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TUESDAY, October 22, 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, JAGJIT SINGH, of the Philadelphia Sikh Society Gurdwara Sahib, Millbourne, offered the following prayer:

Honorable Lieutenant Governor John Fetterman, and Members of the Senate, thank you to the Pennsylvania Senate gathering us here to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the holy founder of the Sikh faith, Guru Nanak Dev Ji. This 550th celebration of Guru Nanak's birth anniversary is a historical landmark for the Sikh community around the world, and special events and celebrations are being held in all corners of the world. The most special way for Sikhs to celebrate this historic anniversary is to say a special Ardaas. Ardaas is a prayer and petition to God, but it is also a story of who the Sikhs are.

The prayer begins with the words "Ik Onkar," which means God is One. All paths lead to One. This vision of openness was the divine revelation of a humble herdsman named Nanak, born in the year 1469 in Punjab. It was a time of turmoil, Hindus and Muslims in conflict, women oppressed, and the poor outcast. Tyranny and oppression, both societal and spiritual, were the rule of the day.

And so we pray. We pray for the consciousness of the divine to enter all of our people, and for this remembrance to bring us joy. We pray humanity can always overcome darkness. We pray for our faith to last through the ages with the gifts of discipline and discernment, truth and faith, and, above all, the gift of God's presence in our hearts. Respectfully, join me as we start our prayer, as we pray for all of humanity.

One universal, almighty God, Creator of the universe, the True Guru, we call You by many names but You are One. Please, God, keep Your divine hand over the honorable elected Members, officials, and the people of the great State of Pennsylvania. Guru Nanak's teaching is that there is only one God for all of humanity, we can love Him by any name, and that everyone is equal, regardless of caste or gender.

Guru Nanak faithfully preached the brotherhood of mankind and the Oneness of God. His universal message is peace, love, unity, mutual respect, service, and dedication to all of humankind. Sarbat da bhala is the final term in the Sikh prayer, which means "blessings for everyone," or "may everyone prosper."

Sikhs pray and ask the Almighty for the well-being of all of humanity, prosperity for everyone in the worldwide community, and global peace for the entire planet. Nanak nam chardi kala, tere bhaanai da bhala. Thank you, everyone. May God bless you. (Chanting.)

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Pastor Singh, who is the guest today of Senator Kearney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

SB 798 (Pr. No. 1290) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, in short title and definitions, further providing for definitions; and, in dangerous dogs, further providing for court proceedings, certificate of registration and disposition and for requirements.

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

SB 726 (Pr. No. 904)

An Act amending the act of July 13, 1988 (P.L.530, No.94), known as the Environmental Hearing Board Act, further providing for definitions and for jurisdiction.

SB 727 (Pr. No. 905)

An Act amending the act of July 13, 1988 (P.L.530, No.94), known as the Environmental Hearing Board Act, further providing for Environmental Hearing Board.

SB 891 (Pr. No. 1249)

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in administrative provisions, establishing the Advanced Permit Review Program and the Advanced Permit Review Program Fund; and making an editorial change.

Senator BROOKS, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reported the following bills:

SB 842 (Pr. No. 1152)

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, in licensing of health care facilities, further providing for photo identification tag regulations.

SB 906 (Pr. No. 1287) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of October 20, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.96, No.6), known as the Mental Health and Intellectual Disability Act of 1966, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in responsibilities of the State, providing for State facility closure moratorium.

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

HB 917 (Pr. No. 1055)

An Act repealing the act of May 17, 1929 (P.L.1805, No.598), entitled "An act authorizing municipalities other than townships to acquire by gift, devise, or bequest, lands, chattels, securities and funds for the establishment and maintenance of a hospital; to appoint trustees of such property and funds, subject to the approval of the orphans' court; to operate and maintain such hospital through and by means of such trustees; and to expend municipal funds to aid in the establishment and maintenance of such hospital."

HB 1034 (Pr. No. 2746) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for definitions, for changes in assessed valuation and for abstracts of building and demolition permits to be forwarded to the county assessment office.

HB 1035 (Pr. No. 1207)

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1979 (P.L.241, No.78), entitled "An act authorizing political subdivisions, municipality authorities and transportation authorities to enter into contracts for the purchase of goods and the sale of real and personal property where no bids are received," further providing for title of the act; adding a short title; and providing for contracts for services.

HB 1036 (Pr. No. 1208)

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in elections of officers, further providing for decrease in number of members of council.

HB 1174 (Pr. No. 1360)

An Act repealing the act of April 25, 1933 (P.L.74, No.49), entitled "An act relating to baseball and football on Sunday; prohibiting baseball and football on Sunday during certain hours, and also during certain other hours unless the electors of a municipality are in favor of the same and, in certain cases, a license has first been secured from the municipal authorities; providing for referendums to ascertain the will of the electors, and for the enactment and repeal of licensing ordinances and resolutions in accordance therewith; providing penalties; and repealing inconsistent laws."

HB 1180 (Pr. No. 1366)

An Act repealing the act of July 2, 1935 (P.L.599, No.211), entitled "An act relating to motion picture exhibitions and sound motion picture exhibitions, together with orchestral or other instrumental musical or mechanical musical accompaniment, prelude, playing, or selection in connection with or incidental thereto on Sunday; prohibiting motion picture exhibitions and sound motion picture exhibitions, and orchestral or other instrumental musical or mechanical musical accompaniment, prelude, playing, or selection incidental thereto on Sunday during certain hours, and also during other hours, unless the electors of a municipality approve thereof; regulating the employment of persons in conducting such exhibitions on Sunday; providing for referendums to ascertain the will of the of the electors; and providing penalties; and repealing inconsistent laws."

HB 1379 (Pr. No. 1670)

An Act repealing the act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.446, No.187), referred to as the Sunday Polo Act.

HB 1405 (Pr. No. 1725)

An Act repealing the act of June 22, 1935 (P.L.449, No.188), referred to as the Sunday Tennis Act.

Senator REGAN, from the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, reported the following bills:

SB 908 (Pr. No. 1288) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, further providing for scope of subchapter, for legislative findings and declaration of purpose, for definitions, for assistance to volunteer fire companies, ambulance service and rescue squads, for Volunteer Companies Loan Fund, for powers and duties of office, for disposition and use of proceeds, for Volunteer Company Loan Sinking Fund and investments, for repayment obligations for principal and interest, for temporary financing authorization, for authorization of contracts, reimbursement procedure and amount and for reimbursement procedure and amount, providing for referendum to expand loan assistance and for annual report and distribution of information and further providing for Pennsylvania Volunteer Loan Assistance Program; in volunteer firefighters, further providing for definitions, for statement of purpose, for funds and for audits and providing for fire relief formula study; in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for special provisions; and making editorial changes.

SB 910 (Pr. No. 1289) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for definitions, for establishment, for publication and notice, for award of grants, for consolidation incentive, for establishment, for publication and notice and for award of grants, providing for consolidation incentive, further providing for Fire Company Grant Program, for Emergency Medical Services Company Grant Program, for additional funding, for allocation of appropriated funds and for expiration of authority and providing for annual reports.

RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SR 191 (Pr. No. 1286) (Amended)

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to reauthorize provisions related to the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund.

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Collett, Senator Hughes, Senator Muth, Senator Schwank, and Senator Lindsey Williams, and a legislative leave for Senator Haywood.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Collett, Senator Hughes, Senator Muth, Senator Schwank, and Senator Lindsey Williams, and a legislative leave for Senator Haywood. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of June 24, 2019, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of June 24, 2019.

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

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

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

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| Blake | Haywood | Phillips-Hill | Ward, Judy |
| Boscola | Hughes | Pittman | Ward, Kim |
| Brewster | Hutchinson | Regan | Williams, Anthony H. |
| Brooks | Iovino | Sabatina | Williams, Lindsey |
| Browne | Kearney | Santarsiero | Yaw |
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| Costa | Laughlin | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Leach | Stefano | |

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Hughes and Senator Lindsey Williams have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. Pursuant to Senate Rule 21, I am giving the Senators notice that a photographer from the Republican Caucus has been granted permission to take still photographs on the floor of the Senate for Senator Scarnati's guest introduction.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JOSEPH B. SCARNATI
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, today I am very pleased to welcome to the Senate Pat Solano. Our friendship is only about a decade old, but it has been a lifetime. I am honored to call Pat a friend, as many of you in this Chamber on both sides

of the aisle are friends of Pat Solano. Today we recognize Pat's dedication and service to our country as a World War II hero and present him with a certificate of congratulations.

Pat was born June 22, and I will let you do the math, he is 94 years old. Pat served our country with honor and distinction as a member of the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. As a crew member on a B-17 bomber, he successfully flew 25 combat missions over Berlin, Germany. He will tell you that when he and his crew began, they were all 18 years old, and when the war ended, none of them were 21. For his service, he has previously been awarded the Group Presidential Citation, the Air Force Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, and the European Combat Theater medal with two Bronze Stars.

Not only was Pat a war hero, but he has been a dedicated public servant to the Commonwealth. Pat's love has been for this Chamber. Pat's life has been with the Senate Chamber. Pat retired in 2002 with service to the Commonwealth and the Senate of Pennsylvania working for over 40 years. Throughout his career, he became a confidante of Presidents pro tempore, including myself, Secretaries, and Governors on both sides of the aisle, and he still has strong relationships with all of his former colleagues, both Governors and former Senators. His love for our country and our Commonwealth is clearly evident throughout his lifetime of service. He is what is truly a shining example for all of us with not only his service to our nation, but his service to our Commonwealth.

So, on behalf of the Senate, I congratulate you for your service, your sacrifice, and you have truly demonstrated an exceptional commitment to our nation and to the protection of the freedoms of the United States of America. We love you, and I hope we have another decade together working for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. God bless you.

(Applause.)

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I am pleased to stand here today with Senator Scarnati and talk about and honor Pat Solano for his sense of honor, duty, and patriotism during World War II. We have said many times how important it is for us to understand the lives and lessons from those who remain of our greatest generation. As Senator Scarnati said, it is especially fitting for this State Senate to host this ceremony, for Pat has a record of more than 40 years engaging here, working with Leaders and Members on both sides of the aisle - Marty Murray, Dick Tilghman, Bob Mellow, Ed Holl, Bob Jubelirer, Ed Zemprelli, Joe Scarnati, Jake Corman, and Jay Costa.

Historian Stephen Ambrose wrote the book about the bomber crews of World War II entitled *The Wild Blue*, and it really impresses the difficulties, the hazards, and the stress of what Pat and his crew members experienced. The B-17 Flying Fortress had a 10-man crew, and Pat was the flight engineer. They completed 25 missions over Germany that involved dropping over 185 bombs on military targets to help demolish the capacity of the Nazis to compete in the war. Pat earned, as Senator Scarnati said, several medals for that distinguished service. But there is a key point to be made in respect to the tremendous responsibilities these flyers shouldered and the exemplary execution of their mission. When the war ended, none on the crew had yet reached 21. During a visit to the Smithsonian in 2002 that was arranged by Governor Ridge when he was the director of Homeland Secu-

rity, my family and I had the privilege to join Pat and his wife, Marie, for a special viewing of the World War II exhibit, including a B-17 on display. Our son, Carson, was 10 at the time, and as he looked into the plane he looked at Pat and he said, how did you fit in there? Pat looked up and smiled and said, Carson, I was your size at that time.

This service during World War II is not only commendable and distinguished, but an incredible record. And in Pat's case, it was merely the opening chapter of a life centered on honor, duty, and patriotism. He was of an age when we still realized that smart politics could yield good governance, and the reverse was also true. Tribute articles credit him with counseling 10 governors, beginning in 1971 when he was the head of the General State Authority. Some might read this as him providing therapy and counseling for those who were distressed with shaky legislative relations. They all lamented and cursed and asked Pat for his wise counsel and advice. In truth, it has been more at finding ways to prevent and repair political problems that has been the hallmark of Pat's legacy, irrespective of the parties involved, having people step back from a standoff, allowing negotiations and accommodations to proceed, and turning lose-lose confrontations into win-win outcomes.

One of those governors, in a misplaced attempt at housecleaning, fired Pat. The governor was probably surprised to quickly receive a letter signed by every single Member of the Senate indicating that the administration would be well-served to find him another spot. Pat was without a job for less than a week. With Pat, as many of us know, one story leads to another. His landing place was the old Department of Environmental Resources as a special counselor to Nick DeBenedictis. This was fortuitous because it was a time when environmental issues were achieving a new level of significance and controversy. He quickly became the go-to guy, the go-to leader, on cutting red tape and making things happen. When the Ridge Administration decided to divide DER, Pat was on hand for the birth of DCNR and was indispensable in getting it up, running, operational, and fulfilling the mission that was envisioned. He served as its first cabinet Secretary, and later took on the responsibility as senior advisor to the Governor. Governor Ridge always referred to him as his 911, a title that has stuck because he embodied that role for so many, for so many years.

Pat, of course, has always had a special commitment and devotion to northeastern Pennsylvania. I am sorry to say to Senator Blake, Senator Yudichak, Senator Gordner, and Senator Scavello, all those who hail from the northeast, there is one Senate district he prized above all, and that is the 20th Senatorial District. From his initial work with T. Newell Wood, as a field representative, to his assistance to Frank O'Connell, to Charlie Lemmond, and to me, he has always been there with support, guidance, experience, wisdom, and perhaps best of all, an endless catalog of stories, recollections, and discussions that have helped us navigate and keep on going.

Pat is joined today on the Senate floor with a longtime friend, Andrew J. Sordoni III, whose grandfather also served as a Senator for the 20th Senatorial District. Andy has notably and accurately called Pat the most energetic and active patriot in Pennsylvania, gifted with an amazing ability to solve problems and give advice in the best interest of society and government.

So, it is said that Pat retired in 2002. Well, that may have been an official retirement, but unofficially, he has never, never quit

doing what he does best and what he loves to do for the general good of our region, our State, and nation. Throughout my professional career, Pat has been an integral part of it. I have the utmost respect and admiration for all he has done and accomplished, for the manner in which he has conducted himself, and for the incredible devotion to our country and State. I will forever cherish my friendship and his contributions, and yes, Pat, anytime you would like, you can call me your seventh daughter. It is with my pleasure that we are here to present to you this recognition so well deserved. You are a true patriot.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne, Senator Yudichak.

Senator YUDICHAK. Mr. President, the great Italian poet Dante said, "The secret of getting things done is to act!" There is no single individual that has done more for northeastern Pennsylvania than Patrick Solano. There was no greater actor in the theater of Pennsylvania politics than Patrick Solano. He is gifted at the art of politics because he not only has friends in the Republican Caucus, he has many friends in the Democratic Caucus. Pat, we salute you today, the Senate Democratic Caucus, the entire Senate, for the remarkable legacy that you have left, the indelible mark that you have made not only in the communities that you have served, the Commonwealth you have served, but also the people and the friends you have made.

If you would indulge me, I will share with you my Pat Solano story. Two decades ago, I got elected to the State House. Young, spry, and there are some who have known me over the years who might say I have a stubborn nature. Pat pulled me aside and he said, young man, when you go to Harrisburg, Tom Ridge is going to be the Governor. Do not say Tom Ridge is a bad guy. Do not say Tom Ridge does not understand northeastern Pennsylvania. Sit down with him. Get to know him. Build a relationship. He said it with affection, he said it with purpose, and it became the guiding force of my political career. I have tried to model and emulate the style and practice of bipartisanship, building relationships, and getting things done for Pennsylvanians. Patrick, God bless you and your family. Many, many, many more years in service to this great Commonwealth.

(Applause.)

Mr. SOLANO. Thank you, Joe, Senator Scarnati. What do you have to say after you have heard all of that? All I have to say is this, that my whole life has been involved in this institution that you all serve in. I could have stood here 15, 20 years ago and knew all 50, and I am saying to all of those of you who are here who I do not know, I am proud to receive this recognition today from this body. It has been part of my life, and the reason I believed that, and I believed that always, in a way where I had the friends that were able to accomplish things on all sides, is that this is an institution where it is the last boundary of where good minds and common sense takes place. This is the institution that I love, that was part of my life that took me to Harrisburg. This is the institution where civility still exists and still does things in a way that you can accomplish everything if we just maintain that kind of respect for each other and respect for this institution that is a history in itself.

Of all of the awards that I have received in my life, and I get a whole lot of them, let me say that this one is the optimum for me, and I thank you all very much, and I humbly accept this kind

honor that you have bestowed on me today. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR PATRICK J. STEFANO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, today I am thrilled to welcome guests from Frank Lloyd Wright's incredible work of architecture, Fallingwater, and the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy to the floor of the Senate. They are here today to celebrate Fallingwater's inclusion in the United Nation's Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, UNESCO, World Heritage List in July of this year. Fallingwater, which is located in Stewart Township, Fayette County, was nominated along with seven other Wright-designed sites. There are only 24 sites in the United States listed on the World Heritage List. Fallingwater joins Independence Hall in Philadelphia as Pennsylvania's sites on the World Heritage List. Other notable American landmarks that Fallingwater joins on this prestigious list are the Statue of Liberty, Monticello, and several national parks like the Grand Canyon, Yellowstone, and the Everglades. Worldwide, there are over 1,100 sites on this list, which are selected based on having outstanding universal value, meeting one of six cultural or four natural criteria.

Fallingwater and other Wright-designed sites have played a prominent role in the development and evolution of modern architecture and represent the first U.S. modern architectural designations on the World Heritage List. Last year, over 168,000 people came to see Fallingwater. If you have not had the opportunity, I would welcome each of you to see this marvelous house built over a 30-foot waterfall with its signature cantilevered terraces. The house was built as a vacation home for the Kaufmann family, who owned a popular Pittsburgh department store chain, in 1935. In 1963, Edward Kaufmann, Jr., entrusted Fallingwater to the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy to own, operate, and preserve Fallingwater and the 469 acres of natural land. Today, Fallingwater is surrounded by the 5,100-acre Bear Run Nature Reserve, which is open to the public for recreation. Thanks to the efforts of the Western PA Conservancy, Fallingwater is the only major Wright work in the public domain to have all of its original furnishings and artwork intact. More than 2,700 objects make up the Fallingwater collection, with over 13,000 pieces in the Fallingwater archives.

The UNESCO World Heritage List nomination was years in the making and coordinated by the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy and spearheaded locally by the former director of Fallingwater, Lynda Waggoner, who joins us today on the floor. Joining Lynda are the present Fallingwater director and Western PA Conservancy vice president, Justin Gunther. Further from the Western PA Conservancy we have Cynthia Carrow, vice president of government and community relations; Bryan Gallagher, public policy and government relations director; and Scott Perkins, director of preservation and collections at Fallingwater.

I ask that my colleagues give our guests a warm applause to show our congratulations on this wonderful designation and appreciation for all that they do.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

GUEST OF SENATOR THOMAS H. KILLION PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, today I have the honor of introducing to the Senate, Olympic gold medalist and Delaware County resident, Heather Mitts, who resides in Senator Kearney's district. Heather is visiting Harrisburg today to lend her support for Victoria's Law, which I am sponsoring along with my colleague, Senator Dinniman. Heather played college soccer at the University of Florida. She is a three-time Olympic gold medalist and was a member of the U.S. Women's National Team and played in the Women's World Cup, where the United States finished second.

Heather's visit to the Capitol today brings star power to an important issue that we are seeking to address through Senate Bill No. 44. Senate Bill No. 44 is named Victoria's Law in honor of a German shepherd that was forced to breed for 10 years by a commercial breeder despite carrying a genetic defect which she likely passed on to anywhere from 150 to 200 puppies. Many of us have had the opportunity to meet Victoria, a beautiful German shepherd, on her numerous visits to the Capitol. I ask that my colleagues extend a warm Senate welcome to our Pennsylvania Olympic champion, Heather Mitts. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Killion please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, I join Senator Killion in the recognition of Heather Mitts. It is an amazing accomplishment when you think of a three-time Olympic gold medalist. An amazing accomplishment of our women's soccer team. Also, a silver medalist at the World Cup, and so we recognize real talent and skill. When you are a gold medalist in the Olympics, it is about as good as you can get, and we are proud of you, Heather, for representing Pennsylvania.

We are also very proud of why she is here today. All of us should unite behind Senate Bill No. 44. It is time to end the puppy mills in Pennsylvania. This campaign to end the puppy mills started under Governor Rendell, but much work remains to be done. Senator Killion and I are working on a common bill together and we hope that we can get this bill passed. One of the ways to end the puppy mills is to cut them off financially, and that is precisely what this bill is all about. This bill has been passed in California and other States as well. What happens is, if the pet companies that sell pet food and the markets cannot have puppies and cats, and we added rabbits because of what happens at Easter time, then we cut off a source of their income. We know we still have more work to do even when we accomplish this. Our next step is to go after those scams. There are

certain shelters and rescues that are also fronts for puppy mills and they are next on the list to get.

So, Heather, thank you for being here. Thank the members of the Humane Society of the U.S. and of Pennsylvania for their work and the veterinarians who have joined us in support from the Humane Society. The vast majority of the Senate has already signed on to the bill. We hope that it will become law so we can all unite together behind our best friend, the dog and the cat, and even if you have a pet rabbit. The key thing is this, dogs and cats are members of our family, and when we pass this bill we protect a member of our family. Heather, thank you and welcome.

(Applause.)

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, Heather is a constituent of mine. Therefore, I welcome her to the Senate floor. It is important to note that while her accomplishments as a woman's soccer player are without question, one of the things we need to celebrate here is the effect that she has had on girl's soccer. When my daughter was playing youth soccer, and I was her travel soccer coach from U8 through U18, we would go all the time to see the Philadelphia Charge games, where Heather was a player on that team. What was amazing about it was that it was a personal experience for all these girls to come and see these women play and they always took time after the games to come to talk to the girls, talk to them about all aspects of the game and all aspects of competition.

So, I salute Heather and I thank her. She is here for this important issue with Victoria's Law, and I salute her accomplishments as a professional soccer player, and, in particular, for the effects she has had on girl's soccer. Thank you very much.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, it is my pleasure today to introduce Ansh Sharma. Ansh is one of my constituents, and he is here in Harrisburg today shadowing me. Ansh is currently a junior at North Penn High School, where he engages in multiple leadership and community activities. He is involved with student government, volunteer organizations, and a junior representative on North Penn's Education Committee, a smaller part of the school board. As an enthusiastic member of the North Penn community, Ansh serves as vice chair of the committee that works to set up the annual international spring festival, which is known to be one of the largest, if not the largest, multicultural events in Pennsylvania. During the festival, the celebration of the region's international diversity is demonstrated through entertainment, exhibits, and cuisines. Ansh is also an active member in local politics. After graduating, Ansh plans to continue his education in public service with a degree either in public policy or law.

Mr. President, please join me in giving a warm welcome to Ansh Sharma.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Mensch please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Collett and Senator Muth have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

GUESTS OF SENATOR STEVEN SANTARSIERO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SANTARSIERO. Mr. President, I rise to recognize the Pennsbury Athletic Association 12U and 8U baseball teams. The 12U team won the Keystone Cup, champions of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the 8U team won the 2019 Cal Ripken World Series. The 12U team on Tuesday, July 10, defeated northwestern Pennsylvania champion, Audubon, 9-4 to win the Keystone Cup, becoming the Commonwealth's new State champions. Prior to winning the Keystone championship, the Pennsbury team won the Suburban Travel championship, District 3 championship, and the Southeastern PA State championship. After the Keystone Cup championship win, the team represented the Pennsbury Athletic Association in the semifinals of the Cal Ripken Mid-Atlantic region in Maryland. On Thursday, August 15, the PAA 8U team handily defeated Upper Allen 11-5 to win the Cal Ripken World Series. The World Series game highlighted the 8U team's tremendous perseverance and teamwork. After a rally by Upper Allen to tie the game at 5-5 in the third inning, the Pennsbury team answered with five runs in the top of the fourth. Pennsbury then shut Upper Allen down for the three remaining innings for the win.

Throughout the season, both the 12U and 8U teams exhibited the values that the Pennsbury Athletic Association has long taught its players at every level: hard work, fair play, and teamwork. As a former PAA coach myself for 10 years, and the father of former PAA players, I am especially proud to congratulate and honor the Pennsbury Athletic Association 12U and 8U teams as the Keystone champions and World Series champions in the Cal Ripken League. Their hard work and dedication to the game is a testament to the league, their coaches, and their families.

Now, Mr. President, with your indulgence, I recognize each of the players of the teams who are here today with us and ask, they are in the gallery, that as I name them, along with their coaches, that they stand. I ask my colleagues when I have concluded with that, if you would join me in giving them our usual warm Senate welcome. On the 12U team we have Ryan Webber, Evan Hawkes, Ryan Forester, Kerrick Shannon, John Luchansky, Jonathan Gilkeson, Connor McCloskey, and Ben Seidler. Also, we have coach Greg Webber and three members of the team who could not make it out today, K.J. Freiband, Dylan Hirsh, and Carter Gabbett should also be recognized. On the 8U team we have Matthew Birkenstamm, Kyle Breslin, Colin Estroff, Matthew Geiger, Michael Hardcastle, Evan Hutchison --and I have to pause for a minute, Evan, to note that my son Billy helped tutor you recently, and he sends his congratulations to both teams, by the way--Mason Klose, Reagan Lottier, Michael Matusz, Elliot Rowe, Logan Shaffer, and Max Wyszkowski. Also with us are coaches Andy Estroff, Mike Geiger, Brian Matusz, and Nate Shaffer.

Let us all join in welcoming these champions of Pennsylvania and the United States, our Pennsbury 12U and 8U teams.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Santarsiero 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 some truly special guests who have traveled to Harrisburg from my district, representatives of the Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped, or CAB. Specifically, Dick Bosserman, Kory Hughes, Kenny Biter, and folks from their work center. CAB offers vision, rehabilitation, and employment services to persons with disabilities living in Cambria County. While offering all of these services, they also present an opportunity for a community approach to serving others by manufacturing products which help support services to persons with disabilities. Through their manufacturing operations they provide a safe, supportive workplace for their employees.

Less than 2 weeks into my term I had the opportunity to tour the CAB Johnstown facility with my wife and daughters. I had the distinct pleasure of meeting a lot of employees and their families and learning about their day-to-day experiences with CAB and all the good it has done for their family and the community. Everyone had a smile on their face and everyone was extremely proud of the job they were doing. I am happy that we have been able to form such a great friendship over the past couple of years, and I am truly honored they took the time to make the trip down here today. I know they are seated up in the gallery. I ask my colleagues to extend their warm Senate welcome.

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

(Applause.)

GUEST 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 am happy to introduce our guest Chaplain today, Jagjit Singh of the Philadelphia Sikh Society, Gurdwara Sahib, which is located in Millbourne. My district is home to the Philadelphia Sikh Society. Two houses of worship serve the Sikhs in the Philadelphia area, and I am so grateful for their contributions to our community and to our history. I had the pleasure to join the Sikh community this past fall for one of their festivals, which included a wonderful parade and prayer service, and I look forward to the next one, which will occur on November 16 in Millbourne and Upper Darby. Sikh communities are part of the rich tradition of religious tolerance, freedom, and our tradition of welcoming new neighbors from around the globe with brotherly love that are the foundations of our Commonwealth.

This April I was proud to join all my Senate colleagues, who joined me as we recognized Sikh Heritage Month, to celebrate the Sikhs and the tens of thousands of Sikhs. This year marks the 550th anniversary of the birth of Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism. Guru Nanak laid out the three basic tenets of Sikhism: meditate in the name of God, honest living, and sharing with the

needy. Altruism and equality are at the heart of Sikhism, and also at the heart of our diverse Commonwealth. So please join me in giving our guest Chaplain a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Kearney please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(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 am pleased to welcome my constituents, William Bostic, and his son, Joshua Bostic, from King of Prussia. The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission recently honored William with a Carnegie medal. This is an award to individuals who have risked their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others. On June 12, 2018, Mr. Bostic and Joshua witnessed a vehicle collide with a guardrail and fall into a lake, right near my house, actually. Along with another individual, they pulled the passenger from the car and brought the driver to safety as emergency personnel arrived on the scene. Because of their courage and bravery, they also received Good Samaritan Awards from Upper Merion Township.

Please welcome the Bostics and thank them for what they have done.

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

(Applause.)

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators KILLION, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, SCHWANK and J. WARD, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 251**, entitled:

A Resolution designating November 12, 2019, the 550th anniversary of the birth of Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism, as "World Equality Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, this afternoon I offer this resolution recognizing November 12, 2019, as the 550th anniversary of the birth of Guru Nanak as "World Equality Day" in Pennsylvania. Guru Nanak is considered the first of Sikh gurus, the founder of Sikhism, and is considered one of the greatest religious innovators of all time. His social teachings denounced the caste system and taught that everyone is equal, regardless of caste, creed, or gender. As we mark Guru Nanak's 550th birthday on November 12, we also celebrate World Equality Day based on his teachings.

GUESTS OF SENATOR THOMAS H. KILLION PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, today, Narinder Singh, Harjit Singh, Surjit Singh, and Kewal Singh, all from my senato-

rial district, are seated in the Senate gallery. Also seated in the Senate gallery are Sikhs from throughout the Commonwealth, including from the Guru Nanak Sikh Society and the Philadelphia Sikh Society.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues for unanimous support for adoption of this important resolution and also ask that we extend our traditional warm welcome to these special guests. Thank you.

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

(Applause.)

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

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 also meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus.

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.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

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 to be held in the Rules room, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

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

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

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

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Mensch.

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Schwank.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL AMENDED

SB 61 (Pr. No. 1006) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator J. WARD offered the following amendment No. A2752:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 16, by inserting after "laws," in preliminary provisions, further providing for the definition of "eligible entity"; and,

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 22 through 24, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. The definition of "eligible entity" in section 102 of the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, is amended to read:

Section 102. Definitions.--The following words or phrases, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section:

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"Eligible entity" shall mean a city of the third class, a hospital, a church, a synagogue, a volunteer fire company, a volunteer ambulance company, a volunteer rescue squad, a unit of a nationally chartered club which has been issued a club liquor license, a club which has been issued a club liquor license and which, as of December 31, 2002, has been in existence for at least 100 years, a library, a nationally accredited Pennsylvania nonprofit zoological institution licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture, a nonprofit agricultural association in existence for at least ten years, a bona fide sportsmen's club in existence for at least ten years, a nationally chartered veterans' organization and any affiliated lodge or subdivision of such organization, a fraternal benefit society that is licensed to do business in this Commonwealth and any affiliated lodge or subdivision of such fraternal benefit society, a museum operated by a nonprofit corporation, a nonprofit corporation engaged in the performing arts, an arts council, a nonprofit corporation

that operates an arts facility or museum, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) whose purpose is to protect the architectural heritage of a municipality and which has been recognized as such by a resolution of the municipality, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) conducting a regatta in a city of the second class with the permit to be used on State park grounds or conducting a family-oriented celebration as part of Welcome America in a city of the first class on property leased from that city for more than fifty years, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) whose purpose is to raise funds for the research and treatment of cystic fibrosis, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) whose purpose is to educate the public on issues dealing with watershed conservation, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) whose purpose is to provide equine assisted activities for children and adults with special needs, a nonprofit economic development agency in a city of the second class with the primary function to serve as an economic generator for the greater southwestern Pennsylvania region by attracting and supporting film, television and related media industry projects and coordinating government and business offices in support of a production, a county tourist promotion agency as defined in section 2 of the act of July 4, 2008 (P.L.621, No.50), known as the "Tourism Promotion Act," a junior league that is a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) that is comprised of women whose purpose is exclusively educational and charitable in promoting the volunteerism of women and developing and participating in community projects and that has been in existence for over seventy years, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and whose purpose is the education and promotion of American history, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose purpose is to support business and industry, a brewery which has been issued a license to manufacture malt or brewed beverages and has been in existence for at least 100 years or a club recognized by Rotary International and whose purpose is to provide service to others, to promote high ethical standards and to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through its fellowship of business, professional and community leaders or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)) whose purpose is to promote mushrooms while supporting local and regional charities, a museum operated by a not-for-profit corporation in a city of the second class A, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which is located in a city of the second class A and has as its purpose economic and community development, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) or (6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is located in a city of the third class in a county of the fifth class, a nonprofit social service organization defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 located in a county of the third class whose purpose is to serve individuals and families in that county of the third class, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose main purpose is to temporarily foster stray and unwanted animals and match them to suitable permanent homes or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 who operates either a Main Street Program or Elm Street Program recognized by the Commonwealth, the National Trust for Historic Preservation or both, a nonprofit radio station that is a member of the National Public Radio network, a nonprofit public television station that is a member of the Pennsylvania Public Television Network or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose purpose is to promote awareness, education and research and to provide a support system for patients with neutropenia and their families through a national resource network, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose main purpose is to stimulate community development by facilitating residential and retail growth in a city of the second class located in a county of the second class or a nonprofit community development corporation organized under section 501(c)(3) of the Inter-

nal Revenue Code of 1986 that serves an adjoining borough and township in a county of the second class and whose main purpose is to facilitate commercial development and foster neighborhood stabilization, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose purpose is to provide young people with a program to build character, to teach the responsibilities of citizenship and to develop personal fitness with a goal of creating future leaders, a nonprofit as defined in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose main purpose is to assist children and their families who are facing financial hardship due to the death of a parent, a nonprofit as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 whose purpose is to allocate funds for research to expedite a cure achromatopsia, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is located in a city of the first class, was organized in 1995 as a community development corporation to promote health, safety and welfare of the residents, businesses and institutions of a neighborhood of a city of the first class, and whose works include public promotions, neighborhood improvement projects and commercial corridor improvements, including a business improvement district, or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 that is responsible for providing services to members of the armed forces of the United States and relief to disaster victims in the United States and abroad, or any neighborhood improvement district management association as defined in section 3 of the act of December 20, 2000 (P.L.949, No.130), known as the "Neighborhood Improvement District Act," that has been established as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 located in a city of the first class whose purpose is to support initiatives to enrich the lives of children, teens and families especially those in need, to reach their full potential as productive and responsible citizens and has been in existence for at least seventy-five years, or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 located in a city of the second class and incorporated as a nonprofit in 1982 that offers adult education and family literacy, or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 located in a city of the third class and county of the sixth class, whose purpose is primary and secondary education and educational ministry of the Diocese of Erie, [or] a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code located in a county of the fourth class that had a population between 142,000 and 144,000 based on the 2010 Decennial Census of the Bureau of the Census and provides rewards for information that leads to the arrest of individuals that may have committed a crime[.] or a nonprofit organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 which is located in a city of the third class in a county of the fifth class whose mission is to improve the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and the families of the individuals through advocacy, education, support and socialization and that has been in existence for over sixty years.

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Section 2. Section 408.12(a) of the act is amended to read:

Amend Bill, page 3, lines 18 through 30; page 4, lines 1 through 6; by striking out all of said lines on said pages

Amend Bill, page 4, line 7, by striking out "2" and inserting:

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On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The yeas and nays were required by Senator J. WARD and were as follows, viz:

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| Argall | DiSanto | Martin | Street |
| Aument | Farnese | Mastriano | Tartaglione |
| Baker | Fontana | Mensch | Tomlinson |
| Bartolotta | Gordner | Muth | Vogel |
| Blake | Haywood | Phillips-Hill | Ward, Judy |
| Boscola | Hughes | Pittman | Ward, Kim |

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| Brewster | Hutchinson | Regan | Williams, Anthony H. |
| Brooks | Iovino | Sabatina | Williams, Lindsey |
| Browne | Kearney | Santarsiero | Yaw |
| Collett | Killion | Scarnati | Yudichak |
| Corman | Langerholc | Scavello | |
| Costa | Laughlin | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Leach | Stefano | |

NAY-0

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

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 81 (Pr. No. 55) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in marriage license, further providing for restrictions on issuance of license.

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:

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| Bartolotta | Gordner | Muth | Vogel |
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| Boscola | Hughes | Pittman | Ward, Kim |
| Brewster | Hutchinson | Regan | Williams, Anthony H. |
| Brooks | Iovino | Sabatina | Williams, Lindsey |
| Browne | Kearney | Santarsiero | Yaw |
| Collett | Killion | Scarnati | Yudichak |
| Corman | Langerholc | Scavello | |
| Costa | Laughlin | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Leach | Stefano | |

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 94, SB 174, HB 227, HB 233 and SB 320 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 330 (Pr. No. 883) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, making editorial changes to incorrect references.

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

HB 330 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 330, Printer's No. 883, 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 332, SB 351 and HB 375 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 398 (Pr. No. 380) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

MUTH AMENDMENT A3216 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A3216:

Amend Bill, page 6, by inserting between lines 14 and 15:
(a.2) The majority committee chairperson shall, within 15 business days of receipt of the information submitted to the committee chairpersons under subsection (a), conduct an informational hearing on the proposed regulation.

Amend Bill, page 7, line 23, by striking out "an informational hearing" and inserting:
additional informational hearings

Amend Bill, page 7, lines 25 and 26, by striking out "if petitioned to do so by a majority of" in line 25 and all of line 26 and inserting:
upon the request of any committee member.

Amend Bill, page 9, line 26, by inserting after "caucus.":
A majority committee chairperson shall, within 15 business days of receipt of the information required under this subsection, conduct an informational hearing on the final-form regulation.

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 agree that we, as elected officials, should certainly do more work. The main problem that

this bill claims to address is that too often regulations get adopted without any committee input. The solution to the problem is not to add more time to an already lengthy process that currently offers multiple opportunities for committees to review and comment on regulations, the solution is for us to step up and do our jobs. This amendment requires each standing committee Majority chairperson to conduct an informative hearing on the proposed regulations within 15 days of the chairperson receiving the proposed regulation. This also requires Majority chairpersons to conduct an additional informational hearing upon the request of any Member of the committee instead of upon a petition by the majority of the committee. Committee chairs must also conduct informational hearings on the final form regulation within 15 days of the chairperson's receipt of this regulation. Thank you.

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I ask for a "no" vote on this amendment. It uses unusual wording in that it talks about business days. I have been here for 26 years. We have talked about Session days and we have talked about days. I am not sure what the term of art of "business days" is, but that is not normally a legislative term, and for that reason I ask for a negative vote. Thank you.

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I believe that business days were drafted in that we obviously do not count weekends, so it is Monday through Friday. It is not within the legislative Calendar, to clarify.

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:

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| Brewster | Haywood | Sabatina | Williams, Lindsey |
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| Costa | Iovino | Schwank | |
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| Aument | Gordner | Mensch | Tomlinson |
| Baker | Hutchinson | Phillips-Hill | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Killion | Pittman | Ward, Judy |
| Brooks | Langerholc | Regan | Ward, Kim |
| Browne | Laughlin | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Martin | Scavello | |

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?

MUTH AMENDMENT A3182 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A3182:

Amend Bill, page 6, lines 12 through 14, by striking out "but may not be submitted to the" in line 12, all of line 13 and "proposed rulemaking in the Pennsylvania Bulletin" in line 14

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 agree with legislators, we must be transparent. My amendment reinstates the need to publish the agency's statement of purpose along with the notice of proposed rulemaking to enhance transparency. In its current form, Senate Bill No. 398 would limit the public's ability to participate in the regulatory process by prohibiting State agencies from including a statement of purpose for a regulation in their notices to the public. Thank you.

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I think, to some degree, this goes to part of the heart of the bill. We are legislators. We are the ones who pass legislation and pass bills. Any intent in regard to future decisionmaking by the courts should look to the debate that we have here on the floor and should look to that for legislative intent. For an administration, whether Democratic or Republican, to put in a statement of purpose that may go beyond what the legislative intent is, is not right. So, for that reason, that is why that has been removed from the bill. To put it back in and allow an administration, Republican or Democrat, to put in a statement of purpose to confuse a court as to what the real intent was by the legislature is incorrect, and I oppose this amendment.

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I would like to refute that in that this information is crucial to the public's understanding of what are often very complex issues. If necessary, we want the public to be effectively engaged in the rulemaking process. I think that as we all read both parties' bill analyses, fiscal notes, having all of the information from different perspectives is imperative for voters and the public to make decisions and provide input based on each issue.

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:

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| Bartolotta | Killion | Pittman | Ward, Judy |
| Brooks | Langerholc | Regan | Ward, Kim |
| Browne | Laughlin | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Martin | Scavello | |

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?

MUTH AMENDMENT A3184 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A3184:

Amend Bill, page 10, line 22, by inserting after "longer":
, but in no case shall the committee's second or subsequent notification to the commission of its disapproval or intent to further review the same regulation under this subsection delay the commission's consideration of the regulation again

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 limit the number of times the standing committee can suspend the IRRC's consideration of a regulation to one time. Any second or subsequent standing committee notifications of disapproval or intent to further review will not delay the IRRC consideration of this regulation. The legislation in its current form does not establish a limit on the number of times the committee can provide for a 30-day extension, possibly putting off final action by the General Assembly indefinitely. We, as elected officials, deserve to serve our constituents with both impactful and timely legislation and governance. Thank you.

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I urge a "no" vote on this amendment. The sponsor of the amendment never spoke to me on the issue, but it is the intent that this can only be done once. I believe that the current wording in the bill refers to that, but as to legislative intent, the intent is that only once can the committee notify the commission and ask for a delay, and for that reason, I ask for a negative vote. Thank you.

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I would like to comment that it is important for us to have a process where there is an outcome, and punting the football down over and over without outcomes results in bad governance. This is an attempt to make sure that everything was reviewed, that the regulations were thoroughly thought through, and input was provided from the committee. Thank you.

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:

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| 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-27

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

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.

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I urge support for Senate Bill No. 398. This is a bill that the Senate has seen before. We saw it two Sessions ago and last Session. It passed the Senate both of those times. The bill deals with transparency and allowing each Member of a committee to be able to have notice of regulations and have input into that regulatory process. It does not matter, again, as I have said in committee and before, whether it is a Republican Governor or a Democrat Governor, we need to make sure that when regulations are promulgated that we have input into them. There are different issues, and I think of one such as the Keystone Exams. Keystone Exams was an issue that we dealt with year after year after year, but if we would have fully used the regulatory process, we would have been able to have gotten to the final decision where we were on Keystone Exams much earlier. Again, if Members would have gone through that process, and the committee would have taken full advantage of making sure that the administration knew where the legislature was on that key issue or others, again, Mr. President, I believe this is imperative for the legislature. It is imperative--I remember back in the Ridge years when they dumped some regulations at the beginning of July, and I do not know whether they did it on purpose or not, but we were not coming back in until the end of September. This would make sure that there is enough time for the legislature to have input into the proposed regulatory process, or the final regulatory process. And for those reasons, I ask for an affirmative vote on Senate Bill No. 398.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

And the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, this is, indeed, a very complicated issue. I understand the fear of environmental organizations in terms of this, but on the other hand, Senator Gordner is absolutely right about what happened in education. If the regulatory process took place, we could have stopped the Keystone Exams years ago by doing our legislative review. At that point, the Majority chair had cancer and was unable to call the committee together. But there are ways--what I am trying to say is, I understand the fears, but we have to get ourselves involved in the regulatory process or what is going to happen is you are going to end up with government by regulation. In fact, the vast majority of the unfunded mandates in the school do not come from the legislation we pass, it comes from the regulations of the State Board of Education. So, why am I perplexed or drawn in two ways? In the end, we have to stop government by simply regulation, and we have to get more involved. In passing this, we, hopefully, the Majority, or whoever is in the Majority, will make sure that their committee chairs will respond in an immediate and quick response so that we can take care of this. Thank you.

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:

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| Aument | Dinniman | Mastriano | Stefano |
| Baker | DiSanto | Mensch | Vogel |
| Bartolotta | Gordner | Phillips-Hill | Ward, Judy |
| Boscola | Hutchinson | Pittman | Ward, Kim |
| Brooks | Langerholc | Regan | Yaw |
| Browne | Laughlin | Scarnati | |

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| Brewster | Hughes | Sabatina | Williams, Anthony H. |
| Collett | Iovino | Santarsiero | Williams, Lindsey |
| Costa | Kearney | Schwank | Yudichak |
| Farnese | Killion | Street | |
| Fontana | Leach | Tartaglione | |

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 412 (Pr. No. 730) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, repealing provisions relating to disqualifications for service as election officer.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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| Aument | DiSanto | Martin | Street |
| Baker | Farnese | 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 | Scarnati | Yaw |
| Corman | Killion | Scavello | Yudichak |
| Costa | Langerholc | Schwank | |

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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 413 (Pr. No. 432) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for tenure of justices, judges and justices of the peace.

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

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| Baker | Fontana | Mensch | Tomlinson |

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| Bartolotta | Gordner | Muth | Vogel |
| Blake | Haywood | Phillips-Hill | Ward, Judy |
| Boscola | Hughes | Pittman | Ward, Kim |
| Brewster | Hutchinson | Regan | Williams, Anthony H. |
| Brooks | Iovino | Sabatina | Williams, Lindsey |
| Browne | Kearney | Santarsiero | Yaw |
| Collett | Killion | Scarnati | Yudichak |
| Corman | Langerhole | Scavello | |
| Costa | Laughlin | Schwank | |
| Dinniman | Leach | Stefano | |

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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 485 (Pr. No. 514) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further providing for authorized license-issuing agents.

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

SB 485 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 485, Printer's No. 514, 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 510, HB 511, HB 512, HB 684, SB 688, SB 689, SB 693, HB 716, SB 750, HB 754 and SB 819 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL AMENDED

HB 859 (Pr. No. 2086) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
Senator DiSANTO offered the following amendment No. A3330:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 3, by striking out "counties DEFINITIONS, FOR"
Amend Bill, page 1, lines 4 through 6, by striking out ", FOR

COUNTIES, FOR FUND, FOR" in line 4 and all of lines 5 and 6 and inserting:
and providing for Nonprofit Security Grant Fund.

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 9 through 18; pages 2 through 7, lines 1 through 30; page 8, lines 1 through 4; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

Section 1. Section 5303(a) of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:
§ 5303. Telecommunications management.

(a) Powers and duties of agency.--The agency shall have the following powers and duties:

(1) To adopt rules and regulations as necessary to enforce this chapter. Rules and regulations proposed under the authority of this section shall be subject to review by the General Counsel and the Attorney General in the manner provided for the review of proposed rules and regulations pursuant to the act of October 15, 1980 (P.L.950, No.164), known as the Commonwealth Attorneys Act, and the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act.

(2) To publish guidelines and application procedures for the collection and distribution of fees collected under this chapter.

(3) To receive, review and approve or disapprove all 911 system plans in accordance with standards developed in consultation with the board.

(4) To establish, in consultation with the board, a Statewide 911 plan that sets forth priorities for 911 systems in this Commonwealth and plans for next generation 911 technology.

(5) To designate a State 911 coordinator who shall be an employee of the agency.

(6) To provide administrative and support staff to the board as necessary.

(7) To establish formulas and methods to distribute money in accordance with section 5306.1 (relating to fund) in consultation with the board.

(8) To establish and publish annually uniform standards relating to technology, next generation 911 technology, administration and operation of 911 systems in consultation with the board.

(9) To cooperate with county and regional 911 systems to develop interconnectivity of 911 systems through the establishment, enhancement, operation and maintenance of an Internet protocol network.

(10) To establish and publish annually, in consultation with the board, eligible uses for money received under this chapter, including next generation 911 technology.

(11) To request information and require audits or reports relating to program compliance from any entity remitting the surcharge to or receiving disbursements from the fund.

(11.1) To subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, examine witnesses, take such testimony and compel the production of such books, records, papers and documents as it may deem necessary or proper in and pertinent to any proceeding, investigation or hearing.

(12) To require a biennial performance audit of each 911 system's use of money from the fund, including allocations to capital or operating reserves.

(13) To prescribe the applications and forms necessary to enforce this chapter.

(14) [To] No later than December 1 of each year, to report to the General Assembly [annually] on the revenue and distributions from the fund for the previous fiscal year and the compliance with the Commonwealth's 911 priorities. In addition the report shall include a listing of any 911 systems that have merged or consolidated during the previous year.

(15) To adopt, in consultation with the board, minimum training, certification and quality assurance standards for emergency dispatchers, call takers and supervisors.

(16) To develop, in consultation with the board, a comprehensive plan for the implementation of a Statewide interoperable Internet protocol network using next generation 911 technology that coordinates the delivery of Federal, State, regional and local emergency services.

(17) To enforce this chapter through injunction, mandamus or other appropriate proceeding.

(18) To take other actions necessary to implement and enforce this chapter.

Section 2. Title 35 is amended by adding a chapter to read:

CHAPTER 56
NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT FUND

Sec.

5601. Definitions.

5602. Nonprofit Security Grant Fund.

5603. Administration.

5604. Expiration.

§ 5601. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this chapter shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Commission." The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

"Eligible applicant." A nonprofit organization.

"Eligible project." Security enhancements designed to protect the safety and security of the users of a facility located in this Commonwealth that is owned or operated by a nonprofit organization.

"Facility." A building or portion of a building owned or operated by a nonprofit organization and used to carry out the organization's mission, including community space, community centers, day care or adult care facilities.

"Fund." The Nonprofit Security Grant Fund established under section 5602 (relating to Nonprofit Security Grant Fund).

"Nonprofit organization." A corporation or other entity based in this Commonwealth which:

(1) is an exempt organization as defined under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (Public Law 99-514, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3)); and

(2) principally serves individuals, groups or institutions that are included within a bias motivation category for single bias hate crime incidents identified by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in its 2017 Hate Crime Statistics publication under the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.

"Security enhancements." The term includes:

(1) Safety and security planning.

(2) Purchase of safety and security equipment.

(3) Purchase of security-related technology, which may include, but is not limited to:

(i) Metal detectors.

(ii) Protective lighting.

(iii) Surveillance equipment.

(iv) Special emergency communications equipment.

(v) Electronic locksets.

(vi) Deadbolts.

(vii) Trauma kits.

(viii) Theft control devices.

(4) Safety and security training.

(5) Threat awareness and response training.

(6) Upgrades to existing structures that enhance safety and

security.

(7) Vulnerability and threat assessments.

(8) Specialty-trained canines.

(9) Any other safety or security-related project that enhances

safety or security of the nonprofit organization.

§ 5602. Nonprofit Security Grant Fund.

(a) Establishment.--The Nonprofit Security Grant Fund is established as a special fund in the State Treasury.

(b) Appropriation.--All money deposited in the fund under subsection (d) and the interest the money accrues shall be appropriated to the commission on a continuing basis to award grants under this chapter.

(c) Transfers from General Fund.--Money available to the fund shall include transfers from the General Fund as provided under subsection (d).

(d) Transfer by Secretary of the Budget.--No later than 30 days after the effective date of this section, the Secretary of the Budget shall transfer to the fund \$5,000,000 of the unexpended, unencumbered prior year funds that were originally appropriated from the General Fund to any executive branch agency which is subject to the policy, supervision and control of the Governor. The Secretary of the Budget may only make the transfer of funds if the transfer will not result in a deficit in any appropriation from which the funds are transferred. No less than 10 days prior to the transfer, the Secretary of the Budget shall send notification of the transfer in writing to the chairperson and the minority chairperson of the Appropriation committee of the Senate and the chair-

person and the minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.

(e) Appropriation by General Assembly.--Beginning with the 2020-2021 fiscal year, the General Assembly may appropriate money to the fund.

(f) Lapse of funds.--All unexpended and unencumbered funds remaining in the fund as of July 1, 2024, shall lapse and be transferred to the General Fund.

§ 5603. Administration.

(a) Applications.--An application for a grant under this chapter shall be submitted by an eligible applicant in the form and manner prescribed by the commission.

(b) Initial application period.--No later than March 1, 2020, the commission shall begin to accept applications from eligible applicants for grant money available during the fiscal year. The commission shall provide notice of the application period on the commission's publicly accessible Internet website

(c) Additional application period.--If money is available in the fund, no later than October 1, 2020, and each October 1 thereafter, the commission shall accept applications from eligible applicants during the fiscal year. The commission shall provide notice of a new application period on the commission's publicly accessible Internet website.

(d) Review process.--The commission shall review applications and make awards subject to subsection (e) on a rolling basis. No later than 90 days after a completed application is received from an eligible applicant, the commission, in consultation with the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and the Pennsylvania State Police, shall review and approve or deny the application. An eligible applicant may revise and resubmit a denied application to the commission.

(e) Allocation.--An eligible applicant may not receive more than the following amounts in any fiscal year:

(1) Subject to paragraphs (2), (3) and (4):

(i) The minimum grant amount awarded shall be no less than \$5,000.

(ii) The maximum grant amount awarded may not be more than \$150,000.

(2) The commission may not require non-State financial participation from an eligible applicant for a grant request that is \$25,000 or less.

(3) The commission may award a grant between \$25,001 and \$75,000 if the eligible applicant provides non-State financial participation equal to 33% of the requested grant amount.

(4) The commission may award a grant between \$75,001 and \$150,000 if the eligible applicant provides non-State financial participation equal to 50% of the requested grant amount.

(f) Limitations.--The following shall apply to grant applications:

(1) The commission may not provide grants in excess of the amount in the fund.

(2) The commission may prorate the grant amount to an eligible applicant.

(g) Eligible projects.--The commission may only award grants through the fund for eligible projects. Eligible applicants may only expend grant money received through the fund on eligible projects.

(h) Eligibility for redevelopment assistance capital project.--An eligible project which receives a grant under this chapter may be the subject of an award for a redevelopment assistance capital project under Chapter 3 of the act of February 9, 1999 (P.L.1, No.1), known as the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to modify the eligibility requirements for redevelopment assistance capital projects under the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act.

§ 5604. Expiration.

This chapter shall expire July 1, 2024.

Amend Bill, page 8, line 5, by striking out "5" and inserting:

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On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator DiSANTO. Mr. President, my amendment establishes a nonprofit security grant fund to provide for safety enhance-

ments to protect the users of facilities owned or operated by a nonprofit organization. As we mark the first anniversary, this Sunday, of the tragic and hateful act committed against the Tree of Life synagogue in Senator Costa's district, and when we have borne witness to the bomb threats made against the local Jewish community centers in Harrisburg and York, and when violent acts continue to be threatened and perpetuated in too many Pennsylvania communities, it is incumbent upon us to do more to insure the safety and well-being of targeted groups. Just as this General Assembly came together in a bipartisan manner to provide for unprecedented investments to better secure our schools, I propose we afford nonprofit organizations that are the fabric of our civil society additional safeguards. My amendment requires the Budget Secretary to transfer \$5 million of unexpended and unencumbered funds to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for making grant awards to any nonprofit that services individual groups or institutions that are included within a bias motivation category for hate crime incidents identified by the FBI in its 2017 Hate Crime Statistics publication. The FBI publication defines hate crimes as those motivated in whole or in part by an offender's bias against, among others, race, religion, and disability.

My proposal encompasses not only all faith-based institutions, but also many other types of nonprofits and public charities that serve our communities. The program would begin to accept applications for grant money no later than March 1 of next year on a rolling basis, approving or denying all applications within 90 days. Grant awards will range from \$5,000 to as high as \$150,000, with larger grant amounts contingent upon the organization committing non-State matching funds. Similar to our safe school grant program, nonprofits may utilize the grant dollars for a variety of security planning, equipment, and technology, but not limited to metal detectors, surveillance cameras, emergency communications equipment, electronic locksets, threat assessments, and building structure upgrades. We cannot undo past tragedies, but it is my hope that the creation of this program will send a message to our nonprofits and faith institutions that all of Pennsylvania stands with them against hatred and violence. We must make it clear that no one can break our common resolve to advance the public good through our many charitable organizations across our great Commonwealth. I ask my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for an affirmative vote on my amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise to ask my colleagues to join the gentleman from Dauphin County, myself, and others in supporting this amendment. I am appreciative of the specific detail that the gentleman from Dauphin provided as it relates to the program and, more specifically, how those resources would become available to our communities. Mr. President, as we approach the first anniversary of the tragedy that took place in my community, the Tree of Life synagogue in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood, I am glad that we will be able to report to our constituents across this Commonwealth that we are responding to many of the concerns that have been raised by those individuals, certainly in the Squirrel Hill community, but all across the Commonwealth about their ability to worship and be part of a community that wants to worship. What we are talking about here, Mr. President, is taking the next step to do what needs to be

done by making available resources, as I have mentioned, resources to protect our communities and protect those who simply want to worship freely and do so in a safe way. And this year, if there is any year that we should be doing this, Mr. President, this is the year, as I have mentioned.

Back in June of this year, along with my colleagues, Senator Schwank and Senator Dinniman, together we introduced a bill called Tolerance, Respect, and Understanding. Our bill was modeled after the new school safety and community violence grant program from 2019. The language that we put into place through that legislation is designed to protect institutions that are targets of crime that are fueled by hate. This legislation, the legislation we introduced which is now embodied in many respects in this amendment, is twofold and has two purposes. One, as was described, was to establish the Pennsylvania Nonprofit Security Grant Fund to provide security improvements to facilities used by a variety of institutions and organizations, and specifically, faith-based ones. Number two, was able to create an atmosphere, an environment that is supportive of tolerance, supportive of respect and understanding. Mr. President, I am glad that this legislation served as the impetus for what is being done here today with regard to this \$5 million allocation.

There are many Members of this General Assembly who I want to applaud and thank, Members who have supported the legislation we offer, but also this amendment in particular, because they have seen the problem, they have seen what needed to be done with respect to protecting the men and women and families and children in the communities who want to be protected, who want to simply worship. They have acknowledged that hate, the hate motivating these acts of violence, and have not been afraid to speak up and speak out against this type of hate. Mr. President, as we know, and my colleagues all know, the problem of violent hate really carries, and hate crimes are twofold. We have to certainly address the physical safety, and we do that, as well as addressing the tolerance. We will not succeed in this fight until we succeed on both fronts - addressing the security features, but also recognizing tolerance and understanding as part of that conversation. Mr. President, no one, no one in this country should fear for their safety, let alone should that fear arise because of their religion or where they seek to worship. Our country was founded on the principle of religious tolerance, and many came here to escape religious persecution and violence.

This \$5 million that we are approving today, we are allocating toward a grant program to provide these resources to protect our constituency and create an atmosphere supportive of tolerance, respect, and understanding in Pennsylvania. To all my colleagues in this Chamber today, combating hate is not easy, but today, together, we are doing something that I believe can help us prevent the next tragedy that will be in the works at some point in time.

Mr. President, I would be remiss if I did not recognize a couple of individuals who were very much a part of this conversation. This conversation started back early this year in the April or May timeframe where a number of us came together with the Pittsburgh Jewish Federation and a number of Members of this Chamber, Senator Scarnati's office, Senator Corman's office, and some others from the House who were part of a conversation about wanting to get to this point in time, and my hat is off to all of those individuals who were very supportive of getting us here. I think it is important, but the work that has been done more

recently with Senator Corman's staff and Senator Scarnati's staff, as well as folks from the House, but from our side, Mark Mekilo and Mike Deery deserve a tremendous amount of credit for being part of the conversation to insure that we are here today, and my hat is off to all them, and my thanks to all of the partners who are part of this conversation, helping us get to a point today where we can address one of the concerns that we have heard loud and clear from the folks not only in my home community of Squirrel Hill, Pittsburgh, but across this Commonwealth as well.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, this is a good day. The only way you stop hate is when all of us stand hand-in-hand together, Democrats and Republicans, and say, it is unacceptable and we are going to protect people. This Commonwealth was the first place in the world to declare religious tolerance and religious acceptance, and today, we as a Senate, have reaffirmed the legacy of William Penn and the legacy of all who have stood up for what is one of the most fundamental rights in the world, the freedom of religion. I had put in Senate Bill No. 626 to do this, but I do not care how it gets done, and I thank Senator DiSanto for doing it through an amendment. I thank Senator Corman and Senator Scarnati and each and every one in the Senate because this is something that we need to do.

Intolerance thrives when good people do nothing. If history teaches us anything, it teaches us the necessity to stand together. I know that our good people in the Senate have worked this out with the House, but you never know what the House will do, but I know that, and hopefully when the House passes this we can celebrate. We can celebrate that we are good people, people of faith, decent people who understand that when anyone in our community is threatened we are all threatened, because in the Commonwealth we are one diverse family. Today we affirm that unity, that diversity, and the fact that we are all one, that we are all part of a common family. So let us celebrate and understand it is a historic day because the legislature, no matter whether Republican or Democrat, conservative or progressive, has reaffirmed the basic and fundamental reason, heritage, and ideology upon which this Commonwealth was founded.

So let us celebrate and thank us all and pat each of us on the back together, because we have done what we should do, and that does not always happen in legislatures in this country. So we thank everyone and let us get it through the House and let us protect people where they worship. It is the right thing to do. And then we can also begin to have the discussions about how we can all work together and the programmatic aspects that are necessary to prevent hatred in the first place. So thank you all.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 947 and **HB 1085** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

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 AND REREFERRED

HB 49 (Pr. No. 2740) -- 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 school security, further providing for definitions, for school police officers, for training, for powers and duties, for school resource officers and for school security guards; in high schools, further providing for courses of study; in miscellaneous provisions relating to institutions of higher education, further providing for Public Higher Education Funding Commission; and, in fostering independence through education, further providing for fostering independence waiver program.

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

SB 60, SB 217, SB 256, SB 258 and **SB 284** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 331 (Pr. No. 1264) -- 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 terms and courses of study, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training and establishing the Fire Training 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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 337 and **HB 407** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 438 (Pr. No. 416) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L.1368, No.542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law, further providing for the title of the act; and, in sale of property, providing for county demolition and rehabilitation 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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 447 (Pr. No. 443) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in volunteer firefighters, further providing for definitions, for statement of purpose, for funds and for audits.

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

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

SB 493 (Pr. No. 527) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in consolidated county assessment, further providing for definitions, for changes in assessed valuation and for abstracts of building and demolition permits to be forwarded to the county assessment office.

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

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

SB 495 (Pr. No. 529) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in elections of officers, further providing for decrease in number of members of council.

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 531 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 532 (Pr. No. 1187) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 38 (Holidays and Observances) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for holidays and observances.

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 775 (Pr. No. 848) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in pharmaceutical assistance for the elderly, further providing for income verification.

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.

SB 836 (Pr. No. 1265) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 30, 2012 (P.L.574, No.59), known as the Sudden Cardiac Arrest Prevention Act, further providing for sudden cardiac arrest.

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 956 and **HB 1222** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator CORMAN.

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

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

MEMBER OF THE CORONERS' EDUCATION BOARD

October 15, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated August 22, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Coroners' Education Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Saralee Funke, Allentown, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF EBENSBURG CENTER

October 4, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated September 18, 2019, of Charles Moyer, 301 North Beech Street, Ebensburg 15931, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
GAME COMMISSION

October 15, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 12, 2019, of Nathanael R. Brague (District 1), 1465 Hillcrest Court, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice James Daley, Cranberry Township, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MASSAGE THERAPY

October 10, 2019

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 N. Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2019, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Mary Meyers, Reading, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

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

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

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

**REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES
AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

Senator 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:

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF EBENSBURG CENTER

September 18, 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, Timothy Houser, 739 North Spruce Street, Ebensburg 15931, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF EBENSBURG CENTER

September 18, 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, Francis Rosmus, 888 Baumgardner Road, South Fork 15956, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 21, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF EBENSBURG CENTER

September 18, 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, Charlene Shank, 235 Mosshaven Way, Ligonier 15658, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of

Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF EBENSBURG CENTER

September 18, 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, Jeanne Weaver, 233 Circle Drive, Ebensburg 15931, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Ebensburg Center, to serve until January 21, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

September 18, 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, Edward Rak (Public Member), 3222 Sundale Drive, Glenshaw 15116, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF MASSAGE THERAPY

October 10, 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, Vickiann Hicks, 1510 Farm View Drive, Stroudsburg 18360, Monroe County, Fortieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, *[data missing]* Mary Meyers, Reading, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

September 18, 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, Linda Kmetz, 210 Saint Charles Place, Pittsburgh 15215, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

September 18, 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, Anne Holladay, 130 Circle Drive, Lock Haven 17745, Clinton County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

August 2, 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, Sharon McDermond, 230 E. Peters Lane, Aston 19014, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, to serve *[data missing]* a term of four years, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

August 26, 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, Bette Grey, 106 Arbor Street, Berwick 18603, Columbia County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice David Palmer, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

October 3, 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, Sandra Campbell, 201 Northbrook Drive, Media 19063, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

September 18, 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, Dean Maynard (Public Member), 22639 State Highway 89, Spartansburg 16434, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Karen Cahilly, Coudersport, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

June 11, 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, Ralph Yanora, 23 Winter Street, Pittston Township 18640, Luzerne County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2024, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Norman Kennard, Harrisburg, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

September 18, 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, Gaetano Piccirilli (Public Member), 1947 Ritner Street, Philadelphia 19145, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Vince Galko, Roaring Brook, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

September 18, 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, Mark Smeltzer, 4603 Northridge Court, Murraysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice D. Thomas Smith, Erie, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

September 18, 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, Patrick Murphy, 112 Chestnut Valley Drive, Doylestown 18901, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, to serve [data missing] a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Louis Sieminski, Shavertown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD

October 3, 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, Greg Jordan, 1423 Inverness Drive, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Employees' Retirement Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice T. Terrance Reese, Greensburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

September 18, 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, Chad M. Amond, 104 Magnolia Drive, Greensburg 15601, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senato-

rial District, for appointment as a member of the State Transportation Commission, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Frederic Wentz, Haverford, whose term expired.

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.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators STEFANO, GORDNER, MENSCH, BROWNE, ARGALL, K. WARD, AUMENT, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, VOGEL, J. WARD, MASTRIANO, BREWSTER, KEARNEY, DINNIMAN, BLAKE, SCHWANK, HUGHES, KILLION, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, YUDICHAK and BARTOLOTTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 252**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing Fallingwater, the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy and the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy on Fallingwater being named a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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

Senators TARTAGLIONE, FARNESE, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN, LEACH, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, AUMENT, BREWSTER, HUGHES, SCHWANK, J. WARD, MENSCH, YUDICHAK and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 253**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "National Sensory Processing Disorder Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, I rise today to ask my colleagues to vote affirmatively on this resolution to recognize "National Sensory Processing Disorder Awareness Month" throughout the Commonwealth in October. Throughout this month, parents, educators, therapists, and caregivers seek to spread awareness of sensory processing and how it affects many children and adults every day. They also seek to spread awareness about sensory processing disorder. Sensory processing refers to how the central nervous system in our bodies receives messages from our senses and turns them into appropriate motor and behavioral responses. This includes our five primary senses: sight, smell, hearing, taste, and touch, along with other sensations such as balance and body awareness. Sensory processing disorder occurs when our brains do not detect sensory signals or when we cannot organize those signals into appropriate responses. A leading researcher in the field has described SPD as a neurological traffic jam.

A person with SPD finds it difficult to process and act upon information received throughout the senses, which creates challenges in performing everyday tasks. The challenges can be physical, such as clumsiness; or emotional, such as anxiety and depression. They may manifest in behavioral problems, poor performance at school, and extremely high or low tolerance for pain, or difficulty engaging in conversation or play. Some researchers have concluded that SPD affects the daily lives of at least 1 in 20 children, while others believe that 1 in 6 children experience sensory disorder symptoms serious enough to affect aspects of their daily functions. Most of us have occasional difficulties in processing sensory information, yet, for those with SPD, these difficulties are chronic and significantly disruptive. Treatment for SPD often involves customized therapy based on the specific needs of the individual. I encourage all parents, caregivers, and educators to be aware of the warning signs of SPD and to consult a physician if symptoms persist.

I ask the Members of the Senate to join me in recognizing National Sensory Processing Disorder Awareness Month throughout the Commonwealth in October.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

Senators TARTAGLIONE, MASTRIANO, FARNESE, FONTANA, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, J. WARD, MARTIN, LEACH, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, AUMENT, BLAKE, BAKER, YUDICHAK, COSTA and BOSCOLA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 254**, entitled:

A Resolution designating October 2019 as "National Physical Therapy Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, mobility is one of the keys to a healthier, happier, and more productive life. But as we age or become affected by ailments or injuries, our bodies lose their physical capabilities. Very often it is only then that we truly understand the importance of maintaining good physical health and mobility. Thanks to physical therapists, mobility loss is treated and usually preventable. Many people may not realize that licensed physical therapists are highly trained practitioners who require years of graduate-level education and specialty certification. In Pennsylvania, a doctoral degree is the common standard for physical therapists working independently. Physical therapists understand the body's major systems and use their knowledge to craft personalized treatment plans that strengthen muscles, tendons, and ligaments, while improving mobility and restoring function. Treatments are structured so that the patient can live, work, and be active while their bodies are being repaired and reconditioned. In many instances, physical therapists are able to improve patients' quality of life without surgery or prescription medications. For many people, physical therapists have been lifesavers.

Mr. President, today I share my admiration and thanks to physical therapists. Their talent, training, and dedication has allowed countless residents of the Commonwealth to regain mobility and experience life to the fullest. In honor of this indispensable profession, I ask my Senate colleagues to support this resolution and to join me in recognizing October as "National Physical Therapy Month" throughout Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senators YUDICHAK, ARGALL, BOSCOLA, FONTANA, FARNESE, COSTA, J. WARD, DINNIMAN, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, BROWNE, BLAKE, PITTMAN, SCHWANK, SCAVELLO, HUGHES, KILLION, TARTAGLIONE, BAKER and AUMENT, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 255**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing October 24, 2019, as "Lights on Afterschool Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators MENSCH, LANGERHOLC, BLAKE, DINNIMAN, BOSCOLA, LEACH, MASTRIANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, FARNESE, SCHWANK, BROWNE, VOGEL, BREWSTER, FONTANA, J. WARD, HUGHES, KILLION, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, BAKER, AUMENT, KEARNEY, MUTH, K. WARD and COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 256**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing October 13, 2019, as "Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize October 13, 2019, as "Metastatic Breast Cancer Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania. Metastatic breast cancer, also called Stage 4 or advanced breast cancer, is the most advanced stage of breast cancer and has spread to other organs in the body, most often the bones, liver, lungs, or brain. Much of the talk around breast cancer focuses on early detection and routine diagnosis, where we have seen tremendous progress in the last 30 years. However, the story for advanced disease is quite different. Metastatic breast cancer patients continue to face many unique challenges, such as the emotional and physical demands of continual treatment.

Currently, no cure exists for metastatic breast cancer, and those with metastatic breast cancer will continue treatment indefinitely, with the goal of extending the best quality of life possible. One in eight women in the United States could be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer in their lifetime. Specifically, in Pennsylvania, it is expected that at least 12,070 women will be

diagnosed with breast cancer in just the year 2019. Moreover, it is estimated that 1,900 will die from breast cancer in Pennsylvania in 2019. Metastatic breast cancer cuts short the lives of too many people in Pennsylvania, leaving a lasting effect on their families. It is important to recognize the personal and social burdens of metastatic breast cancer, the needs of the patient, and the promising research efforts in the development of more effective treatments.

I ask that Members support this resolution to raise awareness and show support for our family members, neighbors, friends, and colleagues who are affected by metastatic breast cancer.

Mr. President, thank you very much.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator COSTA, on behalf of Senators SCHWANK, MENSCH, ARGALL and MUTH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 257**, entitled:

A Resolution designating December 1, 2019, as "Penske Truck Leasing Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

Senators FARNESE, DINNIMAN, MASTRIANO, FONTANA, KILLION, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, J. WARD, BLAKE, BROWNE, ARGALL, HUGHES, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, SANTARSIERO, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN, SCHWANK, MENSCH, IOVINO, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, AUMENT and STREET, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 258**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of October 2019 as "Polish American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania and designating October 6, 2019, as "Pulaski Day" in Pennsylvania.

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

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 726, SB 727, SB 798, SB 842, SB 891, SB 906, SB 908, SB 910, HB 917, HB 1034, HB 1035, HB 1036, HB 1174, HB 1180, HB 1379 and HB 1405.

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, OCTOBER 23, 2019

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| 9:30 A.M. | HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (public hearing on the Medical Assistance Statewide Preferred Drug List) | Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. |
| 9:30 A.M. | LABOR AND INDUSTRY (public hearing on private changing facilities for disabled children and adults) | Room 8E-B East Wing |
| 9:30 A.M. | URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bills No. 329 and 334; and House Bill No. 1578) | Room 461 Main Capitol |
| 10:00 A.M. | FINANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 74; and House Bill No. 17) | Room 8E-A East Wing |
| Off the Floor | APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 491, 492 and 905; and House Bill No. 49) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |
| Off the Floor | ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider Senate Bill No. 919; and House Bill No. 1410) | Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm. |

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2019

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| 10:00 A.M. | LOCAL GOVERNMENT (S) and LOCAL GOVERNMENT (H) (joint public hearing regarding an overview of the Community Services Block Grant Program from the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development) | House Maj. Caucus Rm. |
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019

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| 10:00 A.M. | LAW AND JUSTICE (public hearing regarding testimony on legislation to increase the retail outlets that sell spirits - Senate Bills No. 548, 880 and 916; as well as legislation pertaining to license availability - Senate Bill No. 896 and House Bill No. 1617; and to hear testimony on consumer convenience reforms to Act 39 of 2016) | Room 8E-B East Wing |
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2019

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| 9:00 A.M. | COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (public hearing to discuss the consolidation of the State's IT services and making improvements to cybersecurity capabilities) | Room 8E-A East Wing |
| 9:00 A.M. | URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (S) and URBAN AFFAIRS (H) (joint public hearing on Senate Bill No. 775; and House Bill No. 1559) | 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 4,853 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is more than 13 years, and it is far too long. It is too far, too long when we consider that 29 other States and the District of Columbia have all raised their minimum wages above the Federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour. It is far too long when

we consider that 19 States have raised their minimum wages this year alone. It is far too long when we consider that even with those State by State increases, there still is not one single State where a full-time worker earning minimum wage can afford basic human needs. Nowhere in the United States is minimum wage a living wage. There are different ways to translate this idea into real-life terms. One personal finance website recently crunched the numbers to determine the size of an apartment that a typical minimum wage worker should be able to rent in each State based on average rents and the average cost of other necessities. Arkansas, with its \$9.25 minimum wage and its low cost-of-living, ranked first on the list. According to the calculations, a typical minimum wage worker can afford \$314 a month in rent, which equates to 311 square feet. That might not seem like much room, but it is a palace compared to a minimum wage worker in Pennsylvania. Earning \$7.25 an hour, a full-time worker here can afford to pay \$246 a month in rent. That translates to about 136 square feet. It is slightly bigger than the standard half-ton pickup truck. Minimum wage earners in nine other States are worse off than that, even though five of those States already have a minimum wage that is at least \$10 an hour. So at \$7.25 an hour, Pennsylvania's minimum wage is not even close to a living wage.

My legislation, Senate Bill No. 12, would raise the minimum wage to \$12 this year and \$15 by 2025. It would help the Commonwealth erase its dubious record on this issue and establish it as a national leader. Most importantly, it would provide millions of Pennsylvanians with the financial independence that they have worked so long and hard to earn.

Thank you, Mr. President.

BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

October 22, 2019

Senators YAW, COLLETT, MARTIN, MENSCH, HAYWOOD, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 919**, entitled:

An Act prohibiting the use of certain class B firefighting foams under certain circumstances; and imposing powers and duties on the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency and the State Fire Commissioner.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, October 22, 2019.

HOUSE MESSAGE
HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

October 22, 2019

HB 1410 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

RECESS

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Wednesday, October 23, 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 5:55 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.