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SENATE

WEDNESDAY, January 29, 2020

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Standard Time.

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend CRAIG GRIFFITH, Pastor of Open Door Baptist Church, Lebanon, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Our Father, we bow before You this day humbled by Your glory and greatness, thankful for the opportunity to be here. We are very mindful of the Senators who serve our great Commonwealth and the work they do in this room. I ask that not only today, but every day they are in Session, that You would grant to them great wisdom. You protect us, You guide us, to help us so that this Commonwealth may be everything that she ought to be, and that You might be glorified for their efforts.

We are especially mindful today of Senator Dave Arnold. We are grateful for his willingness to step up in an hour of need to be willing to run, to come here, and to serve. So, we ask especially that You would bless, encourage, and help him, not only this day but as he continues his duties as our Senator from the 48th Senatorial District. We know, Father, that we are human in flesh. We know that we can be pulled in different directions and sometimes even misguided, and I pray for protections on this body to that end. That they would seek clearly their duty each day. That they would have great understanding and tremendous courage to legislate well. Guide, bless, and help each one. We commit this day to You, we ask for Your blessing and help, and in all these things we pray in the name of the Lord Jesus. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Pastor Griffith, who is the guest today of Senator-elect Arnold.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

**RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS FROM
STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE**

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 27, 2020

TO: Senator Joe Scarnati
President Pro Tempore

FROM: Senator JAKE CORMAN
Senate Majority Leader

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, I hereby acknowledge that President Pro Tempore, Joe Scarnati, will remove me from the Senate Education Committee effective Wednesday, January 29, 2020.

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 27, 2020

The Honorable Joseph B. Scarnati, III
Senate President Pro Tempore
Room 292, Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Senator Scarnati,

Please accept my resignation from the Senate Finance Committee effective Wednesday, January 29, 2020.
Thank you.

Sincerely,

JOHN M. DiSANTO

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 27, 2020

Honorable Joseph B. Scarnati, III, President Pro Tempore
Room 292 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear President Pro Tempore Scarnati:

I write to inform you that I will be resigning as a member of the Intergovernmental Operations Committee and the State Government Committee effective January 29, 2020.

Very truly yours,

JOHN R. GORDNER

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 29, 2020

The Honorable Joe Scarnati
President Pro Tempore
292 Main Capitol
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Senator Scarnati:

I hereby resign as a member of the Game and Fisheries Committee effective Wednesday, January 29, 2020.

Sincerely,

JOE PITTMAN
Senator, 41st District

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 968 (Pr. No. 1480) (Amended)

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in judicial boards and commissions, further providing for definitions and for publication of guidelines for sentencing, resentencing and parole, risk assessment instrument and recommitment ranges following revocation; in depositions and witnesses, further providing for confidential communications involving law enforcement officers and for confidential communications to peer support members; in juvenile matters, further providing for inspection of court files and records; in particular rights and immunities, further providing for immunity of State parole officers and for immunity of program administrators and supervisors; in post-trial matters, further providing for postconviction DNA testing; in sentencing, further providing for mandatory period of probation for certain sexual offenders, for disposition of persons found guilty but mentally ill, for information required upon commitment and subsequent disposition, for judicial power to release inmates, for transfer of inmates in need of medical treatment, for applicability, for registry, for initial registration, for duty to inform, for enforcement, for assessments, for administration, for global positioning system technology, for immunity for good faith conduct, for Pennsylvania State Police, for duties of probation and parole officials, for board, for annual performance audit, for applicability, for registration procedures and applicability, for assessments, for administration, for global positioning system technology, for immunity for good faith conduct, for duties of Pennsylvania State Police, for duties of Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, for board and for annual performance audit; in other criminal provisions, further providing for supervisory relationship to offenders; in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in general administration, providing for powers of peace officers; in community corrections centers and community corrections facilities, further providing for definitions, for department, for offenders who may be housed, for authority of Commonwealth employees, for authority of chairman and for escape and providing for certain offenders residing in group-based homes and for reporting; in Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, further providing for definitions, for operation of parole system generally, for Pennsylvania Parole Board, for board chairperson, for board action, for meetings and for offices, repealing provisions relating to district directors, to district office employees, to disciplinary action and to certain offenders residing in group-based homes, further providing for general powers of board and for specific powers of board involving parolees, repealing provisions relating to probation services, further providing for sentencing court to transmit records to board, for general criteria for parole by court, for right of access to inmates, for parole power, for violation of terms of parole, for parole procedure, for victim statements, testimony and participation in hearing, for general rules and special regulations and for early parole of inmates subject to Federal removal order and repealing provisions relating to definitions, to status as peace officers and to supervisory relationship to offenders; providing for supervision of offenders and for agents; in county probation officers' firearm education and training, further providing for definitions; in Interstate Compacts, further providing for Interstate Compact for the Supervision of Adult Offenders application fee, for deputization and for supervision of persons paroled by other states; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Corrections; providing for the transfer of functions, powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole and for appropriations for the Office of Victim Advocate; and making editorial changes.

SB 969 (Pr. No. 1463)

An Act amending the act of November 24, 1998 (P.L.882, No.111), known as the Crime Victims Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in crime victims, further providing for responsibilities of department, local correctional facilities and board; in administration, further providing for office and for powers and duties of victim advocate and providing for confidentiality of records; and, in financial matters, further providing for costs for offender supervision programs.

SB 976 (Pr. No. 1481) (Amended)

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.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

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

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

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

The PRESIDENT. Senator Gordner requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Brooks.

Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Anthony Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

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

JOURNALS APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journals of the Sessions of November 18, 2019, and November 19, 2019, are now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journals of the Sessions of November 18, 2019, and November 19, 2019.

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

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

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

YEA-47

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

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journals are approved.

GUESTS OF SENATOR RYAN P. AUMENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce our guest Pages for the day, Zeke and Cecily Stephens. Zeke is a 14-year-old student at Centerville Middle School in Lancaster. He plays the clarinet in the school marching band and is an exemplary leader in Scouts BSA. In 2019, he received a first-place award at the North Museum Science and Engineering Fair. Zeke is also a member of the 2019 championship team of the Lancaster-Lebanon Quiz Bowl League.

Cecily, Zeke's younger sister, is 11 years old and a student at Rohrerstown Elementary School in Lancaster. She plays the French horn and is a model leader in Scouts BSA as well. Cecily serves her fellow students in the important role of school safety patrol. She enjoys art and creative writing.

Please join me in giving Zeke and Cecily a warm welcome to the Senate.

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

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, today it is my pleasure to introduce a family from the district, Alan and Deborah Schadler, and they are here with their three grandchildren, Aubrie Elizabeth, Cody, and Addison. Mr. Schadler completed and earned an undergraduate degree from East Stroudsburg University, a master's degree at Duquesne University, and a doctorate at Lehigh University - you will note, all three Pennsylvania schools. Alan is retired after 25 years with Conrail, and he spent an additional 7 years with the Temple University system.

Mrs. Schadler has completed and earned an undergraduate degree from Duquesne University, a master's degree at Lehigh University, and a doctorate at Kennedy-Western University. Deborah is currently a professor at Gwynedd Mercy University, where she has taught for over 20 years. Alan and Deborah currently reside in Telford. Their three children are married and have all lived in Montgomery County. They have seven grandchildren, and have the three oldest grandchildren here with them today. The grandchildren are the children of Heather and Jeffery Moore.

The oldest granddaughter, Aubrie Elizabeth, is a 12-year-old honor student in seventh grade at Indian Valley Middle School in the Souderton Area School District. She is also a member of the orchestra, choir, and the Souderton summer and winter community swim teams. She also helps as an altar server at St. Maria Goretti Church.

Cody is a 9-year-old fourth-grader at Salford Hills Elementary School, which is also in the Souderton Area School District, where he plays the clarinet. Cody, we did not talk about it, I play

the clarinet. Cody is a member of the Souderton summer community swim team and a member of the Souderton winter community wrestling team.

The youngest granddaughter, Addison, is an 8-year-old third-grader at Salford Hills Elementary School. She is a member of the Souderton community summer and winter swim teams and is also a gymnast.

Mr. President, please join me in welcoming the Schadler family to the Senate today.

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

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR STEVEN J. SANTARSIERO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SANTARSIERO. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize World War II U.S. Army veteran Technical Sergeant Gaetano "Tom" Rossi for his 100 trips around the sun, his part to beat back fascism in Europe, and his enduring example of America's finest values. I recently had the privilege of celebrating Sergeant Rossi's 100th birthday with a citation presentation and invited him to the Senate so we may all recognize and reflect on the contributions he and his team made to insure America's victory over the Axis powers during World War II.

Affectionately known as Tom to his family members and friends, Sergeant Rossi was born in Newark, New Jersey, on October 18, 1919. He lived in the North Ward of Newark, which is the same part of the city that my dad grew up in. In fact, he went to the same high school, Barringer High School, that my dad went to, as well as the late Justice William Brennan of the United States Supreme Court. Barringer has produced many notable alumni, and not least among them is Sergeant Rossi. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942 shortly after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. At the same time, General William J. Donovan began assembling small units known as the operations groups, or OGs. Similar to today's Special Forces, the OGs operated deep in enemy territory. They disrupted communications and supply lines, organized resistance, and rescued Allied prisoners of war. Training included parachuting, amphibious operations, skiing, mountain climbing, radio operations, and espionage tactics. These OGs were organized under the Office of Strategic Services, or the OSS, which, of course, was the precursor to the CIA and Special Forces during World War II.

In 1943, Sergeant Rossi, a son of Italian immigrants, was selected for the Allied landings in Italy. His impressive physical capability, military intellect, and willingness to perform hazardous operations overseas made him a top-tier candidate. Sergeant Rossi joined 17 officers and 127 enlisted men. These Italian OGs began calling themselves Donovan's Devils. The bravery and significance of these young men and their actions cannot be understated. As America's first spy agency, the OSS helped shorten the war and save lives in Europe, north Africa, and Asia. It left a legacy of daring and innovation that has influenced American military and intelligence thinking ever since World War II.

While only in operation for 3 years, from 1942 to 1945, when the war ended, it had developed scores of innovative gadgets, secret devices, weapons, and munitions like flexible swim fins

and self-contained underwater breathing devices to buttons, shoes, and pipes with secret compartments and a variety of lethal inventions including single-shot cigarettes and fountain pens that made their way to the James Bond films. Donovan's Devils coordinated the supply, training, and equipment of thousands of Italians who were determined to beat back the Germans during the German occupation. When the war ended, the OGs were a presence on the ground to insure peace among the population and to prevent a civil war from erupting after the Germans had surrendered and left.

Two years ago, Sergeant Rossi was awarded the nation's highest civilian honor, the Congressional Gold Medal, for his service in the OSS. The proud father of four children, he has also been blessed with six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Over the years, Mr. Rossi has proven himself to be an outstanding citizen who exemplifies the finest virtues of American life. He has won the respect of his family members, friends, neighbors, and acquaintances who have come to know and admire him. Indeed, to know him is, in fact, to admire him. Please join me in welcoming Gaetano "Tom" Rossi and his daughter, Carole, to the Senate and extend to them our typical warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Santarsiero please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.
(Applause.)

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

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

Senator DiSANTO. Mr. President, I am honored to have in attendance today numerous constituents who participate in Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region both as Bigs and Littles. As I am sure you know, because their reputation precedes them, Big Brothers Big Sisters gives children facing adversity a better foundation for life success by providing educational and life guidance, and it creates many lifetime friendships between volunteers and the children served. Operating since 1981, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region is the gold standard for mentoring and serves between 700 and 1,000 children annually throughout Dauphin, Cumberland, Lebanon, and Perry Counties.

Please join me in welcoming to the Senate president and CEO, Maddie Young, and the Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator DiSanto please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.
(Applause.)

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER**

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I ask that the Senate proceed to receive the returns of election for the special election held in the 48th Senatorial District on the 14th day of January and that the oath of office be administered to Senator-elect David Arnold.

The PRESIDENT. At the request of Senator Gordner, and without objection, as a special order of business, the Senate will now proceed to receive the official election returns for the special election held in the 48th Senatorial District and administer the oath of office to Senator-elect David Arnold.

ELECTION RETURNS PRESENTED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair now recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The SERGEANT-AT-ARMS. Mr. President, I have the honor to present Deputy Secretary for Elections and Commissions, Jonathan Marks.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes Deputy Secretary for Elections and Commissions, Mr. Marks.

Deputy Secretary MARKS. Mr. President, it is my privilege and honor to present the election returns and the certification of campaign expense compliance for the special election held on January 14, 2020, in the 48th Senatorial District.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the Deputy Secretary.

The Chair lays before the Senate the following communication from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read the election returns as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the Special Election for Senator in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania held in the Forty-eighth Senatorial District, as the same have been certified to and filed with my office by the Dauphin, Lebanon and York County Boards of Elections. David J. Arnold, having received the highest number of votes in the Special Election, and having complied with the provisions of Article XVI of the Pennsylvania Election Code pertaining to Primary and Election Expenses, was duly elected a Senator in the General Assembly.

(SEAL)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at the city of Harrisburg, this twenty-eighth day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty and of the Commonwealth the two hundred forty-fourth.

KATHY BOOCKVAR
Secretary of the Commonwealth

OFFICIAL RETURNS
SPECIAL ELECTION
SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
48th Senatorial District

January 14, 2020

VOTES

DEMOCRATIC	-	Michael Schroeder	9,950
REPUBLICAN	-	David Arnold	18,234
WRITE-INS	-	Scattered	123

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. For the record, the Secretary of the Commonwealth has also certified that Senator-elect Arnold has filed the accounts and affidavits as required by Section 1632(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code.

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN R. GORDNER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. Before proceeding to the administration of the oath, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner, to introduce some special guests who are here with us today.

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, all of us remember our swearing-in event, it is always a special day, but when you are able to do it as part of a special election, instead of having four or six tickets to the floor, you get the whole floor. So, hopefully, you have enjoyed this opportunity. I was elected in a special election as well and had the same opportunity, but it is certainly a great event when you are able to bring 60, 70, 80 of your supporters and friends to see and enjoy this special day for you. You have many special guests and family members who are here and very proud to be a part of it. You have a couple of folks who have either served with us or served in the House, and I want to make sure that we recognize them. One of them, and I notice that he has been talking almost the whole time he has been sitting in the back, is a former Senator and former Majority Leader of the Senate, Chip Brightbill. Chip.

(Applause.)

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, it is always great to have some of our House Members join us, and the Speaker was great to cancel House Session this week so that you could join us and be part of this Session. Among the House Members that we have, I will go by seniority, and to that extent we have State Representative Sue Helm here.

(Applause.)

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I think the next two gentlemen are actually, I think they were elected the same year, so I am not sure how we go by seniority. I will go in reverse order because I think otherwise, alphabetically, the Member is Representative Lynda Schlegel Culver; she emphasized the "Schlegel" when she was running and then when she got elected she went to "Culver" because it helped her with seniority over there. We have State Representative Frank Ryan in the back.

(Applause.)

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, then we have State Representative Tom Mehaffie.

(Applause.)

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, certainly, again, on behalf of Senator-elect Arnold, he thanks and appreciates all of his many friends and family supporters being here today.

Thank you, Mr. President.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. Welcome to you all.

The Chair would now like to take this opportunity to announce that permission has been granted for a photographer from Republican Communications to take photographs on the floor of the Senate during today's swearing-in ceremony. For our guests,

however, I politely advise you that taking still pictures or videotaping in the Senate Chamber is not permitted. So I ask that during the administration of the oath of office, no pictures be taken or videos be taped. At the end of today's ceremony, however, the Senate will go at ease so you may take photographs.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The PRESIDENT. It is an honor and privilege to have with us today the Honorable P. Kevin Brobson, Judge of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania. Judge Brobson has kindly consented to be with us here today to administer the oath of office to Senator-elect Arnold in accordance with Article VI, Section 3, of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

Will the Senator-elect please present himself with your Bible at the bar of the Senate.

Members and guests, please rise.

Judge Brobson will now administer the oath.

Judge BROBSON. Mr. Arnold, are you prepared to take the oath of office?

Senator-elect ARNOLD. Yes, sir, I am.

Judge BROBSON. Place your left hand on the Bible, raise your right hand, and repeat after me:

I, David J. Arnold, Jr., do solemnly swear that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Congratulations, Senator.

(Applause.)

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. On behalf of the Senate, the Chair thanks Judge Brobson for presiding at this ceremony, and congratulates Senator Arnold.

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 64, SB 94, HB 305, SB 309, HB 330, HB 355 and SB 417 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 427 (Pr. No. 2901) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for health insurance coverage requirements for stage four, advanced metastatic cancer.

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I rise in support of House Bill No. 427, prime sponsored by my colleague in the House, Representative Benninghoff. As many of you know, Representative Benninghoff tragically lost his daughter, Ryleigh, and he has been a very powerful voice for Ryleigh and all of those who are nearing the end and in need of treatment. House Bill No. 427 establishes the Fair Access to Cancer Treatment Act to provide health insurance coverage requirements for stage IV advanced metastatic cancer. As you may know, metastatic patients experience an expansion of their cancer to new parts and organs in their body. For these patients, time is of the essence, and delays in the treatment are matters of life and death. I am proud to be a part of moving this important legislation forward and offer help to all of those survivors and their families. We are here for you, and we support you. I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote on this important legislation.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, this is an important piece of legislation. I want to know one thing for all of us in the Senate, something I did not realize until recently, is that when we pass these pieces of legislation, we have to put in there that they also cover our own employees, because they do not automatically cover our own employees. We have to put in that they also cover people on Medicaid, because they do not automatically cover people on Medicaid unless we put it in the legislation. Understand, it is something I want to share with you, because this is so important, and I know myself and Senator Martin have been working on pediatric cancer and we have a similar bill to try to make sure every child who is terminal gets into a clinical trial. In Pennsylvania, and this is the material from the Blues, and I have checked with Sam Marshall on this as well, what the insurance law governs and what we pass, which is the traditional payee, Blue Cross, covers only 19 percent of those who are Pennsylvanians. Pennsylvania law does not touch the 27 percent who are insured through large companies and other things that are in the marketplace because ERISA, the Federal government, does not let us cover that segment. Nor does it cover anyone who is on Medicare.

So, what I urge us to do as we support this important bill, which I know will be unanimous, and I look forward to continuing my work with Senator Martin on pediatric cancer, is to see if we can always put in that legislation that it does cover our own employees, it does cover anyone in the State Medicaid program, and that we find a way to work with that 27 percent over whom we have no control who are under ERISA, under the Federal program through companies, that we have a way where we maintain a dialogue with those companies. In many cases, they put it in, but in some cases they do not.

All I am saying to my colleagues is this, we do the right thing when we pass these things, whether it be with asthma, whether it be with EpiPens, whether it be with all these diseases, but it was a complete surprise to me to know that this only covers 19 percent of those who are covered. In terms of the Blues, there are more people covered through the company programs who we are not getting at because they are under Federal regulation than through the traditional. Listen, anyone who has cancer or a seri-

ous disease, whether they are poor, whether they are wealthy, whether they are somewhere in between, when we pass a piece of legislation, we need to cover that person, because every human life is of value, is it not?

So I simply rise in support of this bill and urge this body, and I will be putting in legislation soon which will clearly state it covers our employees--because unless you put it in there, it will not--it covers Medicaid, and we will have a system to work with the Blues and with these companies in terms of discussion. So let us get on and pass this and at least we will take care of 19 percent of the population, but let us help the other 81 percent as well.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 462 and **SB 494** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 595 (Pr. No. 1396) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in casualty insurance, further providing for coverage for mammographic examinations.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, another cancer bill today. I think this is a very important day for our legislature. In particular, this legislation deals with breast cancer, and it is a very special day for all of the advocates in the Pennsylvania Breast Cancer Coalition who have worked with me tirelessly over the last 5 years on doing several pieces of legislation in this area. Senate Bill No. 595 is going to require that insurers cover supplemental screenings of MRIs and ultrasounds for women at high risk for breast cancer, including women with extremely dense breast tissue. Breast density is a strong predictor of the failure of mammography screening to detect cancer, with a mammogram missing at least 40 percent of tumors in women with extremely dense breasts. Every woman deserves the best breast cancer screening that is available, and Senate Bill No. 595 is a significant step toward recognizing breast density as an increased risk factor. I am confident that this legislation will make a difference in the lives of many affected by this terrible disease.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I rise to join my colleague, Senator Mensch, in support of this important legislation. As chair of the Committee on Banking and Insurance, I have had the pleasure of speaking with many breast cancer survivors, including many in my district, and one a good friend, Cindy Miller, who worked on my staff, she is a township supervisor in Lehigh Township, who emphasized the importance of early detection. Without the hard work of many of the stakeholders, including the PA Breast Cancer Coalition, the medical community, and the insurance industry, moving this legislation forward would not be possible today. Most importantly, passage of this legislation is the right thing to do. On behalf of breast cancer survivors and their families, and all of those individuals across Pennsylvania who are at a higher risk of having breast cancer, Senate Bill No. 595 updates the minimum required coverage to include all costs associated with supplemental screenings for patients with extremely dense breast tissue or others believed to be at increased risk for breast cancer due to a number of factors.

It is important to emphasize that extremely dense breast tissue is only present in approximately 7 percent of women, and only 61 percent to 65 percent of cancers present are detected on mammograms for women who fit this category. To all those survivors, their families, and those who may find that they have breast cancer in the future, we are here for you and we support you. I ask all of my colleagues for an affirmative vote on this important legislation.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 640, SB 679, SB 693 and HB 775 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 779 (Pr. No. 1039) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in dates of elections and primaries and special elections, further providing for general primary and candidates to be nominated and party officers to be elected.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, very briefly, this is my bill that will actually have a significant impact 4 years from now. It would change the presidential primary beginning in 2024 to the third Tuesday of the month of March. Our presidential primary has been the third Tuesday in April for quite some time, or fourth Tuesday, I should say, in April for quite some time. This year, we will be the last big State to have a primary. I keep on mentioning, back in the day, California used to have their primary in June. California is now on Super Tuesday, along with 14 other States. When it again comes time for primaries this year, we will be the last big State to hold a primary. So beginning in 2024, this would allow our presidential primary to be on the third Tuesday.

Now, the Democratic National Committee and the Republican National Committee have certain rules that you need to make sure you do not violate. This is after that. I believe the DNC, for instance, has a March 15 date, where you would need their ap-

proval to go before. This would be after March 15, and we would be on the same date as Florida, Illinois, and Arizona. So we would be one of just a handful of States, again, as compared to Super Tuesday when there are 14 States that people are trying to cover in a mass amount of way.

Just for a history perspective, back in 1999, when I was a House Member, the House actually voted that year to have the 2000 election on the first Tuesday in April. Representative Bob Freeman was the one who offered that amendment, which we ended up adopting, and we had the election in 2000 only that first Tuesday in April, and it went fine. We asked that a study be done, and a study was done, and the study ultimately said, hey, it would be great if national parties would come up with some better system and come up with certain regional primary dates which would make sense for the candidates and for those States. But, unfortunately, the national parties have never done that. That report suggested strongly that we ought to move our primary up to make sure that such a large State as Pennsylvania played a large role in regard to electing the presidential nominees.

I appreciate all those who have supported this so far. I ask for your support now so that it can go over to the House and they can take a look at it, but it says beginning in 2024, our presidential primary will be the third Tuesday in March.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 798, SB 850, HB 1001, HB 1045, HB 1100, HB 1522 and HB 1578 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 132 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 258 (Pr. No. 1022) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in service and facilities, providing for pipeline emergency management information.

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

SB 258 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 258, Printer's No. 1022, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 276 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 284 (Pr. No. 1023) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 29, 2006 (P.L.1435, No.156), known as the Public Utility Confidential Security Information Disclosure Protection Act, further providing for definitions; providing for pipeline operation and emergency response plans; and further providing for prohibition.

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

SB 284 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 284, Printer's No. 1023, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 329 (Pr. No. 311) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in neighborhood blight reclamation and revitalization, further providing for failure to comply with a code requirement.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 368, SB 377, HB 422, SB 531, HB 584, SB 606, HB 617, HB 630, SB 766, SB 784, SB 809, SB 924, SB 932, SB 954, SB 987, SB 996, SB 997, HB 1058 and HB 1174 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator GORDNER.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 1325 (Pr. No. 1973) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in burglary and other criminal intrusion, further providing for the offense of criminal trespass.

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

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1379 (Pr. No. 1670) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

HB 1405 (Pr. No. 1725) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators BROWNE, BAKER, IOVINO, MARTIN, KILLION, J. WARD, FONTANA, COSTA, MENSCH, SCHWANK, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, DINNIMAN, STREET, MUTH, BREWSTER, HUTCHINSON, AUMENT, TARTAGLIONE and SCAVELLO, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 289**, entitled:

A Resolution designating February 11, 2020, as "PA 2-1-1 Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I am asking for the Members to consider and adopt this resolution designating the day, February 11, 2020, as "PA 2-1-1 Day" in Pennsylvania. PA 211 is a free service available to all Pennsylvania residents that assists in supporting a multitude of health and human services needs. PA 211 is celebrating 100-percent State coverage as of January 1, 2020, which is a remarkable achievement to have this system available to all the citizens of the Commonwealth. PA 211 is a nonprofit organization assigned use of the 2-1-1 dialing code by the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in order to provide community service information and referral as currently accomplished through seven regional programs. This program provides real-time health and human services data for each ZIP Code across the Commonwealth, as well as county regions, congressional and legislative districts, and school districts. In addition, the PA 211 system can provide assistance to communities in times of disasters and connect volunteers and donors with organizations that can leverage resources to meet the needs of the community. United Way organizations across Pennsylvania should be recognized for their efforts to provide the PA 211 system to 100 percent of the residents of this Commonwealth. I ask the Members to join me in adopting this resolution.

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

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

Senators BROWNE, SANTARSIERO, BARTOLOTTA, IOVINO, MARTIN, J. WARD, DINNIMAN, KILLION, BREWSTER, MUTH, FONTANA, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL, BAKER, BLAKE, HUGHES, COSTA, AUMENT, TARTAGLIONE, SCAVELLO and KEARNEY, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 290**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of February 24 through March 1, 2020, as "Eating Disorders Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania in conjunction with the observance of "National Eating Disorders Awareness Week."

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I am asking the Members to join me in supporting this important resolution which I am sponsoring with Senator Santarsiero recognizing February 24 through March 1, 2020, as "Eating Disorders Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania in conjunction with the observance of the "National Eating Disorders Awareness Week." The National Eating Disorders Association is the largest and best known eating disorders outreach effort in the country, with the goal of the week to shine the spotlight on eating disorders by educating the public, spreading a message of hope, and putting lifesaving resources in the hands of those in need. Eating disorders have the highest mortality rate of any mental illness, Mr. President. Approximately 30 million Americans struggle at some point in their lives

with an eating disorder. This disorder affects people across all backgrounds and includes anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, and binge eating disorders.

In 2019, NEDAwareness Week encouraged individuals to *Come as You Are*, highlighting NEDA's movement towards inclusivity in the greater eating disorder community and unifying the field. Building off of last year's success, the theme for this year, *Come as You Are: Hindsight is 2020* reflects on the positive steps that individuals have taken, including those stemming from setbacks and challenges toward accepting themselves and others. The purpose of *Come as You Are: Hindsight is 2020* is to expand conversation, bust myths, provide an online screening tool, and share a wide range of experiences, resources, and diverse stories of recovery. Signs and systems of eating disorders are often overlooked, with individuals, families, and communities unaware of the devastating mental and physical consequences of eating disorders, as well as the pressures, attitudes, and behaviors that shape them. Eating disorder experts have found that prompt, intensive treatment significantly improves the chance of recovery, and that should be our goal.

So, I ask the Members to join me and Senator Santarsiero in recognizing this important week, February 24 through March 1, 2020, as Eating Disorders Awareness Week in Pennsylvania.

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

Senator SANTARSIERO. Mr. President, I thank my colleague, Senator Browne, for his leadership on this issue as well. Having a week to draw attention to this serious problem is important because, as Senator Browne just mentioned, one of the obstacles we face in combating eating disorders is making sure that people understand the scope of the problem and they are aware of the warning signs and they can get help to people in need as soon as possible. It is one of the reasons why I have sponsored legislation, both in the House and now in the Senate, to create a program to provide education for parents, as well as students in our schools, about eating disorders and recognizing symptoms early on, because the sooner we can recognize them and the sooner we can get help to these individuals, the more likely, hopefully, we will be able to get them on the right track and save lives. So, this is important. I am, again, grateful to Senator Browne for his leadership, and I echo his request that the Senate adopt this resolution. Thank you.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 968, SB 969 and SB 976.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020

Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 432; and certain Executive Nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2020

9:45 A.M.	AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS (to consider Senate Bill No. 915)	Room 461 Main Capitol
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2020

9:30 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (public hearing on data privacy and potential updates to the Breach of Personal Information Act)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
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9:30 A.M.	LAW AND JUSTICE (to consider Senate Bills No. 728, 846, 896 and 916 (with amendment); and House Bills No. 325, 763, 1048, 1617 and 1886)	Room 8E-A East Wing
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10:30 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider Senate Bills No. 207 and 958; and House Bill No. 1751)	Room 461 Main Capitol
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020

9:30 A.M.	HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING COMMISSION (public hearing on testimony by the Chancellor of the State System of Higher Education)	Room 140 Main Capitol
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PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, today marks 4,952 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is more than 13 1/2 years, and it is far too long. We are now at a turning point in our effort to make Pennsylvania's minimum wage a true living wage. As you may have heard, yesterday I joined Governor Wolf, Representative Kim, and other living wage advocates to announce our renewed push for a \$12 minimum wage this year and for a path for a \$15 minimum wage in the years to come. Pennsylvania's current minimum wage is \$7.25 an hour. It is unfair, and it is unsustainable. It amounts barely to \$15,000 a year for a full-time worker, and is below the Federal poverty level for a single parent with an only child. It is one of the main reasons that one in eight Pennsylvanians are living in poverty, while more than a third of households cannot

afford needs like housing, childcare, food, transportation, healthcare, and technology.

Last November, this body, in collaboration with the Governor, reached a compromise on minimum wage, as well as the contentious issue of the Commonwealth's woefully obsolete overtime regulations, which have not been updated in more than 40 years. Mr. President, for the sake of all low-wage Pennsylvania workers, we advanced legislation to raise the minimum wage to \$9.50 over a period of 2 years, even though we knew it still would leave Pennsylvania behind all our other neighboring States, and dozens of States across the nation on this issue. Sadly, leaders in the House could not even meet us that far. They have stonewalled Senate Bill No. 79 and repeated the empty promise that the free market will eventually take care of poor people. Mr. President, we all know that the economy does not really work that way, and the laissez-faire policies are how we ended up in this place and in this mess.

Fortunately, we have solutions already in the pipeline. This Friday, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission will convene to consider final regulations proposed by the Department of Labor and Industry that would extend overtime eligibility for up to 460,000 Pennsylvania workers. In addition, my original minimum wage legislation this Session, Senate Bill No. 12, proposed to do precisely that, what the Governor and most Pennsylvania workers had in mind. It charts a course for \$12 to \$15 and beyond.

Mr. President, I hope that when we come back, we will be able to do this. It is far too long. Thirteen and a half years is far too long.

Thank you, Mr. President.

APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 29, 2020

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, I hereby appoint Senator David Arnold to serve as a member of the Education Committee.

Senator Jake Corman will no longer serve as a member of the Education Committee.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator David Arnold to serve as a member of the Finance Committee.

Senator John DiSanto will no longer serve as a member of the Finance Committee.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator David Arnold to serve as a member of the Game & Fisheries Committee.

Senator Joe Pittman will no longer serve as a member of the Game & Fisheries Committee.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator David Arnold to serve as a member of the Intergovernmental Operations Committee.

Senator John Gordner will no longer serve as a member of the Intergovernmental Operations Committee.

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Senate Rules, as President Pro Tempore, I hereby appoint Senator David Arnold to serve as a member of the State Government Committee.

Senator John Gordner will no longer serve as a member of the State Government Committee.

RECESS

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Monday, February 3, 2020, at 1 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 12:15 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.