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SENATE

TUESDAY, June 25, 2019

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

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor John K. Fetterman) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend TIM BENTCH, Lead Pastor of the Souderton Mennonite Church, Souderton, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Lord God, we ask for Your blessing to be here, Your presence to fill this place. I lift up to You every woman and every man who is here serving, Lord, appointed by You representing those causes, Lord, that we know are on Your heart, the causes, Lord, of abused and neglected children, of single parents, of people who are poor, oppressed, those who are sojourning among us. We pray, Lord, lifting them up, and we pray to give the ability and keen insight, wisdom, and understanding to solve issues, to provide abundant life for all. We pray, Lord, for peace and for justice. We pray for determination, encouragement, and, Lord, we pray for unity that all can work together in peace with the common purpose of helping those who need help. We thank You, God, that You are good, that Your love is everlasting, and we ask, Lord, fill our hearts, be with us, and we ask You, Lord, bless this Session today. I say now respecting the beliefs of all, but from my own personal position, in the name of Jesus, I pray. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Pastor Bentch, who is the guest today of Senator Collett.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

**APPOINTMENT BY THE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE**

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

Mr. Alan Blahovec as a member of the State Transportation Advisory Committee.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator YAW, from the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy, reported the following bills:

SB 256 (Pr. No. 1065) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning, Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, in recycling and waste reduction, further providing for Commonwealth recycling and waste reduction.

SB 694 (Pr. No. 832)

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in development, further providing for well permits.

SB 763 (Pr. No. 973)

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1966 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.31, No.1), known as The Bituminous Mine Subsidence and Land Conservation Act, further providing for compilation and analysis of data.

HB 1557 (Pr. No. 2193)

An Act amending the act of September 24, 1968 (P.L.1040, No.318), known as the Coal Refuse Disposal Control Act, further providing for designating areas unsuitable for coal refuse disposal.

Senator K. WARD, from the Committee on Transportation, reported the following bills:

SB 742 (Pr. No. 1060) (Amended) (Rereported)

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

SB 743 (Pr. No. 1061) (Amended) (Rereported)

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

SB 744 (Pr. No. 1062) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for prohibition on expenditures for emission inspection program.

SB 745 (Pr. No. 1063) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for prohibition on expenditures for emission inspection program.

SB 778 (Pr. No. 1064) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Titles 74 (Transportation) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sustainable mobility options, further providing for Public Transportation Trust Fund; and, in Pennsylvania Turnpike, further providing for definitions.

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 and Senator Langerholc.

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

JOURNALS APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journals of the Sessions of May 1, 2019, and May 6, 2019, are now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journals of the Sessions of May 1, 2019, and May 6, 2019.

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

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journals are approved.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

GUESTS OF SENATOR MARIO M. SCAVELLO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, in the gallery, to my extreme right, is a community, the Arrowhead Lake Community, from Monroe County. They are nestled in between two townships, Tobyhanna and Coolbaugh. It is a beautiful lake community, and the young seniors from Arrowhead Lake are all here in the gallery visiting the Capitol.

Mr. President, I also welcome Jillian Dorothy Cagno and Amanda Mercurius, who are serving as my guest Pages here in the Capitol today. Jillian and Amanda are both 12 years old and

will be moving into the Nazareth Middle School for the 2019-20 school year.

Jillian is a Girl Scout. She likes basketball, cross country, and track and field, and she also enjoys cooking, baking, and reading. For a 12-year-old, God bless her.

Amanda enjoys school and is an active volunteer in her community. She participates in scouting, enjoys reading, drawing, and playing basketball and softball.

Please join me in giving Amanda Mercurius and Jillian Dorothy Cagno, and her grandfather, Charles Cagno, Sr., and her dad, Charles Cagno, Jr., who are seated in the gallery, a warm Senate welcome, as well as the Arrowhead Lake group.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Scavello please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN R. GORDNER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, it is my honor today to have some State champions here in the gallery. It is the Selinsgrove Seals Baseball Team who won the PIAA Class AAAA Championship over Beaver Area, 7-4. This is the first State championship that the Selinsgrove Baseball Team has won. It was an exciting game. They scored some runs early and held on with a couple of bases-loaded situations, but, again, persevered with a 7-4 win. For the season, they finished 20-5, but most importantly, they won six consecutive post-season games to progress from regionals in order to get to States and win their first State championship.

Mr. President, if you would join with me in honoring these State champions.

The PRESIDENT. Would the State champions please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR TIMOTHY P. KEARNEY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce my guests seated in the gallery, the PIAA State AA Girls' Lacrosse champions, Delco's own Springfield High School Girls' Lacrosse Team. Under the guidance of coaches Keith Broome, Sarah Damato, Kathleen Geiger, Aly Gormley, and Jaclyn Grenier, the Springfield girls were able to defeat defending State champions Villa Maria in a 10-8 victory to earn their first State title. It was a tough game, but with a goalie like junior Dana Mirigliano, the Villa Maria Hurricanes did not stand a chance. In addition to Dana's strength in the goal, senior Isabelle Mastropietro would lead the Cougars with four goals, followed by Erin Gormley, Alyssa Long, and Olivia Pace, who each scored two. I am proud of these girls and their coaches and ask that the Senate please give them our usual warm welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Kearney, the State champs, please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

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 my intern, who works in my Connellsville office, Gabriella Munson, or Gabby, as we know her, and she is joined by her mother, Gemma Herbert. Gabby was born and raised in Connellsville and is now a resident of Vanderbilt. She graduated from Connellsville High School in 2016 with honors. She is a senior at Penn State University at University Park and will be graduating in December of 2019. She is majoring in education and public policy, and minoring in sociology. Her future plans are to attend law school next fall. Gemma Herbert, her mother, is a resident of Vanderbilt as well, and she was born and raised in Connellsville. She is an alumni of Duquesne University and California University of Pennsylvania. She is a registered nurse and a diabetes educator at Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh.

I ask my colleagues to give Gabriella and Gemma a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Stefano please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I again rise to introduce a special constituent of mine, Christine Troll, who is here with her family. Christine is a homeschooled senior from Somerset County. She was named the first-place winner and recipient of the \$30,000 TC Selman Memorial Scholarship Award for the VFW 2018-19 Voice of Democracy scholarship. She and her brother have battled for many years as they were growing up between who would win the local VFW championship. Well, this year she certainly beat her brother because he moved on to college. She is a senior, she won locally, then she won regionally, then she won State, and went to Washington, D.C., to meet and work with the other 52 members across the country, and I am proud to say today she came out on top as number one out of 52 to become the national VFW Voice of Democracy champion. Her speech was the theme of "Why My Vote Matters," which I think is very appropriate today.

So I ask my colleagues to give Christine Troll and her family a very warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the national champ and her family please rise to be welcomed by the Senate. That is amazing.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR DAYLIN LEACH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator LEACH. Mr. President, I introduce a couple of people from my office who are visiting. We have another intern today, a woman named Alyssa Johnson, who is working with us

for the summer, and we have a long-time volunteer for the office who has been with us for an awfully long time volunteering her services, doing a tremendous job at no cost to the taxpayers. We are grateful that she is here, her name is Cindy Siegel.

I would appreciate the Senate giving its usual warm welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Leach please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, I rise today to submit my comments to be entered into the record.

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

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

Mr. President, I am submitting remarks for the record for guests who are on the House floor.

I am pleased to recognize the Souderton Area High School Baseball Team who won the 2019 PIAA State Class AAAAAA Baseball Championship.

Earning a season record of 24 wins and 4 losses, the Souderton Baseball Team won the State title by defeating Central Bucks High School South with a score of 6-3. They further distinguished themselves during the 2019 season by winning the Suburban One League Continental Conference Championship.

I commend the team members, their coaches, and assistant coaches on their celebratory win.

Please join me in congratulating the Souderton Area High School Baseball Team on their championship.

GUESTS OF SENATOR MARIA COLLETT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Collett.

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, I extend a warm thanks to my constituent, Pastor Timothy Bentch of the Souderton Mennonite Church, for serving as our guest Chaplain here today and offering the opening prayer for Session. Joining Pastor Bentch is his niece, Latrisha Bentch Meyers.

The Mennonites have a rich history here in Pennsylvania and are known for their emphasis on peace, good works, and service to others. Souderton Mennonite Church has been active for more than 130 years. The Souderton Mennonite Church's dedication to their community is felt throughout my district as they partner with local charities and nonprofits aimed at fighting hunger, homelessness, and suffering both at home and across the world. I deeply appreciate the work they have done and continue to do in my community.

Please join me in giving Pastor Bentch a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Collett please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR WAYNE LANGERHOLC PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, today I rise to introduce an outstanding young man who has spent the day here at the Capitol visiting both the House and the Senate observing, learning, and seeing firsthand how State government works. Matthew Rummel is a junior at Ligonier Valley High School, actually, which is in Senator Kim Ward's district, where he is a member of the swim and soccer teams, FBLA, JAFROTC, student council, and a participant in musicals and local youth groups. Matthew's future plans are to attend a 4-year college and major in history and minor in political science, and possibly attend law school--a noble profession, I might add. I am excited to have Matthew here, and I hope that his time at the Capitol is insightful and rewarding. He is joined here with his parents. I ask that my colleagues offer a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Langerholc please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ARTHUR L. HAYWOOD PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator HAYWOOD. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce six fantastic young people who are interning either in my district office or here in the Harrisburg office. First, I introduce Blake Schmidle, who is interning in my Harrisburg office. He is from Reading, he currently resides in Harrisburg, and he attends Widener University Law School. He will graduate in May 2020 and has a bachelor's degree in political science from Elizabethtown College. He is very interested in how government works and is looking forward to practicing law and representing small businesses in that process.

Also from my district office is Kate Levin. She is from Villanova. She will graduate in May from Penn State University with a bachelor's degree in journalism and sociology. Kate's interests include women's rights, education, and criminal justice reform. She, along with all of my interns, attended the tremendous hearing on probation and parole headed by Senator Baker.

I also have Maura Reilly, who is in my Philadelphia district office. She is from Newtown, Pennsylvania. She just graduated from Dickinson College. She has a triple major - political science, Spanish, and archeology. Her interest in government is also multifold, including environmental policy, getting guns out of the hands of dangerous people, and national security.

Next, I have Isabelle Beatus, who is also from my district office visiting today. She lives in Elkins Park, Montgomery County, a close neighbor to me. She is a rising senior at Cheltenham High School, and her interests include healthcare, criminal justice reform--she, again, attended the hearing earlier--and economic justice, something that we desperately need in this Commonwealth, the nation, and throughout the world.

I also have Hayden Sage, who is also interning in my district office. She resides in Mount Airy, Philadelphia, which is part of my district. She is a rising senior at William Penn Charter

School, and her interests include immigration reform, women's rights, and getting guns out of the hands of dangerous people. She met with me and a group of students from Penn Charter during the year advocating on these issues.

Last, but not least, I have Brent Schoeller, who is also interning in my district office. He lives in Jenkintown, Pennsylvania. He is a rising junior at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, where he is majoring in economics. His interests include helping people govern for themselves, which is increasing the participatory nature of our government, and focusing on the hard work and dedication that it takes a nation to work.

I am delighted to have all of my interns here, although there are actually some still in the district office doing the work that needs to be done. I am glad they had the experience to see the hearing.

I ask my colleagues to provide a warm welcome to these summer interns who are the future leaders of our State.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Haywood please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

CALENDAR

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OUT OF ORDER

Without objection, the following bills on today's Calendar were called out of order by Senator CORMAN, as Special Orders of Business.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 3 (Pr. No. 2211) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for health insurance markets oversight; and establishing the Pennsylvania Health Insurance Exchange Fund.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

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

HB 33 (Pr. No. 2182) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for definitions, for general assistance-related categorically needy and medically needy only medical assistance programs, for the medically needy and determination of eligibility and for medical assistance payments for institutional care; in hospital assessments, further providing for definitions, for authorization, for administration, for no hold harmless, for tax exemption and for time period; and, in Statewide quality care assessment, further providing for definitions.

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

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

HB 1170 (Pr. No. 2129) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act prohibiting the employment of unauthorized employees; requiring construction industry employers to verify the Social Security numbers of employees; and imposing penalties.

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

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

HB 1514 (Pr. No. 1910) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the Farm-to-School Program; and making a related repeal.

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

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

HB 1516 (Pr. No. 2124) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Agriculture Rapid Response Disaster Readiness Account.

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

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

HB 1520 (Pr. No. 2212) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Preferred[®] Trademark, further providing for Pennsylvania Preferred[®] Trademark Licensing Fund and providing for military veterans; providing for grant programs; and making editorial changes.

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

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

HB 1526 (Pr. No. 2126) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for Agriculture-Linked Investment Program; and making related repeals.

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

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

HB 1590 (Pr. No. 2213) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, establishing the Dairy Investment Program and Dairy Investment Program Account.

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

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

RECESS

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

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

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

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

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses to be held in their respective caucus rooms, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

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HB 790 -- Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of an off-the-floor 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 an off-the-floor 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.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 65 (Pr. No. 2240) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 3047 over the South Branch of Blacklick Creek, Blacklick Township, Cambria County, as the Private First Class Steve L. Klosz Memorial Bridge; designating the 2100 to 2200 block of Castor Avenue, State Route 1005, in Philadelphia County as the Police Officer Raymond Diaz, Jr., Memorial Highway; designating the portion of Interstate 376 from the end of the bridge identified as Bridge Key 3522 to the exit at State Route 51 in Beaver County, as the Richard L. Shaw Memorial Highway; designating the bridge identified as Bridge Key 3522 on that portion of Interstate 376 over the Ohio River in Vanport Township, Beaver County, as the USAF Combat Controller Staff Sgt. Dylan Elchin Memorial Bridge; designating the first block of West Main Street, State Route 1010, in Fleetwood Borough, Berks County, as the Alex J. Szoke Highway; designating the bridge identified as Bridge Key 15986 on that portion of Interstate 79 northbound over West 16th Street in the City of Erie, Erie County, as the Thomas J. Kennedy, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating the bridge on that portion of State Route 4011 over Pine Creek, Hegins Township, Schuylkill County, as the A. Donald Buffington Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 144 beginning at the intersection of Pennsylvania Route 64 in Pleasant Gap and ending at the intersection of Pennsylvania Route 45 in Centre Hall, Centre County, as the Duster-Quad 50-Searchlight Highway; and designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 50 in Independence Township, Washington County, as the Lt. Col. Juanita L. Warman Memorial Highway.

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: Argall, DiSanto, Leach, Stefano; Aument, Farnese, Martin, Street; Baker, Folmer, Mastriano, Tartaglione

Table with 4 columns: Bartolotta, Fontana, Mensch, Tomlinson; Blake, Gordner, Muth, Vogel; Boscola, Haywood, Phillips-Hill, Ward, Judy; Brewster, Hughes, Pittman, Ward, Kim; Brooks, Hutchinson, Regan, Williams, Anthony H; Browne, Iovino, Sabatina, Williams, Lindsey; Collett, Kearney, Santarsiero, Yaw; Corman, Killion, Scarnati, Yudichak; Costa, Langerholc, Scavello; Dinniman, Laughlin, Schwank

NAY-0

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

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 91, HB 131, SB 174, HB 195, SB 200 and HB 262 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL AMENDED

HB 265 (Pr. No. 2177) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, providing for career information and recruitment; in terms and courses of study, further providing for Commission for Agricultural Education Excellence; in vocational education, further providing for career and technical education equipment grants and providing for utilization of credits; providing for classification of program code; and, in transfers of credits between institutions of higher education, further providing for definitions, for duties of public institutions of higher education and State-related institutions, for Transfer and Articulation Oversight Committee and for duties of department.

On the question, Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? Senator LANGERHOLC offered the following amendment No. A2514:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 21, by striking out "AND," Amend Bill, page 1, line 26, by striking out the period after "DEPARTMENT" and inserting: ; and providing for references to "area vocational-technical school" in statute or regulation.

Amend Bill, page 8, line 25, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 9, lines 19 and 20, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 11, line 27, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 13, line 21, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 13, line 22, by striking out "VOCATIONAL" and inserting:

or career and technical

Amend Bill, page 14, line 2, by striking out "VOCATIONAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 14, line 7, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 18, line 6, by striking out "VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL" and inserting:

career and technical

Amend Bill, page 19, line 17, by inserting after "YEAR.":

This subparagraph shall not apply to a community college.

Amend Bill, page 21, line 27, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

Section 9. A reference in statute or regulation to "area vocational-technical school" shall be deemed a reference to "area career and technical school."

Section 10. This act shall take effect as follows:

(1) The following provisions shall take effect immediately:

(i) This section.

(ii) Section 9 of this act.

(2) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 60 days.

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.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 300 (Pr. No. 1011) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in qualifications of electors, further providing for qualifications of electors at primaries; in party organization, further providing for only enrolled electors to vote at primaries or hold party offices; in nomination of candidates, further providing for candidates to be nominated and party officers to be elected at primaries and providing for procedure for unenrolled electors to cast primary ballots; and, in preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, further providing for manner of applying to vote, persons entitled to vote, voter's certificates, entries to be made in district register, numbered lists of voters and challenges.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

MUTH AMENDMENT A2198 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A2198:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 7 through 9, by striking out "HAVING SELECTED "NONE"" in line 7, all of line 8 and "PENNSYLVANIA

VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION" in line 9 and inserting: but not enrolled as a member of a political party entitled to nominate candidates at primary elections under the provisions of this act

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Muth.

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I support Senate Bill No. 300, but I have this amendment to make it more comprehensive. My amendment would open the primary to all registered voters. In Pennsylvania, over 789,000 of our citizens, of the State's 8.5 million voters, are registered with no affiliation or political party. Another 426,000 are registered to small third parties including Libertarian, Green, and others. That means over 1.2 million voters are excluded from our primaries due to either Independent status or registration with a third party. Yet, every single one of these voters still pays taxes to live here and, by default, fund the primary system that they are not able to vote in. Often these parties are not able to break through the pay-to-play system that dominates our democracy. With lax campaign finance laws, minority parties often are not able to spread their message and get on the ballot.

The closed primary facilitates a two-party system that may not represent all of our values. If we are going to continue with this system, we should at least allow these 1.2 million voters to be able to vote their values and decide who represents them and makes decisions on their behalf. An estimate shows the statewide cost of every spring primary election is around \$20 million, a tab every Pennsylvanian picks up regardless of whether or not they are allowed to participate. Open primaries allow Pennsylvanians who do not belong to one of the two parties to cast a vote for a majority party candidate who makes decisions on their behalf. The ability to vote is at the heart of our democratic process, and closed primaries are inherently an undemocratic concept. Closed primaries limit the voices of over 1.2 million hardworking Pennsylvanians. I encourage my colleagues to join me in passing this important amendment. Thank you.

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, I rise in opposition to the gentlewoman's amendment. The purpose of the amendment is not necessary because third-party candidates can file and can be on a primary ballot. The purpose of my bill is to allow unaffiliated voters the right, the purpose to vote, in a primary. I ask for a negative vote on the amendment.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

YEA-22

Blake	Farnese	Leach	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	Williams, Anthony H
Brewster	Haywood	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Costa	Iovino	Schwank	
Dinniman	Kearney	Street	

NAY-28

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Scavello
Aument	Folmer	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Gordner	Mensch	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Brooks	Killion	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Browne	Langerholc	Regan	Ward, Kim
Corman	Laughlin	Scarnati	Yaw

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

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
It was agreed to.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, I support this bill. It is very important in many counties. In my county, for example, there are 150,000 Republicans, 140,000 Democrats, and over 65,000 Independents. In fact, the fastest-growing segment are Independent voters. We need to respect those voters, and we need to let them have a voice in how we elect, in primaries, our people. This is the great middle. The great middle in both parties, including the Independents, feel that they have been left out of the political process and that the extremes have taken over. This bill gives a voice to that great middle. This bill shows that we respect those who have made the determination, and they are growing in their numbers, to be Independent voters. It is a matter of respect, and it is a matter of making sure that everyone can have a voice in the primary process. Right now, for example, the only thing Independent voters can vote for are ballot questions. They often do not come to the polls on the ballot questions because they have been denied other access. I also hope that when we return, we will also give some consideration to a bill that I have presented that will end the partisan designation of school board members. We are one of the few States that still elects school board members with either a Democrat or Republican label underneath, but that is for another day.

Today, I state the importance of this legislation. I thank Senator Scarnati for taking the lead on this. I want you to know that many of us in the suburban areas and throughout the Commonwealth want to make sure that Independent voters have a voice. They are citizens, they should have an equal voice, and this bill provides that. I hope we will vote, as many of us as can, will vote "yes" on this out of respect for our Independent voters who are growing in numbers in the Commonwealth.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I urge a "yes" vote on Senate Bill No. 300. In Pennsylvania, you have five choices on a voter registration form for a political party: Democrat, Republican, Green, Libertarian, or no affiliation. Those who choose the

no affiliation mark choose to be independent of any political party affiliation. The unaffiliated voters are among the fastest-growing voter demographic. I have been advocating for the ability for Independent voters to participate in primaries since my days in the House. Twenty-four years ago, I introduced a bill to let Independents vote in the primaries. Frankly, our democracy does not work if our citizens cannot participate. We need to do all that we can to encourage voting. Our election law often does the opposite.

Today, our election law blocks over a million Pennsylvania voters from taking part in primary elections. By denying, we disenfranchise. By disenfranchising, we discourage public participation in our democracy. In many cases, especially at the local and county level, the candidate who wins the contested primary election is the only candidate on the fall ballot. As a result, Independent voters are often left outside looking in when it comes to having a say about who represents them on school boards, municipal courts, and countywide offices. These elections are crucial elections at the local level. Think about it. So many of these school board candidates and judges are cross-filing. They are on both tickets, Democrat and Republican, but an Independent voter cannot vote for them. By the time a general election comes, a lot of times a candidate will win on both sides, so they have been disenfranchised.

Mr. President, that is not how our system was designed to work. It is wrong. It has always been wrong. That is why I fought and have sponsored legislation like Senate Bill No. 300 for 20-plus years, and I am just so proud that Senator Scarnati has actually taken the lead on this in this Session. Pennsylvania has almost 800,000 unaffiliated voters and over 400,000 who have registered for other parties, and the number keeps growing and growing. Let me talk about the reasons, because when you do talk to people about why they want to be an Independent, some will tell you they do not want to be affiliated with any party, especially with the extreme right or left. Others, like police officers or reporters, for instance, will tell you they register as an Independent because they do not want to be accused of political bias. So there are many reasons, but the fact remains that more than 9 percent of Pennsylvania voters are unaffiliated voters. In my hometown of the Lehigh Valley, over 13 percent of registered voters are unaffiliated. Meanwhile, only one in six registered voters took part in the 2017 primary election. Being an Independent voter should not relegate one to partial voting rights. All voters deserve equal rights to participate in our system.

I am pleased that this Senate Chamber is supporting this growing call for inclusion, and I hope this bipartisan effort reaches the Governor's desk for a signature. While we are at it, I urge my colleagues to consider a host of so many other reform bills that would make registration easier, expand the days and hours that people can vote, better accommodate absentee voters, and perhaps even allow voting online. I reiterate that government works best when our citizens are informed, active, and fully participating in our elections. Senate Bill No. 300 moves us in that direction. I am an emphatic "yes."

Thank you, Mr. President.

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-42

Argall	Costa	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	Dinniman	Laughlin	Street
Baker	DiSanto	Leach	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Farnese	Martin	Vogel
Blake	Folmer	Mensch	Ward, Kim
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	Williams, Anthony H
Brewster	Gordner	Pittman	Williams, Lindsey
Brooks	Haywood	Regan	Yaw
Browne	Iovino	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Collett	Kearney	Scarnati	
Corman	Killion	Scavello	

NAY-8

Hughes	Mastriano	Sabatina	Tartaglione
Hutchinson	Phillips-Hill	Stefano	Ward, Judy

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 LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 318 (Pr. No. 544) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 4, 1996 (P.L.911, No.147), known as the Telemarketer Registration Act, further providing for definitions, for unlawful acts and penalties, for blocking of caller identification and other telemarketing screening products or services prohibited and for unwanted telephone solicitation calls prohibited.

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

HB 318 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 318, Printer's No. 544, 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 330 and **HB 370** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 418 (Pr. No. 1014) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in ballots, further providing for number of ballots to be printed and specimen ballots.

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

MUTH AMENDMENT A2481 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A2481:

- Amend Bill, page 2, line 15, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 22, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five
- Amend Bill, page 2, line 28, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five
- Amend Bill, page 3, line 3, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five
- Amend Bill, page 3, line 10, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five
- Amend Bill, page 3, line 16, by striking out "TEN" and inserting: twenty-five

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

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Muth.

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, my amendment would change the amount of voter ballots that would be produced for each county. We know that having the ability to vote is one of the most important, if not the most important, facets of our democracy, and this legislation, as it stands, has the potential to limit just that. My amendment would raise the number of ballots from the current 10 percent to 25 percent more than the average turnout over the last three Presidential elections. This commonsense measure would insure that there is no voter suppression, and we cannot risk backed-up polling places that are scrambling to find additional ballots when many voters have to take time off of work or only have a few minutes available to cast their vote. The Department of State supports this amendment, and we understand that we cannot risk a disaster in any election, especially a Presidential year, where we know historically turnout is the highest. We should not be cutting corners when it comes to safeguarding one of our most important institutions, our electoral system.

Every voter has the right to cast a ballot when they show up at the polls. Please join me in supporting this critical amendment to insure every voter is represented and the integrity of our democracy is preserved. Thank you.

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I ask for a negative vote on this amendment. I was a member of the Committee on State Government when we discussed a whole package of bills. I applaud the chairman for having a hearing, a rather lengthy hearing, on a whole variety of bills. This particular one, as currently worded, says that it leaves it up to each county, meaning each county has to print at least 10 percent more ballots than were cast in the three previous elections for that specific type of election, but it says at least that amount. So we talked about it in committee that for that particular year there may be a referendum issue or there may be some other hotly contested race, and certainly the county Election Board which is closest will be able to make

the determination if they want to print 20 percent more or 25 percent more. That discretion is in the bill, and for those reasons I ask for a negative vote on the amendment.

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I was also a member of that committee, and the discussion went to certainly supporting the amendment from the standpoint of cost savings. But it also further affected those of us who said we need to talk about this because, is there any remedy for a voter who would be denied the opportunity to vote if we ran out of ballots? And there was certainty with the answer, no. So, in a Presidential election, where it is very difficult to estimate whether you are 10 percent, 20 percent, whatever that number is, can swing significantly, we are denying someone's right to vote, because we are arbitrarily coming up with a certain percentage. It may be a good guesstimate, but it is not an exact science. There are election cycles in which history has been broken, and those numbers have exceeded the expectations and certainly broken averages.

So, ours was a simple request, can you work with the Senator with an amendment that would effectively allow flexibility when it came to this space? I further explained in that hearing that for people of color, specifically African Americans, who are old enough to remember when maybe their parents or grandparents were denied the right to vote, the franchise of voting in America is very significant to that generation. So, it would be a tragedy for any obvious consideration that by mistake, not by manipulation, not by malice, that simply because we came up with this arbitrary number, that it missed the possibility of literally one vote. So, for those reasons, we ask for support in terms of drafting the amendment. To date, I am not quite sure that that had been met or that opportunity had been--that we had been involved in that development. So at the eleventh hour we are presented with an amendment which protects and does not sacrifice, even with the best of intentions, anyone's right to vote. For those reasons, I think regardless of whether you are a Democrat or a Republican, if you believe in the sanctity of the right to vote, if you believe in the protection of that responsibly, that should offset any financial consideration that we are talking about today. Again, we support that, but we cannot support it in sacrificing one's right to vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

YEA-22

Blake	Farnese	Leach	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	Williams, Anthony H
Brewster	Haywood	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Costa	Iovino	Schwank	
Dinniman	Kearney	Street	

NAY-28

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Scavello
Aument	Folmer	Mastriano	Stefano

Baker	Gordner	Mensch	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Brooks	Killion	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Browne	Langerhole	Regan	Ward, Kim
Corman	Laughlin	Scarnati	Yaw

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

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

FONTANA AMENDMENT A2538 OFFERED

Senator FONTANA offered the following amendment No. A2538:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 12, by inserting after "ballots" where it occurs the second time;
; and providing for conduct of early voting in primaries and elections
Amend Bill, page 4, by inserting between lines 3 and 4:
Section 2. The act is amended by adding an article to read:

ARTICLE XII-A
CONDUCT OF EARLY VOTING
IN PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS

Section 1201-A. Early voting period.

A county board shall provide for early voting which shall begin 15 days prior to the dates of primaries and elections established under Article VI and end 14 days after the starting date.

Section 1202-A. Early voting sites.

A county board shall designate early voting sites where electors may cast ballots during the early voting period established under section 1201-A. These sites shall include the main office of the county board and any other sites designated by the county board. The county board shall make available at these sites the same equipment used on election day under Article XI. The early voting sites shall be geographically located to provide electors in the election district an equal opportunity to cast a ballot.

Section 1203-A. Days and times for opening and closing polls at early voting sites.

A county board shall designate the days and times that early voting sites will be open. All early voting sites throughout the county shall:

- (1) have uniform days and times of operation;
- (2) be open eight hours each weekday;
- (3) be open a minimum of an aggregate eight hours each week-

end; and
(4) not open prior to 7 a.m. Eastern Standard Time or close before 7 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Section 1204-A. Voting check list.

A county board shall maintain a voting check list as provided for in section 1212 in order to ensure that electors are prohibited from casting additional ballots at either an early voting site or on election day in the elector's precinct.

Section 1205-A. Disposition of returns.

A county board shall track votes by precinct but may not tabulate votes prior to the close of the polls on election day.

Section 1206-A. Notice of early voting.

A county board shall, no earlier than 15 days nor later than 9 days before each November election, give notice of early voting by newspaper publication in the county in accordance with the provisions of section 106. The notice shall be published twice in counties of the first class and once in all other counties. A county board shall also post the notice on the county board's publicly accessible Internet website.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 4, by striking out "2" and inserting:
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Amend Bill, page 4, line 4, by striking out "in 90 days." and inserting:
as follows:

- (1) This section shall take effect immediately.
- (2) The addition of sections 1201-A, 1202-A, 1203-A, 1204-A, 1205-A and 1206-A of the act shall take effect in 60 days.
- (3) The remainder of the act shall take effect in 90 days.

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

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, my amendment would allow early voting in Pennsylvania, a concept that has been implemented in many of our States. Specifically, voting would take place 15 days before election day, and the polling places would be geographically located and open on both weekdays and weekends. The county boards shall designate the days and time. There will be uniform days and times and open 8 hours each weekday and 8 hours each weekend. Mr. President, I have introduced this bill for several Sessions now with no consideration, which is puzzling to me since this is about voter access and participation in this Commonwealth. I do not understand why any Member would not want to make voting in our State easier. Mr. President, simply put, if people do not vote, our democracy does not work.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, in regard to this particular bill, as mentioned, the maker of the amendment is the prime sponsor of a piece of legislation that is in the Committee on State Government. As mentioned, there was a previous lengthy hearing in the Committee on State Government on a number of election bills. This bill was not included in that. I have spoken with the chair of the Committee on State Government. He indicated that he is going to be scheduling at least one hearing over the summer, and the chairman has been very good about having open hearings. He plans to work with the prime sponsor of this amendment to include his bill as part of that hearing, or at least a future hearing, and for that reason, until we have had an ample time for folks who support it, oppose it, have concerns with it, that we ask for a negative vote at this time.

Thank you, Mr. President.

FONTANA AMENDMENT A2538 WITHDRAWN

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, since they have agreed to a hearing, I withdraw my amendment. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The amendment is withdrawn.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
It was 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-31

Argall	Corman	Laughlin	Scavello
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tomlinson

Bartolotta	Gordner	Mensch	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brooks	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Browne	Killion	Regan	Yaw
Collett	Langerhole	Scarnati	

NAY-19

Blake	Fontana	Muth	Tartaglione
Brewster	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak
Farnese	Leach	Street	

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 421 (Pr. No. 1015) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in ballots, further providing for form of official election ballot; in voting machines, further providing for requirements of voting machines and for form of ballot labels on voting machines; in electronic voting systems, further providing for requirements of electronic voting systems, for forms and for election day procedures and the process of voting; and, in preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, further providing for instructions of voters and manner of voting in districts in which voting machines are used, for count and return of votes in districts in which ballots are used and for what ballots shall be counted, manner of counting and defective ballots.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I know it is a long day, and if you can all bear with me, I have been sponsoring election reform bills for years and years and years and years now, and we are finally getting an opportunity to vote on some of them, so I just want to give you some of my input.

I rise in support of Senate Bill No. 421. I rise to support it because I am actually the prime sponsor. This bill proposes to do away with the straight ticket voting option in Pennsylvania. In 2020, Pennsylvania will be only one of eight States in the entire country that permits straight ticket voting: Alabama, Michigan, Kentucky, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Utah, and Indiana. Although in Indiana, they do not allow straight ticket in the state-wide elections, but they do for local. Pennsylvania is the most populous State and the only one in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions that allow people to vote straight ticket. States with significantly larger populations have survived without this option. Over the last quarter of a century, there has been a steady and successful push to remove straight party vote from ballots. No one is pushing to have straight party ticket voting in this country. They are pushing away from it. In fact, over the course of the last decade, nine States have removed the option from their ballots.

In my opinion, Mr. President, straight ticket voting promotes the election of a party, not the election of a candidate. Straight ticket voting makes it more difficult for Independents and minor party candidates to compete against the two major parties, and I think that is bad for our democracy. The choice to vote for only members of your party does not go away when you do away with straight ticket voting. You still have that option. You just have to take a few more seconds and think about it.

Mr. President, I believe this bill will result in a stronger democracy here in Pennsylvania. We will encourage voters to select candidates, even if in the end they choose to select a candidate from the same party down the ballot. Stopping to consider one's decision and taking that extra moment for each race and each name will help make stronger candidates and will keep us all better educated.

Mr. President, I also believe removing the straight party option will benefit ballot questions both statewide and local. A really quick review of recent election results show that this short-cut impacts statewide ballot initiatives and a lot of local referendum questions as well. The undervote is pretty overwhelming. Today, Pennsylvania has approximately 1.2 million voters not affiliated with either party, which is about 14 percent of our voter registration. I believe those who run as Independents could benefit from this change.

Mr. President, I understand that change can be difficult. We often hear voices that tell us that the change will be devastating for this reason or that. I look around this country, and most States do not have straight ticket voting and elections happen and candidates are elected. It is a change to me that makes some sense and a long time in coming. Perhaps the two parties will not be as influential under the system that removes the straight party ticket option, or maybe they will become stronger. Mr. President, either result is okay by me. In the end, I think this change encourages voters and it takes that extra step, that extra second, to make a selection. Everyone on the ballot is running for an important position in our democratic system. So, I firmly believe that both the candidate and the voter will win from this change.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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-30

Argall	DiSanto	Mastriano	Tomlinson
Aument	Folmer	Mensch	Vogel
Baker	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Boscola	Killion	Regan	Yaw
Brooks	Langerholc	Scarnati	Yudichak
Browne	Laughlin	Scavello	
Corman	Martin	Stefano	

NAY-20

Blake	Farnese	Kearney	Schwank
Brewster	Fontana	Leach	Street
Collett	Haywood	Muth	Tartaglione
Costa	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Dinniman	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey

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 422 (Pr. No. 399) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, providing for Pennsylvania Election Law Advisory Board.

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

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, due to the cooperative commitment from the Majority chair of the Committee on State Government to have a hearing on early voting, I will not be offering my amendment. Thank you.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
It was 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-28

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Scavello
Aument	Folmer	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Gordner	Mensch	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Brooks	Killion	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Browne	Langerholc	Regan	Ward, Kim
Corman	Laughlin	Scarnati	Yaw

NAY-22

Blake	Farnese	Leach	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	Williams, Anthony H
Brewster	Haywood	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Costa	Iovino	Schwank	
Dinniman	Kearney	Street	

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 423 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 456 (Pr. No. 1056) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L.1585, No.174), known as the Private Licensed Schools Act, further providing for definitions, for State Board of Private Licensed Schools, for powers and duties of board, for application for license, for license fees and for requirements for licensure and operation; providing for multibranch training schools and for institutional grants authority; further providing for promulgation of rules; and repealing provisions relating to existing licenses to remain in force and transfer of personnel, etc.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, Senate Bill No. 456, which I have sponsored with my colleague, Senator Brewster, would expand job training programs to a broader number of Pennsylvanians. There is a clear need for technical education and workforce development in our Commonwealth, and the programs that are offered by established schools are respected and trusted ways for Pennsylvanians to learn the skills they need to build family-sustaining jobs. Under current law, private licensed schools, which include many technical schools, are permitted to establish branch campuses only in the same county as their main campus. That means well-operated, reputable institutions can only expand to other counties if they create an entirely new school. The issue with this limitation became apparent when a western Pennsylvania technical school sought to expand its program to a nearby county located in the 46th Senatorial District. Though the school appealed to the State Board of Private Licensed Schools, permission to expand the program was not granted because of the limitation in current statute. Senate Bill No. 456 would enable schools to create branch campuses in those counties contiguous with the county where the main campus is located, or within a 60-mile radius of the primary site.

The bill also sets several other standards for the creation of these branch campuses that would allow for the expansion of programs while still insuring the schools are able to provide a quality educational experience to those students who enroll. Additional reforms of Senate Bill No. 456 include a new statewide centralized repository of student records, protections to insure program completion should a school decide to close, and greater ability for students to receive institutional grants to pay for parts of their education. Making such changes would allow the many fine training programs in the Commonwealth to grow and offer additional opportunities to current and new students. Ultimately, this would serve as a great asset to growing industries and insure Pennsylvania has a well-trained workforce necessary to succeed in a modern economy. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to cast an affirmative vote on Senate Bill No. 456.

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

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

NAY-0

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 485 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 547 (Pr. No. 886) -- 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, in corporate powers, further providing for ordinances and resolutions; and, in finance and taxation, further providing for tax levies and for tax rates to be expressed in dollars and cents.

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

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

NAY-0

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

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

HB 548 (Pr. No. 887) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) and 11 (Cities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in mayor, further providing for president or vice president of council to act as mayor; in taxation and finance, further providing for tax levy and for tax ordinance; in ordinances, further providing for ordinances and resolutions, for enactment, approval and veto, for recording, advertising and proof and for codification of ordinances; in council, further providing for ordinances and resolutions, for journal of proceedings, recording and withholding of vote, for records of ordinances maintained by city clerk and for time ordinances go into effect; and, in taxation, further providing for tax levies.

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

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

NAY-0

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 575 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 607 (Pr. No. 675) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-49

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

NAY-1

Yaw

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 746 (Pr. No. 923) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, providing for date for emissions testing equipment.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

POINT OF ORDER

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, I ask for a Rule 20 ruling as to whether I would be precluded from voting on Senate Bill No. 746. This bill would reform Pennsylvania's vehicle emissions testing program, also referred to as the Vehicle Emissions Inspection and Maintenance Program. I am the owner and operator of a quick lube business located in the 46th Senatorial District. As such, I would appreciate a ruling on whether a conflict of interest may prohibit me from voting on this bill. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentlewoman for her inquiry about a conflict of interest. In the factual situation just given, the Chair would rule that there is no conflict of interest, and that in accordance with Senate Rule 20(c)(2), the Senator must vote on Senate Bill No. 746 for two reasons. First, the Chair finds that the gentlewoman is a member of a class of indi-

viduals who may or may not be affected by any of the actions on Senate Bill No. 746. Second, the Chair does not find that any votes the gentlewoman may cast would be particularly personal to Senator Bartolotta or privately affect Senator Bartolotta alone. So, she must vote.

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-33

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Tomlinson
Aument	Folmer	Mastriano	Vogel
Baker	Gordner	Mensch	Ward, Judy
Bartolotta	Hughes	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Kim
Boscola	Hutchinson	Pittman	Yaw
Brewster	Killion	Regan	Yudichak
Brooks	Langerholc	Scarnati	
Browne	Laughlin	Scavello	
Corman	Leach	Stefano	

NAY-17

Blake	Fontana	Muth	Street
Collett	Haywood	Sabatina	Tartaglione
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Anthony H
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Williams, Lindsey
Farnese			

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 LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 748 (Pr. No. 925) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 50 in Independence Township, Washington County, as the Lt. Col. Juanita L. Warman Memorial Highway.

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

BILL AMENDED

HB 786 (Pr. No. 2187) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system, further providing for definitions and for Pennsylvania Trauma Systems Foundation, providing for accreditation of trauma centers, for submission of list, for funding, for notification of trauma center closure, for reporting and for certification and financial report; and making a related repeal.

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

Senator BOSCOLA offered the following amendment No. A2240:

Amend Bill, page 6, line 5, by striking out "FIVE" and inserting:
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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 807, HB 915 and HB 1549 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

RECONSIDERATION OF HB 786

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 786 went over in its order.

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

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration, as amended?

RECONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT A2240

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which amendment A2240 was agreed to.

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

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

YEA-43

Argall	Costa	Laughlin	Scavello
Aument	Dinniman	Leach	Schwank
Baker	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Bartolotta	Folmer	Mastriano	Tomlinson
Blake	Fontana	Mensch	Vogel
Boscola	Gordner	Muth	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hutchinson	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Iovino	Pittman	Williams, Lindsey
Browne	Kearney	Regan	Yaw
Collett	Killion	Santarsiero	Yudichak
Corman	Langerholc	Scarnati	

NAY-7

Farnese	Hughes	Street	Williams, Anthony H
Haywood	Sabatina	Tartaglione	

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

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

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 22 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 24 (Pr. No. 1735) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 9, 1999 (P.L.1, No.1), known as the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act, in capital facilities, further providing for bonds, issue of bonds and notes, maturity and interest.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 60, SB 67 and SB 81 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION, AMENDED

SB 147 (Pr. No. 195) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Game Commission, further providing for accountability; and, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for hunting on Sunday prohibited, providing for hunting on Sunday and further providing for trespass on private property while hunting.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?
Senator LAUGHLIN offered the following amendment No. A2534:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 4 and 5, by striking out ", providing for hunting on Sunday and further providing" and inserting:
and

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 through 13, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. Section 328 of Title 34 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a subsection to read:

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 23 through 30; page 3, lines 1 through 5; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

Section 2. Section 2303(b.1) of Title 34 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

§ 2303. Hunting on Sunday prohibited.

(b.1) Exceptions.--Subsection (a) shall not apply to:

(4) Hunting on three Sundays each calendar year, as follows:
(i) One day of Sunday hunting shall be instituted by the commission during the deer rifle season.

(ii) One day of Sunday hunting shall be instituted by the com-

mission during the Statewide deer archery season.
(iii) One day of Sunday hunting as determined by the commission shall be instituted by the commission.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 15, by striking out "in 60 days" and inserting:
immediately

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

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

YEA-38

Argall	DiSanto	Laughlin	Scarnati
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Scavello
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Stefano
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Street
Blake	Haywood	Muth	Ward, Kim
Boscola	Hughes	Phillips-Hill	Williams, Lindsey
Brewster	Iovino	Pittman	Yaw
Browne	Kearney	Regan	Yudichak
Collett	Killion	Sabatina	
Corman	Langerholc	Santarsiero	

NAY-12

Brooks	Gordner	Schwank	Vogel
Costa	Hutchinson	Tartaglione	Ward, Judy
Dinniman	Leach	Tomlinson	Williams, Anthony H

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

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

It was agreed to.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 217 (Pr. No. 165) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 16, 1992 (P.L.155, No.28), known as the Assessors Certification Act, repealing provisions relating to nonapplicability; and providing for assessors in counties of the first class.

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

SB 217 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 217, Printer's No. 165, 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 258 and **SB 284** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 337 (Pr. No. 506) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sexual offenses, providing for the offense of sexual extortion.

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

SB 337 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 337, Printer's No. 506, 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 351, SB 352 and **SB 356** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 396 (Pr. No. 378) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, further providing for the offense of sale of tobacco.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 407, SB 438, SB 447, SB 473, SB 493, SB 494, SB 495, SB 531, SB 569, SB 601, HB 716, SB 722 and **HB 1016** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 1614 (Pr. No. 2214) -- 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 firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms and for sale or transfer of firearms; and, in commencement of proceedings, further providing for Statewide municipal police jurisdiction, for nonmunicipal police extraterritorial jurisdiction and for agents of the Office of Attorney General and providing for interpretation.

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

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

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 169, ADOPTED

Senator CORMAN, without objection, called up from page 13 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 169**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a Purple Heart State and recognizing August 7th as "Purple Heart Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1**

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 742 (Pr. No. 1060) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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?

POINT OF ORDER

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, I rise to ask for a Rule 20 ruling as to whether I am precluded from voting on Senate Bill No. 742, Senate Bill No. 743, Senate Bill No. 744, and Senate Bill No. 745. This bill package reforms Pennsylvania's vehicle emissions testing program, also referred to as the Vehicle Emissions Inspection and Maintenance Program. I am an owner and operator of The Duke of Oil, a quick lube business located in the 46th Senatorial District, and we perform emissions inspec-

tions. As such, I would appreciate a ruling on whether a conflict of interest may prohibit me from voting on these bills. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair decides that the ruling from earlier holds and stands, and that you should vote.

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-26

Argall	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Aument	Folmer	Mensch	Vogel
Baker	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Bartolotta	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Langerholc	Regan	Yaw
Browne	Laughlin	Scarnati	
Corman	Martin	Scavello	

NAY-24

Blake	Farnese	Killion	Street
Boscola	Fontana	Leach	Tartaglione
Brewster	Haywood	Muth	Tomlinson
Collett	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak

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 743 (Pr. No. 1061) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-27

Argall	Corman	Martin	Scavello
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Folmer	Mensch	Vogel
Bartolotta	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Boscola	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Langerholc	Regan	Yaw
Browne	Laughlin	Scarnati	

NAY-23

Blake	Fontana	Leach	Tartaglione
Brewster	Haywood	Muth	Tomlinson

Collett	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak
Farnese	Killion	Street	

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

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for prohibition on expenditures for emission inspection program.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I ask for support for Senate Bill No. 744. This bill directs DEP to initiate the process of submitting a revised State Implementation Plan, which will remove seven counties from the emissions testing requirement. Those seven counties are Blair, Cambria, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mercer, and Westmoreland. This revised SIP would be required to convincingly demonstrate that the counties listed can maintain relevant standards without the benefit of the Emissions Inspection and Maintenance Program. It also requires DEP to comply with Federal law during the process, including and insuring that this revision will not interfere with attainment requirements or reasonable progress toward attainment, and that Federal funding is not negatively impacted. This insures that we will be in compliance every step of the way and not in danger of losing funds or being held out of compliance with the Clean Air Act. The Clean Air Act does allow processes for a revised State Implementation Plan, and DEP will follow that process. Removal of these counties is contingent upon EPA approval of the revised State Implementation Plan, so nothing will happen without Federal approval. Thus, we will not be out of compliance.

The time to end this onerous requirement is now. This legislation is the culmination of many years of work, many meetings with stakeholders and citizens, a Senate resolution, and a report from the Joint State Government Commission. These seven counties have met the National Ambient Air Quality Standards, my home county of Cambria, specifically. There was a time when Cambria did not meet these standards. There was a time when Cambria's air quality was not good. That time is no more. But, the time is now to end emissions requirements in these counties. I ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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-27

Argall	Corman	Martin	Scavello
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Folmer	Mensch	Vogel
Bartolotta	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Langerholc	Regan	Yaw
Browne	Laughlin	Scarnati	

NAY-23

Blake	Fontana	Leach	Tartaglione
Boscola	Haywood	Muth	Tomlinson
Collett	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak
Farnese	Killion	Street	

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 745 (Pr. No. 1063) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for prohibition on expenditures for emission inspection program.

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-27

Argall	Corman	Martin	Scavello
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Folmer	Mensch	Vogel
Bartolotta	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Boscola	Hutchinson	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Langerholc	Regan	Yaw
Browne	Laughlin	Scarnati	

NAY-23

Blake	Fontana	Leach	Tartaglione
Brewster	Haywood	Muth	Tomlinson
Collett	Hughes	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H
Costa	Iovino	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Dinniman	Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak
Farnese	Killion	Street	

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.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 2**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 778 (Pr. No. 1064) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 74 (Transportation) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sustainable mobility options, further providing for Public Transportation Trust Fund; and, in Pennsylvania Turnpike, further providing for definitions.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

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.

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

RECONSIDERATION OF SB 147

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 147 was agreed to on second consideration.

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

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

RECONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT A2534

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote by which amendment A2534 was adopted.

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

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

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

YEA-37

Argall	DiSanto	Martin	Scavello
Aument	Folmer	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Fontana	Mensch	Street
Bartolotta	Haywood	Muth	Ward, Kim
Blake	Hughes	Phillips-Hill	Williams, Lindsey
Boscola	Iovino	Pittman	Yaw
Brewster	Kearney	Regan	Yudichak
Browne	Killion	Sabatina	
Collett	Langerholc	Santarsiero	
Corman	Laughlin	Scarnati	

NAY-13

Brooks	Gordner	Schwank	Vogel
Costa	Hutchinson	Tartaglione	Ward, Judy
Dinniman	Leach	Tomlinson	Williams, Anthony H
Farnese			

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

And the question recurring, Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

It was agreed to.

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

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

Senator AUMENT, 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:

SECRETARY OF EDUCATION

June 4, 2019

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, Pedro Rivera, 1321 Quarry Lane, Lancaster 17603, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as Secretary of Education, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

June 6, 2019

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michael Davis, 128 South Main Street, Muncy 17756, Lycoming County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Professional Standards and Practices Commission, to serve until January 19, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Lisa Barbour, Mars, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

June 5, 2019

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, Nicole R. Hill, 609 W. King Street, Shippensburg 17257, Cumberland County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Professional Standards and Practices Commission, to serve until January 18, 2022, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice George Drake, Landenberg, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

June 5, 2019

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, Robert Hollister, 598 Millcross Road, Lancaster 17601, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Professional Standards and Practices Commission, to serve until January 18, 2022, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Gilhooley, Dunmore, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

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TOM WOLF
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TOM WOLF
Governor

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

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

YEA-50

Argall	DiSanto	Leach	Stefano
Aument	Farnese	Martin	Street
Baker	Folmer	Mastriano	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Fontana	Mensch	Tomlinson
Blake	Gordner	Muth	Vogel
Boscola	Haywood	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Hughes	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Anthony H
Browne	Iovino	Sabatina	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Killion	Scarnati	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	
Dinniman	Laughlin	Schwank	

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE MAJORITY LEADER

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, there will be a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations later for the Members on the committee. We will have to wait for some House action before that can take place. So, if Members want to get some dinner, we will at least try to give a 30-minute notice before the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations reconvenes.

Thank you, Mr. President.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

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

SB 117 (Pr. No. 1034) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 3016 (Bedford Street) over Solomon Run in the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, as the Seaman Apprentice Kenneth D. Scaife Memorial Bridge;

designating a bridge on that portion of Peg Run Road, Pennsylvania Route 240, over the West Branch of the Susquehanna River, Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, as the United States Army Sergeant Scott O. Henry Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of U.S. Route 220 in Sullivan County from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 87 to the Bradford County line as the T.W. "Doc" Shoemaker Memorial Highway; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 14 over Fall Brook, Troy Borough, Bradford County, as the Troy Area Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 305 over Shaver's Creek in Barree Township, Huntingdon County, as the Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 453 over the Little Juniata River, Tyrone Township, Blair County, as the Robert E. Gensimore Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 899 over the Clarion River connecting Barnett Township, Jefferson County, and Barnett Township, Forest County, as the PFC Patrick T. Cassatt Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 4018 over the Little Mahoning Creek, South Mahoning Township, Indiana County, as the SP4 Franklin Delano Meyer Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge identified as Bridge Key 54683 on that portion of State Route 3009 (Kushequa Avenue) over the Kinzua Creek in Kushequa, Hamlin Township, McKean County, as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating the bridge identified as Bridge Key 18676 on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 747 over the Juniata River in Mount Union Borough, Huntingdon County, as the Captain Joseph S. Giacobello Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 2016 over the Casselman River in Rockwood Borough, Somerset County, as the PFC Alton Glenn Sterner Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 96 over the Little Wills Creek, Bedford County, as the Staff Sgt. Roger (Rod) Guy Holler Memorial Bridge.

SB 127 (Pr. No. 961) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in 911 emergency communication services, further providing for definitions, for telecommunications management, for counties, for fund, for telephone records, for inventory and for termination of chapter.

SB 128 (Pr. No. 1045) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act amending Titles 51 (Military Affairs) and 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, providing for Civil Air Patrol; and, in authority of Department of Transportation, further providing for authority of department.

SB 440 (Pr. No. 1029) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for flexible instructional days.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators BROWNE, LANGERHOLC, J. WARD, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, MARTIN, MENSCH, COSTA, HUGHES, BLAKE, PHILLIPS-HILL, KILLION, DINNIMAN, BAKER, HUTCHINSON, BREWSTER, SABATINA and AUMENT, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 183**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of September 8 through 14, 2019, as "Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Research and Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania to increase awareness and understanding of idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh, Senator Browne.

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues for their unanimous support of this resolution designating the week of September 8 through 14, 2019, as "Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis Research and Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania. Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis is a debilitating and generally fatal disease marked by progressive scarring of the lungs, causing an irreversible loss of lung tissue and its ability to transport oxygen. It, unfortunately, progresses very quickly, often causing disability or death within 3 to 5 years. While IPF, as it is known, is five times more common than cystic fibrosis or Lou Gehrig's disease, ALS, the disease is often misdiagnosed or underdiagnosed. IPF remains virtually unknown and receives only minimal research funding.

Mr. President, more than 132,000 United States citizens have idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis, and more than 50,000 new cases are diagnosed each year. Approximately 7,000 Pennsylvanians suffer from this disease. At the same time, Pennsylvania has become a leader in research and treatment of IPF, with more than 15 percent of all lung transplants in the United States performed at our very fine Pennsylvania hospitals. While progress has been made in recent years to increase awareness, more work must be done to educate healthcare practitioners and the public about this disease, which can support improved diagnosis and treatment. I ask my colleagues to join me today in supporting this important resolution. Thank you.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators BARTOLOTTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL, VOGEL, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE, HUGHES, BREWSTER, FOLMER, BAKER, COSTA, KILLION, MENSCH and YUDICHAK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 184**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of July 8 through 14, 2019, as "Whiskey Rebellion Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, the Whiskey Rebellion, which took place in Washington County, is one of the most notable events of early American history. As an attempt to create a fixed source of revenue, Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton proposed a Federal excise tax on whiskey in 1791. Many western Pennsylvanians saw this as targeting a demographic that relied heavily on crops such as corn, rye, and grain. In July 1794, 400 whiskey rebels attacked the home of a tax inspector in Pittsburgh. As the rebellion continued to grow, so did the threat of it spreading to other States. To end the rebellion, President Washington sent a Federal militia of nearly 13,000 men marching into Washington, Westmoreland, and Allegheny Counties. As rebels fled the area, the rebellion soon disbanded. This event marks the only time in American history that a standing President took command of Federal troops.

In an effort to properly recognize the Whiskey Rebellion, the city of Washington, Pennsylvania, annually hosts a festival in July. The events are to honor the period of America's early days through historic reenactments, period exhibitions, family fun, frontier art, and much, much more, shining a national spotlight on the city, county, and region. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the week of July 8 through 14, 2019, as "Whiskey Rebellion Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania by voting in the affirmative on this resolution, and to look inside their desks for a small sample of our whiskey.

Just kidding. Thank you.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, FONTANA, AUMENT, BROWNE, KILLION, TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, BLAKE, SCHWANK, SABATINA, BARTOLOTTA and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 185**, entitled:

A Resolution designating July 8 through 13, 2019, as "Summer Learning Week" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators BAKER, ARGALL, BLAKE, GORDNER, YUDICHAK, VOGEL, STREET, MARTIN, BARTOLOTTA, K. WARD, BROWNE, J. WARD, PITTMAN and YAW, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 186**, entitled:

A Resolution designating July 20, 2019, as "Anthracite Heritage Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I rise with my colleagues Senator Argall, Senator Blake, Senator Gordner, and Senator Yudichak to designate "Anthracite Heritage Day" on July 20, 2019. Momentous developments can have very small beginnings. Not long before the American Revolution, a blacksmith in Wilkes-Barre discovered that anthracite coal was an excellent fuel. This spark would lead to an incredible transformation during the next century. By geological circumstance, the largest known deposit in the nation was here in the six-county region of northeastern Pennsylvania. Anthracite helped fuel the Industrial Revolution and contributed to the mill and mine development that forged our Commonwealth's strength for generations.

Because of the need to get coal from the mines to users outside the region, first canals, then railroads, were built. This advanced the transportation system that furthered our reputation as the Keystone State. Anthracite mining led to societal changes and institutional development. The strife between miners and operators, typified by the story of the Molly Maguires, helped to shape many of our modern labor laws. The substantial dangers

of the mine led to worker safety laws. Miners came from a number of European countries, settled in coal patch towns, and established the ethnic diversity that is a distinguishing feature of northeastern Pennsylvania. The necessity of addressing the physical and health impacts of mining led to the development of institutions to treat and care for those who remember when we had a network of State general hospitals. The lingering environmental effects of widespread mining contributed to the passage of important water quality laws and policies. So anthracite was a key factor in the military prowess that established America and propelled the Allies to victory in World War I and World War II.

Especially in early days, mining was hard and stressful. It was not a way to fame and fortune for those workers. It is equally important for us to recognize and remember the sufferings and sacrifices of those who worked and helped to build our State and nation. This history is interesting and vital, but anthracite is not just an artifact seen only in the museums. Pennsylvania remains a leading producer, so the conclusion of the story has not yet been written. Jobs and the economic impact remain part of our economic picture. Anthracite is a prominent part of our past, an economic factor in the present, and a resource we will rely upon in the future. So I am pleased to join my colleagues in designating Anthracite Heritage Day on July 20, 2019.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Senator Argall.

Senator ARGALL. Mr. President, I am proud to cosponsor Senator Baker's resolution today to celebrate the long history of anthracite coal mining in northeastern Pennsylvania. The anthracite mines of Schuylkill County and all of northeastern Pennsylvania helped to ignite, quite literally, the Industrial Revolution. Without the discovery of anthracite, I suspect the Argall family would never have emigrated to Pottsville in 1848. When I asked a distant cousin from Cornwall, England, why our ancestors left those beautiful seaside communities so far from Pennsylvania, his answer was very simple: they had large families, they were starving due to the potato famine and the closing of the mines in Cornwall. I suspect that many of my constituents could tell a very similar story. Thus, we have a special reason today to celebrate the anthracite heritage throughout northeastern Pennsylvania. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Blake.

Senator BLAKE. Mr. President, I thank my colleagues, particularly the gentlewoman from Luzerne, for bringing this resolution before the body. I live in Archbald, Pennsylvania. It is a town named after an engineer for the Delaware and Hudson Coal Company, James Archbald. The resilience and the unbelievable dedication of the people I represent back home traces its heritage and history to the anthracite era, and I am very proud to join my colleagues to acknowledge this history of Pennsylvania. Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties are separated by a common anthracite heritage; the anthracite from the northern fields went over the Moosic Mountains, and by Gravity Railroad, down to the Hudson River and into New York. The anthracite from the southern fields of Luzerne County went down through the Delaware and Lehigh Canal to Bristol and the Port of Philadelphia. Which is why we sometimes find ourselves as Yankee fans in the northern reaches and Phillies fans in the southern reaches, but we

are a common people by that anthracite heritage, and I thank Senator Baker for bringing the resolution to the floor for Anthracite Heritage Day in Pennsylvania. Thank you.

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

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

Senator K. WARD by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 187**, entitled:

A Resolution designating August 25, 2019, as "Banana Split Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, everyone knows how much we all love banana splits. Who does not love a banana split? So this resolution declaring August 25, 2019, as "Banana Split Day" in Pennsylvania has special significance in Westmoreland County, namely in Latrobe. We know it is an iconic dessert; who does not want ice cream and bananas and syrup and cherries and whipped cream? It is good, all good stuff. Most people probably do not know that the first banana split was made in Pennsylvania in the town of Latrobe, which is in the Senatorial district I serve. In 1904, a pharmacist's apprentice and University of Pittsburgh student named David Strickler was working at Tassell's Pharmacy, where he liked to make frozen treats with ice cream. One day, when he was challenged by a customer to make something new, something different, he took a banana, which was a very recent import into America, he cut it in half lengthwise and topped it with three scoops of ice cream along with strawberries, chocolate syrup, pineapples, nuts, whipped cream, and, finally, three cherries. Then he sold it to the customer for 10 cents. From there, the idea of the banana split spread to Philadelphia when one of Strickler's coworkers at Tassell's moved to attend the University of Philadelphia and started making them at the soda fountain where he worked. Shortly afterwards, the banana split became a staple along Atlantic City's boardwalk, which at the time was the biggest resort town in America. It gained national popularity when it was named Walgreen's signature dish on its soda fountain menu at its stores across the entire nation.

Mr. President, the city of Latrobe is a great city. Besides banana splits, we have Mr. Rogers, Rolling Rock beer, and Arnie Palmer. But in the city, it will be hosting its annual Great American Banana Split celebration from August 23 to 25. It will honor the banana split's place in the heritage of Pennsylvania. It is only fitting that all Pennsylvanians should join together to recognize the banana split on August 25 and go out and buy one and enjoy one, too.

Thank you very much.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair actually attended the festival in Latrobe a few years back. Great idea.

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.
The bills were as follows:

SB 256, SB 694, SB 763 and HB 1557.

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, JUNE 26, 2019

8:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (public hearing to consider probation and parole reform in Pennsylvania, including a discussion of Senate Bill No. 14)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider House Bills No. 262, 716, 1461, 1614 and 1615)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 130, 144, 478, 585, 634, 661, 698, 699, 700, 701 and 724; and certain Executive Nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2019

9:30 A.M.	LABOR AND INDUSTRY (public hearing on the nomination of Marguerite Quinn to the Unemployment Compensation Board of Review)	Room 8E-B East Wing
10:00 A.M.	JUDICIARY (public hearing to consider the nominations for the following Judges for the Court of Common Pleas: Mary McGinley, Esq. - Allegheny County; Shawn McMahon, Esq. - Elk/Cameron County; Anna-Kristie Morffi Marks - Lehigh County; Ryan Tira, Esq. - Lycoming County; Kelly Anne Gaughan, Esq. - Pike County; and Traci McDonald-Kemp, Esq. - Washington County)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, today marks 4,734 days since the Pennsylvania General Assembly last raised our minimum wage. That fact alone would normally make today a distressing day to be a low-wage worker in this State. Unfortunately, today is not a normal day. It is a day that our counterparts

in the House are adopting a budget with no raise in the minimum wage and no concern for the lowest paid workers in the Commonwealth. We have heard a lot about minimum wage in the months and weeks leading up to this year's budget deadline. In fact, the issue has been one of the central themes of the public discourse. Yet, in light of yesterday's vote in the Committee on Appropriations, we now must ask ourselves, was minimum wage ever on the table? If it was not, when will it be?

I have worked very hard for many years to advocate for a higher minimum wage for millions of Pennsylvania workers who struggle to make ends meet. I am honored and proud to say that many of my colleagues in this Chamber and many in the House have stood shoulder to shoulder with me in this fight. We have fought through harsh economic times and through economic recovery, like we are experiencing now; that is the main reason why the absence of minimum wage language in the current budget legislation is so disappointing. If ever there was a time it can be done, it should be done, the time is now. The economy is growing, businesses just got their biggest tax break in history, the labor market is strong, unemployment is at a historic low, and worker productivity is at an all-time high. Yet, while executive salaries and bonuses are soaring, the economic gap between the nation's ultra rich and the rest of us is at an all-time worst. The wage growth continues to lag behind all possible economic indicators. On top of all that, 70 percent of Pennsylvania voters want a higher minimum wage.

Mr. President, I was elected to this body 25 years ago to represent--and I will--the best interests of the people in the 2nd Senatorial District. When my constituents tell me they think Pennsylvania's low-wage workers deserve a raise, I listen, and I act accordingly. I hope my colleagues in this Chamber and our counterparts in the House will endeavor to do the same, and that they will do it very, very soon.

Thank you, Mr. President.

BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor John K. Fetterman) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

HB 751.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Senator Wayne Langerholz, Jr.) in the Chair.

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

June 25, 2019

HB 1350, 1351, 1352, 1353 and 1354 -- Committee on Appropriations.

RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the Chair.

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 619 (Pr. No. 857) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 22, 1937 (P.L.1987, No.394), known as The Clean Streams Law, in general provisions and public policy, further providing for definitions; and, in other pollutions and potential pollution, providing for notice of discharge endangering health or the environment.

SB 723 (Pr. No. 944) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in high schools, further providing for courses of study.

HB 3 (Pr. No. 2211) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for health insurance markets oversight; and establishing the Pennsylvania Health Insurance Exchange Fund.

HB 33 (Pr. No. 2182) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for definitions, for general assistance-related categorically needy and medically needy only medical assistance programs, for the medically needy and determination of eligibility and for medical assistance payments for institutional care; in hospital assessments, further providing for definitions, for authorization, for administration, for no hold harmless, for tax exemption and for time period; and, in Statewide quality care assessment, further providing for definitions.

HB 235 (Pr. No. 877) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in petition for adoption, further providing for consents necessary to adoption.

HB 615 (Pr. No. 1784) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in retirement for State employees and officers, further defining "enforcement officer"; and providing for installment payments.

HB 790 (Pr. No. 2215)

An act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2019, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

HB 856 (Pr. No. 1333) (Rereported)

An act amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in medical assistance hearings and appeals, further providing for definitions; in public welfare generally, providing for adoption opportunities and for family finding and kinship care; establishing the Kinship Care Program and the Subsidized Permanent Legal Custodian-ship Program; making related repeals; and making editorial changes.

HB 1170 (Pr. No. 2129) (Rereported)

An Act prohibiting the employment of unauthorized employees; requiring construction industry employers to verify the Social Security numbers of employees; and imposing penalties.

HB 1324 (Pr. No. 2179) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in military educational programs, further providing for definitions, for eligibility, for grants, for amount of grants, for limitations, for recoupment of grant payments, for regulations, for administration and for Educational Assistance Program Fund and providing for a military family education program; and making editorial changes.

HB 1350 (Pr. No. 2233)

A Supplement to the act of April 1, 1863 (P.L.213, No.227), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure; and making an appropriation from a restricted account within the Agricultural College Land Scrip Fund.

HB 1351 (Pr. No. 2234)

A Supplement to the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3), known as the University of Pittsburgh--Commonwealth Act, making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

HB 1352 (Pr. No. 2235)

A Supplement to the act of November 30, 1965 (P.L.843, No.355), known as the Temple University--Commonwealth Act, making an ap-

propriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriation; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

HB 1353 (Pr. No. 2236)

A Supplement to the act of July 7, 1972 (P.L.743, No.176), known as the Lincoln University-Commonwealth Act, making an appropriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of the appropriation; providing for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated; and providing for certain fiscal information disclosure.

HB 1354 (Pr. No. 2237)

An Act making appropriations to the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania.

HB 1514 (Pr. No. 1910) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the Farm-to-School Program; and making a related repeal.

HB 1516 (Pr. No. 2124) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Agriculture Rapid Response Disaster Readiness Account.

HB 1520 (Pr. No. 2212) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania Preferred® Trademark, further providing for Pennsylvania Preferred® Trademark Licensing Fund and providing for military veterans; providing for grant programs; and making editorial changes.

HB 1524 (Pr. No. 2066) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for limiting number of retail licenses to be issued in each county and for licenses not assignable and transfers.

HB 1526 (Pr. No. 2126) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, providing for Agriculture-Linked Investment Program; and making related repeals.

HB 1590 (Pr. No. 2213) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 64 (Public Authorities and Quasi-Public Corporations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth Financing Authority, establishing the Dairy Investment Program and Dairy Investment Program Account.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

HB 790, HB 1350, HB 1351, HB 1352, HB 1353 and HB 1354.

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

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Wednesday, June 26, 2019, 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 8:45 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.