. President, to congratulate a young woman in my office on a very incredible accomplishment. Lynette Carter, this young lady right here, came to the United States 9 years ago just a few days shy of her 18th birthday. Born and raised in Zimbabwe, located near southern Africa, Lynette came to the United States on a Division II field hockey scholarship. She attended Seton Hill University in Greensburg before transferring to Messiah College, where she paid her way through college, listen to this, Mr. President, by working multiple jobs each semester before graduating cum laude with a bachelor's degree in sociology, anthropology, and a minor in criminal justice. And I say that she graduated cum laude not, oh lordy, okay?

Lynette interned with the House of Representatives during her final semester of college, and it was then that she discovered her love for drafting legislation and for politics. She was hired as a research analyst just 2 days after graduating, and over the last 5 years she has worked in the House Committee on Human Services Committee, and most recently in the office of the Democratic Whip, before joining my staff as a budget analyst in my office. Additionally, Mr. President, as a permanent resident, Lynette has been involved in the political process both inside and outside this building. Like many immigrants who have made contributions to our economy, this young woman embodies so many of the values that we cherish in this country. Over the last year, while working full time, she also has been attending law school at Widener University Commonwealth in the evenings. I say that again, over the last year while working full time she has also been attending law school at Widener University Commonwealth in the evenings. Knowing where she has come from and the hardships she has overcome to be here today, I am honored to announce that Lynette will officially become a citizen of the United States this Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

(Applause.)

Senator HUGHES. My fellow Americans, again, please join me in congratulating this hardworking young woman. Congratulations, Lynette.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. Congratulations, Lynette, on all of your accomplishments. Let us know where it is going to be and some of us will come when you become an American citizen. God bless you.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN M. DiSANTO
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator DiSANTO. Mr. President, I rise today and I am honored to introduce Mark Finlay, the featured speaker for this morning's Commonwealth Prayer Breakfast. Mark was born in Belfast during the Northern Ireland's troubles that raged from 1968 until the Good Friday Agreement of 1998.

For 25 years, Mark worked in development and city regeneration, and during the 1990s became involved with the peace process. Stemming from his work in reconciliation and peace, Mark has served with the Island of Ireland's delegation to the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C., since 2007. Mark currently resides in Annapolis, Maryland, with his wife, Karen, who joins him today. I want to, again, thank Mark for his inspirational message and perspective on peace and reconciliation, especially how it pertains to the legislature.

Please join me in welcoming Mark and Karen Finlay to the Senate.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator DiSanto, Mark and Karen Finlay, please rise. Thank you for being with us. (Applause.)

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

Senator HUGHES, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 316**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the 40th anniversary of Cheyney University's 1977-1978 men's Division II National Championship Basketball Team.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, this is another important accomplishment that needs to be recognized today. I am proud that on this day I have the opportunity of handling two very special accomplishments.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR VINCENT J. HUGHES
AND SENATOR ANTHONY H. WILLIAMS
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, it gives me great honor on this day to ask this body to rise to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the 1977-78 National Champion Cheyney University Men's Basketball Team in Division II. The Cheyney Wolves defeated the number one team, Wisconsin Green Bay, by a score of 47-40 to win their first men's national title. That year the men's team finished the year with a record of 27-2. The team was led by Naismith Hall of Fame Coach John Chaney, Charles Songster, and athletic trainer Joe Iezzi. The team was comprised of John Butts, Duane Coleman, Milt Colston, Andrew Fields, who was the tournament MVP and his nickname was Dip; Kenny Hinson, whose nickname was Cisco, maybe it still is; Jeffrey Hutcherson,

whose nickname was White Mouse; Roger Leysath, whose nickname was Bird; Gerald Mills, whose nickname was Mo; Charles Murphy, whose nickname was Murph; Gilbert Saunders--I love this one--whose nickname was The Colonel, get it? Colonel Sanders. Arthur Stone, whose nickname was Suga Bear. Are you still Suga Bear? And John Walker, whose nickname was Blue.

That year Cheyney was a well-balanced team with four players averaging in double figures. Senior guard and All-American Milt Colston led the team with an average of 15.1 points per game. Fellow senior Jeff Hutcherson averaged 13.4 points per game. Sophomore Charles Murphy averaged 11.2 points per game, as did Andrew Fields who also averaged 10.9 rebounds per game. The same year Cheyney won its sixth consecutive Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference title by defeating Slippery Rock by a score of 66-59. On their way to the Division II title, they defeated number 15 Adelphi, Philadelphia University, Sacred Heart, number 2 Florida Tech, and, of course, number 1 Green Bay.

Please join me in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the 1977-78 Division II National Champions.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Hughes and Senator Williams, the Cheyney men's championship basketball team, please rise so that we may welcome you to the Pennsylvania Senate. Great to have you here. You make us so proud. You are pretty darn good dressers, too.

(Applause.)

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I also acknowledge a number of guests who are in the balcony. Michael Coard, Junious Stanton, Sonja Stanton, Cathy Coleman, Chase Coleman, Juanita Leysath, and guests of Alphonso Coleman, Marilyn Hutcherson, Lionel Hyson, and Shavonne Mitchell. Thank you very much.

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

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I am equally moved and honored to greet our esteemed alumni here today. My comments are reflective of those that would come from my parents. My father and mother are both alumni of Cheyney University. My comment goes directly to not just this extraordinary achievement but to what that university represents. For those who do not know, in the audience up there are equally as parallel in gifted areas of expertise across the country as they were skilled on the basketball court. This university was literally a lifeline to many people of color, African Americans specifically, who did not have the opportunity to be educated in other universities across this country. There are those who think that time period novelty has passed, and certainly many of us live in a variety of neighborhoods. Again, Cheyney University represents a place and a portal of opportunity for many people of color who would not have another option. So, while it is wonderful that we are able to celebrate this extraordinary moment, we can celebrate and lift each other up, I would expect that all of those gentleman there, just as my father who passed and my mother who is still here, expect the Commonwealth to do everything it can to keep that university open and alive for generations to come. Congratulations, and I thank you very much.

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I would be remiss, there are four additional names that I am obligated to read at this moment.

The 1978 team cheerleader is Kathy Benjamin. The alumni president is Alphonso Coleman, the 1978 team cheerleader Deborah Griffin, and coach John Chaney's representative, because you cannot go anywhere without John Chaney being represented somewhere by somebody, Pamela West.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Hughes please rise to be welcomed by the Pennsylvania Senate. We welcome you as well.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. Now, to our championship basketball team, we will vote that resolution. Let us see if your presence here helps us pass this one. Let us see how it goes.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

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

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 meetings of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, followed by a meeting of the Committee on Finance to be held in the Rules room, followed by a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room.

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

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I ask the Senate Democrats to attend those meetings and then to meet for a caucus immediately following the meetings.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of meetings of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness and the Committee on Finance, 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.

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, 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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 435, SB 439, and SB 521 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 595 (Pr. No. 627) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, as follows: in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in management of the condominium, providing for alternative dispute resolution in condominiums and for complaints filed with Bureau of Consumer Protection; in protection of purchasers, further providing for effect of violations on rights of action; in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in management of cooperatives, providing for alternative dispute resolution in cooperatives and for complaints filed with Bureau of Consumer Protection; in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in management of planned community, providing for alternative dispute resolution in planned communities and for complaints filed with Bureau of Consumer Protection; and, in protection of purchasers, further providing for effect of violations on rights of action.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

POINT OF ORDER

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I rise for a point of order under Rule 20.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Scavello has asked for clarification with regard to his voting on House Bill No. 595 under the provisions of Rule 20. Senator, what is the question?

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I am a president of a homeowner's association since 1987 and does voting for this put me in jeopardy? Basically, that is why I am looking for your leadership.

The PRESIDENT. Senator, thank you for your inquiry. If you give me one moment I will address that issue in its entirety.

Senator Scavello, the facts as you have conveyed them are that you are president of a homeowner's association, so you, sir, would be one of a number of folks who may or may not have some interest and the Chair holds that under Rule 20(c)(2) you would not hold a particular or special type of interest which would make you alone, Senator Scavello, someone who would

benefit far above others. Therefore, you would be a member of a class that may or may not, and under Rule 20(c)(2), you must vote on the legislation.

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, thank you.

POINT OF ORDER

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, point of order. I rise to seek a ruling from the Chair under Rule 20(c)(2) as to whether I can vote on House Bill No. 595.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Martin, we will probably go down the same road that we just went down with Senator Scavello, but if you would state specifically what your concerns are?

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, my wife owns a property management company that oversees homeowner's associations. Therefore, I am seeking counsel from the Chair as to whether or not I am permitted to vote on this legislation which pertains to requirements for condominiums, cooperatives, and planned communities.

The PRESIDENT. Once again, I hold that your wife being in that position, may or may not inure some benefit, but it would not be particularized or specific to you or to your wife. Therefore, under Rule 20(c)(2), you must vote on the legislation.

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, thank you.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

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-50

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

NAY-0

A majority of 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

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

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

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILL AMENDED

SB 653 (Pr. No. 1374) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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 collection; in consolidated collection of local income taxes, further providing for tax collection committees and for powers and duties of tax officer; in collection of delinquent taxes, further providing for costs of collection; and making a related editorial change.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator BROWNE offered the following amendment No. A6840:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 1 through 4, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. Section 313(a), Chapter 5 heading and section 505(a), (a.1), (b), (c), (j) and (l) of the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, are amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 6, line 11, by inserting after "taxes":

enacted under this act

Amend Bill, page 6, line 13, by inserting after "district.":

An appeals board established under this section shall be the appropriate venue for any appeal of the following:

(i) Any tax provided for under this act, except a tax upon the transfer of real property or an interest in real property.

(ii) A tax levied on payroll amounts generated as a result of business activity as authorized by this act or any other act.

Amend Bill, page 6, by inserting between lines 19 and 20:

(3.1) When an appeal is filed in the manner prescribed by a tax collection committee, a copy of the appeal shall be concurrently filed with the taxing jurisdiction named in the appeal.

Amend Bill, page 7, by inserting between lines 14 and 15:

Section 2. Section 509(k) of the act is amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Amend Bill, page 7, lines 19 through 21, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

(1) no later than January 1, 2020, shall collect each tax which is authorized under section 301.1 except a tax upon the transfer of real property or an interest in real property and a tax levied on payroll amounts generated as a result of business activity as authorized by this act or any other act; and

Amend Bill, page 7, line 26, by inserting a bracket before the period after "law"

Amend Bill, page 7, line 26, by inserting after "law.":

], except taxes excluded from collection under paragraph (1).
(k.1) Exception.--Notwithstanding subsection (k), a political

subdivision may retain its tax collection authority over a mercantile or business privilege tax by resolution adopted not less than 90 days prior to the effective date of subsection (k)(1).

- Amend Bill, page 7, line 27, by striking out "2" and inserting: 3
Amend Bill, page 7, lines 27 and 28, by striking out "and the section is amended by adding a subsection"
Amend Bill, page 8, lines 2 and 3, by striking out all of said lines
Amend Bill, page 8, line 4, by striking out "3" and inserting: 4
Amend Bill, page 8, line 9, by striking out "4" and inserting: 5
Amend Bill, page 8, line 9, by striking out "2019" and inserting: 2020

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.
Without objection, the bill, as amended, was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 653 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 742 (Pr. No. 1162) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 29, 2006 (P.L.1471, No.165), known as the Sexual Assault Testing and Evidence Collection Act, further providing for rights of sexual assault victims.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, DiSanto, Leach, Street, Argall, Eichelberger, Martin, Tartaglione, Aument, Farnese, McGarrigle, Tomlinson, Baker, Folmer, McIlhinney, Vogel, Bartolotta, Fontana, Mensch, Vulakovich, Blake, Gordner, Rafferty, Wagner, Boscola, Greenleaf, Regan, Ward, Brewster, Haywood, Resenthaler, White, Brooks, Hughes, Sabatina, Williams, Browne, Hutchinson, Scarnati, Yaw, Corman, Killion, Scavello, Yudichak, Costa, Langerholc, Schwank, Dinniman, Laughlin, Stefano

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.

HB 866 (Pr. No. 972) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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, for limitation on assessment 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.

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-44

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Dinniman, Langerholc, Stefano, Argall, DiSanto, Leach, Street, Aument, Eichelberger, Martin, Tartaglione, Bartolotta, Farnese, McIlhinney, Vogel, Blake, Folmer, Mensch, Vulakovich, Boscola, Fontana, Regan, Wagner, Brewster, Gordner, Resenthaler, Ward, Brooks, Greenleaf, Sabatina, White, Browne, Haywood, Scarnati, Williams, Corman, Hughes, Scavello, Yaw, Costa, Hutchinson, Schwank, Yudichak

NAY-6

Table with 4 columns: Baker, Laughlin, Rafferty, Tomlinson, Killion, McGarrigle

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.

SB 915 (Pr. No. 1534) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for victim and witness outreach; and, in post-trial matters, further providing for eligibility for relief and for jurisdiction and proceedings.

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 | DiSanto | Leach | Street |
| Argall | Eichelberger | Martin | Tartaglione |
| Aument | Farnese | McGarrigle | Tomlinson |
| Baker | Folmer | McIlhinney | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Fontana | Mensch | Vulakovich |
| Blake | Gordner | Rafferty | Wagner |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Regan | Ward |
| Brewster | Haywood | Resenthaler | White |
| Brooks | Hughes | Sabatina | Williams |
| Browne | Hutchinson | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Killion | Scavello | Yudichak |
| Costa | Langerholc | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Laughlin | Stefano | |

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 916 (Pr. No. 1535) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in post-trial matters, further providing for postconviction DNA testing.

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 | DiSanto | Leach | Street |
| Argall | Eichelberger | Martin | Tartaglione |
| Aument | Farnese | McGarrigle | Tomlinson |
| Baker | Folmer | McIlhinney | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Fontana | Mensch | Vulakovich |
| Blake | Gordner | Rafferty | Wagner |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Regan | Ward |
| Brewster | Haywood | Resenthaler | White |
| Brooks | Hughes | Sabatina | Williams |
| Browne | Hutchinson | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Killion | Scavello | Yudichak |
| Costa | Langerholc | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Laughlin | Stefano | |

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 1041 and **SB 1070** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1071 (Pr. No. 1555) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial boards and commissions, further providing for powers and duties, for adoption of guidelines for sentencing, for adoption of guidelines for county intermediate punishment, for adoption of guidelines for State intermediate punishment and for adoption of risk assessment instrument; in sentencing, further providing for sentencing generally, for order of probation, for sentence of partial confinement, for sentence of total confinement, for sentence of county intermediate punishment, for information required upon commitment and subsequent disposition, for modification or revocation of order of probation, for court-imposed sanctions for offenders violating probation, for modification or revocation of county intermediate punishment sentence and for revocation of State intermediate punishment sentence; in county intermediate punishment, further providing for county intermediate punishment programs and for continued eligibility; in motivational boot camp, further providing for definitions, for selection of inmate participants and for motivational boot camp program; in State intermediate punishment, further providing scope of chapter, for definitions, for referral to State intermediate punishment program, for drug offender treatment program and for reports; in recidivism risk reduction incentive, further providing for definitions, for evaluation and for reports; in Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, further providing for definitions, for advisory committee, for general powers of board, for probation services, for parole power, providing for short sentence parole, further providing for violation of terms of parole and for parole procedure; and making conforming amendments.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

LANGERHOLC AMENDMENT A6463 OFFERED

Senator LANGERHOLC offered the following amendment No. A6463:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 29 and 30, by striking out "for parole power, providing for short sentence parole, further providing"

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 20 through 22, by striking out "the implementation of" in line 20, all of line 21 and "to short sentence parole," in line 22

Amend Bill, page 38, lines 25 through 27, by striking out "but may not be eligible for" in line 25, all of line 26 and "sentence parole" in line 27

Amend Bill, page 47, line 22, by striking out the comma after "(5)" and inserting:

and
Amend Bill, page 47, line 23, by striking out "and 6137(a)(1)"

Amend Bill, page 49, lines 16 through 30; page 50, lines 1 through 30; page 51, lines 1 through 22; by striking out all of said lines on said pages

Amend Bill, page 51, line 23, by striking out "20" and inserting:
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Amend Bill, page 52, line 11, by striking out "21" and inserting:
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Amend Bill, page 52, lines 21 and 22, by striking out "to paroles under section 6137.5 (relating to short sentence parole) or"

Amend Bill, page 53, line 10, by striking out "22" and inserting:
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Amend Bill, page 53, lines 20 and 21, by striking out "The following shall take effect in 120 days:

(i)"
Amend Bill, page 53, line 21, by striking out "6137(a)(1),"

Amend Bill, page 53, line 22, by inserting after "(b)":
shall take effect in 120 days

Amend Bill, page 53, line 23, by striking out all of said line

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

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria, Senator Langerholc.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I offer this amendment to Senate Bill No. 1071 and ask for its support. My amendment deals specifically with one provision of Senate Bill No. 1071, that being of short sentence parole. As the bill is written, it would permit any individual sentenced with a minimum term of incarceration in a State facility of 2 years to be given automatic parole. My amendment would strike that language, and I ask that it be supported by the Members of this body. The reasons are as follows.

First, I feel we have a system in place that adequately addresses parole-type situations. This bill in its form would effectively take away any review by our parole board, as well as take away any victim statement that they may have, and not permit any type of discussion whereas what their home plan may be and what type of employment they may seek. This is a dangerous precedent, Mr. President, and I fear that enacting this would then not only prospectively impact individuals who are sentenced to this, but also individuals who may be incarcerated now serving a 2- to 5-year sentence, a 2- to 8-year sentence, a 2- to 10-year sentence. I have prosecuted individuals. I have elicited guilty pleas where sentences were enacted of 2 to 10 years. Judges in my home county of Cambria County would give sentences with longer tails. Why? Because they would have supervision on these individuals. This bill would effectively take away any supervision or any review by our body of those individuals and automatically release them. Again, Mr. President, I feel there is a system in place that works. I ask that my amendment be supported.

Further, I have had the opportunity to sit in on various CLEs regarding our SIP program, or the State Intermediate Punishment program. Individuals are telling me that these sentences or these opportunities are going down. We have a means to address this problem through the State Intermediate Punishment program. What we are doing here, by allowing individuals to be released in 2 years without any type of review, is we are taking away any accountability that any individual may have. We are taking away any incentive for any individual to seek treatment, seek programs, and better themselves while they are incarcerated so they can become a productive member of society. That is all gone.

I have seen individuals whom I have prosecuted who were involved in State programs in the State system. They cannot wait to get back to the system, to get back to their classes to complete the programs that they are availing themselves of which are then ultimately helping. Is that not the core reason of corrections? Is that not the reason why we are giving programs to these individuals, so that they can avail themselves of educational opportunities, trade opportunities, and become productive members of society? I fear the floodgates that may open of individuals who are serving a year 4 of a 2-to-8, or 2-to-10, to be released with no accountability and no reason.

Furthermore, I am cognizant of the impetus of this legislation to save money. However, I am also cognizant of protecting individuals in this Commonwealth, and I will continue to do so. There are specific exemptions to this requirement that would not be applicable, that if there is a person who is serving a sentence involving a firearm, involving personal injury, or committing an

infraction while they are incarcerated. However, there are crimes that are not covered, and I have a list of those crimes. All of the inchoate crimes - criminal attempt, criminal solicitation, criminal conspiracy - are not covered. Possession of a weapon on school property is not covered. If there is an individual serving a sentence now somewhere in a State institution who was convicted or pleaded guilty to possession of a weapon on school property, if his sentence is 2 to 10 years, if he is in year 5 or 6, they would be automatically paroled under this legislation. Human trafficking is not addressed in the exemptions to this bill. Burglary and related offenses are not addressed.

Again, Mr. President, we have the tools in place to address these issues. State Intermediate Punishment, RRRI, these are programs that work. These are programs that are also--not coincidentally the numbers being down, we need to avail these individuals of those proper programs and funnel them into those programs, not by, with one swift stroke of a pen releasing individuals without any accountability. I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote on this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, I rise to oppose amendment No. A6463 which would remove the provisions relating to short sentence parole. I want to go through some of the points that the previous speaker hit. As we know, short sentence parole, Mr. President, provides for automatic supervised release when an individual has served his or her minimum sentence. This would only apply, contrary to the remarks by the previous speaker, there are specific parameters in which this would apply, and only apply, and here they are: This would only apply to individuals whose minimum sentence is 2 years or less, and it would not apply to convictions including personal injury, firearms offenses -- the previous speaker maybe erroneously included that, but let us be clear, firearms offenses are exempt from this provision. Or, if serving a sentence because parole has been denied. Those are the exemptions, Mr. President, to the short-term parole.

Contrary to the contentions of some, this proposal does not ignore public safety. Individuals granted parole must still follow conditions set by the board and do so--and this is important, because it was somehow not clear during the previous presentation --they do so for the remainder of their sentence. So, these individuals must still follow conditions set by the board and do so for the remainder of their sentence. These plans might include, Mr. President, substance abuse treatment, education, job requirements, and including, but not limited to, paying restitution. Again, it needs to be stressed, because the previous speaker may have not mentioned this, but these are nonviolent offenders who have already served the minimum sentence, which was determined by a trial court and are at low risk of committing a new offense. Public safety, Mr. President, was addressed by the previous speaker. Public safety is actually enhanced by providing for a smoother transition back into their communities with supervision, which leads, Mr. President, as we know, and as the data says, to reduced recidivism rates.

Furthermore, we are talking about the cost benefits to the short-term parole. The cost benefits of parole over prison could save Pennsylvanians millions of dollars. Prisoners can cost the State around \$40,000 per year, when the annual cost for an offender in the State parole program is \$3,500. We know that, in

fact, if we do this amendment, the cost savings of the JRI act would go down from \$55 million to approximately \$2 million; \$55 million in cost savings to approximately \$2 million. When you are running around, Mr. President, looking for cost savings, this is something that not only protects the public but also protects the taxpaying public's purse. With regard to concerns that people on parole would commit new offenses, the reality is that on the national level, relatively few people on parole return to prison with a new sentence. Research indicates that keeping individuals in their community benefits public safety by permitting them to work, contribute to the community, and participate in family life.

Mr. President, as you yourself are well aware, many of us in this room have hosted Pathways to Pardons because we believe that our own constituents deserve the opportunity to live productive, meaningful lives and overcome the mistakes of their past. I thank you for your leadership on this issue, and I sincerely hope, Mr. President, that we do not undo the progress that we have made by adopting this amendment. Supporting this provision would move us away from meaningful reform, and I urge a "no" vote on this amendment No. A6463.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria, Senator Langerholc, for the second time.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, to clarify some assertions that were made with regard to the information that I gave was not incorrect, and I point specifically to the language of the bill, which reads in pertinent part in three provisions. These are the exemptions: (1) persons committed for or with an aggregate sentence containing a personal injury crime as defined in section 103 of the act of November 24, 1998, known as the Crime Victims Act. (2) persons committed for or with an aggregate sentence containing an offense under 18 Pa. C.S., section 6105--those are the firearm crimes that this legislation deals with--possession of a weapon on school property, section 912 of chapter 9 of inchoate crimes, section 913 of chapter 9 of the inchoate crimes, possession of firearm or other dangerous weapon in court facility, is not covered by this legislation.

Those statements that were made were accurate. There could be an individual serving a sentence who was convicted or pleaded guilty to those offenses. This is not covered in this legislation. Thank you.

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, I rise in opposition to this amendment. It is a backward amendment. We are going back in time now by looking at this amendment and considering it. If we put it in this bill, first of all, we will lose about \$55 million in savings, but that is not enough. I mean, I was up here, and I have been voting for bills and tough-on-crime bills for decades here, and do you know what? It does not work, because punishment without rehabilitation is a failure. But we still maintain public protection by making sure that only gun use, or personal injury crimes, or other crimes rely on the judge to make that decision when it is necessary to make sure that he is protecting the public, and they will be protected. To the contrary, this legislation will push us back to the old ways where it did not work, and we are going to jeopardize public safety and it will raise our recidivism rate. It is going to do all of those things that we have been talking about that we do not want anymore.

In addition, the counties have adopted this process. They have already adopted it and there has been no adverse impact on this by allowing the counties to do it. All we are doing is allowing the counties to reach out and try this process for the less risky individuals, and then rehabilitate them. As has been said, it is a lot less expensive to rehabilitate them than to have them recidivate and commit crimes. It is a lot less safe for our communities as well. We should not go back. This legislation begins the first step of going back to the bad old days with just punishment and not rehabilitation. We should not do this, and I oppose the amendment.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from York, Senator Regan.

Senator REGAN. Mr. President, I agree ostensibly with the belief that we should not incarcerate certain nonviolent offenders, drug addicts during this opioid crisis. I think we can all agree that people who are addicted to drugs may benefit more from a sentence which requires them to do treatment or to take care of their illness. But crimes that are not covered under this bill are serious crimes, crimes like human trafficking, burglary, criminal conspiracy, prohibited weapons, and possession of a weapon on school property. Think about that, possession of a weapon on school property. Concealing the death of a child and felony delivery of narcotics, as we are losing 13 Pennsylvanians a day from opioid abuse. Folks, Mr. President, we stood in this august body several weeks ago and voted on Marsy's Law, which provided for victims' rights, something that is so desperately needed in this State of Pennsylvania, victims' rights. This portion of this bill takes away victims' rights. They do not have the right to testify at a parole hearing. It is automatic parole after 2 years.

So what are we doing? Are we protecting victims or are we not? As I mentioned, these are serious crimes that are being committed that are not covered under this bill. So, it is something I think we need to strongly consider. What if one of these people gets out after a 2-year sentence and commits a more severe crime? Something we all should strongly consider. I am supporting this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to oppose this amendment. I think Senator Greenleaf, the maker of the bill, appropriately drafted a bill that addressed both concerns about public safety but also found the space in which we could improve justice outcomes and save significant amounts of money. The maker of the bill did a significant amount of work to find the level of offender that is rudimentarily offered a parole or probation anyway. Yet, the cost of administering these hearings is significant, \$55 million, \$53 million of which would be lost by this bill, lost under circumstances to hold hearings, most for people who would probably be released anyway. The assertion that there would be no oversight is incorrect because those folks would still be subject to the conditions set forth by the Board of Probation and Parole.

Therefore, Mr. President, given that this amendment severely weakens the savings of public resources, which so many of us in this Chamber talk about where we are trusted to be stewards of, to the tune of over \$50 million, I think \$52 million, which represents a quarter of a billion dollars in a 5-year plan. Because there is almost no increase in public safety for that additional expendi-

ture of resources, moreover because those funds would not be reinvested in programs that allow us to reduce recidivism through the justice reinvestment components of the legislation, it actually could potentially make us less safe.

For those and other reasons, I thank the maker of the original bill for his good work and urge a "no" vote on the amendment.

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

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I ask the gentleman who is offering the amendment to stand for a brief period of interrogation.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Williams has requested from Senator Langerholc a willingness to stand for interrogation. Senator Langerholc, do you agree?

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I agree.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Langerholc agrees. Senator Williams, please proceed.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I am very disappointed you did not give me a play-by-play as I arrived at my rostrum as well. It is play-off season.

The PRESIDENT. I have some other play-by-play ready for you.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I ask first, the Department of Corrections reviewed the initial bill offered by Senator Greenleaf. Did they ask for this amendment?

The PRESIDENT. Senator Langerholc, do you understand the question?

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, no.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Williams, would you rephrase your question?

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, he answered the question.

The PRESIDENT. Oh, is that the answer?

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, he just said no. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. I will stay out of it.

Senator WILLIAMS. So, did any county commissioner organization ask for this amendment?

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, no.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, did any of the DA associations ask for this amendment?

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, ask for this amendment? No.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, the question then comes, where did the motivation behind -- all the groups I have mentioned are a part of the groups who supported the original legislation. So--

POINT OF ORDER

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, point of order.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman, state your point of order.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I think I understand where the gentleman is coming from, but I also believe it is inappropriate in our rules to ask for motivation of a Member on offering an amendment or a bill.

The PRESIDENT. This is true, Senator. I was just giving the Senator a little leeway because I know he builds up to the question and so I wanted to give him a little leeway on that.

But, Senator, you are aware of the rule that asking a Senator's motivation is not permitted under the rules, but other areas of inquiry are certainly in order.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, yes. So, the question is not the motivation, but I listened to the offering about the gentleman's experience and giving credibility to his argument in addition to support the amendment. So, I simply am inquiring about others who are experts in this same area, some of whom are part of the fraternity of which he is associated, so I am simply asking the derivative of where he got other experts beyond himself to do that.

The PRESIDENT. Generally, you can--

POINT OF ORDER

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, again, the same point of order. Look, if the gentleman is done with his interrogation, that is fine, he can go on and make whatever comment he would like to about the bill, but he is still asking the same motivational question as I raised in a point of order before.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman, I believe you are correct.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, let me ask you a question. Is it not appropriate for me to ask for, as in any supporting document, a reference point? The motivation would be, why did you do this? The question is, where do you derive information beyond your own personal experience as a prosecutor? Which, by the way, was offered as background support of the amendment. So, I am simply inquiring beyond his individual reference point, are there other reference points which he could add from that fraternity of others who are involved in that? That is all I am asking.

The PRESIDENT. Thank you, Senator Williams. I am going to look to my left and see the facial expressions and then I will be able to tell you whether you are going to get an answer.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, again, I think asking the motivational questions and why an individual is offering legislation--the Senator, in his remarks, was clear as to what inspired this amendment. If the gentleman asked a series of questions and the gentleman here answered him, and I think it is time, if he wants to ask further questions or go on with his statement, that is fine, but, again, he is pushing the envelope as far as motivational, and I think that is still inappropriate under our rules.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Williams, once again, motivations are out of bounds. Do you have any other questions?

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I think I am losing this one, so no.

The PRESIDENT. Thank you, Senator Williams.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, that would certainly end my period of interrogation of this gentleman.

I ask for a brief period of interrogation of the gentleman who offered the bill, Senate Bill No. 1071.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Williams has asked to interrogate the maker of the bill. That is certainly in order, and Senator Greenleaf appears to be showing a willingness. I will take that as his assent to be interrogated.

Senator Williams, proceed.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I simply ask the perspective of an amendment to this bill, does the gentleman feel that the bill needs any type of improvement?

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, what is the question?

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, does the gentleman feel that this bill needs any type of improvement?

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, no. Well, look, it is my bill, so I would normally say yes, but no. Some of my bills do need improvement, but I do not think this is one of them, quite frankly. Again, it is important for us to deal with this. I know it is counterintuitive, I know we want to try to get tough on crime, and that is fine. This does not zero in on people who are violent offenders, so they are not going to be involved in this. So, I do not think that there is a need for any changes in the legislation. I think it accomplishes its purposes. If I remember right, there were a number of people, law enforcement and also other groups who are elected individuals such as those who are advocates for criminal justice reform, who were involved in drafting the legislation. So, I would hope that it would pass without this amendment though, because this amendment has a very negative impact on the legislation and basically it almost guts the effectiveness of the legislation, so I would hope that it would not be amended. I am not saying it could not be amended or be improved in some way, I am not suggesting anything right now, but this amendment is not going to improve it.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Williams, I think you got your answer.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, absolutely. I do not think there is any need for further interrogation and I thank the gentleman from the other side of the aisle for being as accommodating as he was for making those comments.

So, I am not going to go down the path of whether you think it is right to be tough on crime or not. I am not going to go down the path of whether you think it is appropriate to save the taxpayers any money. I am going to go down the path that was open when—and my father was a criminal attorney, my brother was a criminal attorney, prosecutors, litigators, all of these lawyers in my family, and I am not, but I am quite familiar with, when you introduce information to a conversation or to an argument, then you have to stand by it. And so mine is simply knowing that many people on this floor have already made up their mind, that if you believe in a process that is based upon fact, if you are a lawyer, if you are a prosecutor and you say in your opening argument that I am doing this because I was a prosecutor and I am concerned about the protection of society, then that should draw an obvious question mark. Where are all of those other people who were involved in the criminal justice system who are here to protect us from those criminals everyone is talking about? I am not going to talk about the fact that the evidence has borne out that standard of keeping people locked up even longer makes us even safer.

I am going to talk about the people who are in the business of prosecuting and locking people up, they have not made one word, they have been supportive of the bill. They are in opposition to the amendment. This reminds me of when police departments across this country stand up and say, look, take guns off the streets of where we are and then we stand up and we arm the criminal even more. There is no basis or logic, and I respect the gentleman for his amendment. I think his intent is genuine, I think his motivation is appropriate, but I do think that the argu-

ment is faulty on its face. If it were strong enough, then he would be supported by the DAs Association, for which everybody in this Chamber trembles, and by the way, knee-jerk reacts when they ask for something.

This amendment has none of those supporting parties. No one who is prosecuting has said we need this amendment. All of those people on the other side support the original bill as constructed. I think we should respect those people who every day put their lives on the line to protect us. That means people who lock people up, that means people who prosecute, that means the law enforcement people who are on the streets, that means those who are hauling people to prisons, they are all in support of the gentleman's bill. And I think we should respect his longevity of work, his body of history, his credibility, just like we are respecting the gentleman's amendment. The amendment, with all due respect, does not get us to where we need to be. I do not think there is anyone here, including myself, who wants to let a dangerous criminal run around the streets of Philadelphia. Trust me. I live in a district that knows a lot about crime. I live in a district that knows a lot about criminals. I live in a district that knows a lot about this condition situation. This argument we are having today has nothing to do with any of it, with all due respect.

So, I certainly, unfortunately, I did not stand up and say at the beginning of my comments that I stand in opposition to the amendment. I allowed my inquiry of the gentleman to lead me to a conclusion which I think is logical, and based upon the lack of fraternity of those who are engaged in this process who are not supportive of this amendment, to allow us to drive that conversation. So, therefore, I stand in opposition to this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I would like to interrogate the maker of the amendment.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brooks has asked to interrogate the maker of the amendment, Senator Langerholc. He appears to assent, he is willing to be interrogated.

Senator Brooks, proceed.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I understand the goal of this legislation is to reintegrate inmates who are serving a prison term back into the communities to save money, but I do have a few questions on what type of inmates would automatically be put back into the community if this legislation is not amended. But, first, I would like to ask you, again, your experience in why you made this amendment and your court experience?

POINT OF ORDER

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, point of order.

The PRESIDENT. Senator, first, the way we conduct the debate and the inquiry is addressed the question to me and, figuratively, I address it to the Senator.

We also have gone down the road of motivation, being not a question that it is appropriate to ask—you can ask it, but it is not going to get an answer. So, as Senator Williams was told, he could not ask for motivation. If you can find a different way to phrase your question, that would be a better way to go than to ask for motivation.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I am not really asking about motivation. I am asking about his expertise and his opinion in

these cases and his experience. So, I am not really asking about his motivation, I am asking why he feels he is qualified to weigh in on this.

The PRESIDENT. That would be a fine question.

The Chair recognizes Senator Langerholc.

POINT OF ORDER

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, point of order. I asked a very similarly phrased question based upon the gentleman's expertise, in which I was interrupted politely and told that was a part of motivation. I think that the rules have to apply to all of us fairly.

The PRESIDENT. Senator, I believe that entirely. I think that we have two compound questions. You were at motivation and also background. Once we got motivation out of it, I think we addressed background and you were in order. So, I think Senator Brooks is now in order because she is not asking a motivation question.

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I respectfully disagree with the President. I think I did ask about background and then I stopped my period of interrogation and talked about his expertise. I closed off any questions because I was not allowed to talk about that based upon the phrasing of the question. With all due respect, it was not part of my question. I had to close off those questions about one's background and expertise and I was required then to go into my comments, which I am perfectly fine going to my colleague's commentary, but I am not comfortable with any part of one's background or expertise being allowed to be part of the conversation because I was not allowed to do the same thing.

The PRESIDENT. Well, I love you and if I excluded that in your inquiry--

Senator WILLIAMS. Mr. President, that is a manly love, by the way.

The PRESIDENT. Of course. You will now get your question answered because we are now going to let Senator Brooks speak. And Senator Langerholc indicates he has the question. He is ready to go.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I am not trying to portray myself as an expert. I am not an expert. I am just a guy who prosecuted cases for about 9 1/2 years before I came here. I am speaking and offering this amendment after speaking to individuals after this was offered in the Committee on Judiciary. Based on my experience--not my expertise--of prosecuting individuals and seeing the impact that sentences and the wide range of sentences that would be levied by our common pleas judges, and seeing those that were in this range and seeing also the fine work that our parole and probation board does, and trusting in that and trusting in that system and what they do and in how they are able to assess an individual to see if that individual is ready to be released from incarceration. That is all. I am not trying to reinvent the wheel. I am giving credence to the fine work of the men and women of this Commonwealth who address these concerns on a daily basis.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, with that experience, I wanted to know, does this legislation without your amendment keep in place the ability for a victim to testify at a parole hearing?

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I believe that based on my reading of this legislation, no, that it would be provided that they did not meet one of those exemptions in the legislation, personal injury crime, firearm crime, or committing a major infraction, no, they would be a blanket release.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, one of the other things I am very concerned about is we are in the middle of an opioid crisis. I understand the philosophy of wanting a nonviolent inmate to be put back after good behavior and so forth, but we are also, I believe, talking about drug dealers. And so my question is would a drug dealer be-- would they be able to be paroled automatically in 2 years if his amendment does not go into this legislation?

The PRESIDENT. Senator Langerholc, if you understand the question and you know the answer.

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, yes. The answer would be if this amendment would not pass, then yes, an individual who has been convicted or pleaded guilty to drug delivery and their sentence was in the range prescribed in this legislation of a 2 to whatever, then, yes, that individual would be automatically paroled.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I appreciate the maker of the amendment answering my questions. And so this amendment protects the people of Pennsylvania.

The PRESIDENT. Has your inquiry ended?

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, yes.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brooks' interrogation of Senator Langerholc has ended and she is now making a statement.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, this amendment protects the people of Pennsylvania. What this amendment would do is maintain a process for parole. If this amendment does not go into this legislation, people who are sentenced 2-to-5 or 2-to-11 years with good behavior could be paroled automatically in 2 years, eliminating the ability for a victim not to testify in a parole hearing. We are talking about folks who are dealing drugs, concealing the death of a child, and human trafficking. Those are not insignificant crimes. So yes, we need to integrate these folks back into our communities, but there are some folks who should fulfill their full sentence. And to parole someone who is dealing drugs in the middle of an opioid crisis after 2 years without a parole hearing? That is what would happen without this amendment going in.

So, I ask my colleagues to support this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Street, for the second time.

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to point out there has been much debate on this amendment, but I want to point out a few things. There has been a suggestion that there would be nothing for a victim to comment on. Yet, there are still conditions that would be set forth by the Board of Probation and Parole, and so theoretically a victim could, even in the case of a nonviolent person who has been sentenced to less than 2 years, comment on the conditions set forth by the Board of Pardons and the Board of Probation and Parole for a person's release. A person would be released but there would still be conditions attached to that and a victim could comment on the nature of those conditions.

Secondly, I will point out, in the sentencing process, anyone who had -- the guidelines would require folks who have dealt

serious drugs, or serious quantities of drugs, and who are the real people pushing the poison, the guidelines would suggest they are going to get more than 2 years at sentencing. In order for a person to fit the category of people who have been intimidated it would apply, a judge would have to deviate from the guidelines and sentenced significantly below the guidelines. The serious offenders will still be subject to a parole hearing.

The maker of the bill, who has been doing this since I was a child, has artfully found a sweet spot where we can expand justice and save the taxpayers money. I commend his lifetime of work in this area and thank him for this legislation and ask that Members take seriously the work that he has done and leave his bill unstripped so that we can be careful stewards of the taxpayers' money that so many people in this Chamber care about. I point out that folks who vote for this amendment are voting to spend over \$50 million of additional money, which is essentially voting for a tax increase for people, essentially voting to waste taxpayers' money and essentially doing it without any additional protection for ordinary people, because the maker of the bill has already seen fit to do that. So, I urge a "no" vote on the amendment.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

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

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator White and Senator Ward. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

(During the calling of the roll, the following occurred:)

The PRESIDENT. The vote is 25 to 25. The President will exercise his prerogative and vote in the negative.

The following vote was recorded:

YEA-25

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| Alloway | Folmer | Regan | Wagner |
| Aument | Gordner | Resenthaler | Ward |
| Baker | Hutchinson | Scavello | White |
| Brooks | Langerholc | Stefano | Yaw |
| Corman | Laughlin | Tomlinson | |
| DiSanto | Martin | Vogel | |
| Eichelberger | Rafferty | Vulakovich | |

NAY-26

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| Argall | Dinniman | Leach | Street |
| Bartolotta | Farnese | McGarrigle | Tartaglione |
| Blake | Fontana | McIlhinney | Williams |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Mensch | Yudichak |
| Brewster | Haywood | Sabatina | |
| Browne | Hughes | Scarnati | |
| Costa | Killion | Schwank | |

The President exercised his constitutional prerogative to vote "nay."

Less than a majority of the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the negative.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1072 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1078 (Pr. No. 1560) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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 | DiSanto | Leach | Street |
| Argall | Eichelberger | Martin | Tartaglione |
| Aument | Farnese | McGarrigle | Tomlinson |
| Baker | Folmer | McIlhinney | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Fontana | Mensch | Vulakovich |
| Blake | Gordner | Rafferty | Wagner |
| Boscola | Greenleaf | Regan | Ward |
| Brewster | Haywood | Resenthaler | White |
| Brooks | Hughes | Sabatina | Williams |
| Browne | Hutchinson | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Killion | Scavello | Yudichak |
| Costa | Langerholc | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Laughlin | Stefano | |

NAY-0

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

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

BILL AMENDED

SB 1090 (Pr. No. 1583) -- 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 offenses involving danger to the person, providing for antihazing and prescribing penalties; in forfeiture of assets, further providing for asset forfeiture; and making a related repeal.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator CORMAN offered the following amendment No. A6858:

Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 14 and 15:
"Alcoholic liquid." A substance containing liquor, spirit, wine, beer, malt or brewed beverage or any combination thereof.

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 27 through 29, by striking out "An" in line 27 and all of lines 28 and 29 and inserting:

A degree-granting institution authorized to operate in this Commonwealth or an institution licensed by the State Board of Private Licensed Schools.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 3, by striking out "liquor" and inserting:
alcoholic liquid

Amend Bill, page 4, line 4, by inserting after "the":
minor or

Amend Bill, page 11, line 2, by striking out "2803" and inserting:
2804

Amend Bill, page 11, line 2, by striking out "aggravated" and inserting:

organizational

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1869, HB 1926 and HB 1952 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 26, HB 56, HB 61, and HB 63 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 104 (Pr. No. 2952) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for money of authority and for transfer of existing facilities to authority and providing for sale or transfer of authority water or sewer infrastructure.

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.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 149 (Pr. No. 113) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in obstructing governmental operations, providing for unlawful use of an audio or video device in court.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 215, SB 257, HB 291, SB 390, HB 444, SB 480 and HB 544 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 566 (Pr. No. 1928) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 17, 1994 (P.L.73, No.7), known as the Contractor and Subcontractor Payment Act, further providing for application of act, for owner's payment obligations, for owner's withholding of payment for good faith claims, for contractor's and subcontractor's payment obligations, for errors in documentation, for retainage, for contractor's withholding of payment for good faith claims and for penalty and attorney fee.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

HB 566 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 566, Printer's No. 1928, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 576 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 780 (Pr. No. 1448) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for telemedicine and for insurance coverage.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

SB 780 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 780, Printer's No. 1448, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 783 and SB 816 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 913 (Pr. No. 1944) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, adding provisions related to incorporated towns, and providing for storm water management plans and facilities.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

HB 913 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 913, Printer's No. 1944, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 914 (Pr. No. 1945) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in storm sewers and watercourses, further providing for authority of boroughs and for manner of financing work.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

HB 914 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 914, Printer's No. 1945, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 915 (Pr. No. 1946) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, providing for storm water management plans and facilities.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

HB 915 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 915, Printer's No. 1946, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 916 (Pr. No. 1947) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, 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.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

HB 916 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 916, Printer's No. 1947, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 922 and **SB 952** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 961 (Pr. No. 1585) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for learner's permits and for driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for the offenses of homicide by vehicle, aggravated assault by vehicle, homicide by vehicle while driving under influence, aggravated assault by vehicle while driving under the influence and for accidents involving death or personal injury while not properly licensed; and, in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for grading.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 963 and **HB 1001** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL AMENDED

SB 1003 (Pr. No. 1389) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in quality health care accountability and protection, further providing for emergency services.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?

Senator GORDNER, on behalf of Senator WHITE, offered the following amendment No. A6255:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by striking out "medically necessary"
 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 8 through 10, by striking out "any copayment, coinsurance or deductible as specified" in line 8, all of line 9 and "care plan's medical policies." in line 10 and inserting:
all copayments, coinsurances or deductibles.
 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 22 and 23, by striking out "medically necessary"
 Amend Bill, page 2, lines 24 through 26, by striking out "any copayment, coinsurance or deductible" in line 24, all of line 25 and "the managed care plan's medical policies." in line 26 and inserting:
all copayments, coinsurances or deductibles.

On the question,
 Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
 It was agreed to.
 Without objection, the bill, as amended, was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1021, SB 1024, SB 1080, SB 1087 and HB 1233 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 1364 (Pr. No. 2017) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1979 (P.L.241, No.78), entitled "An act authorizing political subdivisions, municipality authorities 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," further providing for title of the act; adding a short title; and providing for contracts for services.

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2017 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 104, TABLED

Senator GORDNER, without objection, called up from page 10 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 104**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Governor to end the moratorium on new nonsurface disturbance natural gas drilling leases involving Commonwealth State forest land.

Upon motion of Senator GORDNER, and agreed to by voice vote, the resolution was laid on the table.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 104 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that **Senate Resolution No. 104** be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.
 The PRESIDENT. The resolution will be placed on the Calendar.

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:

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

April 11, 2018

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 January 5, 2018, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of the Commonwealth, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Pedro Cortes, 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 DRUG, DEVICE AND COSMETIC BOARD

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Stephen A. Latanishen (Public Member), 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Drug, Device and Cosmetic 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 Susan Williams, Clearfield, 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 BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EBENSBURG CENTER

March 27, 2018

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 1, 2018, of Elise Claire Schell, 1506 Penn Street, Harrisburg

17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebsburg Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2021, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Marcelle Cooney, Cresson, 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 EDUCATION

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jay Badams, Erie, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
GAME COMMISSION

April 9, 2018

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 15, 2018, of Nathanael R. Brague (District 2), 1465 Hillcrest Court, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, 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 Robert Schlemmer, Export, 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 PENNSYLVANIA
GAME COMMISSION

April 10, 2018

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 January 31, 2018, of Stephen A. Latanishen (District 3), 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17102 *[sic]*, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, 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 Putnam, Centre Hall, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONROE COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Erin J. Osevala, Esquire, 22 Shirk Drive, Fredericksburg 17026, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Monroe County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
WASHINGTON COUNTY

April 11, 2018

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 January 26, 2018, and corrected February 1, 2018, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Washington County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 11, 2018

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 January 8, 2018, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of

Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until July 3, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Pamela Witmer, Camp Hill, 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 MASSAGE THERAPY

April 3, 2018

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 8, 2018, of Ashley Fehr (Public Member), 115 Molleystown Road, Pine Grove 17963, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2019, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice George Moyer, Pottsville, 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 PHYSICAL THERAPY

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Nathanael R. Brague, 1465 Hillcrest Court, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2020, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Marybeth Lehman, Indiana, 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 PHYSICAL THERAPY

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2020, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Norman Johnson, 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 STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr. (Public Member), 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joyce Haas, State College, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 11, 2018

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 January 19, 2018, of Ashley Fehr, 115 Molleystown Road, Pine Grove 17963, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until June 30, 2019, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Matt Shaner, Sewickley, 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 SOCIAL
WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

April 13, 2018

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 8, 2018, of Ashley Fehr, 115 Molleystown Road, Pine Grove 17963, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, 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 Jane Riese, York, 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 SOCIAL
WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

April 13, 2018

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 8, 2018, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, 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 Laura Hinds, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Elise Claire Schell, 1506 Penn Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, 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 Lance Alexander, Blairsville, 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 VETERINARY MEDICINE

April 11, 2018

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 January 12, 2018, of Elise Claire Schell (Public Member), 1506 Penn Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, 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 Meredith Odato Graham, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

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 ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

March 12, 2018

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, E. Scott Augsburger, 164 Strasburg Pike, Lancaster 17602, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission, 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 Thomas Sollenberger, St. Thomas, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

February 6, 2018

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, Emmai Alaquiva, 117 Pinewood Court, Pittsburgh 15202, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, to serve until July 1, 2020, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Susan Corbett, Glenshaw, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS

March 12, 2018

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, Ken Jaram, 114 Trailside Court,

Coraopolis 15108, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Vavro, Pittsburgh, deceased.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EBENSBURG CENTER

March 27, 2018

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, Edwin Hasson, 1308 Briggs Avenue, Johnstown 15909, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 19, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Marcelle Cooney, Cresson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EBENSBURG CENTER

March 20, 2018

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, Francis Rosmus, 888 Baumgardner Road, South Fork 15956, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 15, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Gloria Eberhart, Cresson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

March 12, 2018

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, Jennifer Koppel, 670 North Mount Joy Street, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, to serve until July 20, 2021, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Noel Eisenstat, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

March 12, 2018

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, John Paone, 8610 Thomas Mill Drive, Philadelphia 19128, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, to serve until July 20, 2023, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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, Joseph Losee, 5021 Castleman Street, Pittsburgh 15232, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Sukh Sharma, Erie, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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 Barbara Ostrov, 261 Dogwood Drive, Hershey 17033, Dauphin County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Marilyn Heine, Dresher, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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, Paul Joseph Valigorsky II, 902 Chestnut Avenue, DuBois 15801, Clearfield County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Bruce Brod, Downingtown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Chenna Chakka, 955 Norland Street, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve for *[sic]* until June 2, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Moore, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Estelle Eberhardt, 1717 Fels Road, Pennsburg 18073, Montgomery County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve until June 2, 2022, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Radu Gherghel, Orwigsburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Jay Sessoms, 8528 Williams Avenue, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve until June 2, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bomani Howze, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

February 13, 2018

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, Gladys M. Brown, 2302 Rudy Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for

reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2023, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

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 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:

MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

March 12, 2018

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, E. Scott Augsburg, 164 Strasburg Pike, Lancaster 17602, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission, 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 Thomas Sollenberger, St. Thomas, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

February 6, 2018

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, Emmi Alaquiva, 117 Pinewood Court, Pittsburgh 15202, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Council on the Arts, to serve until July 1, 2020, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Susan Corbett, Glenshaw, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER EXAMINERS

March 12, 2018

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, Ken Jaram, 114 Trailside Court, Coraopolis 15108, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Vavro, Pittsburgh, deceased.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EBENSBURG CENTER

March 27, 2018

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, Edwin Hasson, 1308 Briggs Avenue, Johnstown 15909, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 19, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Marcelle Cooney, Cresson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EBENSBURG CENTER

March 20, 2018

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, Francis Rosmus, 888 Baumgardner Road, South Fork 15956, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 15, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Gloria Eberhart, Cresson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

March 12, 2018

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, Jennifer Koppel, 670 North Mount Joy Street, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Hous-

ing Finance Agency, to serve until July 20, 2021, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Noel Eisenstat, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

March 12, 2018

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, John Paone, 8610 Thomas Mill Drive, Philadelphia 19128, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency, to serve until July 20, 2023, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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, Joseph Losee, 5021 Castleman Street, Pittsburgh 15232, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Sukh Sharma, Erie, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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 Barbara Ostrov, 261 Dogwood Drive, Hershey 17033, Dauphin County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Marilyn Heine, Dresher, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MEDICINE

March 12, 2018

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, Paul Joseph Valigorsky II, 902 Chestnut Avenue, DuBois 15801, Clearfield County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, 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 Bruce Brod, Downingtown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Chenna Chakka, 955 Norland Street, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve for *[sic]* until June 2, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Moore, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Estelle Eberhardt, 1717 Fels Road, Pennsburg 18073, Montgomery County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve until June 2, 2022, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Radu Gherghel, Orwigsburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

March 12, 2018

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, Jay Sessoms, 8528 Williams Avenue, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve until June 2, 2019, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bomani Howze, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

February 13, 2018

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, Gladys M. Brown, 2302 Rudy Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2023, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

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-50

Table with 4 columns listing names of senators who voted 'Yea' (Alloway, Argall, Aument, Baker, Bartolotta, Blake, Boscola, Brewster, Brooks, Browne, Corman, Costa, Dinniman, DiSanto, Eichelberger, Farnese, Folmer, Fontana, Gardner, Greenleaf, Haywood, Hughes, Hutchinson, Killion, Langerholc, Laughlin, Leach, Martin, McGarrigle, McIlhinney, Mensch, Rafferty, Regan, Reschenthaler, Sabatina, Scarnati, Scavello, Schwank, Stefano, Street, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Vogel, Vulakovich, Wagner, Ward, White, Williams, Yaw, 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 HUTCHINSON, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bill:

SB 1056 (Pr. No. 1657) (Amended)

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

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

SB 837 (Pr. No. 1528) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act designating a portion of State Route 981 in Smithton Borough and South Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland County, as the Specialist 4 William J. Kolenc Memorial Highway.

SB 844 (Pr. No. 1531) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child custody, further providing for standing for any form of physical custody or legal custody, for standing for partial physical custody and supervised physical custody and for consideration of criminal conviction.

SB 877 (Pr. No. 1458) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.789, No.285), known as The Insurance Department Act of 1921, in insurance producers, further providing for rebates prohibited and for inducements prohibited.

SB 878 (Pr. No. 1459) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in general provisions relating to insurance companies, associations and exchanges, further providing for rebates and inducements prohibited.

Senator VULAKOVICH, from the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, reported the following bill:

SB 1073 (Pr. No. 1656) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of June 28, 1935 (P.L.477, No.193), referred to as the Enforcement Officer Disability Benefits Law, further providing for disability benefits.

RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SR 278 (Pr. No. 1521)

A Resolution adopting a temporary rule of the Senate relating solely to amendments to the General Appropriation Bill and other appropriation bills for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, including any amendments offered to or for supplemental appropriations for prior fiscal years.

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

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators FARNESE, BOSCOLA, DINNIMAN, BLAKE, FONTANA, SABATINA, BROWNE, SCAVELLO, GREENLEAF, VOGEL, SCHWANK, KILLION, AUMENT, RAFFERTY, COSTA, HUGHES and VULAKOVICH, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 317, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2018 as "Pennsylvania Donate Life Month."

On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, I offer this resolution designating April 2018 as "Pennsylvania Donate Life Month." Senator Boscola and I have offered this resolution for several years now, and I am proud to do so again for 2018. In Pennsylvania, one person dies every 18 hours waiting on a lifesaving transplant. By selecting the option to become a donor on your driver's license, you could save up to 8 people off the organ transplant list and save or enhance more than 75 lives. Pennsylvania has been recognized as a world leader in organ and tissue transplants, but the number of people in need of transplants far exceeds the number of organs and amount of tissue available. We are proud that the Senate continues to recognize the importance of supporting organ and tissue donation and encourage all residents to consider becoming an organ and tissue donor by visiting www.donatelifePA.org.

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, DINNIMAN, BROWNE, MARTIN, GREENLEAF, SABATINA, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, FARNESE, SCAVELLO, SCHWANK, VOGEL, HUTCHINSON, STREET, FOLMER, KILLION, VULAKOVICH, MENSCH, COSTA, BLAKE, AUMENT and HUGHES, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 318**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 17, 2018, as "Architects' Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators McGARRIGLE, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, BROWNE, SCHWANK, RAFFERTY, MENSCH, KILLION, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, VULAKOVICH and HUGHES, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 319**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2018 as "Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator McGARRIGLE. Mr. President, I offer this resolution recognizing and celebrating the contributions and the faithful service of the Sikh American community in Pennsylvania.

Sikhism is the world's fifth largest religion founded in the Punjab region of India some 500 years ago. The faith is based on the belief in one God, universal equality, and basic values of truth, nonviolence, tolerance, and peace. While most of the 25 million Sikhs live in India, more than a half-million make the United States their home, including a population that began to settle in Pennsylvania in the 1970s.

Pennsylvania's Sikh community seeks to enhance the understanding and respect among people of different religions by lead-

ing and participating in thanksgiving prayers at various places of worship. Since September 11, 2001, Sikhs have been often mistaken for members of the Taliban or al-Qaida simply because of their beards and turbans. Pennsylvania stands with the Sikh community in denouncing crimes or harassment directed toward them or any individuals based on their religious beliefs. Our nation and Commonwealth are enriched by the contributions of the Sikh American community, and I ask my colleagues to join me in designating the month of April 2018 as "Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania.

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, FARNESE, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, BAKER, SABATINA, BROWNE, ARGALL, BREWSTER, HUTCHINSON, HUGHES, SCHWANK, WAGNER, RAFFERTY, COSTA, VULAKOVICH and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 320**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 17, 2018, as "WEDnetPA Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I am honored to join with my colleague, Senator Farnese, in offering this resolution. WEDnetPA was created in 1999 as a State-funded workforce program within the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development to support essential and advanced technology skills training for employees of manufacturing and technological companies throughout the Commonwealth. WEDnetPA was created to support and leverage a company's investment in employee training to reach a level of performance that may otherwise be unattainable. WEDnetPA services are delivered through a cost-effective network of educational partners that include community colleges, State system universities, and stakeholders.

Companies and employees greatly benefit from these services, and WEDnetPA has engaged nearly 8,500 private-sector training providers to work with more than 18,000 Pennsylvania companies to help train approximately 1.2 million workers. Nearly 95 percent of participating companies experience a positive impact on their businesses, including increased sales, decreased costs, and fewer work-related accidents. Nearly 99 percent of the workers who receive training report positive outcomes including job promotions, pay raises, and increased morale. A well-trained and talented workforce is the foundation of a strong business community and a thriving economy. Please join us in thanking the WEDnetPA partners for their hard work and commitment toward improving the skills of Pennsylvania workers and the support it provides for our manufacturing and technological companies, and most importantly in recognizing April 17, 2018, as "WEDnetPA Day."

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, I would like to submit remarks for the record. Thank you.

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

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

Mr. President, I am proud to join Chairman Scavello in designating April 17, 2018, as "WEDnetPA Day" in Pennsylvania. WEDnetPA is a statewide, State-funded workforce development program which supports essential and advanced technology skills training for employees of manufacturing and technology companies in the Commonwealth. As the Minority chairman of the Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development, I understand that a well-trained and talented workforce is the foundation of a strong business community and thriving State economy, and I am proud to support the work that the Department of Community and Economic Development has done through WEDnetPA.

WEDnetPA brings together educational partners, training providers, employees, and employers to support a performance level that would otherwise be unattainable. WEDnetPA has engaged more than 8,500 training providers to work with more than 18,000 Pennsylvania companies and help train more than 1 million workers, and 99 percent of those workers have reported positive outcomes. I am pleased the Senate is recognizing the WEDnetPA partners for their hard work and commitment toward improving the skills of Pennsylvania's workers and supporting Pennsylvania's manufacturing and technology companies.

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

Senator LAUGHLIN, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 321**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 15 through 21, 2018, as "Osteopathic Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator LAUGHLIN. Mr. President, I offer this resolution recognizing the week of April 15 through 21, 2018, as "Osteopathic Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania. Osteopathic Medicine Week focuses on increasing public awareness of this practice and the important role that providers play in improving the lives of thousands of patients across the Commonwealth and this nation. Osteopathic physicians are fully licensed to prescribe medicine and practice all specialty areas of medicine including surgery. There are approximately 140,000 osteopathic physicians and osteopathic medical students in the United States, and more than 8,000 doctors of osteopathic medicine right here in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania benefits from the education of osteopathic medical students at the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine, the Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine at Seton Hill, and the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Mr. President, we owe a debt of thanks to these men and women, and I ask for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

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

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator STREET. 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 189, SB 299, SB 1038, SB 1056, SB 1073, SB 1092 and SB 1132.
595, 278, 837, 844, 877, 878

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018

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| 1:00 P.M. | EDUCATION (public hearing on issues and potential alternatives to the current Act 88 collective bargaining process and teacher strikes) | Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. |
| Off the Floor | URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bills No. 735 and 962) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |

FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018

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| 1:00 P.M. | EDUCATION (public hearing on issues and potential alternatives to the current Act 88 collective bargaining process and teacher strikes) | Bedford Co. Courthouse Bedford, PA |
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TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018

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| 10:00 A.M. | STATE GOVERNMENT (second public hearing on redistricting legislation) | Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. |
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MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018

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| 11:00 A.M. | EDUCATION (H) and EDUCATION (S) (joint public hearing on RAND Corporation study of the PASSHE system) | Room 8E-A East Wing |
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PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise to take a few moments to talk about an important issue that is impacting a number of our communities across this Commonwealth and homeowners, particularly in the area of southwestern Pennsylvania. I think we have known, many of us in this room know that we have been dealing with significant inclement weather that has caused a

number of problems across many of the communities that are dealing with it as we go forward. I am specifically referring to landslides that have been occurring in our communities. Mr. President, over the last several years and several months, of course, this has caused a vast amount of damage on roadways and also for homeowners as well. It is estimated that there are tens and tens of millions of dollars of impact to our communities. There are currently no real programs that provide for State-run landslide insurance programs. While there are other types of insurance products that the Commonwealth deals with, mine subsidence, for example, and there are other types of flood insurance and the like, there is really nothing that covers landslide insurance for homeowners and also a program that allows for local governments to be able to participate and a program that allows for reimbursement to those communities.

Mr. President, that is why I have dusted off legislation I did a number of years ago that we introduced, we are reintroducing this year, Senate Bill No. 1131, to again try to establish the Pennsylvania landslide insurance and assistance program within the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency. This program would be administered by PEMA, and the landslide insurance assistance board, using the landslide insurance fund and the landslide assistance fund. Now, the landslide assistance fund will receive an initial appropriation of \$2.5 million, and the landslide insurance fund will also receive a similar appropriation. The program is really composed of three parts. The first part would allow for grants to be administered to folks along those lines. The second part would be to establish a revolving loan fund to allow opportunities for folks to access those low-interest loans going forward and certainly have those dollars on repayment filed back into the program. Finally, an insurance product, an insurance coverage along those lines.

The landslide and insurance board will oversee the issuance of the insurance part of the program. It will be entrusted with developing an insurance product, as I mentioned, which means they would be setting rates and paying the claims of subscribers who will be structure owners who are able to participate in the program. The board will then design a landslide program to determine who the subscribers may be and what the eligibility may be. This is similar to the way flood insurance works today. The grants and revolving loan fund are intended to provide communities and individuals with landslide-risk mitigation financing. The part of the program will be administered also by PEMA. This will help our communities better prepare for landslides through planning, provide technical assistance for identifying potential landslide areas, and also allowing communities to deal with slide-prone areas before they occur.

Mr. President, near the communities I represent, East Pittsburgh, North Braddock, and Wilkins Township recently experienced a significant landslide of a hillside when a wall caved in and a significant portion of Route 30 simply collapsed and dropped 30-some, 40 feet. There was significant property damage down below crushing apartment complexes. Fortunately, no one was hurt in the incident, and we are very thankful to the Lord about that, but at the end of the day, we were able to have folks, and particularly our first responders, who were outstanding. Everyone from PennDOT to Allegheny County emergency services, Matt Brown and his team; Cheryl Moon-Sirianni, the District 11 executive from PennDOT and her team were outstanding; the Red Cross folks were there; and the local emergency responders;

the North Braddock Fire Department; the Braddock Fire Department; the Forest Hills folks, everyone in that community responded quickly and rapidly to a situation that could have been very serious and moving folks out of harm's way.

But, Mr. President, those folks who are struggling to be able to replace those resources and be able to do what needs to be done, we have learned today that the restoration to Route 30 in that area is probably going to run about \$5 million to \$7 million to restore that roadway. That is a significant amount of money that we have to figure out where it is going to come from. With the loss to our local communities, that is one example on the municipal side, but on the homeowners' side we have to allow for a product that we run at the State level, I believe, through PEMA, that allows individuals who believe they live in a landslide-prone area to be able to purchase insurance through a program that shares the risk among everybody else. We are also learning about a number of individuals who have lost their homes because of the slides. Slides have come and taken their homes away, and in my community of Penn Hills, I think three folks lost their homes and do not have any recourse along those lines. There are countless examples across this Commonwealth, both public and municipal but also private as well. It is now time that we consider looking at these type of programs to establish them to allow folks the opportunity to mitigate their risk and their loss and those communities as well to be able to do that.

So, I thank my colleagues for the opportunity to provide a few remarks on this important issue and encourage them, if they want to participate, sign on as a cosponsor as we continue to have this discussion going forward.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. We look forward to the oldie-but-goodie bill that is new and improved.

RECESS

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, April 18, 2018, 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 5:45 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.