

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
**Legislative Journal**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 2021

SESSION OF 2021 205TH OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

No. 35

**SENATE**

WEDNESDAY, June 16, 2021

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

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

**PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. ABBY ABILDNESS, of Healing Tree International, Middletown, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, how majestic is Your name. We honor You as our Creator and our Sustainer. Your word says, "'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.'"

The Revelation 22 peace and unity mural over the Senate Chamber is an ever-present reminder of the destiny of William Penn's sacred vision for Pennsylvania to be the holy example for the healing of the nations. It depicts the river of life flowing from the throne of God nourishing the tree of life bearing fruits of justice. It makes the city glad. We pray an outpouring of that river of life from the throne of God over this legislative body. Let Your spirit of wisdom and revelation fill them with legislative strategies for every sector of society in which they serve the people of Pennsylvania. Refresh their spirits and reinvigorate their hearts each day to navigate wisely these tumultuous times. May they be filled with divine wisdom and discernment that awakens the fullness of our destiny.

Penn proclaimed that we would be a holy example for the nations on a precedent that we would do the thing that is wise and just, and let the fruit of the Senators' labors be healing, peace, and unity. Let our Commonwealth manifest brotherly love, virtue, liberty, and independence. Bless and protect the families of the legislators. May they flourish as their Members make leadership decisions to benefit the households of the Commonwealth. Put Your favor and authority of Heaven upon them in their governing leadership and rally the constituents to join them and support their efforts. We are inspired by the Scripture in front of the Senate Chamber, "Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon." By the grace of God we remember and build upon Your foundations that blessed Pennsylvania and America. Awaken the hearts of the nation with the establishment of Penn's holy example. Let our hearts be open daily to Your purposes, and let the glory of God rest in this Chamber. In the name of the Almighty God. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Dr. Abildness, who is the guest today of Senator Regan.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**

Senator TOMLINSON, from the Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, reported the following bill:

**SB 25 (Pr. No. 219)**

An Act amending the act of May 22, 1951 (P.L.317, No.69), known as The Professional Nursing Law, further providing for title, for definitions, for State Board of Nursing, for dietitian-nutritionist license required, for unauthorized practices and acts not prohibited, for temporary practice permit, for graduates of schools of other states, territories or Dominion of Canada, for persons entitled to practice, for certified registered nurse practitioners and qualifications, for scope of practice for certified registered nurse practitioners, for prescriptive authority for certified registered nurse practitioners, for Drug Review Committee, for professional liability, for reporting of multiple licensure, for continuing nursing education, for punishment for violations, for refusal, suspension or revocation of licenses, for reinstatement of license and for injunction or other process; and providing for the expiration of the State Board of Nursing's power to license certified registered nurse practitioners.

Senator LAUGHLIN, from the Committee on Game and Fisheries, reported the following bills:

**SB 272 (Pr. No. 254)**

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for disabled veterans and former prisoners of war.

**SB 318 (Pr. No. 326)**

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, further providing for hunting on Sunday prohibited.

**SB 607 (Pr. No. 669)**

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking, repealing provisions relating to hunting on Sunday prohibited and providing for hunting on Sunday.

Senator PITTMAN, from the Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing, reported the following bills:

**SB 574 (Pr. No. 621)**

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

**SB 763 (Pr. No. 886)**

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in Pennsylvania Housing Tax Credit, further providing for Pennsylvania Housing Tax Credit and for annual report.

**HB 264 (Pr. No. 1003)**

An Act amending the act of July 7, 1947 (P.L.1368, No.542), known as the Real Estate Tax Sale Law, adding provisions relating to bidder registration before sale; and, in sale of property, further providing for date of sale, for repurchase by owner, for restrictions on purchases and for sale of property in repository.

**HB 827 (Pr. No. 809)**

An Act amending Title 72 (Taxation and Fiscal Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing microenterprise loan programs and abating real property assessment.

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator DiSanto and Senator Langerholc, and a legislative leave for Senator Robinson.

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

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

The PRESIDENT. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator DiSanto and Senator Langerholc, and a legislative leave for Senator Robinson.

Senator Costa requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Schwank.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of March 22, 2021, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of March 22, 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?

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVE**

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

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

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

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

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

**YEA-50**

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

**NAY-0**

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED**

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

**GUEST OF SENATOR JUDY WARD  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Blair, Senator Judy Ward.

Senator J. WARD. Mr. President, today I have the honor of introducing Aiden Conese, who is shadowing me today. Aiden is a summer intern in my Blair County district office. Our paths first crossed 2 years ago at the Huntingdon County Fair, and we became fast friends. He is a recent graduate of Huntingdon Area High School. Aiden is enrolled at Penn State, Altoona Campus, for the fall semester to study criminal justice with a plan to minor in political science. In his spare time, Aiden enjoys karate and reading. He enjoys reading, most especially, old political textbooks. Please join me in welcoming Aiden to the Senate today.

The President. Would the guest of Senator Judy Ward please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED**

The PRESIDENT. Senator Langerholc, Senator Schwank, and Senator Robinson have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

### GUEST OF SENATOR MICHAEL R. REGAN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator REGAN. Mr. President, I am happy to introduce today's guest Chaplain, Abby Abildness, Pastor and executive director of the Healing Tree International in Middletown, Pennsylvania.

Just to share with you, shortly after my motorcycle accident, Pastor Abildness reached out, through a friend, offering to pray with me. While she is a resident of the 48th Senatorial District, I wanted to share her generosity of prayer with the entire Senate body. So please join me and Senator Gebhard, who is actually her Senator, in welcoming Pastor Abby Abildness to the Senate Chamber.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

(Applause.)

### GUESTS OF SENATOR NIKIL SAVAL PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SAVAL. Mr. President, it is my profound honor to recognize some members in the gallery here from UNITE HERE Local 634. They represent cafeteria workers and student climate staff in the School District of Philadelphia. President Nicole Hunt and several members of the union are here. Please join me in welcoming these essential workers in our school buildings in Philadelphia. Thank you.

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

(Applause.)

### CALENDAR

#### THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### HB 1154 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER

**HB 1154 (Pr. No. 1824)** -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 4 of the Third Consideration Calendar, by Senator K. WARD, as a Special Order of Business.

#### BILL REREFERRED

**HB 1154 (Pr. No. 1824)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; and, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for heading of article, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, for secondary service area, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for public service liquor licenses, for liquor importers' licenses, fees, privileges and restrictions, for public venue license, for performing arts facility license, for continuing care retirement community retail li-

censes, for casino liquor license, for prepared beverages and mixed drinks for off-premises consumption during disaster emergency, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for sales by manufacturers of malt or brewed beverages and minimum quantities and for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc, providing for safekeeping and further providing for unlawful acts relative to malt or brewed beverages and licensees.

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

### 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 purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Communications and Technology, followed by a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Communications and Technology, followed by a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

### AFTER RECESS

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

### BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

#### SB 255 (Pr. No. 230) (Rereported)

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

#### SB 265 (Pr. No. 242) (Rereported)

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

#### SB 266 (Pr. No. 243) (Rereported)

A Supplement to the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of the University of Pittsburgh as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the chancellor to make an annual report of the operations of the University of Pittsburgh," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

**SB 267 (Pr. No. 244) (Rereported)**

A Supplement to the act of November 30, 1965 (P.L.843, No.355), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Temple University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Temple University," making an appropriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriation; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

**SB 268 (Pr. No. 245) (Rereported)**

A Supplement to the act of July 7, 1972 (P.L.743, No.176), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Lincoln University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related institution in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Lincoln University," making an appropriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of the appropriation; providing for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated; and providing for certain fiscal information disclosure.

**SB 269 (Pr. No. 246) (Rereported)**

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

**HB 1154 (Pr. No. 1844) (Amended) (Rereported)**

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; and, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for heading of article, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, for secondary service area, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for public service liquor licenses, for liquor importers' licenses, fees, privi-

leges and restrictions, for public venue license, for performing arts facility license, for continuing care retirement community retail licenses, for casino liquor license, for prepared beverages and mixed drinks for off-premises consumption during disaster emergency, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for sales by manufacturers of malt or brewed beverages and minimum quantities and for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc, providing for safekeeping; adding provisions relating to fees and taxation of ready-to-drink cocktails for off-premises consumption; and further providing for unlawful acts relative to malt or brewed beverages and licensees.

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

**PREFERRED APPROPRIATION BILL ON  
THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE**

**SB 255 (Pr. No. 230) --** The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021; and to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2020, to June 30, 2021, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

**YEA-50**

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

**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.

NONPREFERRED APPROPRIATION BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 265 (Pr. No. 242) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

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

NAY-0

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

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

SB 266 (Pr. No. 243) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of July 28, 1966 (3rd Sp.Sess., P.L.87, No.3), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of the University of Pittsburgh as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the chancellor to make an annual report of the operations of the University of Pittsburgh," making appropriations for carrying the same into effect; and providing for a basis for payments of such appropriations, for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-45

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

NAY-5

Table with 4 columns of names: Dush, Mastriano, Phillips-Hill, Ward, Judy, Hutchinson

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

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

SB 267 (Pr. No. 244) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of November 30, 1965 (P.L.843, No.355), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Temple University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related university in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Temple University," making an appropriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of such appropriation; and providing a method of accounting for the funds appropriated and for certain fiscal information disclosure.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

Table with 4 columns of names: Argall, DiSanto, Martin, Schwank, Aument, Dush, Mastriano, Stefano, Baker, Flynn, Mensch, Street, Bartolotta, Fontana, Muth, Tartaglione, Boscola, Gebhard, Phillips-Hill, Tomlinson, Brewster, Gordner, Pittman, Vogel, Brooks, Haywood, Regan, Ward, Judy, Browne, Hughes, Robinson, Ward, Kim

Cappelletti	Hutchinson	Sabatina	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Kane	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kearney	Saval	Yaw
Corman	Langerholc	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Laughlin		

NAY-0

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

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

**SB 268 (Pr. No. 245)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Supplement to the act of July 7, 1972 (P.L.743, No.176), entitled "An act providing for the establishment and operation of Lincoln University as an instrumentality of the Commonwealth to serve as a State-related institution in the higher education system of the Commonwealth; providing for change of name; providing for the composition of the board of trustees; terms of trustees, and the power and duties of such trustees; providing for preference to Pennsylvania residents in tuition; authorizing appropriations in amounts to be fixed annually by the General Assembly; providing for the auditing of accounts of expenditures from said appropriations; providing for public support and capital improvements; authorizing the issuance of bonds exempt from taxation within the Commonwealth; requiring the President to make an annual report of the operations of Lincoln University," making an appropriation for carrying the same into effect; providing for a basis for payments of the appropriation; providing for a method of accounting for the funds appropriated; and providing for certain fiscal information disclosure.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

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

NAY-0

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

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

**SB 269 (Pr. No. 246)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

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

NAY-1

Mastriano

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

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

**CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED**

**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED**

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 1, SB 78, HB 101, SB 113, HB 125, SB 137, SB 236, SB 241 and SB 324** -- 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 416 (Pr. No. 910)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 22, 1951 (P.L.317, No.69), known as The Professional Nursing Law, further providing for definitions and for registered nurse, clinical nurse specialist, use of title and abbreviation "R.N." or "C.N.S." and credentials and fraud; and providing for certified registered nurse anesthetist and qualifications and for scope of practice for certified registered nurse anesthetists.

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

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I will take a moment to talk in support of this bill. This is legislation that this Senate has passed in several previous Sessions. There are 48 States that recognize certified registered nurse anesthetists. We are one of two that does not.

The reason why I rise is that back in 1951, my mom became a nurse anesthetist. There was a hospital in Williamsport, and she was in the very first class of the anesthesia program at Williamsport Hospital. She is very proud of having that distinction. While she only practiced as a nurse anesthetist for about a year before she decided she wanted to be a registered nurse, and then she was a registered nurse for 44 years--22 at the Berwick Hospital and then 22 in private practice. I still have that picture of my mom being in that very first class of Williamsport Hospital's nurse anesthesia program; there were three graduates that year. I have her pin that she received for getting that designation.

So I am very pleased that--it is frustrating that we are going to be the 49th State to have this designation, but it is very important for nurse anesthetists to be recognized as an advanced practice nurse and have that CRNA designation. Especially during times like we have had over the last year where they want to participate in other States, and because of not having that designation, it became very difficult to do so. I am pleased that we have been able to work out an agreement with the anesthesiologists, nurse anesthetists, and the Medical Society. I look forward to this passage and getting it to the Governor for his signature.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

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

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 439, SB 457, SB 461 and SB 559** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**SB 561 (Pr. No. 909)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Corrections and the Governor, to grant and convey to Alexander Delmont Bard and Melissa Marie Bard, certain lands and improvements situate in the City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County.

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

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator FONTANA. Mr. President, this is a land conveyance bill that is important to our county and our city of Pittsburgh, along with being able to sell the SCI prison that was closed a couple years ago and the warden's house. I appreciate the fact that we are running this bill today. Thank you.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

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

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.

**HB 649 (Pr. No. 1026)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for access to congregate care facilities for essential caregivers, for additional safety requirements for residents of congregate care facilities, for suspension of access for essential caregivers

and for costs associated with safety measures related to essential care-givers.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-32

Argall	Corman	Martin	Stefano
Aument	DiSanto	Mastriano	Tomlinson
Baker	Dush	Mensch	Vogel
Bartolotta	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Boscola	Gordner	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Brewster	Hutchinson	Regan	Williams, Lindsey
Brooks	Langerholc	Robinson	Yaw
Browne	Laughlin	Scavello	Yudichak

NAY-18

Cappelletti	Fontana	Muth	Schwank
Collett	Haywood	Sabatina	Street
Comitta	Hughes	Santarsiero	Tartaglione
Costa	Kane	Saval	Williams, Anthony H.
Flynn	Kearney		

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**HB 664** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION  
AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 765 (Pr. No. 1420)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I thank Senator Langerholc for advancing House Bill No. 765, as well as Senator Hutchinson, who has the companion bill to this. A long tradition in one of my communities in Luzerne County, the Mountain Top area Fourth of July Independence Day parade, was almost cancelled. Forty to 50 organizations agreed to participate to celebrate our

independence. The organization had secured \$2 million in insurance for the policy to protect individuals who would participate along the parade route. What they discovered, like many other communities, is that PennDOT had a new requirement for municipalities to indemnify, on top of the insurance that event organizers are required to carry, before they will issue a permit application to conduct a parade or any type of event on a State highway. Many believe that this was cumbersome and duplicative. What was challenging is that the township, for nearly 30 years, has helped to sponsor and agreed to submit the application on behalf of this organization. The townships in the past were never asked to fully indemnify and hold the Commonwealth from claims, suits, or actions. They believed that the coverage the organization received was suitable.

So, this legislation will take away that new, cumbersome requirement. It will allow our parade to move forward--to step off--and to allow the community to come back together after COVID-19. This has been a wonderful community event, a proud tradition. So, I thank the maker of the bill, the chair of the committee, and the Senate sponsor for advancing what I believe to be a very commonsense, appropriate measure to address this. Imagine all of the parades, motorcycle rides, and activities that will occur this summer. Through this important measure, we will be eliminating a cumbersome, bureaucratic regulation. The insurance exists, it is already required by the sponsors. So thanks to those who put this forward to allow these activities to occur in the coming months.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-50

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

NAY-0

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

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

## SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**HB 156 (Pr. No. 121)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in depositions and witnesses, further providing for admissibility of certain statements.

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.

### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 194** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 208 (Pr. No. 177)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, in subdivision and land development, further providing for completion of improvements or guarantee thereof prerequisite to final plat approval.

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.

### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 242** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**HB 253 (Pr. No. 1633)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing a task force on the opioid abuse epidemic's impact on children and providing for powers and duties of the task force.

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 284** and **SB 302** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

**SB 305 (Pr. No. 371)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in offenses against the family, further providing for newborn protection; in child protective services, further providing for definitions and for taking child into protective custody; and, in newborn protection, further providing for definitions and for incubators for newborns, providing for health care providers at urgent care centers accepting newborns and further providing for reporting acceptance of newborns, for immunity and for duties of department.

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

### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 312** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 327 (Pr. No. 902)** -- 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 coroner, further providing for coroner's investigation.

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.

**HB 331 (Pr. No. 306)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing certain financial institutions to conduct savings promotion programs.

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.

**HB 336 (Pr. No. 311)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in administrative organization, further providing for executive officers, administrative departments and independent administrative boards and commissions, for departmental administrative boards, commissions and offices, for department heads and for gubernatorial appointments; in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for board to license private bankers; in Commonwealth agency fees, further providing for Department of Banking and for Pennsylvania Securities Commission; in powers and duties of the Department of Banking and its departmental administrative board and commission, further providing for powers and duties in general, for banking supervisory powers and for banking laws; repealing provisions relating to powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission; and making editorial changes.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 347, SB 368 and SB 431** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 435 (Pr. No. 474)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in restructuring of electric utility industry, providing for transportation fueling infrastructure development.

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

**SB 435 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE**

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 435, Printer's No. 474, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.  
The PRESIDENT. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 447, SB 455, SB 480 and SB 519** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**HB 523 (Pr. No. 1822)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1836 (P.L.551, No.169), referred to as the General Road Law, further providing for repair of private roads and 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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 545, SB 562, SB 578, SB 586, SB 594, SB 597, SB 617, SB 674, SB 689, SB 703, SB 704, SB 708, SB 725, SB 726 and SB 731** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 733 (Pr. No. 835)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Education Opportunity Account Scholarship Program for Exceptional Students; and imposing duties on the Treasury Department, participating schools and resident school districts.

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 734** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 735 (Pr. No. 899)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for qualifications of electors.

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 737** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 764 (Pr. No. 889) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of State and its departmental administrative board, providing for legislative process training; and imposing duties on the Legislative Reference Bureau.

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.

HB 859 (Pr. No. 1309) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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.

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 951 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 1024 (Pr. No. 1823) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 17, 2016 (P.L.84, No.16), known as the Medical Marijuana Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in program, further providing for confidentiality and public disclosure and for lawful use of medical marijuana; in practitioners, further providing for duration; in patients, further providing for caregivers; in medical marijuana organizations, further providing for permits, for relocation and for convictions prohibited; in medical marijuana controls, further providing for electronic tracking, for grower/processor, for storage and transportation and for laboratory; in dispensaries, further providing for dispensing to patients and caregivers and for facility requirements; in academic clinical research centers and clinical registrants, further providing for academic clinical research centers and for clinical registrants; and, in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for applicability.

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.

RECESS

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

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

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, Senate Democrats will meet around the Leader's podium for a brief meeting as well.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of a Republican caucus to be held in the Rules room in the rear of the Chamber, and a Democratic caucus to be held around the Leader's podium, without objection, the Senate stands 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 LEAVE CANCELLED

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator DiSanto.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests a legislative leave for Senator DiSanto. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

MOTION PURSUANT TO SENATE RULE 12

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. 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. 2 and move the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 1154, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(m)(2).

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-29

Table with 4 columns: Argall, Dush, Mastriano, Stefano; Aument, Gebhard, Mensch, Tomlinson; Baker, Gordner, Phillips-Hill, Vogel; Bartolotta, Hutchinson, Pittman, Ward, Judy

Brooks	Langerholc	Regan	Ward, Kim
Browne	Laughlin	Robinson	Yaw
Corman	Martin	Scavello	Yudichak
DiSanto			

NAY-21

Boscola	Flynn	Kearney	Schwank
Brewster	Fontana	Muth	Street
Cappelletti	Haywood	Sabatina	Tartaglione
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Williams, Anthony H.
Comitta	Kane	Saval	Williams, Lindsey
Costa			

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

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

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 1154 (Pr. No. 1844)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in Pennsylvania Liquor Stores, further providing for sales by Pennsylvania Liquor Stores; and, in licenses and regulations, liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for heading of article, for authority to issue liquor licenses to hotels, restaurants and clubs, for sales by liquor licensees and restrictions, for secondary service area, for sale of malt or brewed beverages by liquor licensees, for public service liquor licenses, for liquor importers' licenses, fees, privileges and restrictions, for public venue license, for performing arts facility license, for continuing care retirement community retail licenses, for casino liquor license, for prepared beverages and mixed drinks for off-premises consumption during disaster emergency, for malt and brewed beverages manufacturers', distributors' and importing distributors' licenses, for sales by manufacturers of malt or brewed beverages and minimum quantities and for distributors' and importing distributors' restrictions on sales, storage, etc, providing for safekeeping; adding provisions relating to fees and taxation of ready-to-drink cocktails for off-premises consumption; and further providing for unlawful acts relative to malt or brewed beverages and licensees.

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

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Scavello.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Scavello. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

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

#### MOTION TO REVERT TO PRIOR PRINTER'S No.

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

Senator BREWSTER. Mr. President, I move to revert to prior Printer's No. 1421 on House Bill No. 1154.

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

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

Senator BREWSTER. Mr. President, briefly, it is my opinion, my assessment, that the bill, in its initial presentation to the Senate, helped us deal with the issues the restaurants had requested: trying to continue a process that was put in place during the pandemic; that we could continue that on their behalf to help them get out of the difficulties they have been in over the past several months. However, with the amendment, with the RTDs, it convolutes the bill and creates a different situation that, in my assessment, could be handled as a standalone bill. For example, one of the things that gets lost with the addition of the RTD amendment is that presently we have control over the product. That is an important issue that seems to get lost in this discussion. The Liquor Control Board has the oversight of the products, for the most part, right now. It is not to say that discussion could not continue.

In addition to that, I think folks would agree that the State Store system does a wonderful job. Their record is impeccable with controlling and monitoring those who intentionally or unintentionally abuse the use of alcohol. In addition to that, it has always been my position, for 10 years now, that we have an entity, the LCB, and for the public's benefit, this network belongs to the citizens. They are a profit generator; not just a tax revenue generator. As we encroach upon their oversight with regard to different products--while I understand the argument that it is more convenient to have these at different retail sites, and we can have that discussion moving forward. But as we encroach upon the network that we have and that the public depends on us to support, with over 3,000 employees, I do not know that we should get into a discussion where we are trying to help the restaurants and other retailers get out of the pandemic and then convolute that effort with something that I consider to be an encroachment on an entity that has managed a product in fine fashion for us and generated revenue for the Commonwealth. It is my assessment and just mine. I have gotten zero calls from constituents saying we cannot get these RTDs as conveniently as we would like. We are not even hearing that. We are hearing it from some of the retailers, and certainly we want to deal with that.

It is also my opinion that, because it jeopardizes potential jobs in a period of time where we are trying to protect jobs and actually create jobs, I believe, and I cannot speak for the Governor, but it is my assessment that the bill could be vetoed in its form after the amendment. I would like to see us run House Bill No. 1154 with prior Printer's No. 1421. I feel confident that will pass. We then could move on to the second issue on another bill with regard to the RTDs.

Mr. President, I appreciate the time and ask for an affirmative vote.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Lindsey Williams.

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I rise to second my colleague, Senator Brewster. When the emergency declaration ended yesterday with the certification of the results, we lost the

ability to sell cocktails to-go and a streamlined process to have outdoor seating. House Bill No. 1154 passed the House 187 to 14. That is overwhelmingly broad, bipartisan support for a bill that makes sense for restaurants and workers who have suffered over this pandemic. Restaurants--I talked to restaurant owners in my district while this was happening, and they were doing what they could to protect their workers and their customers. This is something that--being able to sell cocktails to-go helped them. If we revert to the prior printer's number right now, House Bill No. 1154 can immediately go to the Governor's desk for signature, and that is what should happen. We should not be amending it now and sending it back to the House for it to languish and take many more days. The restaurants and workers should have the ability to do cocktails to-go today. Thank you.

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I ask for a "no" vote. Thank you.

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

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

YEA-21

Boscola	Flynn	Kearney	Schwank
Brewster	Fontana	Muth	Street
Cappelletti	Haywood	Sabatina	Tartaglione
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Williams, Anthony H.
Comitta	Kane	Saval	Williams, Lindsey
Costa			

NAY-29

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

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

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

It was agreed to,

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

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator REGAN. Mr. President, I rise today in support of House Bill No. 1154, a significant piece of legislation that aims to bolster an industry hit hard by the Governor's COVID-19 shut-down and to provide consumers with increased selection and

convenience for the purchase of liquor-based products. As chair of the Committee on Law and Justice, which advanced this legislation, I have heard the arguments against the amended version of this bill, but I stand here today confident in the proposal before us and the positive benefits it will bring to the Commonwealth.

First, the underlying bill makes permanent the sale of mixed drinks to-go by restaurant or hotel licensees for off-premises consumption. This was an allowance originally made statutorily on a temporary basis during the COVID-19 disaster declaration. We have heard from the restaurants and lodging industry that this is a top priority, and we have listened. Other COVID-19 allowances are also important as restaurants and bars continue to rebuild after the devastating shutdowns by the Governor. That is why the committee amended House Bill No. 1154, to temporarily extend the allowances of licensed premises for outdoor dining, off-premises catering permits without restrictions, the waiving of fees, and an additional year of license safekeeping for licensees unable to operate. As amended, the bill also allows the holder of a liquor license to sell their stock in liquor and wine to another license holder when they close their businesses. But we went a step further, Mr. President, to aid the industry, consumers, and the Pennsylvania economy.

House Bill No. 1154 allows liquor licensees, including restaurants, bars, hotels, convenience stores, grocery stores, and beer distributors, to sell ready-to-drink cocktails for off-premises consumption. These cocktails are not to be confused with mixed drinks to-go, which are made by bartenders in the restaurant and put into a cup to-go for the customer. Ready-to-drink cocktails are manufactured and sold in sealed containers, such as cans or bottles, with known ingredients, known list of alcohol content. The total maximum alcohol volume content, or ABV, allowed for sale under this legislation is 12.5 percent. Comparable to many beer products available for sale to consumers at these same retailers. Container size would also be limited to 16 ounces with a maximum total for off-premises consumption of 192 fluid ounces, also in line with that of the sale of beer products.

This historic step in evolving Pennsylvania's liquor sales is calculated to result in anywhere from \$50 to \$100 million dollars in revenue in only 3 short years. So for the Governor's office to claim that this provides, quote, no relief to this important industry as it recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic, is at best disingenuous. Retailers, consumers, and the manufacturers of these products recognize enormous benefits the Commonwealth will gain from allowing ready-to-drink cocktails to be sold through our licenses.

I respectfully ask my colleagues to do the same and support House Bill No. 1154 today, which provides much more than one small measure of relief to the industry trying to regain its financial footing in the wake of a pandemic. It is time, Mr. President, to move Pennsylvania forward. Thank you, sir.

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, the underlying bill did help, and still does, the restaurant industry. However, the amendment that was put onto the bill in the Committee on Law and Justice yesterday--we did not receive the amendment prior to the hearing. This was a privatization amendment. I really believe that we should have a standalone bill so that we can have hearings and debate on this issue. To lump this together without

any discussion, I believe, is improper, and it is going to hurt the Commonwealth. So I ask for a negative vote on this bill. Thank you.

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I was going to vote for this bill in its original purpose. It was a bill that was supposed to help our restaurants, bars, and taverns that were devastated--and they were during a pandemic--by giving them cocktails to-go permanently. Mr. President, I have stood by these restaurants and bars from day one in this Chamber and beyond, and people in the bars and restaurants back home know it. I kept fighting for them. I know that this pandemic is sort of ending. It will take years for them to recover from this pandemic. Okay, so now this vehicle, this bill, has turned into something to help our large beer wholesalers by giving them ready-to-go drinks, essentially what I call a cocktail in a can. Some of these beer distributors have had their best years ever. They have, because of the pandemic. So instead of helping the restaurants and bars that were devastated and need the help, we are helping those that do not need the help.

Mr. President, where I live in my community, I can walk within blocks and get a cocktail to-go in a can at probably four or five places within blocks of my house. So you tell me how that is going to help our restaurants and bars. It will not. It is kind of obnoxious, actually. So here again, I stand with another easy "no" vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

Senator SAVAL. Mr. President, I rise today in opposition to House Bill No. 1154 as it has been amended. In its original form, this bill made permanent the sale of mixed drinks to-go, which have been hugely important for the health of hotels and restaurants during the past 15 months. The ending of the Governor's emergency declaration that was rushed through just last week left no provision for these sales to continue, thus rendering restaurants and hotels hamstrung at a time when we should be further supporting their recovery for the vitality of our Commonwealth. As it has been amended, this bill now presents itself as a shameless ploy to privatize our liquor sales, which would funnel millions of dollars each year from our State's budget into the coffers of private corporations.

My district, the 1st Senatorial District, is home to one of the highest concentrations of bars, restaurants, and hospitality jobs in Pennsylvania. I am, myself, the child of immigrant restaurant workers, and I have seen firsthand the devastation this pandemic wrought on our small businesses and the lives of service workers who are my constituents, neighbors, and friends. Governor Wolf's provision was a lifeline to the industry in a trying time. It allowed these establishments to expand their footprint, to open up their spaces for neighbors at a point when they were isolated from each other. It also allowed them to serve cocktails to-go to patrons. But in an overtly partisan act, one made without a thought of the real-world consequences, my colleagues across the aisle rammed through a constitutional amendment, and then last week ended the Governor's disaster declaration. In so doing,

they turned their backs on the servers, bartenders, and service workers in my district and theirs and crushed small businesses on the verge of a compact. Instead of simply fixing this egregious error, my friends on the Republican side are attempting further to rob our State of revenue and attack the livelihoods of State employees by privatizing the sale of certain alcoholic beverages in grocery stores.

Let us be clear what this would mean: more money for the corporate entities in favor of privatization; less money for us to invest in schools, housing, and energy throughout the State; and fewer family-sustaining jobs. We had a clean bill without this privatization amendment. On behalf of all the small businesses in my district and throughout our State and the people and communities that these businesses sustain, I will be a "no" vote, and I strongly urge all of my colleagues do the same.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I, too, rise to oppose this legislation. Yes, our bars and restaurants have suffered losses. Bars and restaurants in a lot of neighborhoods that I represent are places where people sit and talk with one another. They are places where people gather, eat some food, and they are, in many cases, places that enhance communities. However, this legislation--allowing these precontained mixed drinks to be sold--will ultimately just shift business away from traditional bars and restaurants and towards so-called "stop-and-gos," which have been a consistent problem. Permanently expanding the ability of stop-and-gos to serve even more potent and a greater array of alcoholic beverages, and allowing them to have a greater competitive edge against traditional bars and restaurants, only further undercuts the vibrancy of those bars and restaurants.

Mr. President, this legislation has wandered far from what we said its initial intent was. In addition to all the other criticisms that have already been lobbied against it, I add to the list the fact that this one would enhance the stop-and-go problem and not help the bars and restaurants it purports to help. So, Mr. President, I therefore urge a "no" vote.

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I rise in support of House Bill No. 1154 as amended. There have been several comments made regarding the implications of this bill as it relates to the marketplace and the provisions of providing consumers ready-to-drink cocktails within the existing wholesale and retail system in the Commonwealth and what it means to the State financially. One thing I think we understand is that the liquor market, in terms of consumer preference, changes over time and is not one-size-fits-all in regards to what the offerings are. Our system for wholesale and retail distribution is a pretty standardized system in relation to what it can offer, and floor plans are set up often to accommodate certain products and may sometimes not be appropriate for other products. The system has been clear that, in its priorities relating to the offerings of distilled beverages--and this is I guess the linchpin, because we are talking about a distilled beverage here--that the current floor plan structure is not something they project out--the consumer demand for this product over time--that can accommodate what will be the massive growth in consumer demand for this and its

ability to compete against other products that are in the same class.

I think there needs to be an understanding about the realities of this product in relation to the system that we have, the fact that it relates more to other products in the marketplace that have been defined as something that can be offered in the private sector marketplace, and adjust our offerings in a way that meets consumer demand. That is what this bill does. For this one product it utilizes a system that we trust to give a consumer offering in a setting that is more appropriate, that is established to accommodate a product like this, and acknowledges a change in the marketplace in relation to this small segment of distilled beverages. We know that if we have the willingness to move forward on this one product, it will be something that will realize additional revenue capacity to this Commonwealth. There is often a conversation about, will the taxpayer realize fair value for when we decide to give rights to other parties other than a controlled system to realize value for a product? The realities of this product are that our current wholesale and retail system cannot maximize, other than other products that we offer in the distilled category, offerings for this. So the current net value to us and to the taxpayers is maximized if we use another system that is already available to us to offer it.

During the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, I spoke to these fiscal realities and the fact that we are projecting out, over the next 5 years, about \$20 million in total tax receipts by the Commonwealth; but if we offer it into the private marketplace, that will double. That doubling of tax directly relates to consumer preference for this product. But I think even more so, more compelling, is what it does to the value of the taxpayer in relation to what we are earning on a post-tax basis for this product. Right now this product is worth to us, on a fair valuation, around \$21 million, and that reflects the current capacity the system offers. If we use private sector marketplace to offer it in the same setting that other comparative products are, we will be able to realize--through a reasonable royalty and product licensing arrangement--almost 100 percent of that current valuation to the taxpayers which, in benchmarking against other consumer product royalty and product licensing arrangements, is an unbelievable deal for the taxpayers in relation to value for the product.

So when we compare this, in the unique market this is, to consumer preferences and value to the taxpayer, doing this provision, advancing it into law, will maximize not only value to the taxpayer but also consumer preference in a relevant product class that requires us to change in order to accommodate what the future provides. So I appreciate the Members' consideration of House Bill No. 1154.

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, pretty sure the prior speaker described, in eloquent terms, what this is really about: changing the marketplace; maximizing the system for net value and profit; getting a fair value on a product in the marketplace, in a setting that the gentleman thinks to be most appropriate; and offset the reality of human experience. Human experience is, yes, this product will explode because more people will drink it, but let me bring you to the place that one of my colleagues mentioned, it is called a stop-and-go. I will not stop talking about these places, because no one experiences them like we do in

Philadelphia. If they did, they would not begin to increase alcohol consumption without controls put in place, because there is no appropriate place for this product to be consumed when it comes to these stop-and-gos. By the way, not me just saying it because it is my opinion, but the demographics point to it. The numbers show where the greatest explosion of these types of products occur: under-income, stressed communities. That is where the explosion will occur, and that is where it normally occurs. Certainly there will be a Millennial generation that will consume this, but they will not consume it in the irresponsible way that it is delivered in many of these neighborhoods and communities across Pennsylvania.

This amendment, unfortunately, goes to the heart of the issue that many of us in Philadelphia--no, all of us in Philadelphia--have experienced. Tranquil neighborhoods are uprooted by tax-paying, revenue-generating Pennsylvanians of all types through acquiring law enforcement, which is already overtaxed and overstressed. By the way, it will require more money and more resources to offset the profits you are generating. I do not understand why when some stand on this floor and talk about their districts and they are being concerned, it is not countered by the same consideration for all of our districts. If there is something negative that is a pattern across Philadelphia, a stop-and-go is a negative, that is a pattern. That does not mean that every individual owner of a stop-and-go is bad, but the overall majority, absolutely, are a problem, and simply because the LCB and those who are responsible for overseeing these locations do not have enough people to do an appropriate job. So as many times as we can say they are effective and we have all these new rules, they are not working. Ask anyone from Philadelphia County that question about a stop-and-go, and they will tell you about a problem stop-and-go.

So while I would like to have the Members of this General Assembly recognize this fact and do something about it, until such time, I cannot support amendments such as this. If my stop-and-go problem was dealt with, maybe I would talk about the marketplace, appropriate settings, how it is changing. But until such time that alcohol is appropriately regulated, appropriately placed, acknowledge that the marketplace and the consumers are human beings in neighborhoods across Pennsylvania and there is an impact to them, I will never be for issues like this. No Philadelphian should if they are responsible. So certainly I am probably not talking to many Members of the Senate who already have their perspectives made up. I am talking to my Governor, I am talking to my restaurant owners. Please be not deceived that they are put in an awkward position because one industry decides to wipe out communities, that they have lobbied effectively to get this amendment in front of our General Assembly to allow us to continue destroying neighborhoods across Philadelphia. My restaurant owners who I have stood with and fought for, I will continue to do that, but I will not allow a poison pill to be put in the middle of responsible legislation; and I implore my Governor, if it should ever darken his desk, to veto the bill and force us, and the industry force us, to get serious about making sure they do not lose their businesses because one narrow profiteer in this process decides to interrupt this with an idea that, frankly, is not well thought out.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, very briefly, I want to take a moment to allow all of us to come back to reality in a sense of what is going to happen with this bill. I think everyone in this room knows, has read the papers, and understands that the Governor is going to veto this measure. We know that. What are the consequences or the effects of that? Let me walk through a timeline. Today is the 16th. By the time it gets to the House and goes through the House process, it will probably be late June 26 or June 27 before they pass it. The Governor has 10 days to veto it, which he has indicated he will. That puts us in early July. We are not coming back, to my knowledge, unless we come back to try to override the Governor's veto, which we know today in the Senate Chamber will not work because you do not have the votes to do that. So now we are subjecting--because of one provision that has been added with respect to the ready-to-go drinks--we are preventing bars and restaurants in Pennsylvania from being able to have the ability through the summer months, probably their most significant revenue months as we go forward, to provide drinks to-go until sometime in September or early October until we can come back to address it. That is what happens if we put into place an affirmative vote today.

May I recommend to all my colleagues that we reject this measure today, send it back to the Committee on Law and Justice, and remove the provision that is going to prevent the Governor from signing it so we can all support the bars and taverns that we all profess we want to support here as we said on the Senate floor today. Let us go that path, reject it today, send it to the Committee on Law and Justice, make the fix that needs to be done, take it out of the Committee on Law and Justice early next week, send it back to the House to allow them to pass it, and then get it to the Governor's desk where he will, in fact, sign it so that bars and restaurants that we collectively want to see get the support they need through this provision have the opportunity to be successful going into the fall. As Senator Tartaglione said, the ready-to-go drinks, at the end of the day, let us have a conversation about them in an independent way. Let us have some hearings over the course of the summer. We recognize that they are up-and-coming drinks and they are grabbing a significant portion of the market share. We know that. Let us have a conversation about how we manage deployment of those drinks as we go forward. I ask for a negative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator BREWSTER. Mr. President, I thank all of my colleagues for their opinions and want to harken back to my co-chair of the Committee on Law and Justice, Senator Regan, who spoke eloquently about all the good things that could happen from the bill. We all agree with that. A "yes" vote on this bill with the amendment, today, means those things will not happen. I want to repeat that. A "yes" vote on this bill today with the amendment means that all the good things that are in House Bill No. 1154 will not happen if the Governor vetoes it. So then what will happen is, the Governor, once again, will be accused of not wanting to help the retail outlets, all of whom we want to help. All that has to happen, as Senator Costa just mentioned, is let us start over. Let us run this thing clear.

I also want to speak to my good friend, the chair of the Committee on Appropriations, with regard to the revenue. Revenue 3 years from now is clearly speculative. As a banker, I know all

too well about that. The fact of the matter is, the taxpayers of this Commonwealth own the LCB, the outlets, and the thousands of people who work there. They protect the public from misuse of the product, number one. Their record is impeccable. Two, any revenue that can be achieved by passing this with the RTD amendment can be achieved by your LCB, including profit. When that gets outsourced to the restaurants and what-have-you--and we want them to have these capabilities--you are not going to get the same revenue. It is that simple. The public recognizes that is where the profit will go. It is not going to come into the General Fund, which, by the way, is used for other services offered by the State. Frankly speaking, we all recall the modernization bill that was passed--package reform, wine at the restaurants, buying single cans, those sorts of things have all helped the retail outlets. I think we should let that process work. That is the same process we could use to deal with the RTDs in a separate bill.

But, again, a "yes" vote on this bill jeopardizes jobs. All this talk about what we want to do to create jobs, when you make these kinds of decisions, if I am a worker in one of the State stores, I am sitting wondering how long will my job be around if we continue to erode the network, which is owned by the public. Other States that have done privatization have said they made a mistake. Now, that does not mean I do not want to see new products in the retail network. Very frankly, the idea that we are going to speculate and say in 3 years we are going to have another \$40 million in tax revenue with what we do today, with the amendment--there will be dozens of new products that come out, and products that we are trying to get into this amendment now probably will not even be used by anybody because the brewery and liquor business proliferation are remarkable with how fast they can come up with a new product. So everything is sort of spontaneous with regard to how the market will react or how the public will react to these different drinks and how we go about giving them to them.

So I ask on behalf of the folks who protect us today who work in the State Store network, their jobs, on behalf of the revenue that they generate--that we can generate just as easily by doing what we are doing--and on behalf of the restaurants and all those folks who suffered through the pandemic, if you are out there right now listening, a "yes" vote on this bill, as written with the amendment, will most likely cause you not to get the things that we all want you to have. That can change today if we vote this down, we still have a week or two where we can get House Bill No. 1154 out in the clear and get it out there where it is meaningful. So I encourage a "no" vote on the bill with the amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes, for the second time, the gentleman from York, Senator Regan.

Senator REGAN. Mr. President, thank you for your indulgence on allowing me to speak a second time. I will be very brief. I do appreciate the Members of the Senate on both sides of the aisle who spoke out passionately in favor of the restaurant industry, and it is important that we do what is right by the restaurant industry. I think we can all agree on that. In our offline communications with the Governor's Office and the information that we obtained through stakeholders who are interested in this particular bill, the Governor's threatened veto of this bill was wrapped around the fact that the PRLA was not in favor of this bill, and that is why he was going to veto it. Well, power of the

press, we just received a letter, every Member of the Senate received the same letter, and it said the PRLA is asking for Members' support of this bill. You can read it on your own through its entirety, but the last paragraph, I think, is the important one. It says "please support HB 1154 and commit to moving it expeditiously through the legislative process to get it on the Governor's desk--the restaurants in your districts cannot afford to wait."

Thank you very much, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, very briefly, we all received a letter that was referenced by the previous speaker. We also all know the way the letter developed when they went from one position to another. That is a conversation for another day, but at the end of the day, the Governor's veto is not premised on the position of that organization. The Governor's veto is premised on many other issues along those lines with respect to concerns raised by Members on this side of the aisle.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-26

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

NAY-24

Boscola	Costa	Kearney	Street
Brewster	Flynn	Muth	Tartaglione
Brooks	Fontana	Sabatina	Tomlinson
Cappelletti	Haywood	Santarsiero	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hughes	Saval	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Schwank	Yudichak

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL, from the Committee on Communications and Technology, reported the following bill:

**SB 769 (Pr. No. 898)**

An Act providing for small wireless facilities deployment.

**BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION**

Senator SAVAL. 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 25, SB 272, SB 318, SB 574, SB 607, SB 763, SB 769, HB 264 and HB 827.**

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

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 Irvis Office
-----------	---	--------------------------

MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021

11:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (public hearing on Senate Bill No. 676)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
11:00 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (to consider Senate Bill No. 709; and House Bills No. 741, 944 and 1500)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
12:00 P.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (public hearing on the nomination of Major General Mark Schindler for Adjutant General; the promotion of Brigadier General Benjamin Cason (PA Air National Guard) for Major General; and to consider House Bill No. 196)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Office (LIVE STREAMED)
Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 208, 419, 550, 668, 675, 696 and 735; and House Bills No. 1508, 1509, 1510, 1511, 1512, 1513, 1514, 1515 and 1516)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
Off the Floor	FINANCE (to consider House Bill No. 1348)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider certain Executive Nominations)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2021

10:30 A.M.	LABOR AND INDUSTRY (public hearing on the nomination of Jennifer Berrier as Secretary of the Department of Labor and Industry)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
11:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider the nomination of Noe Ortega as Secretary of the Department of Education; Senate Bill No. 729; and House Bill No. 1013)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021

9:30 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (public hearing on sustainability of gaming in Pennsylvania)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
10:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (to consider the nominations of James Biery and Mary Zenner to the Banking and Securities Commission; Senate Bills No. 225, 705 and 772; and House Bill No. 1349)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Office (LIVE STREAMED)
10:00 A.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 321; and the nominations of Gary Baker and Brittany Mercadante to the State Tax Equalization Board)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

**PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I rise to recognize yesterday, June 15, as Court Appointed Special Advocates Day in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania Court Appointed Special Advocates, more commonly known as CASA, is a network made up of 22 local programs serving 28 counties. The impact they have on the lives of children who need support the most is truly extraordinary. PA CASA was founded in 1998 to advocate for abused and neglected children to ensure their needs are being met while in the dependency system. In 2020, PA CASA had a little over 1,000 active volunteers who advocated for over 2,100 children. The goal of PA CASA is to help every abused or neglected child in Pennsylvania have access to the service and support of a CASA volunteer. I am proud that just last year CASA, of my own Fayette County, was officially organized. The work these advocates do day-in and day-out is life changing for the children they support, and we cannot thank them enough.

Again, I thank the Pennsylvania Court Appointed Special Advocates for all the work they do and recognize yesterday, June 15, 2021, as CASA Day in appreciation of their dedication and support of every child in need.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, I rise today to offer remarks in support of Senate Resolution No. 129, which recognizes the month of June 2021 as Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month. I am honored to work with Senator Sabatina to offer this resolution calling attention to such an important topic. This year, June 20, 2021, the beginning of the summer solstice, has been declared the longest day, with teams around the world coming together to honor the strength, passion, and endurance of

individuals facing Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. This day will be marked with a day of activity and advocacy to carry out the slogan "The Day With the Most Light is the Day We Fight."

It is estimated that well over 5 million Americans of all ages are living with Alzheimer's disease, including more than 280,000 Pennsylvanians age 65 and older. The majority of individuals diagnosed with Alzheimer's are over age 65, but, regrettably, we all know that the disease can strike people earlier. Unfortunately, as deaths from other common causes like cancer and heart disease decrease, deaths from Alzheimer's are on the rise. Here in Pennsylvania, where nearly 25 percent of our population is over the age of 65, it is estimated that the percent of our population with Alzheimer's will increase by more than 14 percent by 2025.

We know that 1 in 3 seniors dies with Alzheimer's and another type of dementia and that they and their families face a complex set of physical, emotional, financial, and care-related challenges during the course of the illness. Having worked as a bedside nurse in elder care settings, I have seen firsthand how much more challenging care can be for both the caregiver and the person receiving care when they are experiencing the effects of a disease like Alzheimer's. Those with Alzheimer's and dementia require more and more support and resources as cognitive, behavioral, and physical functioning worsens over time, placing enormous burdens on both government budgets and individual caregivers. The lifetime cost of care for those with dementia is nearly double that of those not experiencing the same decline. With the cost of assistive care for patients with Alzheimer's and dementia being greater and harder to find, it often falls on family members, potentially taking them out of the workplace or putting them in financial jeopardy. For all these reasons and more, it is so important that we increase awareness about these issues.

I am proud to stand before you, Mr. President, and before my colleagues to offer my support to our constituents in the Commonwealth who have been diagnosed with or are treating a loved one with Alzheimer's or another type of dementia. I hope we will all take the time to learn more about the struggles associated with Alzheimer's disease and dementia and that we can work across the aisle to address the needs of these individuals and their families.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SABATINA. Mr. President, as you know, June is Alzheimer's Awareness Month in Pennsylvania and around the country. Along with my colleague, Senator Collett, we are offering the resolution, Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness Month in the Commonwealth. Some basic facts are that Alzheimer's disease is the sixth-leading cause of death in the United States, 1 in 3 seniors dies with Alzheimer's or other dementia, and it kills more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. Over 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's, and it is estimated by 2050 that this number will rise to nearly 14 million. In 2020, Pennsylvania had an estimated 500,000 Alzheimer's and dementia family caregivers providing 622 million hours of unpaid care for loved ones.

We all know that Alzheimer's is a destructive and devastating disease, and it is just as difficult for the individual as it is for the family and caregivers who support them. Those with Alzheimer's and dementia require more and more support and resources as

the disease progresses and cognitive, behavioral, and physical functioning worsens over time, placing enormous burdens on government budgets and out-of-pocket expenses. In 2020, Pennsylvania Medicaid costs of caring for people with Alzheimer's was \$3.66 billion.

While there is currently no cure, researchers around the world continue their efforts to develop breakthroughs that could one day bring a world where Alzheimer's no longer exists. So I thank you for allowing me to speak today and offer this resolution regarding Alzheimer's.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator ROBINSON. Mr. President, today I would like to honor the life and memory of Officer Jerrod Withrow, who passed away last week after a courageous battle with cancer at the age of 43. Jerrod was born in the State of Washington and began his law enforcement career with the Idaho State Police 21 years ago, where he met his wife, Lisa. He followed his bride across the country, settling in western Pennsylvania, where he worked as a patrolman for the City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Police. Officer Withrow then moved to serve the citizens of Mount Lebanon, where he earned the coveted position on the South Hills Critical Incident Response Team. In this capacity, Officer Withrow was mobilized one fateful Saturday morning in October 2018 to respond to the Tree of Life Synagogue massacre.

Jerrod was not only a superior officer, but he was also a son, husband, father to three boys, coach, and an exemplary member of his community. He will be sorely missed.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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 5,456 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage. That is almost 15 years, and it is far too long.

Mr. President, the coronavirus pandemic has been very difficult for all of us, but it has been especially hard on the nation's low-wage workers, and that includes Pennsylvania's low-wage workers. With each passing week, we learn more about how the pandemic has changed--and continues to change--our workforce, and how those changes have affected our most vulnerable workers disproportionately. Only now are millions of Americans learning that the layoffs they suffered during the pandemic have become permanent job losses. They are learning that their old jobs will not be coming back. In May alone, 3.2 million Americans lost their jobs permanently, a figure that is 2 1/2 times higher than the total for February 2020.

It has also become painfully apparent that most of these permanent job losses involve Americans who are least prepared financially to withstand the economic setback and who are most in need of work. One of those demographic groups is our older, low-wage workforce. Recent research by The New School's Schwartz Center for Economic Policy Analysis found that the pandemic created a surge in retirements among older folks. Since March 2020, there have been 1.7 million more retirements than expected among American workers ages 55 to 64. By and large, these are not storybook retirements where a longtime jobholder rides off into the sunset with a lucrative 401(k) and perpetual health insurance. Most of the affected workers were already living paycheck to paycheck before the pandemic and were the first ones cut loose.

At the height of unemployment in April 2020, workers between the ages of 55 and 64 without a college degree were 67 percent more likely to experience unemployment than their college-educated counterparts. As a result, these individuals are now 5 percent more likely to be retired than they were before the pandemic. Sadly, retirement is a burden that most of them simply cannot bear financially. Their median household retirement savings were just \$9,000 as of 2019, compared to \$167,000 for households of older workers with college degrees.

Mr. President, the recent plight of so many of our older, low-wage workers shines a spotlight on our own systematic and moral failures as a legislature and as a society. These are our grandparents, our parents, our aunts and uncles, and even many of our peers. Yet, we do nothing to ensure that they can maintain a decent standard of living in their later years. I challenge anyone in this Capitol building and anyone in the Commonwealth to make ends meet on \$7.25 an hour, or \$9 an hour, or even \$11 an hour, let alone save some money for retirement. We all know it cannot be done. Yet, when the General Assembly refuses to raise the minimum wage year after year, we are essentially telling employers it is okay to pay poverty wages; and we are telling low-wage earners that we really do not care what happens to them after their working days are done.

Mr. President, my minimum wage legislation, Senate Bill No. 12, will not be able to help the many older Pennsylvanians who lost their jobs in the pandemic and have been forced to retire, but it will help the hundreds of thousands of folks who are still toiling in low-wage jobs. It will improve their standard of living now and will help them prepare for a day when their working days are over. I urge my colleagues to support Senate Bill No. 12.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, I rise today in support of a resolution I introduced, Senate Resolution No. 125. Senate Resolution No. 125 commemorates the 131st anniversary of Korean American Citizenship Day on June 19. June 19 marks the date the first Korean American immigrant was granted U.S. citizenship; and that was a Delaware County resident, Philip Jaisohn. Philip Jaisohn was a Korean political refugee who made his home in Media, Pennsylvania, and made Philadelphia an overseas base for supporting Korean independence. He was inspired by the Continental Congresses of the United States; and he, along with Syngman Rhee, the first president of the Republic of Korea, and Han Kyong Jung organized the First Korean Congress in Philadelphia and proclaimed Korean Declaration of Independence in 1919.

Now today, Korean American immigrants have established America as a new home and naturalized to establish a new homeland for their children and future Korean Americans. These Korean American citizens live throughout the United States and are part of a vibrant and growing community. They are making important contributions in distinguished fields such as law, medicine, business, education, the arts, and of course my favorite, architecture. It is for many of these reasons that it is vital that the Senate body should join me in recognizing the contributions of these citizens and commemorate June 19 as Korean American Citizenship Day.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about economic opportunity and a vision for the future of Pennsylvania. After the preliminary 2020 Census data was released earlier this year, we learned that Pennsylvania's population growth has been so stagnant that we again lost a seat in the United States

Congress. This is a continuation of an unfortunate trend where the Commonwealth has consistently lost at least one congressional seat in all of the last 10 censuses beginning in 1930. The State's inability to retain residents or attract new ones has cost us political influence in our nation's capital. Beyond our diminishing power in the nation's capital, many Pennsylvanians have seen this outbound migration in action as they watch the dream of having their children live nearby fade away as economic opportunity pulls our younger generations out of the Commonwealth to jobs in other States where there is greater promise of upward mobility.

Pennsylvania must be a place where each and every resident has the opportunity and where new residents come to experience earned success and upward economic mobility. We need to compete for new businesses and industry and the jobs they create to do just that. Unfortunately, Pennsylvania consistently ranks among the worst States for business, claiming one of the highest corporate net income tax rates in the country, second only to New Jersey. With Pennsylvania's current rate of 9.99 percent, we are at a tremendous competitive disadvantage compared to most of our neighboring States who boast rates of around 6 to 6.5 percent. We must take action to counter this population trend, incentivize working professionals and families to move here and stay here, and create economic opportunity for all our residents. The first step to achieving those goals is to make the State's corporate net income tax rate competitive with that of our neighboring States. Data suggests that doing so would not only increase our population but also increase home values and wages for our residents, all without negatively impacting State revenue.

Based on the data from the U.S. Census, research shows that lower corporate income tax rates are associated with higher rates of population growth. Interstate migration trends in 2019 show that many more people move to States with lower CNI rates than move to States with a higher rate, supporting the claim that States with lower CNI rates have more favorable business climates and better job opportunities. Specifically, data modeling projects that lowering the CNI by 1 point can increase Pennsylvania's population the first year to 18,000 people and that the population will continue to grow each year thereafter. Bottom line, reducing our State's CNI rate would directly address our ongoing issues with outbound migration, while at the same time providing real, tangible benefits to those who reside here in the Commonwealth. In fact, lowering a State's CNI rate is associated with increased growth in home values. For the period between 2010 and 2020, data analysis shows that the 23 States with the lowest CNI rates experienced significant growth in typical home value compared to 23 States with the highest CNI rates.

Perhaps the most compelling argument for lowering the CNI is the benefit that it would provide to Pennsylvania's working families. Decades of research demonstrate that there is a direct correlation between lower CNI rates and higher wages for our working-class families. Unfortunately, when politicians talk about lowering corporate taxes, many middle- and lower-class working families are skeptical; skeptical that such a policy would benefit them. Though many falsely believe that reducing corporate taxes would only help upper-class CEOs and large corporations, the data clearly shows that individual employees and their families will also benefit greatly by enjoying higher wages. Specifically, research shows that a 1 percentage point decrease in the

top marginal CNI tax rate would lead to a meaningful increase in workers' wages.

Despite all the data showing the benefits of a competitive CNI rate, opponents usually claim that doing so would decrease State revenue, thereby negatively impacting many vital State programs funded through the collection of CNI taxes. However, States with the lowest CNI rates experienced 10 percent higher growth in State revenues from 2000 to 2020 compared to those States with higher CNI rates.

In summary, not only does the data show a strong connection between lower CNI rates and higher population, home values, and workers' wages, but these goals are able to be achieved without impacting General Fund revenue or raising taxes on Pennsylvanians. For that reason, I propose Senate Bill No. 771, which would gradually reduce the State's CNI tax rate to attract new employers and promote economic growth here in Pennsylvania. It is my hope that making Pennsylvania more economically competitive by lowering our CNI rate will benefit working class families, reverse our stagnant population growth, and ensure that Pennsylvania is an attractive place to live, work, and raise a family for generations to come.

Let us work together to build a stronger Pennsylvania where entrepreneurship, innovation, and economic opportunity thrive. A Pennsylvania where each and every resident has the opportunity to experience earned success and upward economic mobility.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to recognize the Juneteenth holiday. Juneteenth is a day in which we celebrate the emancipation of the final slaves from Galveston, Texas, on June 19, 1865. On that day, the message of the Emancipation Proclamation reached the nation's final slaves in the territories that had been in rebellion, and those slaves were freed in Galveston, Texas. It has largely become known as a national holiday celebrating the end of one of worst chapters in American history and now recognizes the beginning of the emancipation. It is a holiday that we have recognized by resolution in the past in the Senate, but this year the Senate has made it a formal Senate holiday. For that, I thank my colleagues in the Senate. I want to note that my predecessor, Senator Kitchen, worked along with people across this country in a very diligent way to make sure that Juneteenth would be recognized and the fact that many of our ancestors who were held in bondage for years were finally emancipated on this day. I further note that earlier this week, the United States Senate passed a bill that would make Juneteenth a Federal holiday and on this very day will mark the occasion where Juneteenth is likely to be passed by the U.S. House of Representatives and become a Federal holiday.

This is something where the Pennsylvania Senate, having made resolution after resolution acknowledging Juneteenth over the years, has led the way. This is a day in which this will become not just a day that the Pennsylvania Senate recognizes, not just a day that Pennsylvanians recognize, but a day that our nation recognizes the day it emancipated the hundreds of thousands, no, millions of people who were held in bondage over the course of hundreds of years. It is a day that Juneteenth will become a national holiday after President Joe Biden signs it into law. So on this day, I encourage all Pennsylvanians to celebrate

and acknowledge Juneteenth. Acknowledge how far we have come as a country. It shows the great potential that we have to grow as Pennsylvanians and, indeed, as Americans. I thank the Members of Congress and the President who have seen fit to make this a Federal holiday.

Mr. President, I encourage all Members of the Senate to enjoy the day off on Friday, our staff to do the same, and that everyone celebrates with family and friends America's emancipation day, Juneteenth.

### 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:

June 16, 2021

Senators DiSANTO, STREET, MENSCH, PITTMAN, KANE, YUDICHAK, STEFANO and BREWSTER presented to the Chair **SB 772**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in life insurance, further providing for standard nonforfeiture law for individual deferred annuities; and, in suitability of annuity transactions, further providing for definitions, for applicability and scope of article, for duties of insurers and insurance producers, for insurance producer training, for mitigation of responsibility, for recordkeeping and for enforcement.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, June 16, 2021.

Senators BARTOLOTTA, REGAN, SCAVELLO, L. WILLIAMS, COSTA, BAKER, SABATINA, ARGALL, MUTH, KANE, FONTANA, BREWSTER, TOMLINSON, ROBINSON, YUDICHAK, BOSCOLA, YAW, CAPPELLETTI, CORMAN, TARTAGLIONE, K. WARD, FLYNN, STEFANO, COMITTA and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 775**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, in interpretation and definitions, further providing for definitions; and, in liability and compensation, further providing for compensation for post-traumatic stress injury.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, June 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:

June 16, 2021

**HB 931** -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

**HB 1040** and **1048** -- Committee on Transportation.

**HB 1387** -- Committee on Labor and Industry.

### RECESS

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Monday, June 21, 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 2:18 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.