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**SENATE**

MONDAY, April 19, 2021

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

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

**PRAYER**

The following prayer was offered by Hon. MEGAN MARTIN, Secretary of the Senate:

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we come to You today and ask You to bless these Senators. Bless them with Your wisdom so they can be apostles of peace in their words and actions towards one another today and every day. Bless them with Your grace so they can be humble servants working cooperatively for the people of this Commonwealth. Bless them with good health, kind hearts, and collaborative spirits. Bless also their loved ones back home who sacrifice their family time so the Senators can spend time here working for the good of our Commonwealth. All this we ask in Your name. Amen.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING**

March 31, 2021

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 December 7, 2020, of Artinese Malachi, 1229 Smokey Wood Drive, Pittsburgh 15218, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Suzanne Hendricks, Quakertown, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE**

March 31, 2021

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 February 26, 2021, 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 Westmoreland, Magisterial District 10-3-11, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Roger F. Eckels, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNCIL ON AGING**

April 7, 2021

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 February 24, 2021, of Betsy Phillips, 3607 North Fourth Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Daniel Drake, West Chester, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY**

April 7, 2021

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

February 25, 2021, of Moriah Hathaway, 1009 Roman Knoll Court, Harrisburg 17109, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Ralph Schmeltz, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Betsy Phillips, 3607 North Fourth Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, 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 Erik Scully, Wexford, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, 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 Alfred Whitcomb, Mechanicsburg, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

CONTROLLER, SCHUYLKILL COUNTY

April 16, 2021

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 February 2, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller, in and for the County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice Christy Joy, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL  
HEARING BOARD

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Environmental Hearing Board, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard P. Mather, Harrisburg, 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,  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Donald R. Walko, 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,  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

April 16, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated January 8, 2021, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable John A. Zottola, 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,  
LEHIGH COUNTY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lehigh County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Maria L. Dantos, 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

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Susan Peikes Gantman, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Moriah Hathaway, 1009 Roman Knoll Court, Harrisburg 17109, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve until June 19, 2021, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Nirmal Joshi, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Rebecca Dombrowsky, 669 Rockwood Drive, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve until May 23, 2021, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jarrad Berkihisser, Lancaster, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Moriah Hathaway (Public Member), 1009 Roman Knoll Court, Harrisburg 17109, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy, to serve until September 24, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Carey, Harrisburg, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Renee Cardone, Collegeville, whose term expired.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY OF THE COMMONWEALTH SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 16, 2021

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 February 2, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 14, 2021, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ronald Donatucci, Philadelphia, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

TREASURER, CLARION COUNTY

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Treasurer, in and for the County of Clarion, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice Tom McConnell, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 16, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated January 8, 2021, 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 Clearfield, Magisterial District 46-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Patrick N. Ford, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, 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 Delaware, Magisterial District 31-2-32, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Andrea Puppio, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 16, 2021

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 December 3, 2020, 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 Counties of Juniata and Perry, Magisterial District 41-3-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Daniel McGuire, resigned.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 16, 2021

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 February 2, 2021, 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 31-1-06, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Wayne A. Maura, deceased.

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

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 16, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated January 8, 2021, 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 Schuylkill, Magisterial District 21-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Christina Hale, 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 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 PENNSYLVANIA  
GAME COMMISSION

March 25, 2021

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. (District 8), 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Brian Hoover, Glenolden, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

March 25, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michael McFarlane, 656 Maris Street, Philadelphia 19128, Third 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 new position created by Act 87 of 2020.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF  
CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

March 25, 2021

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 two years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice new position created by Act 87 of 2020.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

March 25, 2021

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 Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-3-13, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Randy Martini, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

March 26, 2021

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, Veronica Degraffenreid, 327 North Front Street, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of the Commonwealth, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Kathy Boockvar, Doylestown, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF  
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

March 26, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Bogle, 40 Lincoln Avenue, Yeadon 19050, Delaware County, Eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until December 31, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice the Honorable Thomas Muller, Macungie, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

March 29, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Mark Baer, 255 King Richard Drive, McMurray 15317, Washington County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Daniel Murphy, III, Bryn Mawr, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

March 29, 2021

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, Irving Stein, 114 Inverness Drive, Blue Bell 19422, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Neal Hufford, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

March 29, 2021

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, Dale Yingst, 333 West Orchard Drive, Palmyra 17078, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, BERKS COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Berks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable James Bucci, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, GREENE COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Greene County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Farley Toothman, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, INDIANA COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Indiana County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable William Martin, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, LEHIGH COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Lehigh County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Kelly Banach, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, LUZERNE COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Luzerne County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable William Amesbury, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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 2024, vice the Honorable Frederica Massiah-Jackson, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, WASHINGTON COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, Washington County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Katherine Emery, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
YORK COUNTY

March 31, 2021

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, York County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Michael Bortner, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT

March 31, 2021

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, Philadelphia Municipal Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Barbara Gilbert, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

March 31, 2021

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, Betsy Phillips, 3607 North Fourth Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-15, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Thomas Torkowsky, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

March 31, 2021

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 Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Beaver, Magisterial District 36-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Janet Swihart, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

March 31, 2021

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 Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Robert Wagner, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

March 31, 2021

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 Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Westmoreland, Magisterial District 10-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable L. Anthony Bompiani, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

April 7, 2021

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, Sheri Risler, 130 Chinaberry Drive, Lafayette Hill 19444, Montgomery County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNCIL ON AGING

April 7, 2021

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, William Davies, 1501 Concord Road, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON AGING

April 7, 2021

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, George Lenz, 601 Lenz Road, Indiana 15701, Indiana County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Daniel Drake, West Chester, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY

April 7, 2021

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, Deborah Craft, 3767 Harbor Ridge Trail, Erie 16510, Erie County, Forty-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 Paul DeSabato, Pittsburgh, deceased.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

April 7, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Barbara Lee Fowler (Public Member), 245 Conway Street, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Dentistry, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

April 7, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jennifer Keth, 312 Jim Town Road, Brookville 15825, Jefferson County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Gloria Rosado, Reading, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

April 7, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Wernicki, 133 Neely Street, Fair Oaks 15003, Beaver County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

April 7, 2021

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, Luanne Chubb, 294 Riverview Road, King of Prussia 19406, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

April 7, 2021

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, William Fetchick, 1600 Williamsburg Way, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Ralph Schmeltz, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

April 7, 2021

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, Katherine Bradley, 106 Tagg Lane, Gardners 17324, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor



MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
COUNCIL ON AGING

April 12, 2021

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 Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2021, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Camilla Greene, Allentown, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

CONTROLLER, DAUPHIN COUNTY

April 12, 2021

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 Controller, in and for the County of Dauphin, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice Timothy DeFoor, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS

April 19, 2021

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, Burr Edsall, 2318 New York Avenue A, 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 Ken Jaram, Coraopolis, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

SECRETARY OF HUMAN SERVICES

April 19, 2021

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, Margaret Snead, 17 West Athens Avenue, Ardmore 19003, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of Human Services, to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Teresa Miller, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

SHERIFF, WAYNE COUNTY

April 19, 2021

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 Sheriff, in and for the County of Wayne, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice Mark Steelman, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**CORRECTIONS TO NOMINATIONS  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

BRIGADIER GENERAL,  
PENNSYLVANIA AIR NATIONAL GUARD

March 31, 2021

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

Please note that the letter dated March 2, 2021, and then corrected on March 19, 2021, for the nomination of Colonel Scott Coradi, 1051 Fairchild Street, Building 203, Horsham 19044, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, for a Certificate of Eligibility to Brigadier General, General of the Line, with assignment as Assistant Adjutant General, Headquarters, Pennsylvania Air National Guard, to serve until terminated, vice Brigadier General Perez, retired, should be corrected to read:

Colonel Scott Coradi, 4504 Planters Row, Murrells Inlet, South Carolina 29576, for a Certificate of Eligibility to Brigadier General, General of the Line, with assignment as Assistant Adjutant General, Headquarters, Pennsylvania Air National Guard, to serve until terminated, vice Brigadier General Gregg Perez, retired.

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

April 9, 2021

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

Please note that the letter dated April 7, 2021, for the nomination of William Fetchick, 1600 Williamsburg Way, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Ralph Schmeltz, Pittsburgh, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

William Fetchick, 1600 Williamsburg Way, Mechanicsburg 17050, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Ralph Schmeltz, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

**BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

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

March 25, 2021

Senators MASTRIANO, HUTCHINSON and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SB 471**, entitled:

An Act prohibiting the mandatory vaccination of Pennsylvania residents by the Commonwealth, political subdivisions or as a condition of employment.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, March 25, 2021.

Senators YAW, BARTOLOTTA, ARGALL, MARTIN, MENSCH, BAKER, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 475**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 27 (Environmental Resources) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in special programs, providing for Pennsylvania Clean Water Procurement Pilot Program; and establishing the Watershed Innovation and Improvement Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, March 25, 2021.

Senators BROOKS, TARTAGLIONE, SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, COMITTA, COSTA, BOSCOLA and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 476**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 7, 1982 (P.L.784, No.225), known as the Dog Law, in miscellaneous provisions, establishing the Pennsylvania Lost and Found Dog Registry.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, March 25, 2021.

Senators BROOKS, BARTOLOTTA, HUTCHINSON, STEFANO, BROWNE, DUSH and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 481**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to operation of vehicles, further providing for obedience to authorized persons directing traffic and providing for drivers in organized motorcycle processions; and, in rules of the road in general, further providing for following too closely.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, March 25, 2021.

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, AUMENT, STEFANO, J. WARD, MARTIN, BAKER, REGAN, PITTMAN and MASTRIANO presented to the Chair **SB 482**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in boards and offices, providing for information technology; establishing the Office of Information Technology and the Information Technology Fund; providing for administrative and procurement procedures and for the Joint Cybersecurity Oversight Committee; imposing duties on the Office of Information Technology; providing for administration of Pennsylvania Statewide Radio Network and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, March 25, 2021.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, MENSCH, BREWSTER, KEARNEY and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SB 483**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, March 25, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, BROOKS, COLLETT, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, ROBINSON, J. WARD, YUDICHAK, BAKER, BROWNE and MASTRIANO presented to the Chair **SB 484**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 24, 2015 (P.L.232, No.64), known as the Pennsylvania Long-term Care Council Act, further providing for Pennsylvania Long-term Care Council.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, March 25, 2021.

March 31, 2021

Senators J. WARD, HUTCHINSON, DUSH, SCHWANK and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 477**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2021.

Senators DUSH, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, SCHWANK and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 478**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2021.

Senators HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, DUSH, SCHWANK and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 479**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1987 (P.L.246, No.47), known as the Municipalities Financial Recovery Act, in municipal financial distress, further providing for designation and for performance of coordinator; and, in receivership in municipalities, further providing for receiver.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, March 31, 2021.

Senators KEARNEY, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, DUSH and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 480**, 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 provid-

ing 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, March 31, 2021.

April 1, 2021

Senators STEFANO, AUMENT, MASTRIANO, J. WARD, SCAVELLO, MARTIN, PITTMAN and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 515**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in voting by qualified mail-in electors, further providing for applications for official mail-in ballots.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 1, 2021.

Senators BROWNE, MARTIN, MENSCH, STEFANO and LANGERHOLC presented to the Chair **SB 516**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further providing for payment of court costs, restitution and fines.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 1, 2021.

Senators YAW and GORDNER presented to the Chair **SB 517**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in duties and powers of boards of school directors, providing for school athletic playoffs and championships.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 1, 2021.

April 8, 2021

Senators SCAVELLO, STEFANO, YUDICHAK, PITTMAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, ARGALL and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SB 485**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 10, 1975 (P.L.383, No.110), known as the Physical Therapy Practice Act, further providing for definitions, for powers and duties of board, for continuing education, for practice of physical therapy and for physical therapist assistant, education and examination, scope of duties and certification.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, STREET, MENSCH, AUMENT, REGAN, COSTA, BREWSTER, KANE and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 486**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 18, 2001 (P.L.949, No.114), known as the Workforce Development Act, in preliminary provisions, providing for preference for training programs.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, FONTANA, SCHWANK and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 487**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, further providing for administration of the act by requiring notification regarding theft or loss of controlled substances.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators MASTRIANO, VOGEL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MENSCH, STEFANO and BAKER presented to the Chair **SB 488**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, in State-related institutions, further providing for reporting, for contents of report and for copies and posting and providing for contracts.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, HUGHES, KEARNEY, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, COMITTA, CAPPELLETTI and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 489**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in falsification and intimidation, further providing for the offense of unsworn falsification to authorities; and, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms, for licenses and for sale or transfer of firearms.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, FONTANA, STREET, COLLETT, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 490**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for definitions, for persons not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms, for sale or transfer of firearms and for Pennsylvania State Police.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, FONTANA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 491**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, FONTANA, STREET, COLLETT, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, KANE, BOSCOLA and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 493**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 27, 2006 (1st Sp.Sess., P.L.1873, No.1), known as the Taxpayer Relief Act, in senior citizens property tax and rent rebate assistance, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, FONTANA, COLLETT, COSTA, SCHWANK, MUTH and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 495**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions, providing for commencement of action alleging childhood sexual abuse.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 496**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators SABATINA and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 497**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for the offense of carrying firearms on public streets or public property in Philadelphia.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 8, 2021.

Senators REGAN, ARGALL, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BROWNE, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, MENSCH, SCAVELLO, STEFANO, TARTAGLIONE, YUDICHAK, BROOKS, COMITTA, BREWSTER, YAW, J. WARD, MUTH, PITTMAN and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 503**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, April 8, 2021.

Senators DiSANTO, ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, LANGERHOLC, BARTOLOTTA, STEFANO, AUMENT, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN, GORDNER and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 520**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for definitions, for proposed regulations and procedures for review and for final-form regulations and final-omitted regulations and procedures for review; and providing for concurrent resolution required for economically significant regulations.

Which was committed to the Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, April 8, 2021.

Senators DUSH, BARTOLOTTA and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 530**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 23, 2010 (P.L.1083, No.108), known as the Covered Device Recycling Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 8, 2021.

Senators HUGHES, MUTH, KANE, KEARNEY, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, SCHWANK, HAYWOOD and STREET presented to the Chair **SB 531**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 8, 2021.

Senators YAW, LANGERHOLC, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, MARTIN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 533**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Commonwealth services, prohibiting certain regulatory action during disaster emergencies.

Which was committed to the Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, April 8, 2021.

Senators HUTCHINSON, BROOKS, ARGALL, PITTMAN, MARTIN, VOGEL, YAW, J. WARD, LANGERHOLC, STEFANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA and DiSANTO presented to the Chair **SB 534**, entitled:

An Act relating to conventional wells and the development of oil, gas and coal; imposing powers and duties on the Department of Environmental Protection; and providing for preliminary provisions, for general requirements, for underground gas storage, for enforcement and remedies, for related funds, parties and activities and for miscellaneous provisions.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 8, 2021.

Senators YAW, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, STEFANO, MENSCH, YUDICHAK, PITTMAN, MASTRIANO, DUSH and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 535**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 8, 2021.

#### April 9, 2021

Senators SANTARSIERO, BROOKS, HUGHES, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, COLLETT, BREWSTER, KANE and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 53**, 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 conditions subject to which policies are to be issued and for health insurance coverage for certain children of insured parents.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 9, 2021.

Senators BARTOLOTTA, SCHWANK, FONTANA, KEARNEY, AUMENT, TARTAGLIONE, COLLETT, MENSCH, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA, K. WARD, KANE and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 200**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1372, No.212), known as the Early Intervention Services System Act, further providing for title of the act; in general provisions, further providing for legislative findings for early intervention, for definitions, for State inter-agency agreement, for other duties of State agencies and for council; in Statewide system for provision of early intervention services, further providing for requirements, for program regulations and standards, for administration by Department of Public Welfare, for administration by Department of Education and for child identification, assessment and tracking system; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for effective date; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 9, 2021.

Senators MENSCH, CORMAN, AUMENT, BROWNE, SCAVELLO, ARGALL, BARTOLOTTA, DiSANTO, DUSH, GORDNER, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, ROBINSON, STEFANO, TOMLINSON, VOGEL, J. WARD, YAW, YUDICHAK, COSTA, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, COLLETT, COMMITTA, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, KANE, KEARNEY, MUTH, SANTARSIERO, SCHWANK, STREET, TARTAGLIONE and A. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 445**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for contributions for breast cancer research.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators YAW, ARGALL, VOGEL, PITTMAN, MENSCH, GORDNER, BAKER and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 450**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1987 (P.L.163, No.16), known as the Rural Pennsylvania Revitalization Act, in Center for Rural Pennsylvania, further providing for board of directors.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, April 9, 2021.

Senators L. WILLIAMS, COLLETT, MUTH CAPPELLETTI, FONTANA, KANE and SANTARSIERO presented to the Chair **SB 451**, entitled:

An Act providing for COVID-19 Vaccine Registry and for regulations by Department of Health.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 9, 2021.

Senators KANE, FONTANA, COSTA, COLLETT, COMMITTA, HUGHES and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 452**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, further providing for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems; and providing for water ratepayer bill of rights.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 9, 2021.

Senators J. WARD, ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, REGAN, BROOKS, MASTRIANO, VOGEL, STEFANO, MENSCH, BAKER, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, YAW,

BOSCOLA, AUMENT, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, LANGERHOLC, ROBINSON and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SB 498**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 31, 2006 (P.L.1210, No.133), known as the Price Gouging Act, further providing for definitions, for price gouging prohibited and for investigation.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 9, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, K. WARD, GORDNER, AUMENT, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO, SCHWANK, SANTARSIERO, MARTIN, DiSANTO, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, YUDICHAK, BAKER and REGAN presented to the Chair **SB 500**, entitled:

An Act providing for expense reimbursement of public officials and public employees.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 9, 2021.

Senators LAUGHLIN, HAYWOOD, SANTARSIERO, MENSCH, COMMITTA, ARGALL and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 501**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 30, 2004 (P.L.1672, No.213), known as the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, further providing for definitions and for alternative energy portfolio standards, providing for solar photovoltaic technology requirements, for contract requirements for solar photovoltaic energy system sources, for energy storage report, for energy storage deployment targets and for contracts for solar photovoltaic technologies by Commonwealth agencies; further providing for portfolio requirements in other states; and making a related repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 9, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, K. WARD, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, MASTRIANO, J. WARD and ROBINSON presented to the Chair **SB 504**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fees, further providing for exemption of persons, entities and vehicles from fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators SCHWANK, FONTANA, ARGALL, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, KANE, STREET, CAPPELLETTI, MUTH and COMMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 506**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for excuses from attending school.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, AUMENT, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO, COSTA, STREET, MUTH, SANTARSIERO, L. WILLIAMS, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, PITTMAN and COMMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 507**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in open meetings, further providing for use of equipment during meetings and for General Assembly meetings covered.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 9, 2021.

Senators COLLETT, SANTARSIERO, TARTAGLIONE, BREWSTER, COSTA, STREET, KANE, HAYWOOD, MUTH and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 508**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 26, 2017 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Pennsylvania REAL ID Compliance Act, further providing for definitions; and providing for related fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators COLLETT, MUTH, L. WILLIAMS, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA, KANE, SAVAL, TARTAGLIONE, HUGHES, HAYWOOD, FONTANA, STREET, SCHWANK and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 509**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 46 (Legislature) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for professional conduct.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 9, 2021.

Senators COLLETT, SANTARSIERO, HUGHES, STREET, KEARNEY, MUTH, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, KANE, HAYWOOD and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 510**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 25 (Elections) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions relating to voter registration, further providing for definitions; in registration system, further providing for SURE system; in voter registration, further providing for qualifications to register and for government agencies, providing for preregistration data entry and further providing for preparation and distribution of applications; and, in changes in records, further providing for death of registrant.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 9, 2021.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, KEARNEY and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 513**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, April 9, 2021.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA and SANTARSIERO presented to the Chair **SB 514**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, April 9, 2021.

Senators MENSCH, SANTARSIERO, ARGALL, PITTMAN, HUGHES, BREWSTER, COLLETT, COMITTA, FONTANA, KANE, SCHWANK and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 521**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other offenses, further providing for the offense of invasion of privacy.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2021.

Senators BAKER, YUDICHAK, FONTANA, KANE, YAW, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, SCAVELLO, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, COSTA, HAYWOOD and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 522**, entitled:

An Act providing for blood lead testing of certain children and pregnant women by health care providers; imposing duties on the Department of Health; and requiring certain health insurance policies to cover blood lead tests.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 9, 2021.

Senators BAKER, MARTIN, GORDNER, K. WARD and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 523**, entitled:

An Act providing for statutory construction of Pennsylvania wage and hour laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 9, 2021.

Senator STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 532**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridges, identified as Bridge Key 31419 and Bridge Key 31420, on that portion of U.S. Route 219 over State Route 601 in Conemaugh Township, Somerset County, as the Corporal Anthony G. Orlandi Memorial Bridge.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators BROOKS, FONTANA, BREWSTER, YUDICHAK, COSTA, MASTRIANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 536**, 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 colorectal cancer screening.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 9, 2021.

Senators BOSCOLA, SCHWANK and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 538**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for powers reserved to the people.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 9, 2021.

Senators LAUGHLIN, YUDICHAK, MENSCH, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON and ROBINSON presented to the Chair **SB 539**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 9, 2021.

Senators TOMLINSON, MENSCH, FONTANA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 540**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators REGAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, LANGERHOLC, SCAVELLO, MENSCH, J. WARD, ARGALL, YAW, STEFANO, BROOKS and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 541**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other offenses, further providing for drug trafficking sentencing and penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2021.

Senators TOMLINSON, MENSCH, FONTANA and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 542**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, MUTH and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 543**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for commuter and commerce toll tax credit.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, MUTH, KEARNEY, TARTAGLIONE, COLLETT, SCHWANK, COSTA, HAYWOOD, BREWSTER and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 544**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for schedule of convictions and points; in rules of the road in general, further providing for speed timing devices; and, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2021.

Senators YAW, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD, MENSCH, K. WARD, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 545**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, STREET, KEARNEY, COLLETT, TARTAGLIONE, COMITTA and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 546**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general principles of justification, further providing for use of force in self-protection.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, KEARNEY, STREET, FONTANA, MUTH, TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, KANE and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 547**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1959 (P.L.1913, No.694), known as the Equal Pay Law, further providing for definitions, for wage rates and for collection of unpaid wages.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 9, 2021.

April 13, 2021

Senators STREET, KEARNEY, COLLETT, KANE, SANTARSIERO, BREWSTER and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 436**, entitled:

An Act providing for the use of a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer identifier in all Commonwealth agency or entity blanks, forms, documents and applications.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators LANGERHOLC, SCAVELLO, MENSCH and HUTCHINSON presented to the Chair **SB 456**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, in public health, further providing for provision for burial of dependents and other persons.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators KEARNEY, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, STREET and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 464**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 13, 2021.

Senators MUTH, SAVAL, SANTARSIERO, KEARNEY, KANE, STREET, CAPPELLETTI and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 466**, entitled:

An Act providing for deferment program for mortgage payments, for application criteria and procedures, for reduction of rent for qualified tenants, for waivers during disaster emergencies and for applicability.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, April 13, 2021.

Senators HUGHES, HAYWOOD, COLLETT, KANE, KEARNEY, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, STREET, COSTA and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 467**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Independent Fiscal Office, further providing for definitions and for duties of office and providing for poverty impact analysis.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, April 13, 2021.

Senators HUGHES, HAYWOOD, COLLETT, KANE, KEARNEY, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, STREET, COSTA and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 468**, entitled:

An Act providing for the study of intergenerational poverty; establishing the intergenerational poverty tracking system, the Interagency Workgroup on Poverty and Economic Insecurity and the Pennsylvania Commission on Poverty Elimination and Economic Security; and providing for a strategic plan, for reports and for duties of the Department of Human Services and the Secretary of the Budget.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 13, 2021.

Senators MASTRIANO, BAKER, STEFANO, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL and VOGEL presented to the Chair **SB 492**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in requirements and prohibitions, providing for Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association; in access, further providing for open-records officer, for regulations and policies, for uniform form, for requests and for retention of records and providing for inmate access; in procedure, further providing for access, for requests, for written requests, for electronic access, for creation of record, for redaction, for production of certain records and for exceptions for public records; in agency response, further providing for general rule and for extension of time; in appeal of agency determination, further providing for filing of appeal and for appeals officers; in judicial review, further providing for civil penalty, for fee limitations and for Office of Open Records; and, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for relation to other laws.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators COMITTA, SANTARSIERO, KEARNEY, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, SCHWANK, MUTH and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 494**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Pipeline Safety and Communication Board and providing for its powers and duties; and making a related repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 13, 2021.

Senators KEARNEY and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 505**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 27, 1996 (P.L.403, No.58), known as the Community and Economic Development Enhancement Act, in State Tax Equalization Board, further providing for membership.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 13, 2021.

Senators J. WARD, FONTANA, ARGALL, COLLETT, VOGEL, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, PITTMAN, YUDICHAK, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, BAKER, BROWNE, STEFANO and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 511**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 27, 1961 (P.L.1700, No.699), known as the Pharmacy Act, further providing for authority to administer injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 13, 2021.

Senators DUSH, ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 529**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for interstate compacts.

Which was committed to the Committee on INTERGOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, April 13, 2021.

Senators BOSCOLA, COSTA and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SB 537**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for expiration of authority to levy or collect real property taxes on homesteads and farmsteads.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 13, 2021.

Senators MARTIN, K. WARD, GORDNER, BARTOLOTTA, STEFANO, PITTMAN and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 551**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators DUSH, LANGERHOLC and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 552**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, in agency response, providing for vexatious requester.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators DUSH, PHILLIPS-HILL, MASTRIANO and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 553**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 1 (General Provisions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of construction, further providing for legislative intent controls.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 13, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, BROWNE, AUMENT, MARTIN, A. WILLIAMS, SCHWANK and MASTRIANO presented to the Chair **SB 554**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in open meetings, further providing for public notice and providing for notification of agency business required and exceptions.



Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, LANGERHOLC, BROOKS, FONTANA, GORDNER, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, REGAN, SCAVELLO, COSTA, VOGEL, MASTRIANO, BAKER and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 556**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), referred to as the Emergency and Law Enforcement Personnel Death Benefits Act, further providing for death benefits relating to COVID-19 and for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 13, 2021.

Senators COMMITTA and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 557**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, in zoning, providing for prohibiting the location of advertising signs in certain locations.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

Senators COMMITTA, KANE, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, COSTA, MUTH, HUGHES, SCHWANK, KEARNEY, L. WILLIAMS and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 558**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions relating to marriage, repealing provisions relating to marriage between persons of the same sex.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 13, 2021.

Senators ARGALL, BROOKS, PHILLIPS-HILL, STEFANO, MENSCH, YUDICHAK, SCAVELLO, PITTMAN, J. WARD and STREET presented to the Chair **SB 559**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in access to public records during disaster declaration, further providing for definitions and for public records under Right-to-Know Law.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 13, 2021.

April 14, 2021

Senators YAW and MARTIN presented to the Chair **SB 524**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in home rule and optional plan government, further providing for submission of question for election of government study commission and for limitation on enactment of ordinance or filing of petition.

Which was committed to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, April 14, 2021.

Senators PITTMAN, ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, AUMENT and MENSCH presented to the Chair **SB 526**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for definitions and for establishment, providing for increased reimbursement to EMS agencies for transportation of Medicaid recipients and further providing for publication and notice, for award of grants, for Emergency Medical Services Company Grant Program, for allocation of appropriated funds; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 14, 2021.

Senators REGAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, DiSANTO, BARTOLOTTA, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, SCAVELLO, PITTMAN and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 527**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in educational tax credits, further providing for limitations.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 14, 2021.

Senators MENSCH, GORDNER, AUMENT, ARGALL, BARTOLOTTA, BROOKS, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN, SCAVELLO, STEFANO, J. WARD and DUSH presented to the Chair **SB 528**, entitled:

An Act providing for reporting allegations of fraud relating to the 2020 general election and imposing duties on the Auditor General.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 14, 2021.

Senators STEFANO, BROWNE, LANGERHOLC, SABATINA and MARTIN presented to the Chair **SB 548**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 40 (Insurance) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for vehicles; and, in financial responsibility, providing for group insurance for private vehicle rental programs.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 14, 2021.

Senators A. WILLIAMS, STREET, SAVAL, COLLETT, KEARNEY, KANE, SCHWANK and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 549**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 61 (Prisons and Parole) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Temporary Disaster Emergency Inmate Transfer Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 14, 2021.

Senators ROBINSON, ARGALL, MARTIN, FONTANA, MENSCH, MASTRIANO, PITTMAN, COSTA, YUDICHAK and VOGEL presented to the Chair **SB 550**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, in special powers and duties of the county, further providing for flags to decorate graves.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 14, 2021.

Senators KANE, MUTH, FONTANA, BREWSTER, COSTA, YUDICHAK, SANTARSIERO, COMITTA, SCHWANK and COLLETT presented to the Chair **SB 560**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in budget and finance, providing for Animal Cruelty Investigation Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 14, 2021.

Senator FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 561**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands, buildings and improvements situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, through a competitive solicitation for proposals process.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 14, 2021.

Senators SCAVELLO, LANGERHOLC, BROWNE, ARGALL, STEFANO, J. WARD, BOSCOLA, BARTOLOTTA, MENSCH, SCHWANK and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 562**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for airport land development zones.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 14, 2021.

Senators BROOKS, BOSCOLA, YAW, BARTOLOTTA, SCAVELLO, J. WARD, COSTA, STEFANO, MASTRIANO and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 564**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 30 (Fish) and 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, providing for volunteer firefighters; and, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further providing for resident license and fee exemptions and for license costs and fees.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, April 14, 2021.

April 16, 2021

Senators LAUGHLIN, FONTANA, ARGALL, SCHWANK, CAPPELLETTI and REGAN presented to the Chair **SB 563**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1927 (P.L.465, No.299), referred to as the Fire and Panic Act, further providing for standards for Class VI buildings.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 16, 2021.

Senators DUSH, J. WARD, STEFANO, PITTMAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, YAW, MENSCH, HUTCHINSON, MASTRIANO, LANGERHOLC, SCAVELLO, ROBINSON, BARTOLOTTA and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SB 565**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, repealing provisions relating to firearms not to be carried without a license, providing for license not required, repealing provisions relating to carrying firearms on public streets or public property in Philadelphia, providing for sportsman's firearm permit, further providing for licenses and repealing provisions relating to proof of license and exception.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 16, 2021.

Senators REGAN, J. WARD, MARTIN, BOSCOLA, STEFANO, BROWNE, YAW and KEARNEY presented to the Chair **SB 566**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, April 16, 2021.

Senators ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, J. WARD, REGAN, YUDICHAK and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 568**, 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 the definition of "building machinery and equipment."

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 16, 2021.

Senators ARGALL, LANGERHOLC, J. WARD, STEFANO, REGAN, YUDICHAK, BROWNE, SABATINA, MENSCH, LAUGHLIN and ROBINSON presented to the Chair **SB 569**, entitled:

An Act providing for guidelines and procedures governing certain investigations and interrogations of correctional and forensic employees; authorizing certain civil suits by correctional officers; and providing for impact of collective bargaining agreements and for summary suspensions.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 16, 2021.

Senators ARGALL, STEFANO, SCAVELLO, REGAN, YAW, PITTMAN and PHILLIPS-HILL presented to the Chair **SB 571**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in fiscal provisions relating to public assistance, providing for distribution of SNAP benefits.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 16, 2021.

Senators YAW, J. WARD, BAKER, PHILLIPS-HILL and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 572**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 20 (Decedents, Estates and Fiduciaries) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to health care, further providing for applicability, for definitions, for criminal penalties, for emergency medical services, for definitions, for orders, bracelets and necklaces, for revocation, for absence of order, bracelet or necklace and for emergency medical services, repealing provisions relating to advisory committee and providing for discontinuance and for Pennsylvania orders for life-sustaining treatment; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 16, 2021.

Senators MASTRIANO, PITTMAN, BROOKS, HUTCHINSON, STEFANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 573**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in district election officers, further providing for appointment of watchers; and, in penalties, further providing for refusal to permit overseers, watchers, attorneys or candidates to act and for hindering or delaying performance of duty.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 16, 2021.

### RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

March 25, 2021

Senators HUTCHINSON, BROWNE, HUGHES, VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, KANE, FONTANA, STREET, J. WARD, MASTRIANO, KEARNEY, PITTMAN, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, MENSCH, COMITTA, SCHWANK and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 58**, entitled:

A Resolution raising awareness for apraxia in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, March 25, 2021.

April 8, 2021

Senators COMITTA, BROWNE, HUGHES, FONTANA, MARTIN, BREWSTER, KEARNEY, KANE, COSTA, STREET, YUDICHAK and SANTARSIERO presented to the Chair **SR 59**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of March 2021 as "Music in Our Schools Month," "Theatre in Our Schools Month," "Dance in Our Schools Month" and "Youth Art Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 8, 2021.

April 9, 2021

Senators YUDICHAK, CAPPELLETTI, SCAVELLO, BROWNE, MARTIN, FONTANA, BREWSTER, COSTA and STREET presented to the Chair **SR 54**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of March 2021 as "Problem Gambling Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators SABATINA, BROOKS, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, STREET, SANTARSIERO, K. WARD, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, YAW, J. WARD, GORDNER, AUMENT, MENSCH, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, PITTMAN, BREWSTER and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 60**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of January 31 through February 6, 2021, as "Catholic Schools Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators COLLETT, BROWNE, HUGHES, SCAVELLO, KANE, PHILLIPS-HILL, J. WARD, FONTANA, KEARNEY,

MARTIN, STREET, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, BARTOLOTTA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 61**, entitled:

A Resolution designating February 7 through February 14, 2021, as "Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week" and further designating February 14, 2021, as "Emersyn's Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, BROWNE, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, KEARNEY, COLLETT, HUGHES, COSTA, STREET, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, COMITTA, MENSCH, J. WARD and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SR 62**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2021 as "World HIE Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators SANTARSIERO, BROWNE, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, KEARNEY, HUGHES, COSTA, STREET, MARTIN, KANE, COMITTA, J. WARD, MENSCH, HAYWOOD, STEFANO and MASTRIANO presented to the Chair **SR 63**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2021 as "Limb Loss Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators HAYWOOD, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, KEARNEY, STREET, ROBINSON, FONTANA, YUDICHAK and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 65**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 12, 2021, as the 157th anniversary of the Fort Pillow Massacre, in honor of the fallen soldiers who lost their lives during this battle.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

Senators HAYWOOD, FONTANA, BROWNE, ROBINSON, VOGEL, COSTA and YUDICHAK presented to the Chair **SR 68**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 9, 2021, as "Appomattox Day" in Pennsylvania, in honor of the historic Confederate surrender in Appomattox, Virginia, which led to full emancipation in the United States and signaled the end of the American Civil War, and urging the designation of "Appomattox Day" as a legal holiday in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 9, 2021.

April 13, 2021

Senators HUGHES, KEARNEY, FONTANA, BROWNE, KANE, YUDICHAK, COMITTA, BREWSTER, HUTCHINSON, COSTA and STREET presented to the Chair **SR 69**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2021 as "Jazz Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania and paying tribute to the late Nina Simone for her contributions to the world of jazz.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 13, 2021.

Senators MUTH, FONTANA, COMITTA and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SR 70**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study and issue a report on the current status, management and benefits of conservation corridors in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 13, 2021.

Senators MARTIN, BROWNE, HUGHES, SANTARSIERO, KEARNEY, STREET, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, VOGEL, STEFANO, MENSCH, YUDICHAK, BARTOLOTTA, PITTMAN, COSTA, MASTRIANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 71**, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 2021 as "Testicular Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 13, 2021.

Senator TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SR 72**, entitled:  
A Resolution designating the month of April 2021 as "Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe Digging Month."

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 13, 2021.

#### April 14, 2021

Senators BARTOLOTTA, KEARNEY, KANE, HUGHES, STREET, FONTANA, BROWNE, SCAVELLO, PHILLIPS-HILL, COSTA, COMITTA and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 73**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2021 as "Second Chance Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 14, 2021.

Senators MUTH, SCHWANK, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, KANE, BROWNE, FONTANA, STREET, SANTARSIERO, HUGHES, KEARNEY, COSTA, COMITTA, BREWSTER, SAVAL, TARTAGLIONE and L. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SR 74**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 26, 2021, as "Fourth Trimester Care Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 14, 2021.

#### April 16, 2021

Senators SANTARSIERO, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, KANE, FONTANA, KEARNEY, COLLETT, STREET, YUDICHAK, COMITTA, BREWSTER, COSTA and MUTH presented to the Chair **SR 64**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing February 15, 2021, as "Love is Love Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 16, 2021.

Senators MUTH, HUGHES, KANE, FONTANA, BREWSTER, KEARNEY, STREET, SCHWANK, COSTA, COLLETT, SANTARSIERO, BARTOLOTTA and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SR 66**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of April 18 through 24, 2021, as "Time to Acknowledge Military Sexual Assault Survivors Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 16, 2021.

Senators K. WARD and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 90**, entitled:

A Resolution amending the Rules of the Senate, further providing for temporary emergency Rules of the Senate.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 16, 2021.

## HOUSE MESSAGES

### HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

#### March 25, 2021

**HB 325** -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

**HB 491** and **803** -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

**HB 649** -- Committee on Aging and Youth.

#### April 8, 2021

**HB 951** -- Committee on Judiciary.

#### April 9, 2021

**HB 39, 120, 335** and **854** -- Committee on State Government.

**HB 148, 149, 521** and **925** -- Committee on Transportation.

**HB 184** and **605** -- Committee on Judiciary.

**HB 264** -- Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

**HB 427** -- Committee on Law and Justice.

**HB 464** -- Committee on Aging and Youth.

**HB 523** -- Committee on Local Government.

**HB 754** -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

**HB 755** -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

**HB 766** -- Committee on Finance.

#### April 13, 2021

**HB 63** -- Committee on Health and Human Services.

**HB 290** -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.

#### April 14, 2021

**HB 425** -- Committee on Law and Justice.

April 16, 2021

**HB 827** -- Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

### 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 14**.

### HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 49** and **SB 55**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

### GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

#### STATE ETHICS COMMISSION RULINGS

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
State Ethics Commission  
Finance Building  
613 North Street, Room 309  
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0400

TO: Director or Administrator  
FROM: Robert Caruso, Executive Director  
State Ethics Commission  
DATE: November 7, 2020  
RE: Distribution of State Ethics Commission Rulings

On June 26, 1989, the revised Public Official and Employee Ethics Law was enacted which re-authorized the State Ethics Commission. The State Ethics Commission is responsible for issuing various types of rulings on matters within its mandated jurisdiction. Pursuant to the law, the Commission is mandated to forward, quarterly, a copy of every Opinion, Advice of Counsel, and Order issued to one law library in each county, one public library in each county, the State Library, the State Senate Library, each authority appointing a Commission member, the Pennsylvania Association of County Commissioners, the Pennsylvania Association of Boroughs, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners, the Pennsylvania State School Boards Association, and the Pennsylvania League of Cities. Your agency is either specifically identified in the above requirement or has been selected as a library to which this mailing will be made pursuant to the above authority. As such, enclosed please find decisions of the State Ethics Commission from July 1, 2020, to September 30, 2020. Due to budgetary restraints, a CD containing said rulings will replace paper copies that were previously sent.

For your information, the Commission generally issues these types of decisions as follows:

**Commission Opinions** - Opinions are advisory rulings issued by the State Ethics Commission regarding the duties and responsibilities of public officials and employees under the Public Official and Employee Ethics Law. Opinions are catalogued by year of issuance followed by the sequential number of the opinion during that year. As such, opinions relating to 2020 will begin with the number 20-001 and proceed there from as decisions are rendered.

**Advice of Counsel** - The Commission's Chief Counsel is authorized to issue similar advisory letters. Such letters are issued generally when there is prior precedent for counsel to rely upon in issuing a decision or when the provisions of the State Ethics Act directly provide the answer to the question posed. Advice of Counsel letters are numbered with the year and a 500 series number that progresses in order therefrom as

rulings are issued. If more than 100 such letters are issued, a 600 series number will then be used.

**Orders** - Commission orders are issued at the end of an investigation and are determinations as to whether or not there has been a violation of the State Ethics Act. Commission orders are categorized numerically from the date of the first order in 1979. That is, the first Order issued was Order No. 1. All orders proceed there from.

It is recommended that Opinions, Advices of Counsel and Orders be maintained separately (in numerical order) so as to afford better retrievability.

The enclosed items are being forwarded for retention, cataloging and for the purpose of being publicly available for review by citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who may have an interest therein. Additional mailings will be made on a quarterly basis henceforth. If you have any questions in relation to your receipt of these documents and future distribution, please contact me at 717-783-1610 or 800-932-0936. For your information, all Commission rulings are available on-line at [www.ethics.pa.gov](http://www.ethics.pa.gov).

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

### 2019 COMMISSION ON SENTENCING ANNUAL REPORT

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

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

December 1, 2020

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 *2019 Annual Report*. Over the past year, the Commission addressed its existing and new mandates, as highlighted in this report.

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. Specifically, it extends its thanks to the Commission Members who left the Commission with the restructuring of appointments in accordance with Act 15 of 2019. Judge Sheila Woods-Skipper served on the Commission for 13 years and was vice chair and chair. Judge Jill Rangos was a Commission member for 10 years, serving as vice chair for the last three. Commission Members Judge Rita Donovan Hathaway (8 years), former Senator John C. Rafferty (6 years), Attorney Mark B. Sheppard (4 years), Professor Rachel E. Lopez (4 years), and District Attorney David Strouse (3 years), and ex officio Members former Chair of the Parole Board, Leo L. Dunn, Esq., and Victim Advocate Jennifer Storm all were dedicated to and contributed to the work of the Commission.

The *Annual Report* details the work of the Commission and staff during 2019 and provides a review of sentencing practices and aggregate statewide sentencing data during the same calendar year. A total of 124,500 offenses with corresponding sentences were reported to the Commission by the Courts of Common Pleas, representing 86,780 criminal incidents.

During 2019, the Commission worked on many projects and activities. The Commission adopted Sentence Risk Assessment and committed to 6 months of educational and training efforts before its July 1, 2020 effective date. The Commission also adopted Resentencing Guidelines and the 5th Amendment to the 7th Edition Sentencing Guidelines. Research and analysis were undertaken to support development of State parole guidelines. The Commission continues to explore a comprehen-

sive review of Sentencing Guidelines. To build internal capacity and save funds, the Commission moved many of its SGS Web functions in-house, with a full transition scheduled 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 and parole practices, and with assisting courts and agencies in the development, maintenance, and coordination of sound sentencing and parole 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 practices in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative TODD STEPHENS  
Chair, Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing

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

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Dixon University Center  
Office of the Chancellor  
2986 North Second Street  
Harrisburg, PA 17110-1201

April 16, 2021

The Honorable Megan L. Martin  
Secretary of the Senate  
Pennsylvania State Senate  
462 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Ms. Martin:

Please accept this letter as a request for a resolution to authorize the disposition of Indiana University of Pennsylvania's (IUP) Northpointe campus real estate. The property is located in South Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, with a mailing address of 167 Northpointe Boulevard, Freeport, Pennsylvania 16229.

The university has identified the disposal of this facility as an opportunity to reduce underutilized facility space and related overhead expenses. They have also developed a plan to transfer or sell the property while maintaining their regional academic presence.

IUP constructed the facility at this location in 2005 to replace their Armstrong Branch Campus facility. The property is on 5.4 acres with a 24,000 square foot academic building containing office, classroom, and laboratory spaces.

As required by 24 P.S. §20-2018-A. METHOD OF DISPOSITION; CONSIDERATION BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, this office requests that the required resolution to dispose of Indiana University of Pennsylvania's real estate be drafted and placed on the calendar for consideration by the General Assembly at the next opportunity. Questions concerning this request should be addressed to Ms. Jennifer Hoover, Director of Governmental Relations, at 717-720-4021.

Sincerely,

DAN GREENSTEIN  
Chancellor

The PRESIDENT. This will appear on the Calendar as State System of Higher Education Property Request No. 1 of 2021.

**BILLS SIGNED**

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

**SB 49, SB 55 and HB 14.**

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator Regan, and Senator Stefano.

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

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

The PRESIDENT. Senator Kim Ward requests legislative leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator Regan, and Senator Stefano.

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Anthony Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of January 5, 2021, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of January 5, 2021.

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

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

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

**YEA-48**

Argall	Costa	Martin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mensch	Street
Bartolotta	Fontana	Muth	Tartaglione
Boscola	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Tomlinson
Brewster	Haywood	Pittman	Vogel
Brooks	Hughes	Regan	Ward, Judy
Browne	Hutchinson	Robinson	Ward, Kim
Cappelletti	Kane	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Langerholc	Saval	Yaw
Corman	Laughlin	Scavello	Yudichak

**NAY-0**

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

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

The SECRETARY. Permission has been granted for the Committee on Finance to meet today off the floor in the Senate

Chamber to consider House Bill No. 766 and Senate Bill No. 454, Senate Bill No. 463, and Senate Bill No. 562.

### RECESS

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held here on the floor.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held here on the floor, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

### AFTER RECESS

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

### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Cappelletti, Senator Street, Senator Saval, Senator Hughes, Senator Comitta, Senator Brewster, and Senator Tartaglione.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests legislative leaves for Senator Cappelletti, Senator Street, Senator Saval, Senator Hughes, Senator Comitta, Senator Brewster, and Senator Tartaglione. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

### RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator K. WARD, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following resolution:

#### SR 90 (Pr. No. 615)

A Resolution amending the Rules of the Senate, further providing for temporary emergency Rules of the Senate.

#### MOTION PURSUANT TO SENATE RULE 29

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I call up Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1 and move that the Senate proceed to consider the following resolution, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 29(b):

#### SR 90.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

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

#### SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators K. WARD and COSTA offered **Senate Resolution No. 90**, entitled:

#### A RESOLUTION

Amending the Rules of the Senate, further providing for temporary emergency Rules of the Senate.

RESOLVED, That Rule 38 of the Rules of the Senate of Pennsylvania be amended to read:

Rule 38. Temporary emergency Rules of the Senate.

(a) [continuity] Continuity of legislative operations.--In order to maintain the continuity of the legislative operations of the Senate and protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Commonwealth, based on the declaration of disaster emergency issued by the Governor on March 6, 2020, the effect of which makes the convening of some or all of the members of the Senate as a body in the Senate chamber of the Capitol Building or at a single location imprudent, inexpedient or impossible, the following apply:

(1) Notwithstanding Rules 6 and 7 the following apply:

(i) In the absence of the Secretary-Parliamentarian and the Chief Clerk and subject to the direction of the President Pro Tempore, the Assistant Secretary shall attest all writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the Senate and shall certify as to the passage of Senate bills and the approval of executive nominations.

(ii) In the absence of both officers and the Assistant Secretary, the President Pro Tempore shall designate a signatory.

(2) Notwithstanding Rule 9, there shall be no guest introductions.

(3) Notwithstanding Rule 14(h), members may remotely participate in committee meetings as follows:

(i) A quorum shall be established through a roll call.

(ii) Technology employed for remote committee meetings must safeguard the integrity of the legislative process and maintain the deliberative character of the meeting by providing for simultaneous aural and verbal communication among all participants.

(4) Notwithstanding Rule 14, the following apply:

(i) The President Pro Tempore may appoint a Senator to serve in a temporary capacity as a member of a committee, serving only for the duration of a single session day for a particular committee meeting.

(ii) The President Pro Tempore shall transmit this designation to the Secretary-Parliamentarian for retention during the two-year legislative session, and this record shall be available for public inspection upon request.

(iii) The communication shall be read across the desk and printed in the Senate Journal on the next legislative day of the Senate.

(5) In addition to the provisions of Rule 14, the following apply:

(i) Regulations [shall] may be deposited with the Legislative Reference Bureau.

(ii) The bureau shall transmit the regulations to the appropriate committee for consideration within 24 hours.

(iii) The bureau shall transmit notice of the transmission of the regulations to the Secretary-Parliamentarian.

(iv) The time for consideration shall begin on the date the committee receives the regulations from the bureau.

(6) In addition to the provisions of Rule 17, the following apply:

(i) Members participating remotely may cast votes for all measures considered and brought to a vote by the as if the members were physically present at the committee meeting.

(ii) The identity of the voting member must be verified by the Chair.

(iii) A member may also vote on matters before the committee pursuant to Rule 16(3).

(7) Notwithstanding Rule 20, members may remotely participate in the session of the Senate as follows:

(i) Members participating remotely may cast votes for all measures considered and brought to a vote during session, as if the members were physically present at the session of the Senate.

(ii) The identity of the voting member must be verified by the presiding officer.

(iii) Technology employed for remote participation in

Senate session must safeguard the integrity of the legislative process and maintain the deliberative character of the session by providing for simultaneous aural and verbal communication among all participants.

(iv) A member may also vote as provided in Rule 20(b)(1) and (2).

(8) Notwithstanding Rule 23, the Chief Clerk may provide for remote participation technology that enables members to participate in committee meetings and Senate session.

(9) Notwithstanding Rule 27, the following apply:

(i) Senators participating remotely in the session of the Senate shall be counted for the purpose of determining a quorum.

(ii) A quorum shall be established through a roll call if the identity of the voting member is identified by the presiding officer.

(10) This rule shall expire [march 31, 2021] May 31, 2021, or 10 days following the expiration of the emergency declaration, whichever is earlier, unless otherwise further extended in accordance with the Rules of the Senate.

(b) Definitions.--As used in this Rule, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this subsection unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Remote participation." Simultaneous, interactive participation in a committee meeting by committee members not physically present at the location of the meeting, through means of communication technologies designed to accommodate and facilitate such simultaneous, interactive participation.

On the question,  
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-47

Argall	Costa	Mastriano	Stefano
Aument	Dush	Mensch	Street
Baker	Fontana	Muth	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Tomlinson
Boscola	Haywood	Pittman	Vogel
Brewster	Hughes	Regan	Ward, Judy
Brooks	Hutchinson	Robinson	Ward, Kim
Browne	Kane	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H.
Cappelletti	Kearney	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Langerholc	Saval	Yaw
Comitta	Laughlin	Scavello	Yudichak
Corman	Martin	Schwank	

NAY-1

DiSanto

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

The PRESIDENT. The resolution is adopted.

RECESS

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room and via Zoom.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber and via Zoom.

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

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Jacob D. Corman III) in the Chair.

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Regan, Senator Cappelletti, Senator Street, Senator Saval, Senator Hughes, Senator Brewster, Senator Tartaglione, Senator Comitta, and Senator Anthony Williams have returned, and their legislative leaves are cancelled.

RECESS

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of a series of off-the-floor meetings beginning with the Committee on Banking and Insurance, followed by the Committee on Finance, followed by the Committee on Appropriations to be held here on the Senate floor and via Zoom.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For purposes of off-the-floor meetings to be held here on the floor and via Zoom, beginning with the Committee on Banking and Insurance, followed by the Committee on Finance, followed by the Committee on Appropriations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

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

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 78, HB 101, SB 106, SB 113 and SB 137 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 247 (Pr. No. 215) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in professional employees, repealing provisions relating to religious garb, insignia, etc., prohibited and penalty.

Considered the third time and agreed to,



On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise in support of Senate Bill No. 247, which I cosponsored with the gentlewoman from Berks County. This bill would repeal Section 1112 of the Public School Code. Under the existing statute, Section 1112 prohibits a teacher from wearing any garb, mark, emblem, or insignia that would indicate he or she is a member of or adherent to any religious order or sect while in the performance of their duties as a teacher. The law this bill repeals states that a teacher who violates this ban must be suspended from teaching for a term of 1 year or permanently disqualified from teaching after multiple offenses. The Senator from Berks County and I believe the current law is a violation of our First Amendment rights, and we are not alone. In the 2003 case *Nichol v. Arin*, the court held that the school's religious affiliation's policy violates the free exercise of religion and free speech clauses of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution. In that case, the teacher was suspended for refusing to remove or conceal a small cross that she regularly wore on a necklace. Based on the decision of this case, Section 1112 is no longer warranted and should be repealed. In fact, when I first supported this bill as a House Member, Pennsylvania was one of only two States in the nation with this sort of law in place. Today, we are the last State to have this provision still on our books. Last year, the *Observer-Reporter* editorial board wrote "Of course, a public classroom is not a pulpit, but a teacher simply wearing traditional garb associated with their faith is not preaching. It's time Pennsylvania recognized that difference."

This law was put in place back in 1895, 126 years ago. The origins of this original law can be traced back to the Ku Klux Klan. I agree with the editorial board at the *Observer-Reporter*. Pennsylvania should join every other State in the nation to remove this archaic law and recognize that First Amendment rights apply to everyone, including our teachers in the classrooms. Please join the gentlewoman from Berks County and me in voting in support of Senate Bill No. 247.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Berks, Senator Schwank.

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I would first like to thank my colleague from York County, Senator Phillips-Hill, for working with me on this legislation. It is not about necessarily just the fact that we are the last State in the country that has a rule in place such as this, it is also about the fact of how this reflects who we are as a people. Let us look at our classrooms and the diverse body of students who teachers face in front of them. Would it not be far better for those students to identify with and recognize teachers who practice a faith similar to them? So wearing a cross, hajib, turban, or kippah simply reflects the diversity of our communities. It is important that we foster more acceptance and empathy for our students as they grow into adults. But, certainly, first and foremost, our teachers are citizens, too, with First Amendment rights. It is important that we change this law and allow them to reflect their beliefs and continue to focus on their teaching.

Thank you very much.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to support this legislation and point out the significance of this legislation to many folks who are religious minorities. This brings Pennsylvania in alignment with much of the country in recognizing the rights of religious expression for Pennsylvania teachers. It certainly is a bill that is past due. I will note also that it sends the right message. Not so long ago, we had a situation where a Muslim young lady, Nasihah, was playing in a basketball game in the playoffs and was told that she had to remove her hijab or be seated. I was pleased to work with members of the PIAA to have that rule reversed. This change in legislation would allow freedom of expression for teachers, which also sends a message to students that we are an inclusive place and that there is, in fact, a place in Pennsylvania's educational system for students and teachers alike with diverse backgrounds and that no student should have to be ashamed of his or her religious background.

So, yes, it is important for the teachers to have rights of expression, but it is also important because it sends a strong message to young people who go to school, not just to learn how to read and write, but also to learn how to socialize in our society, to know that we are an inclusive society, and that they can express themselves and still be a part of the educational experience. So I urge an affirmative vote, and I thank the makers of the bill for this legislation.

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	Costa	Martin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mensch	Street
Bartolotta	Fontana	Muth	Tartaglione
Boscola	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Tomlinson
Brewster	Haywood	Pittman	Vogel
Brooks	Hughes	Regan	Ward, Judy
Browne	Hutchinson	Robinson	Ward, Kim
Cappelletti	Kane	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Kearney	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Langerhole	Saval	Yaw
Corman	Laughlin	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 274, SB 282 and SB 382 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 420 (Pr. No. 487) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, in district attorney, assistants and detectives, further providing for district attorney, qualifications, eligibility and compensation.

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

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Table with 4 columns of names: Argall, Aument, Baker, Bartolotta, Boscola, Brewster, Brooks, Browne, Cappelletti, Collett, Comitta, Corman, Costa, DiSanto, Dush, Fontana, Gordner, Haywood, Hughes, Hutchinson, Kane, Kearney, Langerholc, Laughlin, Martin, Mastriano, Mensch, Muth, Phillips-Hill, Pittman, Regan, Robinson, Sabatina, Santarsiero, Saval, Scavello, Schwank, Stefano, Street, Tartaglione, Tomlinson, Vogel, Ward, Judy, Ward, Kim, Williams, Anthony H., Williams, Lindsey, Yaw, 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.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 74 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 82 (Pr. No. 60) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 28, 1984 (P.L.150, No.28), known as the Automobile Lemon Law, further providing for definitions, for repair obligations, for manufacturer's duty for refund or replacement and for presumption of a reasonable number of attempts.

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

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

SB 115 (Pr. No. 473) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act making the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a party to the Nurse Licensure Compact; and providing for the form of the compact.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 168, HB 186, SB 224, HB 230, SB 236 and SB 241 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 251 (Pr. No. 275) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 284 and SB 286 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 323 (Pr. No. 301) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

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

**SB 325 (Pr. No. 332)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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 exclusions from tax.

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

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

**SB 343 (Pr. No. 377)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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 definitions.

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

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

**SB 403 (Pr. No. 394)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration and titling of boats, further providing for period of registration.

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

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 423, SB 434, SB 435, SB 441 and SB 455** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

##### BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

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

**SB 83 (Pr. No. 483)** (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, further providing for firefighter and emergency service training and establishing the Fire Training Fund.

**SB 108 (Pr. No. 73)** (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for medical assistance payments for institutional care.

**SB 114 (Pr. No. 114)** (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, repealing provisions relating to snow and ice dislodged or falling from moving vehicle and providing for snow and ice.

**SB 190 (Pr. No. 619)** (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act providing for essential family caregivers in facilities during disaster emergencies.

**SB 248 (Pr. No. 216)** (Rereported)

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

**SB 317 (Pr. No. 325)** (Rereported)

An Act providing for expedited partner therapy and for liability.

**SB 381 (Pr. No. 367)** (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in certification of teachers, further providing for substitute teaching permit for prospective teachers.

**SB 457 (Pr. No. 488)** (Rereported)

A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for qualifications of Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General and for disqualification for offices of Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Attorney General.

**HB 110 (Pr. No. 78)** (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of October 21, 1988 (P.L.1036, No.116), known as the Hardwoods Development Council Act, further providing for Hardwoods Development Council.

**HB 203 (Pr. No. 239)** (Rereported)

An Act providing for living donor protection; and imposing duties on the Department of Health and the Insurance Department.

Senator DiSANTO, from the Committee on Banking and Insurance, reported the following bills:

**SB 425 (Pr. No. 616)** (Amended)

An Act amending the act of March 20, 2002 (P.L.154, No.13), known as the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act, in medical professional liability, further providing for informed consent.

**SB 432 (Pr. No. 617)** (Amended)

An Act amending the act of May 15, 1933 (P.L.565, No.111), known as the Department of Banking and Securities Code, in banking and securities, further providing for fund.

Senator HUTCHINSON, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bills:

**SB 454 (Pr. No. 466)**

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for volunteer firefighter tax credit.

**SB 463 (Pr. No. 618) (Amended)**

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in computer data center equipment incentive program, further providing for definitions and for review of application, providing for applicability and for sales and use tax exemption program; imposing duties on the Department of Revenue; and making editorial changes.

**SB 562 (Pr. No. 594)**

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for airport land development zones.

**HB 766 (Pr. No. 1283) (Amended)**

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, providing for COVID-19 emergency finance and tax provision; and in corporate net income tax, further providing for reports and payment of tax and for extension of time to file reports.

**BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION**

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

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

**SB 425, SB 432, SB 454, SB 463, SB 562 and HB 766.**

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021

9:00 A.M.	SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ELECTION INTEGRITY AND REFORM (public hearing on insight on the Administration of Elections in Philadelphia and Allegheny Counties)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. (LIVE STREAMED)
11:00 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (to consider Senate Bills No. 150, 461, 550 and 556)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)

**C A N C E L L E D**

12:00 P.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (to consider Senate Bills No. 341 and 442)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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12:30 P.M.	TRANSPORTATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 283 and 445; Senate Resolution No. 53; and House Bills No. 26, 56 and 124)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider House Bill No. 766)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Resolution No. 29; and certain Executive Nominations)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21, 2021

10:00 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Bill No. 521; and House Bills No. 184 and 951)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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2:00 P.M.	APPROPRIATIONS (budget hearing - Department of Transportation)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021

10:00 A.M.	APPROPRIATIONS (budget hearing - Department of Health)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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2:00 P.M.	APPROPRIATIONS (budget hearing - Budget Secretary/Governor's Executive Office & Department of General Services)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2021

10:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (public hearing on pursuing excellence: needed K-12 education reforms in Western Pennsylvania)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
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MONDAY, APRIL 26, 2021

11:30 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (public hearing on the use of Lyme disease funding by DOH and DEP)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
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TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2021

9:00 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (S) and ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (H) (joint public hearing on Alternate Septic Systems - Act 34 Implementation)	Room 523 Iris Off. Bldg.
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THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021

9:30 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (S) and VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (H) (joint public hearing on Pennsylvania's veterans home care and COVID-19 mitigation protocols)	Room G-50 Iris Off. Bldg.
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**C A N C E L L E D**

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2021

9:30 A.M.

VETERANS AFFAIRS AND  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (S)  
and VETERANS AFFAIRS AND  
EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (H)  
(joint public hearing on Pennsylvania's  
veterans home care and COVID-19  
mitigation protocols)

Room 515  
Ivris Off. Bldg.

## PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator Tomlinson, I offer the following remarks for the record.

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

*(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Columbia, Senator GORDNER, on behalf of the gentleman from Bucks, Senator TOMLINSON:)*

Mr. President, today I offer my comments for the record in support of Senate Resolution No. 72, which designates April 2021 as Pennsylvania 8-1-1 Safe Digging Month and recognizes the Pennsylvania One Call System. The Pennsylvania One Call System is celebrating more than 49 years of continuous service to this Commonwealth and is key to preventing injuries and damage when excavating and demolishing.

This unique service provides easy, one-call notification about construction and excavation projects that may endanger workers and jeopardize utility lines and promotes workplace and public safety, reduces underground utility damage, minimizes utility service interruptions, and protects the environment. This vital service, which began with only six utility companies in western Pennsylvania and the City of Pittsburgh, now serves more than 100,000 excavators and 3,680 critical infrastructure owners throughout this Commonwealth. Over the last year, despite a worldwide pandemic, the Pennsylvania One Call System received nearly 1 million notification requests and transmitted more than 6.4 million notifications to its members, providing protection to utility companies, their employees, and customers.

Senate Resolution No. 72 encourages all excavators and homeowners of this Commonwealth to dial 8-1-1/1-800-242-1776 or visit [www.pa811.org](http://www.pa811.org) before planning a digging project in order to "Know What's Below," avoid injury, protect the environment, and prevent millions of dollars in damages.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tartaglione has submitted remarks for the record. 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 gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator TARTAGLIONE:)*

Mr. President, today marks 5,399 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is more than 14 years, and it is far too long.

Mr. President, I am happy to report that there is clearly a growing consensus among the Members of this Chamber—from both sides of the aisle—that Pennsylvanians need a raise in the State's minimum wage. We know this in part because no fewer than 19 of my Democratic colleagues have cosigned Senate Bill No. 12, my legislation that would raise the minimum wage to \$12 this year and \$15 by 2027.

We also know there is a growing consensus because, since we last met, two of my colleagues from the opposite side of the aisle have introduced their own bill to raise the minimum wage—albeit to just \$10, while indexing it to inflation. I do not agree with their proposed starting

point, but I have said many times in the past—and it bears repeating—that any increase in the minimum wage is a step in the right direction. Furthermore, I am fully supportive of indexing the minimum wage to inflation, which my legislation also proposes to do. Therefore, Mr. President, it is quite clear that, at this point, the main thing holding us back from advancing and adopting desperately needed minimum wage legislation is a disagreement over how much we should raise the rate.

To that question, I submit the following information that should guide our decision-making. This year, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Department of Urban Studies and Planning published research in which it calculated the living wage for each county in the United States, including each of Pennsylvania's 67 counties. Their model is a market-based approach that draws upon geographically specific expenditure data related to a family's likely minimum costs for food, childcare, health insurance, housing, transportation, and other necessities such as clothing and personal care items.

Researchers calculated the living wage for single adults; single parents with one, two, or three children; and households with two adults and zero, one, two, or three children. For the purposes of a basic comparison, I will point toward the figures for single adults with no children. MIT found that in 62 of Pennsylvania's 67 counties, the true living wage is at least \$12 an hour. In 40 counties, it is at least \$12.50. In more than one-third of Pennsylvania counties, the living wage is already at least \$13 an hour. Mr. President, these figures from a highly esteemed institution like MIT tell us something else very important. Nowhere in Pennsylvania—not in any of the Commonwealth's 67 counties—is \$10 an hour a true living wage. It does not matter if we look at our larger urban counties like Philadelphia where the living wage is \$14.47, or Allegheny where it is \$13.11. It does not matter if we look at our smallest counties like Cameron, Sullivan, Forest, and Fulton, where the living wage is more than \$12. The same holds true for counties in the northeast like Lackawanna where the living wage is almost \$12.50; those in the northwest like Erie where the living wage is \$12.57; and those in the south central region like Dauphin County where the living wage is \$12.84. It is probably to be expected that five of the seven counties where the living wage is at least \$14 are in the Southeast. But it may come as a surprise to learn that the living wage in Centre County is \$14.13 an hour, while the living wage in Pike County is an astounding \$15.26 an hour.

Mr. President, it is abundantly clear that no one can live on \$10 an hour, let alone \$7.25 an hour that we in the General Assembly allow Pennsylvania employers to pay their workers, even in households where two adults are working and have no children. It is also clear that a minimum wage of at least \$12 is prudent and needed immediately in all of Pennsylvania's 67 counties and that the need will continue to grow. I urge my colleagues to advance Senate Bill No. 12 now to serve the needs of all Pennsylvanians.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SABATINA. Mr. President, I rise to recognize the month of April as Autism Acceptance Month. Autism spectrum disorder is the term for a group of complex disorders of brain development that affect 1 in 54 American children. The number of children affected by autism spectrum disorder has grown significantly over the years as researchers learn more and are better able to identify the symptoms and provide a diagnosis. Autism Acceptance Month intends to highlight the greater need for recognition, understanding, and acceptance to insure that all individuals living with autism spectrum disorder are accurately diagnosed, supported, and accepted throughout their lives. Over the years, there have been positive changes as more and more people, communities, and businesses have taken up accepting and supporting roles that accommodate individuals with autism and their families. However, there is still work to be done, especially considering what has been brought to light during the pandemic.

In recognizing Autism Acceptance Month, it is incumbent upon us to focus on support for those with autism. These are

families, caregivers, and staff who provide care for individuals with autism and intellectual disability needs. These frontline workers provide daily, life-sustaining care and are often a family member, close friend, or trusted service provider visiting in the home. Whether it was shortages of PPE, risk of exposure, spread of COVID-19, and now barriers to vaccinations, the legislature's role is ever important in providing support and attention to these frontline workers providing autism intellectual disability care. These services that support the autism community cannot go without the attention or financial support of the General Assembly. I am joining advocates in urging my colleagues to support the needed relief to autism and intellectual disability providers in our 2021-22 fiscal year budget with \$13.5 million in funding to move individuals off the emergency waiting list to the Community Living Waiver and Consolidated Waiver programs and increased funding for Pennsylvania's Early Intervention Program, which plays a critical role for children with disabilities. Early intervention has only received a 1 percent increase in the last 12 years.

In closing, I urge the public and my colleagues to seek out informational resources from those who work hard and work hand in hand with the autism community. These individuals have so much to offer us, our communities, and our Commonwealth. This month, we seek acceptance for the autism community and increased attention and support for them moving forward. Thank you.

#### **GUEST OF SENATOR WAYNE LANGERHOLC PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce an impressive young man who is shadowing me for the day, Richland High School student Andrew Bauer, seated in the gallery. Andrew is from Johnstown, Cambria County, and is a junior at Richland High School, also my alma mater. He is a dedicated student; member of the National Honor Society, student council, and Key Club; and a member of the soccer and track and field teams. He is also a distinguished member of the TSA team, was a national champion in 2019, and, just last week, a State champion. We wish him well as he prepares for the national competition in the coming weeks.

As my shadow today, I hope that he will learn some valuable lessons about service in the State Senate and how he can follow a similar path if he so chooses. He has been very eager to learn and enjoys his experiences so far. He indicates that he does wish to pursue law school, a very noble profession, indeed. Again, Mr. President, I wish to introduce Andrew Bauer and ask for a warm Senate welcome.

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

(Applause.)

#### **PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES (Continued)**

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, today I rise to speak about designating the week of April 18 through 24, 2021, as Crime

Victims' Rights Week in Pennsylvania. Almost 16 million Americans are victimized by crime every year, with 5.7 million of them being victims of violent crime. The United States Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime was established to enhance the capacity to assist crime victims and promote justice and healing for all victims of crimes. For many years, the Office for Victims of Crime has helped lead communities throughout the country in observation of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, helping to boost public awareness about the challenges presented to the victims of crime and celebrating the hard-won progress in victims' rights and services. The citizens of Pennsylvania realize that we can make our homes, neighborhoods, and communities safer and stronger by serving victims of crime and insuring justice for all. Please join me in recognizing this week, April 18 through 24, as Crime Victims' Rights Week in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SABATINA. Mr. President, I rise to echo the comments made by my Senate colleague, Senator Mensch, and offer remarks and recognition of this week in April being designated as Crime Victims' Rights Week. Survivors of crime do not choose to be victims. I stand here today sharing in these remarks to remind crime victims that we are here to protect their rights, to insure that they are included, and their rights are respected here in Pennsylvania. Crime victims are no less deserving of justice, rights, resources, restoration, and rehabilitation than those who victimize them. To the public, if you or someone you know has been a victim of crime, you have rights granted to you by the Commonwealth. I urge you to visit the Pennsylvania Office of Victim Advocate's Website [ova.pa.gov](http://ova.pa.gov). There, you can find many helpful resources including notification, registration for updates on offender status, victim service locations nearest you, and the full list of crime victims' rights. So, Mr. President, I would like to call on my colleagues to join Senator Mensch and myself in recognizing this week of April 18 through 24 as Crime Victims' Rights Week, showing all victims of crimes, no matter who you are, that your rights should be protected and preserved.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, 2 months ago, in the middle of February, I was appointed to serve as a member of the Governor's COVID-19 Vaccine Task Force, and it has been a privilege over the last 2 months to work with my colleagues, Senator Haywood, Representative O'Neal, Representative Kosierowski, PEMA Director Padfield, Acting Secretary of Health Alison Beam, and the Governor. While I anticipate discussing this more at a future date, the work of the task force, I do believe this group has demonstrated that we can work together in a bipartisan, collaborative manner, and when we do so, we can improve outcomes.

Earlier today, I received my first dose of the Pfizer vaccine at the Lancaster County Community Vaccination Center. Vaccinate Lancaster is a public health collaborative focused on providing COVID-19 vaccine information and resources to the people and communities all across Lancaster County. Recognizing that the development of new vaccines is a key part to ending the COVID-19 pandemic, a coalition of partners has joined together

to mobilize resources and public support for the widespread vaccination of Lancaster County's 550,000 residents. The Vaccinate Lancaster coalition includes a number of partners: the county commissioners; Lancaster County government; four health systems - Penn Medicine Lancaster General Health, Penn State Health, UPMC, and WellSpan Health; as well as Lancaster City and County Medical Society. Rock Lititz is managing the logistical considerations for the community vaccination center while TriStarr staffing is managing staff recruitment for both clinical and non-clinical positions at the center. Brookfield Properties is the site location partner for the center. Together, these partners have developed this community vaccination center at the former Bon-Ton department store at Park City in Lancaster, which is where I visited this morning to receive my first dose of the vaccine. It was an impressive operation.

Since March 10, the Lancaster County Community Vaccination Center has given 110,000 total vaccines to Lancaster County residents and folks beyond Lancaster County. Just today, there were 6,022 vaccine appointments at the Lancaster County vaccination clinic. I was told by the staff there this morning that there are 15,000 open appointments between Wednesday and next Monday. So, I certainly encourage those in Lancaster County who wish to be vaccinated to visit [vaccinatelancaster.org](http://vaccinatelancaster.org) to register and schedule your appointment today. But I did not want to miss the opportunity this afternoon to express my thanks to the team at the Lancaster County Community Vaccination Center and providers all across our Commonwealth for the exceptional work they are doing.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, last Friday marked 100 days since the insurrection at the United States Capitol. We cannot let this moment pass without remembering the five Americans who died in that violent attack, including a Capitol police officer who lost his life bravely defending the heart of our democracy. Let this be a reminder that our words matter. Our oath to support and defend the Constitution matters because democracy is not a permanent state, it is an act, and it requires each of us to defend it. Thank you.

### RECESS

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 4:15 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.