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SENATE

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 2019

The Senate met at 1:04 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend DARNELL M. DEANS, SR., of Venango House Community Center of Praise and Worship, Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Good morning. Let us pray.

We give thanks because we were able to wake up this morning, and we give thanks for allowing us to see another day not seen before. We give thanks for the lawmakers of this great State of Pennsylvania, and we give thanks for all that has been done, will be done, and can be done. Amen.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair thanks Reverend Deans, who is the guest today of Senator Street.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BEAVER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Beaver County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Deborah A. Kunselman, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUTLER COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Butler County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Marilyn J. Horan, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable James P. MacElree II, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Phyllis R. Streitl, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Anthony A. Sarcione, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CUMBERLAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Cumberland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Merle L. Ebert, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Chad F. Kenney, Media, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice James F. Nilon, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Nathaniel C. Nichols, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Christine Fizzano Cannon, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ERIE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Erie County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable John Garhart, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ERIE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Erie County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Robert A. Sambroak, Jr., deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LANCASTER COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jay J. Hoberg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MERCER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Mercer County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Christopher J. St. John, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MERCER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Mercer County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Thomas R. Dobson, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Rhonda Lee Daniele, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Northampton County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Emil Giordano, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Paul P. Panepinto, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Angeles Roca, removed from office.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Maria McLaughlin, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Patricia McNerney, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Ellen Ceisler, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Carolyn H. Nichols, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
WESTMORELAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Westmoreland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Richard E. McCormick, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
WESTMORELAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Westmoreland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Anthony G. Marsili, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
YORK COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, York County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable John S. Kennedy, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Dawn A. Segal, removed from office.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Kate Ford Elliott, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

TREASURER, MCKEAN COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Treasurer, in and for the County of McKean, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice Mary Jo Sherwood, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Har-

risburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-25, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Mary P. Murray, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Beaver, Magisterial District 36-1-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Andrew M. Hladio, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Joanne V. Kline, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-11, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Michael J. Burns, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Chester, Magisterial District 15-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Theodore P. Michaels, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Delaware, Magisterial District 32-2-39, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable C. Walter McCray III, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lancaster, Magisterial District 02-2-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Janice Jimenez, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the

County of Lancaster, Magisterial District 02-3-09, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jayne Duncan, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lehigh, Magisterial District 31-1-07, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Robert C. Halal, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lycoming, Magisterial District 29-1-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Allen P. Page III, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Union, Magisterial District 17-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Leo S. Armbruster, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Washington, Magisterial District 27-3-05, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jay H. Weller, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Westmoreland, Magisterial District 10-1-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Joseph A. Dalfonso, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF
CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

November 22, 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of 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 William Rothman, Lemoyne, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

November 22, 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, Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Washington, Magisterial District 27-3-06, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Traci McDonald-Kemp, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

December 6, 2019

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Yassmin Gramian, 1327 Pennsridge Court, Downingtown 19335, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of Transportation, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Leslie S. Richards, Lafayette Hill, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

December 9, 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, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve until March 14, 2020, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Anna Moran, Shillington, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF BARBER EXAMINERS

December 13, 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, Nathanael R. Brague, 1465 Hillcrest Court, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, 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, vice John Christopher, Hummelstown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

December 13, 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 Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology, 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, vice Elisa Gonzalez, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

December 13, 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, Ashley Fehr, 115 Molleystown Road, Pine Grove 17963, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology, 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, vice Stephen Wallin, Southampton, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

December 13, 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, 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, vice Ann Roman, Shavertown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
COUNCIL ON AGING

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Brad Mellon, Harleysville, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Lisa Rau, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until October 25, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jolynn Haney, Colledgeville, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr. (Public Member), 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve until March 14, 2020, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Evon Sutton, Philadelphia, removed.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

December 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, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve until May 22, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified,

but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice John O'Donnell, Pittsburgh, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

December 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, Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve until May 22, 2021, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Gerald Olson, Monroeville, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE

December 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, Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice Everett Gillison, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE

December 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, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice C. James Fox, Mount Gretna, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice Leslie Grey, Erie, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

COMMISSIONER OF PROFESSIONAL
AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Ian Harlow, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Beaver, Magisterial District 36-2-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Tim Finn, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Erie, Magisterial District 06-1-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Paul Urbaniak, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

**CORRECTION TO RECALL COMMUNICATION
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 17, 2019

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

Please note that the letter dated December 4, 2019, for the recall of my nomination dated August 16, 2019, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Nathaniel C. Nichols, resigned.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises, should be corrected to read:

Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Nathaniel C. Nichols, resigned.

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

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 316**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to **HB 1542**.

SENATE BILLS RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 166**, **SB 432**, **SB 500**, **SB 501**, **SB 841** and **SB 905**, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Pursuant to Senate Rule 13(c)(2)(i), the bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

November 22, 2019

HB 410, 941, 942, 943, 944, 1024, 1052, 1880 and 1890 --
Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 533 -- Committee on Banking and Insurance.

HB 1985 -- Committee on Transportation.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following Senate Bills numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which were read by the Clerk:

November 25, 2019

Senators COLLETT, BARTOLOTTA, TARTAGLIONE, L. WILLIAMS, MUTH, BOSCOLA, SCHWANK, IOVINO, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, STREET, HUGHES, FONTANA, COSTA, LEACH, A. WILLIAMS, HAYWOOD, FARNESE, DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, BLAKE and SABATINA presented to the Chair **SB 956**, entitled:

An Act providing for the provision of disposable menstrual products.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, November 25, 2019.

Senators MUTH, FONTANA, COSTA, HUGHES and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 967**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of January 8, 1960 (1959 P.L.2119, No.787), known as the Air Pollution Control Act, further providing for powers and duties of the Department of Environmental Protection and for civil penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, November 25, 2019.

November 26, 2019

Senators LAUGHLIN, SCHWANK, KILLION, MENSCH, HUGHES and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 610**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 2008 (P.L.182, No.27), known as the Clean Indoor Air Act, further providing for definitions; further prohibiting smoking in public places; and repealing certain provisions of the Fire and Panic Act.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, November 26, 2019.

Senators SCARNATI, CORMAN, BARTOLOTTA, KILLION, GORDNER, BROWNE, MENSCH, K. WARD, YUDICHAK, VOGEL, PITTMAN, SCAVELLO, REGAN, J. WARD and LAUGHLIN presented to the Chair **SB 900**, entitled:

An Act providing for advanced manufacturing research, development facilities and infrastructures through business partnerships with State-related institutions; establishing the Max Manufacturing Initiative Fund, the Keystone Energy Zone Program and the Keystone Energy Zone Fund; and imposing powers and duties on the Department of Revenue.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, November 26, 2019.

Senators LAUGHLIN, LANGERHOLC, HUTCHINSON, BREWSTER, MENSCH, BOSCOLA, STEFANO and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 965**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L.1262, No.156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in club licensees, further providing for distribution of proceeds.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, November 26, 2019.

Senators LAUGHLIN, SCARNATI, SANTARSIERO, YAW, LEACH, BAKER and DiSANTO presented to the Chair **SB 966**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in financial responsibility, further providing for definitions and for required benefits.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, November 26, 2019.

December 2, 2019

Senators YAW, BREWSTER, STEFANO, MENSCH, SCHWANK, KILLION, COSTA, K. WARD, DINNIMAN, BROWNE and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 971**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, providing for drug overdose death reporting.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, December 2, 2019.

December 3, 2019

Senators LAUGHLIN, YAW, SCHWANK, A. WILLIAMS, BROWNE, DINNIMAN, LEACH and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 972**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 25, 2012 (P.L.1618, No.197), known as the National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline Notification Act, further providing for required posting.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, December 3, 2019.

Senators BREWSTER, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, BLAKE, COSTA, SABATINA, YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 973**, entitled:

An Act authorizing senior citizens to claim a reduction of property taxes by 25% on certain real property; and providing for termination of the reduction.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, December 3, 2019.

Senators BLAKE, FONTANA, FARNESE, HUGHES, SCHWANK, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, BROWNE and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 974**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in professional employees, further providing for definitions and providing for school social workers.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, December 3, 2019.

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, K. WARD, MASTRIANO, BREWSTER, PITTMAN, J. WARD and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 975**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in sales and use tax, further providing for time for filing returns.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, December 3, 2019.

December 12, 2019

Senators REGAN, MASTRIANO, ARGALL, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, BROWNE, COSTA, DINNIMAN, KILLION, MARTIN, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL, STEFANO, J. WARD and K. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 976**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in organization and jurisdiction of courts of common pleas, further providing for problem-solving courts.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, December 12, 2019.

Senators DINNIMAN, BREWSTER, COSTA, HUGHES, TARTAGLIONE, KILLION, BROWNE and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 979**, 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 health services, providing for seizure recognition and related first aid training.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, December 12, 2019.

Senators KEARNEY, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, J. WARD and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 981**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in associations and organizations, further providing for associations and organizations for mayors; in elections of officers, further providing for eligibility; in powers, duties and rights of appointed officers and employees, further providing for appointments and incompatible offices and for police serving under cooperative agreement or contract; in corporate powers, further providing for specific powers; in taxation and finance, further providing for investment of funds; providing for solid waste collection and disposition; and, in ordinances, further providing for ordinances and resolutions and for publication.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, December 12, 2019.

December 16, 2019

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, COLLETT, MARTIN, YUDICHAK, BAKER, MENSCH, STEFANO, J. WARD and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 920**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in quality health care accountability and protection, further providing for definitions and for responsibilities of managed care plans; providing for preauthorization standards and for preauthorization costs; further providing for continuity of care; providing for step therapy protocols; further providing for information for enrollees, for required disclosure and for operational standards; providing for preauthorization and adverse determinations, for appeals, for access requirements in service areas, for uniform preauthorization form, for preauthorization exemptions and for data collection and reporting.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, December 16, 2019.

December 18, 2019

Senators YAW, VOGEL, KILLION and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 915**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, repealing provisions relating to fertilizer; providing for fertilizer; in soil and plant amendment, further providing for disposition of funds; in seed, further providing for disposition of funds; establishing the Agronomic Regulatory Account within the General Fund; imposing duties on the Department of Agriculture; and making conforming amendments.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, December 18, 2019.

Senators BROWNE, KILLION, YAW, MENSCH, AUMENT, BREWSTER, FONTANA, K. WARD, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, COLLETT, FARNESE, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, KEARNEY, YUDICHAK, SABATINA, L. WILLIAMS, STEFANO, BARTOLOTTA and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 977**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 24, 2004 (P.L.1270, No.153), referred to as the Pennsylvania Amber Alert System Law, establishing the Pennsylvania Silver Alert System; and further providing for immunity.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, December 18, 2019.

Senators KEARNEY, PHILLIPS-HILL, SANTARSIERO, BROWNE, KILLION, FONTANA, HUGHES, BREWSTER, COSTA, MUTH and FARNESE presented to the Chair **SB 980**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 2 (Administrative Law and Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for child victims and witnesses.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, December 18, 2019.

APPOINTMENTS OF CHAIRMEN AND MEMBERS TO STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following communications, were read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

December 16, 2019

TO: Megan Martin
Secretary of the Senate

FROM: Senator Joe Scarnati
President Pro Tempore

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, I hereby appoint Senator Andrew E. Dinniman to serve as a member of the Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, I hereby appoint Senator Lawrence Farnese to serve as a member of the Committee on Transportation.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, I hereby appoint Senator Steven Santarsiero to serve as chair of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

December 18, 2019

TO: Megan Martin
Secretary of the Senate

FROM: Senator Joe Scarnati
President Pro Tempore

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore and upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader, I hereby appoint Senator Timothy P. Kearney to serve as chair of the Committee on Communications and Technology.

Senator Steven Santarsiero will no longer serve as chair of the Committee on Communications and Technology, but will remain a member.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator John T. Yudichak to serve as a member of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

Senator Elder A. Vogel will no longer serve as a member of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator John T. Yudichak to serve as a member of the Committee on Finance.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator John T. Yudichak to serve as a member of the Committee on Labor and Industry.

Senator John R. Gordner will no longer serve as a member of the Committee on Labor and Industry.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator John T. Yudichak to serve as a member of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

2018 COMMISSION ON SENTENCING ANNUAL REPORT

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing
P.O. Box 1200
State College, PA 16804-1200

September 30, 2019

The Honorable Members of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania
The Honorable Thomas G. Saylor, Chief Justice of Pennsylvania
The Honorable Tom Wolf, Governor of Pennsylvania
The Citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

It is with great pleasure that we present the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing's *2018 Annual Report*. This year represents the Commission's 40th anniversary. Over the past decades, the Commission undertook work to meet many new legislative mandates, conducted research, evaluations, and analyses, incorporated evidence-based practices, responded to new initiatives, and collaborated with other criminal justice agencies to coordinate and improve the criminal justice system. The Commission is indebted to court officials and practitioners throughout the Commonwealth who contributed their efforts and to the many agencies at both the State and local levels who partner with the Commission.

In accordance with Act 15 of 2019, the structuring of the appointments of Commission members will change October 1, 2019. The mem-

bers of the Commission give of their time and energy, without any compensation, to work toward policies that are grounded in empirical data and evidence-based practices, and they are committed to transparency in the process, vigorous vetting of ideas, and accountability to the Commonwealth. Their hard work and dedication are greatly appreciated.

The *2018 Annual Report* details the work of the Commission and its staff during 2018 and provides a review of sentencing practices and aggregate statewide sentencing data during the same calendar year. A total of 131,002 offenses with corresponding sentences were reported to the Commission by the Courts of Common Pleas through February 2019, representing 91,249 criminal incidents. Sentences for 2018 reported after March 1, 2019 will be included in revised tables to be posted on the Commission's website in December 2019.

Over the past several years, the Commission worked on its numerous mandates. These efforts culminated in the adoption earlier this year of 7th Edition Amendment 5 Sentencing Guidelines, Resentencing Guidelines, and the Sentence Risk Assessment Instrument. They were each submitted to the General Assembly for a 90 day review period. Unless rejected by concurrent resolution, they will be effective in 2020.

As an agency of the General Assembly, the Pennsylvania Commission is charged with the responsibility of serving as a clearinghouse and information center for the collection, preparation, and dissemination of information on Commonwealth sentencing practices, and with assisting courts and agencies in the development, maintenance, and coordination of sound sentencing policies. We hope that the information contained in this report, as well as that available through our website (<http://pasentencing.us>) and from our staff, will be used to promote fairer and more uniform sentencing practices in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

JUDGE SHEILA A. WOODS-SKIPPER
Chair

REPRESENTATIVE TODD STEPHENS
Vice Chair

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. This report will be filed in the Library.

**COMMUNICATION FROM PUBLIC UTILITY
COMMISSION PURSUANT TO RESPONSIBLE
UTILITY CUSTOMER PROTECTION ACT OF 2004**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Public Utility Commission
400 North Street
Harrisburg, PA 17120

December 4, 2019

Chief Clerk Dave Reddecliff
Pennsylvania House of Representatives
129 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Secretary Megan Martin
Senate of Pennsylvania
462 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Chief Clerk Reddecliff and Secretary Martin:

Under Section 1415 of the Public Utility Code, 66 Pa.C.S. § 1415, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission is required to submit a report every five years to the Governor, the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate reviewing the implementation of the Responsible Utility Customer Protection Act of 2004, which is codified in Chapter 14 of Title 66 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes. Initially, biennial reports were filed on or about December 14 of 2006, 2008, 2012, and 2014, with the 2010 report having been

granted an extension to January 14, 2011. In 2014, amendments to Chapter 14 changed the reporting requirement to every five years.

This first quinquennial report is due on December 22, 2019. By this letter, the Commission respectfully requests an extension until *January 31, 2020* to submit its report.

The Chapter 14 report is required to include a discussion of the degree to which the statutory requirements have been successfully implemented; the effect on the cash working capital or cash flow, uncollectible levels and collections of affected public utilities; the level of access to utility services by residential customers, including low-income customer; and the effect on the level of consumer complaints and mediations filed with and adjudicated by the Commission. As part of the report, the Commission may also propose any legislative or other changes which it deems necessary to the Governor and the General Assembly.

A draft of the Chapter 14 report is presently being prepared by Commission staff. Commissioners and staff desire more time to thoroughly review and discuss its content, as significant time has elapsed since the previous report was published. Chapter 14 will expire on December 31, 2024, unless sooner reenacted. As the General Assembly continues its review of this law, the Commission would like to provide a more detailed analysis. This additional time would facilitate the comprehensive review needed, and we appreciate your favorable consideration. Please let us know if you need any additional information.

Again, the Commission thanks you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (717)787-4301 or June Perry, Director of Legislative Affairs, at (717)787-3256.

Sincerely,

GLADYS BROWN DUTRIEUILLE
Chairman

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. This report will be filed in the Library.

**ANNUAL REPORT ON THE WIRETAPPING AND
ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE CONTROL ACT**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Pennsylvania Judicial Center
601 Commonwealth Avenue, 8th Floor
P.O. Box 60828
Harrisburg, PA 17106-0828

December 5, 2019

Ms. Megan Martin
Secretary - Parliamentarian of the Senate
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
462 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Ms. Martin:

In accordance with Section 5723(d) of the Wiretapping and Electronic Surveillance Control Act, 18 Pa.C.S. § 5723(d), I forward herewith the required annual report.

Sincerely,

THOMAS G. SAYLOR

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. This report will be filed in the Library.

**2018-19 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
PENNSYLVANIA TREASURY
529 COLLEGE AND CAREER SAVINGS PROGRAM**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Treasury Department
613 North Drive
Harrisburg, PA 17120

December 17, 2019

Dear Fellow Pennsylvanians:

On behalf of the Tuition Account Program Advisory Board, I am pleased to present the annual report of the Pennsylvania 529 College and Career Savings Program (PA 529) for fiscal year 2018-19.

Since the program's beginning it has helped more than 130,905 students and paid more than \$3.7 billion in higher education expenses. 29,838 students used PA 529 accounts to pay \$440.7 million for their higher education this year alone.

PA 529 continues to excel by virtually any metric. The total accounts of both the Guaranteed Savings Plan (GSP) and the Investment Plan (IP) grew to 238,741, which is a 4.47% increase from last year. Total account owner contributions grew by 3.54% to \$588.2 million, bringing the total assets of PA 529 under management to \$5.2 billion, -- an increase of 9.6% from the previous year.

For the first time in the history of the program, the PA 529 IP was awarded the Morningstar Bronze Rating™. This rating puts the PA 529 IP in the "Top 529 College Savings Plans" and among the elite 30 "Best in Class" plans. This rating recognizes the hard work of Treasury over the past few years to improve the IP through age-based investment options, portfolio diversification, fee reductions, and overall better oversight of the plan. This designation will help us continue to make improvements that will help Pennsylvania families save for higher education costs.

The IP was also able to lower fees again for account owners. The reduction of 0.01% was a result of an increase in assets under management. Treasury anticipates further reductions as assets continue to grow and meet new thresholds. This new reduction will save families approximately \$310,000 across the IP.

For the seventh consecutive year, the PA 529 GSP is more than fully funded, at 127.35%. Recently, the actuarial assumed rate of return was reduced to 5.5% from 6%. This rate reduction allows more assets to be allocated with lower-risk investments and the ability to manage the plan more prudently.

While the PA 529 program continues to grow, the addition of Keystone Scholars is making a significant impact across the Commonwealth, and helping families start saving as early as possible. The program, which offers a \$100 starter deposit into a PA 529 GSP account for every baby born or adopted by a Pennsylvania family, started statewide in 2019, following the passage of legislation in 2018.

Keystone Scholars started in 2018 with a demonstration project in six counties. Researchers have helped us conclude that the availability of Keystone Scholars has a positive impact on families opening PA 529 accounts during the first year of their child's life. Families in pilot counties were twice as likely to open a PA 529 account during their child's first year than those in other counties--this was true across all demographics.

This promising finding shows the power of Keystone Scholars and the impact it can have on every new Pennsylvanian. The program helps jump-start savings for every child without using any taxpayer funds. Keystone Scholars is funded by existing earnings dollars by the GSP and philanthropic donations.

We are excited by these accomplishments, but even more so by the bright future for the PA 529 College and Career Savings Program. Helping families save for postsecondary education is important not only for their individual goals, but for the well-being of the Commonwealth's economy, workforce, and next generation.

Sincerely,

JOE TORSELLA
Pennsylvania State Treasurer

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. This report will be filed in the Library.

**APPOINTMENTS BY THE
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE**

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

Senator Maria Collett as a member of the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee.

Senator Andrew E. Dinniman as Commonwealth Trustee of Lincoln University.

Mr. Thomas E. Bowser as a member of the Pharmaceutical Assistance Advisory Board.

Mr. Scott Derosa as a member of the Military Installation Remediation Authority.

Ms. Theresa Harmon as a member of the Military Installation Remediation Authority.

Mr. Gregory K. Jordan as a member of the Legislative Audit Advisory Commission.

Mr. Bob Kirchner as a member of the Conservation and Natural Resources Advisory Council.

**APPOINTMENTS BY THE
MINORITY LEADER**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair wishes to announce the Minority Leader has made the following appointments:

Senator Steven Santarsiero as a member of the Wild Resource Conservation Board.

Mr. Howard Wein as a member of the Environmental Hearing Board Rules Committee.

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 316 and HB 1542.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Brooks, and a legislative leave for Senator Stefano.

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

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Gordner requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Brooks, and a legislative leave for Senator Stefano.

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Brewster.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

Senator CORMAN offered the following resolution, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, December 18, 2019

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses Tuesday, January 7, 2020, it reconvene on Monday, January 27, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses the week of January 27, 2020, it reconvene on Monday, February 3, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Tuesday, January 7, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses Tuesday, January 7, 2020, it reconvene on Monday, January 13, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses the week of January 13, 2020, it reconvene on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses the week of January 21, 2020, it reconvene on Monday, February 3, 2020, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns listing names of Senators who voted 'YEA'.

NAY-0

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

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

GUEST OF SENATOR RYAN AUMENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce my guest for today, Patricia Leese. Patricia was born in Glenolden, Pennsylvania, and currently lives and works in Manheim, Pennsylvania. She married David Leese, who went on to graduate from the York Academy of Arts in 1977. Since then, Patricia has been involved in the world of fine arts and worked diligently to establish David Leese and the David Leese Studio, which offered graphic design and David's original artwork to a national audience. Throughout their 40-year marriage, their studio was located in Hanover, Pennsylvania; Whitehall, Pennsylvania; and Pittstown, New Jersey. David's original artwork has been showcased in art exhibitions and collections at Delta Airlines, DuPont Industries, Merck & Company, Washington County Museum, and the Hunterdon Museum of Art in New Jersey.

Additionally, throughout the month of December, the East Wing of the Rotunda of the State Capitol building will display a David Leese original exhibition entitled The Hardened Heart Series: Portraits of Humanity. I encourage all of you to take some time to view this timely exhibition that focuses on the common bonds we share as humans in an effort to raise awareness of, and try to eliminate, the bullying, violence, and hatred that exist in our world today.

Please join me in welcoming my guest, Patricia Leese, to the Pennsylvania Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guest of Senator Aument please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Brooks has returned, and her temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

GUESTS OF SENATOR THOMAS H. KILLION PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, I am very pleased to have some members of my family here. My wife, Eileen; my daughter, Brittany; and my grandson, Jack Thomas. They are seated in the gallery right above the clock. Welcome to Harrisburg.

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

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, today it is my pleasure to introduce guests who are sitting in the gallery. They are the Boyertown Senior High School Girls' Soccer Team, who won the 2019 PIAA Class AAAA Girls' Soccer Championship. The

Boyertown Lady Bears won the State title by defeating Conestoga High School in double overtime with a score of 1 to nil, under the guidance of head coach Bill Goddard and assistant coaches Matt Danner and Courtney Goddard. It was truly a tough and exciting match.

Mr. President, before I conclude comments for them, I would also like to make comments about the Quakertown High School chorus, who is here today. They will be performing in the Rotunda beginning at 1 o'clock. As we know, we had a special presentation by them at the leadership lunch earlier, and they are just fantastic, so I give them a shout out as well.

Mr. President, it is indeed my pleasure today to greet the Boyertown Girls' Soccer Team and wish them the greatest congratulations for winning a State championship. Please join me in welcoming them.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Mensch please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ELISABETH J. BAKER AND SENATOR JOHN T. YUDICHAK PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I am pleased to join my colleague, Senator Yudichak, in welcoming the Wyoming Valley West Lady Spartans PIAA Class AA State Champion Field Hockey Team. They are joined in the gallery today with their coaches, parents, family, and friends and they had an absolutely outstanding season. The sport of field hockey in the Wyoming Valley Conference is second to none and among the highly competitive, not just here in Pennsylvania, but across the nation. We had two State champion teams that hailed from our conference this year. These outstanding young ladies are student athletes who had a combined GPA of 3.9. They demonstrate their competitive spirit, teamwork, and dedication on and off the field. Some of the members of their team are among 200 All-State selections, we had four young ladies selected First Team All-State, two Second Team, and an Honorable Mention selection. Their coaches are Linda Fithian, Diane Webster, John Fronzoni, Lois Kaschenbach, and Lori Owens. Of the six seniors, many are moving on from this great and talented team, several with Division I scholarship offers. So I hope you will join me and Senator Yudichak in saluting our PIAA Class AA Lady Spartans champions for such a praiseworthy, outstanding season.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator YUDICHAK. Mr. President, I rise today to join my colleague from Luzerne County, Senator Baker, in welcoming to the Senate the PIAA Class AA State Field Hockey Champions, the Wyoming Valley West Spartans. Hustle and heart, that is what sets them apart. It is the team motto for the Spartans, and each of these young women exemplifies the hustle and heart of a champion. The Spartans, who have won the district championship 4 straight years, marched in the State finals against a nationally ranked Palmyra field hockey team, and they beat the best to be the best. Down 1-0 in the State final, Ariane Rupnik scored a game-tying goal, and in the final minutes Cameryn Forgash

scored the game-winning goal. As we celebrate these State champions, it is also important that we acknowledge the coaches and families who have supported them from day one. Senator Baker and I are extremely proud to honor this team and present them with Senate citations celebrating their remarkable achievement. I ask that you join me in welcoming the State champion Wyoming Valley West Spartans to the Pennsylvania Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Baker and Senator Yudichak please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHAEL R. REGAN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator REGAN. Mr. President, I am proud to be joined today by an American Government and Citizenship class from Red Land High School of the West Shore School District. They are joined by their teacher, Mr. Jevon Ford, who is not only a great teacher but he is a member of the Cumberland Valley School District School Board. He brings his students to the Capitol every year and they get to mingle with the people in the Capitol. They have an inquisitive nature about government and the things we do here, and it is always such a great pleasure to have them with us. I ask my colleagues to join me in giving Mr. Ford and these young Patriots from Red Land our customary warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Regan please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR SHARIF T. STREET PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to introduce and welcome to our Chamber my guest Chaplain, Pastor Darnell Deans. In addition to being a pastor at Venango, Pastor Deans has served and worked in the Third Senatorial District office for 23 years. He has served with distinction, rising up from constituent services representative all the way up to the lofty ranks of director of constituent services. Having served my predecessor, Senator Kitchen, for the entirety of her 20 years in office, he then agreed to stay on and work with me for 3 years. Pastor Deans has now decided to retire so he can pursue the ministry full time, but we thank him for serving as our Chaplain today and for his 23 years of service to the Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guest of Senator Street please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

JOURNALS APPROVED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Journals of the Sessions of October 22, 2019; October 23, 2019; and October 28, 2019, are now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journals of the Sessions of October 22, 2019; October 23, 2019; and October 28, 2019,

when, on motion of Senator CORMAN, and agreed to by voice vote, further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

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

The SECRETARY. Permission has been granted for the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to meet today off the floor to consider Senate Bill No. 500 and Senate Bill No. 501 in the Rules room.

RECESS

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I request a brief recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I ask that all Senate Democrats meet around the podium for a very brief caucus.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

RECESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. 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 immediately in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

CALENDAR

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 153, ADOPTED

Senator CORMAN, without objection, called up from page 9 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 153**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to ratify the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement on Trade.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from York, Senator Phillips-Hill.

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 153. This week, and seemingly almost every week, we see partisan gridlock at our nation's Capitol. However, out of all the news coming out of Washington, D.C., this week it appears a bipartisan deal has been reached on the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement, otherwise known as USMCA. Earlier this year I met with Vice President Mike Pence in York County, where he advocated for the passage of USMCA. Canada is our nation's largest export market at \$320 billion a year. While the United States is Canada's largest export market at \$308 billion as of 2017, this trade supports 9 million jobs in the United States and 2.1 million jobs in Canada. In fact, Canada and Mexico are the first-ranked and third-ranked markets, respectively, for agricultural exports from the United States of an estimated \$20.6 billion sent to Canada and \$18.6 billion sent to Mexico, up from \$8.7 billion in 1992, the year that NAFTA was signed. The USMCA makes a number of significant upgrades to NAFTA's environmental and labor provisions. It incorporates them into the core of the agreement and makes them fully enforceable, which will help level the playing field for U.S. workers and businesses. It will also dramatically enhance intellectual property protections, which drive innovation and economic growth.

Passage of this resolution today tells our counterparts in Washington, D.C., that we support their bipartisan consensus to protect American jobs and move our trade agreement with our neighbors into the 21st century.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

YEA-49

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
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	

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The resolution is adopted.

CALENDAR OVER IN ORDER

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that all remaining bills and resolution on today's Calendar go over without prejudice as to day.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 500 (Pr. No. 1433) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, providing for County Adult Probation and Parole Advisory Committee, for county probation officers' firearm education and training, for justice reinvestment grants, phase 2, for continuing county probation and parole grants and for county intermediate punishment funding.

SB 501 (Pr. No. 1434) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial boards and commissions, providing for commission, for composition of commission and for powers and duties of commission, for adoption of guidelines for sentencing, for adoption of guidelines for county intermediate punishment, for adoption of guidelines for State intermediate punishment and for adoption of risk assessment instrument; in judgments and other liens, further providing for personal earnings exempt from process; in sentencing, further providing for sentences for offenses against infant persons, for sentencing generally, for collection of restitution, reparation, fees, costs, fines and penalties, for payments of court costs, restitution and fines, for order of probation, for sentence of partial confinement, for sentence of total confinement, for sentence of county intermediate punishment, for information required upon commitment and subsequent disposition, for modification or revocation of order of probation, for court-imposed sanctions for offenders violating probation, for modification or revocation of county intermediate punishment sentence and for revocation of State intermediate punishment sentence; in county intermediate punishment, further providing for county intermediate punishment programs and for continued eligibility; in motivational boot camp, further providing for definitions, for selection of inmate participants and for motivational boot camp program; in State intermediate punishment, further providing for scope of chapter, for definitions, for referral to State intermediate punishment program, for drug offender treatment program and for reports; in recidivism risk reduction incentive, further providing for definitions, for sentencing, for evaluation and for reports; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for confidentiality of victim information; in Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, further providing for definitions, for general powers of board, for probation services, for parole power, providing for short sentence parole and for reentry supervision, further providing for violation of terms of parole, for parole procedure and for victim statements, testimony and participation in hearing and providing for parolee homicide review; in county probation officers' firearm education and training, further providing for County Probation Officers' Firearm Education and Training Commission and for commission membership; making conforming amendments; and making a related repeal.

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

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 500 (Pr. No. 1433) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, providing for County Adult Probation and Parole Advisory Committee, for county probation officers' firearm education and training, for justice reinvestment grants, phase 2, for continuing county probation and parole grants and for county intermediate punishment funding.

On the question,
Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 500?

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 500.

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

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

YEA-49

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
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	

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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 501 (Pr. No. 1434) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial boards and commissions, providing for commission, for composition of commission and for powers and duties of commission, for adoption of guidelines for sentencing, for adoption of guidelines for county intermediate punishment, for adoption of guidelines for State intermediate punishment and for adoption of risk assessment instrument; in judgments and other liens, further providing for personal earnings exempt from process; in sentencing, further providing for sentences for offenses against infant persons, for sentencing generally, for collection of restitution, reparation, fees, costs, fines and penalties, for payments of court costs, restitution and fines, for order of probation, for sentence of partial confinement, for sentence of total confinement, for sentence of county intermediate punishment, for information required upon commitment and subsequent disposition, for modification or revocation of order of probation, for court-imposed sanctions for offenders violating probation, for modification or revocation of county intermediate punishment sentence and for revocation of State intermediate punishment sentence; in county intermediate punishment, further providing for county intermediate punishment programs and for continued eligibility; in motivational boot camp, further providing for definitions, for selection of inmate participants and for motivational boot camp program; in State intermediate punishment, further providing for scope of

chapter, for definitions, for referral to State intermediate punishment program, for drug offender treatment program and for reports; in recidivism risk reduction incentive, further providing for definitions, for sentencing, for evaluation and for reports; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for confidentially of victim information; in Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, further providing for definitions, for general powers of board, for probation services, for parole power, providing for short sentence parole and for reentry supervision, further providing for violation of terms of parole, for parole procedure and for victim statements, testimony and participation in hearing and providing for parolee homicide review; in county probation officers' firearm education and training, further providing for County Probation Officers' Firearm Education and Training Commission and for commission membership; making conforming amendments; and making a related repeal.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 501?

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 501.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, is it appropriate to begin the process of interrogation of the maker of the bill?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Anthony Williams requests interrogation of the maker of the bill. Will the maker of the bill stand for interrogation? The Senator does so indicate he will stand for interrogation. The gentleman from Philadelphia may proceed.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, you do a fabulous job as a part-time employee. I want you to know that.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Thank you very much.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, the issue for me is that, for those of us who are struggling with supporting the bill, a large part of this, it is a really tremendous gift to Pennsylvanians, especially those of us who have worked on these issues of reform for a long time. So I want you the Members to understand that, and I want those watching to understand that. That said, the bill was amended in the House and it introduced a portion that deals with mandatory minimums. So the first obvious question is, does the maker of the bill support mandatory minimums?

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, as the gentleman has said, we know what the intent of this bill is, it is to streamline the parole process for nonviolent offenders and help people to get into drug treatment programs. As was mentioned, it was amended in the House to provide a minimum mandatory, but that minimum mandatory deals with child sexual offenders, and the minimum mandatory is actually less than what the current courts are sentencing at 11 years. So, it is actually less than that, and because of that I do not oppose that amendment because it does not affect the underlying intent of the bill which would result in, over the next 5 years, up to 600 inmates being released from prison, at a savings of \$45 million. There is no fiscal impact of that, and it deals with child sexual offenders. Although the bill, we are moving away from minimum mandatories, that minimum mandatory I am not opposed to.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I appreciate that, but as I read this, certainly those of us who would have concerns about mandatory minimums would be supportive of directing it toward sexual predators. But as I read the amendment, it does not only deal with sexual predators, it deals with murder, aggravated assault, rape, and several other categories. Is that accurate, Mr. President?

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, all those are charges against children. Those crimes you have mentioned are against children in the amendment, but now are part of the bill.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, for the benefit of those listening, is it not also true though that while it is a charge that begins the process, in fact, it ends up affecting the adult population as well?

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, could you repeat the question?

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, the victim may be, in fact, a minor, but under many of these charges, and we can go into some of those, it will trigger an adult charge. You are a minor and you will be charged as an adult. There are no mandatory minimums for a 16-year-old charged with murder, robbery, or aggravated assault. There cannot be.

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, as I said, the intent of the bill was cost savings. We do not necessarily support minimum mandatories, but it is all part of negotiations. The House put this in. It does not affect the real crux of the bill, and that is the savings that will occur by getting folks out who should not be in jail, nonviolent offenders. The House apparently felt that they needed to make a statement about adults who offend against children and they put the amendment in, it was part of the process, it is in the bill. I encourage the Members to vote for the bill so we can get it to the Governor's desk and realize these savings that I just talked about, close to \$45 million that we can put into programs helping those who have offended and get back into society.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, for the benefit of time, I would appreciate just directing the answers at the questions that are asked. I did not ask about the fiscal impact, I did not ask about the sexual predator part. What I specifically asked was a question that was not answered, and that was, it was framed as a consequence to children, sexual predators specifically. We are now clear to beyond just those who are sexual predators and we outlined those charges. You agreed to that. Now I am asking a secondary question; that is, does that process trigger an adult charge, potentially, in terms of this amendment?

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, my understanding is it would trigger an adult charge if that adult committed any of those offenses against a child.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, my apologies. I did not hear the last part of the answer. I am sorry.

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, my understanding of the amendment that was added to the bill is that those additional charges that you mentioned, murder, et cetera, are charges that could be applied to an adult when committed against a child.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, so you do not understand it that a minor at the age--

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, I am hearing that maybe you are asking if a minor commits the crime?

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, if a juvenile commits a crime that you are classifying in this category, in order to have the mandatory applied, they will be charged as an adult.

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, that is a decision that is made by prosecutors every day when they look at crimes that are egregious and they charge juveniles as adults. That happens every single day, and that is nothing different with this other than, as I mentioned earlier, a minimum mandatory which, in fact, in most of the cases is actually less than what current courts are giving out now, so it is actually below that. So, again, it was a process of negotiation. It was not in the bill that we passed unanimously and sent over to the House. They amended it. Our goal is to get this on the Governor's desk and realize the savings and continue the process that was started under Senator Greenleaf of reforming our criminal justice system.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, and mine is to make sure people know what they are voting for and what people are receiving. You mentioned the word "egregious." A 16-year-old playing in a football game gets into a fight on the field. He picks up a helmet, he hits the other juvenile with the helmet. In Pennsylvania, he can be, and has been, charged with aggravated assault. Aggravated assault is one of these areas that the mandatory minimums would be applied to. Is it your intention for a 16-year-old in the throes of emotion, takes his helmet, slams it into another child, and I guess under your words, egregious, should be charged as an adult and then find himself in front of a judge using the requirement of the mandatory minimums?

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, the bill, as amended, does not trigger an automatic charge as an adult. Again, it would be up to the prosecutor and them looking at the situation if it was egregious enough to charge that juvenile as an adult. The bill does not mandate that. The bill simply says that there is a mandatory minimum if, in fact, the prosecutor decides to prosecute them as an adult. It is not required.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Well, Mr. President, it is never required. As a matter of fact, in Pennsylvania, nothing is required. A DA could never charge anybody if they choose to. You could shoot somebody in cold blood in the middle of Broad Street in Philadelphia, as it has been said by somebody else in higher office, and not be charged because the DA chooses not to prosecute you. So, we are clear about that. The question is, if the DA chooses to use that and charge, that 16-year-old would then be triggered to be charged and the consequence would be an adult for the mandatory minimum.

Senator KILLION. Mr. President, I believe I have answered the question. It is a decision that is made by the prosecutor. It is not mandated in the bill. Again, the purpose of the underlying bill is to realize \$45 million in savings and get folks out of our jails who do not need to be in our jails, to get people with drug addiction problems in treatment. This is part of the negotiations. I hope that my Members vote "yes." Thank you.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I take that as a "yes."

The other part I would ask is the example of rape, which is an egregious crime. A 20-year-old in college dates a 16-year-old senior in high school, has consensual sex, and under this particular mandate, that 20-year-old could, I guess, if the prosecutor chooses to--

POINT OF ORDER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman to state his point.

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, I do not mean to interrupt, it is an important point. I want to let him know that I think Senator Killion has decided to end interrogation. He is certainly more than welcome to speak to the bill as he so chooses, but I want to make sure he knew the interrogation has concluded.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator points out that the interrogation has ended, and the Senator is free to speak on the bill.

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I kind of figured it had ended when he left the mic in that regard. So, I will speak on it.

I will tell you that I have spent a lot of years here in public service hoping for a moment where those of us who consider ourselves Democrat or Republican, conservative, moderate, or progressive could join around issues reforming a system that has long been outdated and, frankly, oppressive in that regard. I think that this particular bill does go a long way in regard to that. That said, the conversation around negotiations become significant in this building and should become more significant in public arenas. Increasingly, the public is concerned about what those negotiations are, what we will compromise away, and what we will deal away. In this case of mandatory minimums, a bridge we have long crossed and discovered is, whether you are a conservative, or a moderate, or a progressive, we have long discovered that mandatory minimums, and I was in the Special Session when we had it under a Governor whom I particularly enjoyed working with, Tom Ridge, we discovered that they did not work, and, in fact, turned back the clock and hurt a lot of people. So, we as a Commonwealth, collectively, decided to move forward and remove that oppressive process from how we operate in Pennsylvania. While I appreciate the manner in which the gentleman described this is targeted toward a certain population of sexual offenders, it is not. It is unfortunate that we are representing it as such, but it is inappropriate to represent that it is limited in that regard. It is not in that regard and should not be represented as such. It is a series of charges that quote, unquote, as my colleagues said that a potential DA can use, but more importantly, as a potential person could use.

The example I was getting ready to outline is that of a 20-year-old in college who has a girlfriend who is 16 in high school, a senior getting ready to graduate, they are in the throes of love, which we would describe as puppy love, but, nonetheless, they decide to have a consensual relationship. The parent of that child, son or daughter, or vice-versa, is not happy about that relationship and quote, unquote, knows that DA in that town. It should not shock anybody in this General Assembly, or in this Senate, or anybody watching us that that parent may know somebody in a position of authority and power and decide to charge that young person, of which they would have to defend themselves and if found guilty, they will, for a long time, be described as a sexual predator. It is not the intent of us to do harm to the innocent by doing good to the many. The mandatory minimums that are amended into this bill, which was not introduced by the original author of the bill, is a deterrent to those of us who would support the overwhelming majority of issues in this bill. It is simply insulting to suggest though that it is narrow in scope and, therefore, has no consequence. I believe others on my side of the aisle will testify to that or speak to that as an issue. So, for those reasons, unfortunately, Mr. President, I have to stand in opposition to this bill and ask the Members to vote "no."

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator CORMAN. Mr. President, first of all, not to make light of this very serious subject, because the Senator brings up very important issues, I want the body to know I am for a mandatory minimum for any Cleveland Browns defensive end who would swing a helmet at a Pittsburgh Steelers quarterback.

But in all seriousness, because it is a very serious subject, everything in this building is done in negotiations. Negotiation means you give a little, you get a little. We have done great bipartisan work in this Chamber for years now in working on justice reinvestment. Senator Greenleaf, a former Senator from Montgomery County, really began that charge for us all and educated us all in the importance. I think we have made great strides in that area to the point where in the late 2000s, our prisons were growing 1,500 new prisoners a year, which essentially is building a new prison every year. I think our collective correctional approach was a failure. Now we are at least at a point of flat growth in our correctional institutions. I would still like it to get better, continue to improve upon that, but we have made great strides from sort of the lock-them-up-and-throw-away-the-key attitude that we had back in the 1990s.

This bill was an important bill. We liked it the way it was. It was voted out of here near unanimously. Our friends on the other side of the Capitol like mandatory minimums in a lot of areas. When they put this in, you have to make a decision, is this enough to kill the bill, or is there enough good in this bill to accept this amendment, which is an important amendment that does fly into the face of some of the things we have been fighting for here. But when you look at its practicality, again, with the fact that in those particular cases, judges are sentencing without mandatory minimums at a much higher rate than what the mandatory minimum is, I think it is something that you agree to get the greater good done. I share the concerns of the gentleman from Philadelphia. I think a lot of us do. But in the greater scheme of things, we think this bill, as is, is worth passing.

So, with all of that together, and understanding the negotiations of the building, and the Governor is willing to sign it, we think it is worth getting completed here today, notwithstanding the gentleman's very legitimate concerns.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to express concerns about the bill, as amended. One, I concur with the Majority Leader, we have done a lot of good things in the space of criminal justice reform in this Chamber, and certainly the bill as originally crafted was a piece of legislation that I wholeheartedly supported. But there are changes in addition to those changes that my colleagues have already talked about around mandatory minimums. There are changes around increasing the number of folks who would be subject to supervision after leaving prison that are disturbing. Pennsylvania is known for having more folks per capita under supervision than quite possibly any State in the country. Moreover, the use of technical violations because of extended periods of supervision in Pennsylvania has been cited by both conservative organizations, like Americans for Prosperity, and more progressive organizations, like the American Civil

Liberties Union, as one of the factors that is most problematic in our reducing the costs associated with our prison population.

The reality is that the provisions of extending a year of government mandated supervision for all parties who are given a sentence of 4 years or more is unnecessary. It stacks additional supervision on top of what judges have already required without regard to what judges have required, and it further exacerbates the situation. Moreover, estimates from the Department of Corrections are that there are an additional \$6 million a year in costs associated with that provision alone. So in addition to all of the problems of the mandatory minimums, there is an additional problem that it runs counter to our reducing our costs in that the provisions of extending supervision will make it more likely that people will be subject to technical violations, more likely that people will be returned to incarceration, more costly as we have to monitor those folks, and it is completely unnecessary.

So with those provisions, Mr. President, I have to urge a "no" vote on this bill, and regretfully so, given the fact that what this Chamber originally passed was really one of our finest moments of bipartisanship and moving the Commonwealth forward in a collective way.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise to concur in particular to the comments of my colleagues from Philadelphia, both Senator Anthony Williams and Senator Street. I think they articulated, and Senator Corman as well, the good work that we have done in this Chamber in terms of advancing many of these measures.

It was referenced earlier about supporting mandatory minimums, and the indication I got from the other side of the aisle was that they do not necessarily support them. While we allowed the House on that side to be able to bring that conversation into this side of the building, I do not necessarily agree that that is something we should simply be doing just because they put it in the bill, and, more importantly, the Governor has agreed to sign it.

As I understand it, Senate Bill No. 501 is part of a package of bills: Senate Bill No. 500, that we just passed, but also we are still waiting for Senate Bill No. 502 that this Chamber passed I believe probably unanimously, or near unanimously, over to the House, and we are waiting for that bill to come forward, back to us after being passed there. That is what is going to complete the process with respect to the goal we are trying to achieve with the various bills that were put together as part of this package. My suggestion is, and I go back to looking at the role that mandatory minimums have played in this Chamber. It was referenced earlier the good work that Senator Greenleaf did in that space, and I served with Senator Greenleaf for about 8 years as chairman of the Committee on Judiciary for the Democrats. I will tell you, just about every single measure that came over from the House to the Committee on Judiciary, we, in a bipartisan way, working together, stripped those measures out of the measures that came to this Senate floor, and we did not deal with those things. More importantly, the work done by our Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, they indicated to us a few years back that they simply do not work and they should not be part of our sentencing structure along those lines.

So, I am not quite sure why it is that we feel the need today to advance these measures, given that Senate Bill No. 502 is still

not there and that we have not completed the process with all of those. To that end, Mr. President, I respectfully move that we table this measure for today and allow it the opportunity to have further conversations and further discussions as it relates to being able to manage a more appropriate way in which we can address the significant concerns that have been raised by my colleagues, particularly my colleagues from Philadelphia.

While there are many measures that are very important in part of this whole process and is indicative of the good work that we tried to do here when this measure passed unanimously many months ago, when Senate Bill No. 501 passed here. It has been changed considerably, and we should not be adopting those changes simply because the House sent them to us without having further conversations about how we can mitigate some of the harm and some of the damages that could occur, given some of the statements that my colleagues have made and some of the examples that they have provided.

MOTION TO TABLE SB 501

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, so, to that end, I respectfully ask that we table this measure until a later point in time when we have an opportunity to discuss and figure out how we can mitigate some of the concerns that were raised.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Costa has moved to table Senate Bill No. 501. The motion to table is nondebatable.

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

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

YEA-21

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

NAY-28

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	Yudichak

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 motion to concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 501?

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I have the benefit of having the luxury of serving in this great body under the leadership of

former Governor Tom Ridge. In his leadership in the Commonwealth he provided and asked for, and this body, the General Assembly, granted him a Special Session on crime and how to address criminal justice matters in that time period. I can tell you, Mr. President, that the explosion in our criminal justice system, both in terms of the number of individuals who are incarcerated and the amount of money that has been spent over the decades, the past several decades, largely comes, is largely driven out of that period, that Special Session on crime.

Many of us, those who spoke on the floor at that time, were very clear in our opposition that the ideas that were being advanced would not help, they would only hurt. We have come to find out 24 to 25 years later that the predictions that were made were true, and, in fact, in the last year or 2 we have begun a process to try to reverse, as I think the Leader has indicated, to reverse and change course on some of the decisions that were made during that time period. In fact, our former colleague, the former chair of the Committee on Judiciary, was very public about the mistakes that were made and, in fact, spent a significant portion of the last year or so of his tenure as a Senator traveling around the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania speaking to broad communities of all types - urban, rural, suburban - all corners of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and basically saying that the things that were done in the past were wrong, did not work, and, in fact, publicly apologized for those decisions, those votes, that direction that the State had taken.

I raise that, Mr. President, because the benefit is here in the history. Benefit is in having the luxury of remembering what was done, what was said, and in this particular bill on this particular matter, Mr. President, we all need to be reminded that the conversation about increased mandatory minimum sentences, three strikes and you are out, in that litany of language supported by a litany of legislation that became law, has led us to the point that we are in right now, a need to reverse the decisions that were made some 20-odd years ago. So, when the gentleman speaks about advancing mandatory minimum sentences, we need to be very thoughtful, Mr. President, even in the context of a piece of legislation that might have some good qualities to it, which we appreciate and we thank. But even in that context, we must always be mindful of, as we know in our language, the slippery slope. That we begin a process of repeating, going down the slippery slope that repeats the measures that were taken decades ago that have proven to be unsuccessful in addressing the issues of crime and, in fact, have proven to create an environment where criminal justice reform needs to flourish and has begun flourishing in a bipartisan fashion not just here in this building, but, in fact, believe it or not, even in Washington, D.C.

So, Mr. President, I raise that history just to make sure that folks are conscious of the fact that it was the whole idea of increasing mandatory minimum sentences, it was the whole idea of, as I said earlier, three strikes and you are out and punitive legislation like that that created the environment that we are in right now: exploding our corrections budget, exploding tremendous failures of justice for individuals all across the State of Pennsylvania, of all colors and from all communities. We need to be mindful that we not repeat the failures of the past and again go down that slippery slope, which we have publicly apologized for in the last couple of years; at least the gentleman who is no longer a Member of this body had done so when he was chair of the Committee on Judiciary.

Mr. President, I rise in opposition, but my opposition comes from having the benefit of a history that saw what was done to create the moment that we are in right now. While we try to work hard to retreat from that, we need to be very careful that we do not upend that retreat and start back down the path of some very negative consequences for this State and for the individuals who seek justice on a daily basis.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

YEA-38

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

NAY-11

Costa	Hughes	Muth	Williams, Anthony H.
Farnese	Kearney	Street	Williams, Lindsey
Haywood	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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

**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:

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BEAVER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Beaver County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Deborah A. Kunselman, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUCKS COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Bucks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BUTLER COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Butler County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Marilyn J. Horan, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable James P. MacElree II, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Phyllis R. Streitel, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Anthony A. Sarcione, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CUMBERLAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Cumberland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Merle L. Ebert, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Chad F. Kenney, Media, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice James F. Nilon, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Nathaniel C. Nichols, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DELAWARE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Delaware County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Christine Fizzano Cannon, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ERIE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Erie County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable John Garhart, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ERIE COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Erie County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Robert A. Sambroak, Jr., deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LANCASTER COUNTY

December 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 July 26, 2019, and corrected on July 30, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jay J. Hoberg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MERCER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Mercer County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Christopher J. St. John, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MERCER COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Mercer County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Thomas R. Dobson, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice addition to complement.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
MONTGOMERY COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Montgomery County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Rhonda Lee Daniele, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Northampton County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Emil Giordano, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Paul P. Panepinto, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Angeles Roca, removed from office.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Maria McLaughlin, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Patricia McInerney, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Marisa G.Z. Lehr, Esquire, 8 Nicholson Court, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Ellen Ceisler, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Carolyn H. Nichols, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Kate Ford Elliott, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
WESTMORELAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Westmoreland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Richard E. McCormick, Jr., resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
WESTMORELAND COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Westmoreland County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Anthony G. Marsili, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
YORK COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, York County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable John S. Kennedy, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Dawn A. Segal, removed from office.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

TREASURER, MCKEAN COUNTY

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Treasurer, in and for the County of McKean, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice Mary Jo Sherwood, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-25, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Mary P. Murray, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harris-

burg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Beaver, Magisterial District 36-1-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Andrew M. Hladio, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Joanne V. Kline, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-11, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Michael J. Burns, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Chester, Magisterial District 15-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Theodore P. Michaels, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Delaware, Magisterial District 32-2-39, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable C. Walter McCray III, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lancaster, Magisterial District 02-2-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Janice Jimenez, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lancaster, Magisterial District 02-3-09, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jayne Duncan, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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

August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lehigh, Magisterial District 31-1-07, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Robert C. Halal, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lycoming, Magisterial District 29-1-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Allen P. Page III, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Union, Magisterial District 17-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Leo S. Armbruster, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Washington, Magisterial District 27-3-05, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Jay H. Weller, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

December 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 August 16, 2019, of Stephen A. Latanishen, 115 North Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Westmoreland, Magisterial District 10-1-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2020, vice the Honorable Joseph A. Dalfonso, 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 pro tempore. 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, John Letizia, 140 Garnet Street, Johnstown 15909, 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 MILK MARKETING BOARD

October 15, 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, James Van Blarcom, 934 Besley Road, Columbia Cross Roads 16914, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Milk Marketing Board, to serve until May 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COMMONWEALTH COURT
OF PENNSYLVANIA

November 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, J. Andrew Crompton, Esquire, 71 Tavern House Hill, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Robert Simpson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

November 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, Bruce R. Beemer, Esquire, 4 Commons Drive, Bradford Woods 15015, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Kathleen A. Durkin, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, Cateria McCabe, Esquire, 1604 Woodbrook Lane, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Rosalyn K. Robinson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, John R. Padova, Jr., Esquire, 1901 Walnut Street, Unit 2E, Philadelphia 19103, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable M. Teresa Sarmina, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, Daniel Sulman, Esquire, 509 W. Mount Pleasant Avenue, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Amanda Cooperman, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

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

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

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, John Letizia, 140 Garnet Street, Johnstown 15909, 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 MILK MARKETING BOARD

October 15, 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, James Van Blarcom, 934 Besley Road, Columbia Cross Roads 16914, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Milk Marketing Board, to serve until May 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

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

YEA-49

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
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 Governor be informed accordingly.

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I call from the table a certain nomination and ask for its consideration.

The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

JUDGE, COMMONWEALTH COURT
OF PENNSYLVANIA

November 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, J. Andrew Crompton, Esquire, 71 Tavern House Hill, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Robert Simpson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

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

YEA-42

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

NAY-7

Brewster	Farnese	Kearney	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Iovino	Muth	

A constitutional two-thirds majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Brooks.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Aument requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Brooks. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I call from the table a certain nomination and ask for its consideration.
The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

November 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, Bruce R. Beemer, Esquire, 4 Commons Drive, Bradford Woods 15015, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Kathleen A. Durkin, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

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

YEA-49

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
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 two-thirds majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.
Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I call from the table certain nominations and ask for their consideration.
The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, Cateria McCabe, Esquire, 1604 Woodbrook Lane, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Rosalyn K. Robinson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, John R. Padova, Jr., Esquire, 1901 Walnut Street, Unit 2E, Philadelphia 19103, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable M. Teresa Sarmina, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

November 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, Daniel Sulman, Esquire, 509 W. Mount Pleasant Avenue, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Amanda Cooperman, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

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

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

YEA-45

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

NAY-4

Brooks	Gordner	Hutchinson	Ward, Judy
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A constitutional two-thirds majority of all the Senators having voted "aye," the question was determined in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators FARNESE, KEARNEY, BLAKE, BROWNE, STREET, HUGHES, FONTANA, COSTA, BREWSTER, SCHWANK, BARTOLOTTA, IOVINO, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK and MUTH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 275**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of November 17 through 22, 2019, as "Pennsylvania Education for Students Experiencing Homelessness Awareness Week" and November 22, 2019, as "Red Shirt Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator FARNESE. Mr. President, I offer my remarks for the record.

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

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

Mr. President, I rise to ask my colleagues to adopt the resolution that I am offering. The resolution designates November 17 through 22, 2019, as "Pennsylvania Education for Students Experiencing Homelessness Awareness Week," and November 22, 2019, as "Red Shirt Day" in Pennsylvania.

This year, the number of homeless students in Pennsylvania increased by 22 percent. In this same year, General Assistance was eliminated, and I shudder to think what the increase in homelessness may be next year.

So, today, we gather to shed light on this issue of students struggling with the basic necessities of daily life - food, a place to wash their clothes, and a safe place to sleep. We ask that the members of our communities be aware of those kids who may be struggling and remember that homelessness does not necessarily mean living on the streets. It can be that child who always seems to want to spend the night with friends, the family who has recently lost work and has moved to a motel, the LGBTQ youth who has come out and now has nowhere to go. We as a community come together today to wear red as a symbol of our willingness to help, to say to any youth that is struggling that they are valued and that we are here to help.

I want to thank Representative Donna Bullock for partnering with me to introduce a companion resolution in the House and hosting a press conference to discuss the issue of student homelessness yesterday. We heard some inspiring stories of students overcoming great odds. Many times it was thanks to a caring teacher or family member. On that note, I would like to thank Sonia Pitzzi, director of education for children and youth experiencing homelessness at Lincoln Intermediate Unit 12 in York County, for speaking at yesterday's press conference for everything she does to keep kids in school and in safe places.

I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote. Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

Senators BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, MARTIN, BROWNE, COSTA and KILLION, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 276**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of November 2019 as "Construction Cares Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, as a citizen of the Commonwealth, we all rely on the construction industry for the homes we live in, the highways on which we drive, the hospitals

that care for us, and schools that educate our children. The impact of construction is all around us. There are nearly 300,000 construction professionals in Pennsylvania, they are a group of dedicated, hardworking men and women who are instrumental in building and maintaining our infrastructure while improving our quality of life. However, this industry represents much more than building job sites. The people who work in our construction industry care about the communities in which they live. These individuals volunteer their time to coach our children in sports, mentor the next generation through great initiatives like Junior Achievement, and so much more. Construction professionals offer their expertise and time to organizations such as Rebuilding Together and Habitat for Humanity, as well as working on churches and community centers. Hundreds of charities and organizations in Pennsylvania rely on the good will of the construction industry to operate.

In an effort to pay tribute to all the philanthropic work the construction industry performs in our communities across the Commonwealth, I sponsor this resolution recognizing November 2019 as "Construction Cares Month" in Pennsylvania. I ask my colleagues to join me in acknowledging the generosity and good will of this wonderful industry.

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 MENSCH, GORDNER, BROWNE, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARLOTTA, FARNESE, SCHWANK, FONTANA, COLLETT, IOVINO, DINNIMAN, J. WARD, LANGERHOLC, ARGALL, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, YAW, PITTMAN, COSTA, MASTRIANO, SABATINA, YUDICHAK, TARTAGLIONE, BAKER, KILLION and HUTCHINSON, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 277**, entitled:

A Resolution honoring the Special Olympics Pennsylvania on the 50th anniversary of its founding.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, the Special Olympics Pennsylvania is a special organization committed to providing opportunities for individuals with intellectual disabilities. These opportunities include developing physical fitness, demonstrating courage, experiencing joy, and participating in the sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympic athletes, and their community. Founded in May 1970, Special Olympics Pennsylvania recently kicked off its year-long series of 50th anniversary celebrations with a fall festival. The organization's first official Pennsylvania event was a small track and field competition at West Chester University and it hosted 135 brave athletes. Today's Special Olympics Pennsylvania trains nearly 20,000 athletes who compete annually in the 21 Olympic-type sports at over 300 local, sectional, and State level competitions. Throughout its 50-year history, this organization

has used the power of sports, education, and leadership programs to transform the lives of people with intellectual disabilities.

Therefore, I ask that we join the staff, athletes, and volunteers of Special Olympics Pennsylvania in celebrating their 50th anniversary on its founding.

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 MARTIN, CORMAN, BROWNE, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL, BAKER, BARLOTTA, J. WARD, DINNIMAN, FONTANA, KILLION and PITTMAN, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 278**, entitled:

A Resolution congratulating The Pennsylvania State University wrestling team on its eighth National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Wrestling Championship in the past nine years.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I offer this resolution to honor and congratulate the Pennsylvania State University 2019 wrestling team on its eighth NCAA Division I National Wrestling Team Championship in the past 9 years and their ninth championship overall. This is the fourth consecutive national title for the team under the leadership of head coach Cael Sanderson, who has coached 23 national champions, including repeat champions since the start of his tenure. Coach Sanderson was also the recipient of the 2019 Big Ten Coach of the Year award. A number of Penn State wrestlers earned prestigious awards, including four time All-Americans Jason Nolf and Bo Nickal, who each won their third consecutive NCAA wrestling titles, making them the third and fourth three-time champions in the school's history and co-recipients of the Big Ten Wrestler of the Year award. Nolf set a school record of 60 pins, while Nickal went on to receive several other top wrestling awards, including the 2019 Hodge Award as the top collegiate wrestler in the country.

Another dominant wrestler was All-American Anthony Cassar, who impressed everyone when he moved up to the heavyweight division at the beginning of the season and ended up winning the national championship. Wrestlers Vincenzo Joseph and Mark Hall, both three time All-Americans, ended up placing second in their respective divisions and joined the seven total All-Americans on a team that was awarded the NCAA Public Recognition Award for posting elite scores in the academic progress-rate compilation for the fifth consecutive year.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating and congratulating these young men on their outstanding efforts, both on the mat and in the classroom, and wish them good luck as they enter into the 2020 season.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcement was read by the Secretary of the Senate:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020

9:00 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (briefing on the Chesapeake Bay)	PA Farm Show 2300 Cameron St., Harrisburg
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PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, long before becoming chair of the Committee on Judiciary earlier this year, I received valuable insight into the significance of our courts and the qualities of highly regarded jurists. First, when I was working for Senator Bob Jubelirer, whose father was an outstanding judge in Blair County; my time serving with Senator Charles Lemmond, who served on the Luzerne County bench before becoming a respected State Senator; and working extensively over the years with some of the finest judges during the reform push to fix juvenile justice after the fallout from the Kids for Cash scandal. So, I have been fortunate to gain extensive understanding into the qualifications and capabilities of judges. So, it is through this lens and experience that I supported, earlier today, the confirmation of Drew Crompton. There was probably no other Member in this Caucus who has gone back and forth with Drew on provisions or implications of major legislation than I have. While we may have a disagreement from time to time, I can tell you that I have never doubted his qualifications, his credentials, or his integrity. I have respected his legal skills, his strength of argument, his ability to assist us in creating solutions, and his commitment in all of those years for responsible public service.

There is no better way for his record than for us to examine it. We did that earlier today in the hearing of the Committee on Judiciary, where he offered remarks, was asked questions, and did so all on the record, and answered them very, very well. He received a vote of favorable recommendation from the committee. We have seen Drew's capabilities as practiced and demonstrated over 26 years. This is not the case when we have to look at credentials on a piece of paper and make educated guesses or reviews of someone's ability or ethics. These have been proven during Drew Crompton's service. That is why it is so disappointing for me to see innuendo carelessly thrown around about an effort to block his confirmation, which was not successful. We have a good, solid, extensive, factual record on which all of us based our vote. In my view, Drew was nominated to the one court where his knowledge, skills, and experience are readily transferable. As one of Pennsylvania's two intermediate appellate courts, it hears appeals and final orders of State agencies and cases from courts of common pleas on public sector legal questions and regulations. So, I believe his knowledge and skills fit that the best.

One of the most important roles played by the Commonwealth Court is determining how legislative intent fits with the dispute before the court. Drew, in my judgment, has earned a doctorate in legislative construction, and he has defended his work during litigation that has become an inevitable last step in the legislative process. The perspective that Drew Crompton brings will strengthen the court, not diminish it. We must also consider the high standards held by judges he will be joining. The idea that he would take the oath and immediately sway judges to his point of view is an insult to their character and their deliberative ability. Every judge finds cases that challenge their long-held perceptions, and Drew will be no different on that score. His wealth of knowledge on which to draw to make necessary distinctions is unique.

I understand the concerns expressed by those who do not care for our method of filling judicial vacancies, but such an argument is not just applicable to one vacancy, or one nominee, or one administration. The quarrel is with the State Constitution and the traditions built and practiced by both parties for decades. Going back decades across administrations, governors have employed a screening process for evaluating potential nominees. Rejecting our nominee, Drew Crompton, would not have changed that process.

This is not the first instance where a senior legislative attorney has been elevated to a higher position. Consider the case of Gladys Brown Dutrieuille, who chairs the Public Utility Commission, where she has earned praise for intelligence, demeanor, even-handed performance. Why would we place so much trust and responsibility in the hands of valued members of our Senate team, valued members of our staff when they work for us, but then contend they are unqualified to do anything else? Such a contradiction makes absolutely no sense. The nomination and the confirmation process sifts through the prospects and provides us with individuals to consider. Drew Crompton is a talented, publicly spirited individual with credentials that align well to the position for which he was nominated and thus confirmed. I believe his potential is to make crucial, valuable, and significant contributions to the Commonwealth Court, and that is why I supported his confirmation earlier today.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Tartaglione, I submit comments for the record as it relates to the minimum wage for Petitions and Remonstrances. Thank you.

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

(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator COSTA on behalf of the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator TARTAGLIONE:)

Mr. President, today marks 4,910 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is more than 13 years, and it is far too long.

Four weeks ago, just before the Thanksgiving holiday, the Members of this Chamber voted overwhelmingly and with strong bipartisan support to adopt Senate Bill No. 79, legislation that would raise Pennsylvania's minimum wage by more than \$2. As I stated at that time, the version of the legislation that we adopted has many deficiencies. In my

view, it does not go far enough to ensure fair, family-sustaining wages for all Pennsylvanians. Yet, it was a welcome first step toward our goals and a shining example of the potential for true collaboration and compromise across the aisle within this distinguished body. More than that, Senate Bill No. 79 had the potential to deliver some much-needed financial relief to Pennsylvania's long-suffering low-wage workers just in time for the holidays. But certain forces within this venerable Capitol have contrived to undermine our noble efforts.

To say that the leadership of the House has been indifferent toward Senate Bill No. 79 would be a misnomer. Their silence on the bill speaks volumes about their commitment to fairness and to the working families of this Commonwealth. After all, it is not the moms and dads, the working teenagers, or the grandparents and senior citizens of Pennsylvania who oppose a \$9.50 minimum wage. It is not the labor community or even the many employers who already pay above that rate and who know that a healthy middle class is good for business and good for the economy. We know this because time after time, when researchers ask Pennsylvanians how they feel about raising the minimum wage, the answer is a resounding "yes." Therefore, those who refuse to acknowledge Senate Bill No. 79 or to allow a public hearing or a public debate on the issue are not engaged in the people's business. Rather, they speak for the special interests, the elite, those who measure prosperity by the success of the Fortune 500, and not the satisfaction of the multitudes.

Mr. President, in this, the season of giving, I encourage all Members of this General Assembly to remain ever mindful of the condition of low-wage Pennsylvanians and to redouble our efforts to ensure the financial security that they have worked so long and hard to earn.

Thank you, Mr. President.

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 750**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 500, SB 501 and SB 750.

RECESS

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, January 7, 2020, at 11:50 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 3:08 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.