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**SENATE**

TUESDAY, October 19, 2021

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

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

**PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. JAMES D. NELSON, of New Birth Ministries, Duquesne, offered the following prayer:

Shall we pray.

To the Lord, God, who is God. To the God of Abraham, to the God of Isaac, and to the God of Jacob, we come. To the God of both the Jew and the gentile, we come. To the Lord Jehovah in whom our Founding Fathers trusted, who knew that it was You who has given us a land called free and the ability to keep that land because of men called brave, we come. To the God whose love is never-ending and whose power is without measure, we come. For it is You who has given us this Commonwealth that we may live. Not as entitled, for we are entitled to nothing, but free because the bill that freedom came with was paid in full by the blood of those who put others in front of self. To the God who blesses us as a father blesses his children, providing and desiring nothing but the best in the hope that we count our blessings, acknowledge our Blessor, and understand that we have been blessed for the purpose of being a blessing to those who have not.

Lord, as we present ourselves before You this afternoon, we come with our heads bowed, knowing even as Your servant Moses knew that we are not worthy to look upon Your face. But we can behold the cross upon which our sins were carried, transferred, and washed forever away. It is with our eyes upon those rugged beams that we bow as people who know that we have not always done that which is right in Your sight. We have sinned, and for that we seek Your forgiveness and that Your forgiveness will come with guidance that we may sin no more. It is in this spirit that we ask You to bless these who assemble in this house of laws, that they might remember that the laws of man were handed to man by the Son of Man. Bring to their remembrance that with You they can do all things, but without You, they can do nothing. As You embrace them in Your arms, may they hold You in their hearts. Unless through foolishness we forget, may Your words in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." This

we ask in the name that is above all names, the precious name of Jesus, the Son of the living God. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Dr. Nelson, who is the guest today of Senator Robinson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

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

October 19, 2021

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, DiSANTO, CORMAN, MASTRIANO, MARTIN, DUSH, GEBHARD, BAKER, LAUGHLIN, BROOKS, SCAVELLO, REGAN, MENSCH, LANGERHOLC, J. WARD, PITTMAN, AUMENT and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 195**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to oppose the proposal to make an unnecessary and harmful change to Internal Revenue Service reporting requirements that affect financial institutions and their customers in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, October 19, 2021.

**HOUSE MESSAGE**

**HOUSE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE**

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

October 19, 2021

**HB 488** -- Committee on Judiciary.

**GENERAL COMMUNICATION**

**2021 ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE COMMISSION FOR AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION EXCELLENCE**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
 Department of Agriculture  
 2301 North Cameron Street  
 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17110

October 18, 2021

To the General Assembly  
 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
 Harrisburg, PA 17120

**RE: AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION IN PA 2021**

Attached please find the 2021 Annual Report to the General Assembly by the Commission for Agricultural Education Excellence. Section 1549.1 of the Public School Code of 1949 establishes a Commission for Agricultural Education Excellence that among other duties, is charged to investigate, review, and issue an annual report on the status of agricultural education and submit this report to the Governor and General Assembly. A copy of each of the annual reports is posted at [https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Business\\_Industry/workforce-development/Pages/Commission-for-Agricultural-Education-Excellence.aspx](https://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Business_Industry/workforce-development/Pages/Commission-for-Agricultural-Education-Excellence.aspx).

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. Thank you and have a good day.

Stephen B. Rudman  
 Director of Legislative Affairs

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

**BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**

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

**HB 1122 (Pr. No. 1170)**

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in hunting and furtaking licenses, further providing for resident license and fee exemptions and for license costs and fees.

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

**SB 814 (Pr. No. 993)**

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in obstructing governmental operations, providing for the offense of evading arrest or detention on foot and for the offense of harming a police animal while evading arrest or detention.

**SB 904 (Pr. No. 1140)**

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other criminal provisions, further providing for definitions and providing for meetings.

**SB 905 (Pr. No. 1141)**

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, further providing for County Adult Probation and Parole Advisory Committee.

**SB 913 (Pr. No. 1144)**

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further providing for conditions of probation and for modification or revocation of order of probation.

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

**SB 275 (Pr. No. 1163) (Amended)**

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preemptions, providing for restrictions on utility services prohibited.

**SB 448 (Pr. No. 1164) (Amended)**

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in firearms and other dangerous articles, further providing for limitation on the regulation of firearms and ammunition; and, in preemptions, providing for regulation of firearms and ammunition.

**SB 755 (Pr. No. 943)**

An Act amending the act of July 31, 1968 (P.L.805, No.247), known as the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, in general provisions, providing for certain transmittals and submissions to governmental bodies.

**HB 430 (Pr. No. 2274) (Amended)**

An Act amending the act of May 25, 1945 (P.L.1050, No.394), known as the Local Tax Collection Law, further providing for effect of failure to receive tax notice.

**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 Bartolotta and Senator Regan, and legislative leaves for Senator DiSanto and Senator Scavello.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Bartolotta and Senator Regan, and legislative leaves for Senator DiSanto and Senator Scavello. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Senator K. WARD asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator TOMLINSON, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

**JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. The Journal of the Session of May 24, 2021, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of May 24, 2021.

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

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

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

**YEA-49**

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

**NAY-0**

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR SCOTT F. MARTIN  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Natalie Raff, an eighth grader at Conestoga Valley Middle School in my district, who recently won the national title for her age group at the U.S. National Irish Dance Championships, which were held in Phoenix, Arizona. Natalie is here with us today on the Senate floor alongside her parents, Tom and Jennifer Raff; her sister, Olivia Raff; as well as her coach and owner of her dance school, Crystal Carper. Natalie is a student at the Hooley School of Irish Dance in Leola, which has a history of sending dancers to regional, national, and world competitions. In fact, the Hooley School has produced two world championship qualifiers in the past.

For those who do not know, Irish dancing is known for its straight arms and rhythmic footwork techniques. I bring this up because Natalie is a bit of a unique champion in this regard. To be more specific, Natalie was born with a left arm that is shorter and fused at a 90-degree angle. However, she refused to be held back by this and now sits here today on the floor of the Pennsylvania Senate through will, pure grit, and skill to become a national champion. What is next for Natalie, you might ask, Mr. President? Well, her recent victory means she now has the opportunity to compete at the Irish Dance World Championships, which are being held in Belfast, Ireland, next April.

Mr. President, I ask that my colleagues join me in welcoming Natalie Raff to the Pennsylvania Senate to congratulate her on her national championship and to wish her the best of luck at the world championships next year and in all of her future endeavors.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR DEVLIN ROBINSON  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator ROBINSON. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce Reverend Dr. James D. Nelson to the Senate floor today as our guest Chaplain. Pastor Nelson is a friend of mine and a man of service. He serves God, his family, his country, and his community. He is the senior and founding pastor of New Birth Ministries in Duquesne, Pennsylvania, and has a long and impressive career in ministry, the military, as well as law enforcement. He has served honorably in the Pennsylvania Air National Guard and the United States Air Force. He also has an illustrious career with the Allegheny County Sheriff's Department, the University of Pittsburgh, and the Borough of McKeesport, Pennsylvania. We thank him and applaud him for his service. Today he is joined by his wife, Carol; his daughter, Jennifer; and several other friends. Please join me in welcoming Reverend Dr. James D. Nelson.

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

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR  
ANTHONY H. WILLIAMS  
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I would like to acknowledge two of my staff members who are visiting the Capitol for the first time ever. One runs my south Philadelphia office, Ms. Lynne Wilkins--if she could stand. She is joined by my main office person, Andre Caroll. Both do an extraordinary job on behalf of the Commonwealth and, certainly, my constituents in the 8th Senatorial District. I ask the Members of the Senate to give them a warm welcome.

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

(Applause.)

**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 an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, followed by a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room and via Zoom.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, at the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for a caucus as well.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, followed by Republican and Democratic caucuses to be held in their respective caucus rooms, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

**AFTER RECESS**

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

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED**

The PRESIDENT. Senator Bartolotta, Senator Regan, and Senator Scavello have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

**CALENDAR**

**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**

**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

**SB 1, SB 113 and SB 137** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE**

**SB 157 (Pr. No. 139)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment of first-time home buyer savings accounts for first-time home buyers in this Commonwealth.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, since the 2009 financial crisis, the number of first-time homebuyers has decreased significantly. According to the National Association of Realtors, the share of first-time homebuyers in the national home sale market has fallen from 45 to 32 percent. In response, several States have already passed legislation to allow first-time homebuyers to deposit money into a savings account, where it goes for the exclusive purpose of purchasing a first home, and the money can be deducted from their State income tax. Home ownership can help to strengthen communities and provide stability for growing families. A first-time home buyer savings account will be an important tool in helping people overcome the financial obstacles to homeownership. The result would be an overall positive impact on Pennsylvania's economy, spurring additional economic activity, job creation, and earnings for households. I would appreciate an affirmative vote.

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-46**

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

**NAY-3**

Kearney                      Saval                      Williams, Anthony H.

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 236, SB 327 and SB 457** -- 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 603 (Pr. No. 1160)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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 gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, Pennsylvania leads the nation in Lyme disease cases with 33 percent of the cases in the United States. According to our State Department of Health, in 2019, the following counties represented the top 10 case counts of Lyme disease reported here in Pennsylvania: Chester; Westmoreland; Butler; Bucks; Montgomery; York; Allegheny; Centre; Lancaster; and Berks Counties.

Mr. President, this is not a rural issue. This is a statewide health crisis that we need to do more to combat. While this legislation is one step forward, we need to ensure that all Pennsylvanians have access to the treatment that they need for tick-related diseases, as well as ensuring that insurance companies cover the

treatments and testing. We also need to ensure that we are providing Pennsylvanians with the most thorough testing possible for tick-related diseases.

Nationally, roughly one-third of the cases of Lyme were reported in children 0 to 20 years of age over the last decade. Here in Pennsylvania, in 2019, approximately 1 in 4 cases of Lyme occurred in children, with children ages 5 to 9 at the greatest risk of contracting Lyme disease. In an effort to reduce tick-related diseases in our children, Senate Bill No. 603 establishes protocols for tick bites in our schools.

A school nurse, school physician, or employee of a school district shall remove a tick from a student in accordance with guidelines issued by the Department of Health. After a tick is removed from a student, the school district shall notify the parent or guardian of the student in writing, stating that a tick was removed and that ticks can transmit diseases. The parent or guardian should record the date on which the tick was removed. The tick shall be preserved for the parent or guardian of the student or the school to send to the Tick Research Lab of Pennsylvania for testing. The school district shall also provide information to the parent or guardian on how to send the tick to the Tick Research Lab of Pennsylvania. This testing is free of charge to Pennsylvanians in partnership with the Department of Health and the Tick Research Lab through funding appropriated by the General Assembly. The intent is that parents will become more aware of the signs and symptoms of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases such as deer tick virus, anaplasmosis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, and mycoplasmosis. These are just some of the tick-related diseases found here in Pennsylvania.

Mr. President, we need to do more. We must do more. Lyme disease can cause lifelong impairment and even lead to death. But, it is preventable and treatable through better education on tick testing, diagnosis, and treatment. For those at home, if you find a tick on you or your pet, please safely remove it and visit [www.ticklab.org](http://www.ticklab.org) to package and mail your tick to the Pennsylvania Tick Lab for testing. Again, this testing is free of charge. Once you get the results, consult your physician and share the lab results to determine the next steps in your treatment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,  
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-1

DiSanto

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**SB 696** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 703 (Pr. No. 787)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

**SB 703 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE**

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 703, Printer's No. 787, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 704 (Pr. No. 804)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

**SB 704 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE**

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 704, Printer's No. 804, 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 731** and **SB 775** -- 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 777 (Pr. No. 917) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inspection of vehicles, further providing for requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I rise to ask for support for Senate Bill No. 777. This bill would exempt the five newest model year vehicles from the emissions test and remove the gas cap test for subject vehicles without a gas cap. The current vehicle emissions testing program was rolled out in 2014, then approved by the EPA in 2015. Since then, gasoline-powered cars, vans, and light-duty trucks with the model year 1975 and newer must receive an annual vehicle emissions test, which only applies to 25 counties in Pennsylvania. This is a top legislative priority for the constituents I represent in Cambria County, since their vehicles continuously pass this outdated test, and they are continuously forced to pay this onerous test. Between 2010 and 2019, there were over 21 million newer vehicles that passed the emissions test 99.65 percent of the time. The emissions test has become less effective at reducing air pollution, particularly due to newer, more fuel-efficient vehicles entering the fleet. The Committee on Transportation held a public hearing on September 27, 2021, where DEP testified that the air quality has clearly improved across the Commonwealth. With the heightened focus on manufacturing and supporting electric vehicles, we will continue to see improvements to our air quality. It is time to end this outdated test, period. I would like to applaud and thank Majority Leader Kim Ward for leading this initiative last Session and urge my colleagues for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SABATINA. Mr. President, I respectfully oppose this bill. I know the maker has good intentions with this bill, but, frankly, we risk losing Federal funds if this bill were to become law. It violates certain SIP agreements that were entered into circa 1987. So, I would caution the Members to be thoughtful and careful when voting on this bill because it may be a Pandora's box that we open, and, you know, we may live to regret it. So, for those reasons I am opposed to Senate Bill No. 777. Thank you.

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I rise to offer my perspective on Senate Bill No. 777. The fact is, Mr. President, that today, 42 counties out of 67 do not require any vehicle emissions testing whatsoever. Forty-two, nothing, none, zero, and then there are the 25 counties where it is required. I happen to repre-

sent two of them. So all this bill does is say, of those 25 counties that are required to do emissions testing--while 42 do not--that if you purchase a new vehicle you do not have to go through emissions testing for 5 years. So, if you own the car longer than 5 years, you are still going to have to go through that emissions testing--where in 42 counties you do not have to go through anything. I happen to have a vehicle that is 1 year old. I will have to get that emissions testing for the next 4 years even though it is a fuel-efficient car, even hybrids have to go through this. But, more importantly, I do see this bill as providing more incentive for people to purchase newer, cleaner, fuel-efficient cars and hybrid vehicles. To me, this bill just makes common sense, and I will be voting for it. If for some reason there are those who can buy or lease a car, a newer one, as opposed to a much older vehicle, I think that is what we want to do here in the Commonwealth.

So thank you, Mr. President, I wanted to give you my perspective.

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-29

Table with 4 columns of names: Argall, Aument, Baker, Bartolotta, Boscola, Brooks, Browne, Corman, DiSanto, Dush, Gebhard, Gordner, Hutchinson, Langerholc, Laughlin, Martin, Mastriano, Mensch, Phillips-Hill, Pittman, Regan, Robinson, Scavello, Stefano, Vogel, Ward, Judy, Ward, Kim, Yaw, Yudichak

NAY-20

Table with 4 columns of names: Brewster, Cappelletti, Collett, Comitita, Costa, Flynn, Fontana, Haywood, Hughes, Kane, Kearney, Muth, Sabatina, Santarsiero, Saval, Schwank, Street, Tartaglione, Williams, Anthony H., Williams, Lindsey

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

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

SB 786 (Pr. No. 1108) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in open campus initiatives, further providing for legislative intent, for definitions, for open campus initiatives, for cooperative agreements, for reimbursements by the Commonwealth and for parental and public information.

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 gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, as I read through this bill, the bill leaves questions about the costs associated with the initiative. I do like the concept of the bill, but as I was reviewing it--and something that is near and dear to me is our transportation costs, which are driving school districts to their brink. We have to figure out what we are going to do about transportation. There are times when I am leaving schools and I see 30, 40, 50 buses leaving certain school districts, some are full, a lot of them have one or two students on them. So when I look at this bill, I look at it like transportation costs are escalating in these school districts that I represent and charter schools are part of that equation. So, I was wondering, who would be on the hook here to transport students between participating school entities? Is it the parents? Is it on the schools? Is it on the home school districts? If so, how is that cost to be shared or how is it not to be shared? Will it be solely borne on the public schools?

Secondly, as it relates to costs, is the potential for added costs to the home school districts. My understanding is that the bill does not provide for a limitation on agreements or for the approval by the home school district. So, in theory, this legislation could provide an avenue where there are agreements and costs agreed to by entities who are not responsible to pay the bills. How fair is that? This bill needs to do a better job with the burden of costs. So, to be honest, Mr. President, the bigger picture for me is that our charter schools, and especially our cyber charter schools, that system needs to be reformed, and this bill should be part of a broader package dealing with those reforms.

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-29

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

NAY-20

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

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 827, SB 846, SB 849, SB 862 and SB 865** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

**HB 1013 (Pr. No. 1052)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in preliminary provisions, further providing for Keystone Exams and graduation requirements.

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

**HB 1452** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 222 (Pr. No. 938)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for congressional reapportionment and reapportionment criteria.

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**SB 225, SB 284, SB 320, SB 507, SB 519, SB 525, SB 562, SB 565 and SB 573** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 597 (Pr. No. 801)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for water and wastewater asset management plans.

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

SB 597 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 597, Printer's No. 801, 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 617, SB 667, SB 689, SB 717, SB 718, SB 737 and SB 745** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**SB 782 (Pr. No. 1101)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for compensable services and items; and abrogating a related regulation.

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

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

**SB 806 (Pr. No. 1105)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 20, 1979 (P.L.183, No.60), known as the Oil and Gas Lease Act, further providing for definitions, for payment information to interest owners and for accumulation of proceeds from production.

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 815 and SB 832** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**HB 941 (Pr. No. 949)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 15, 1982 (P.L.1266, No.287), entitled "An act conferring limited residency status on military personnel, their dependents and civilian personnel assigned to an active duty station in Pennsylvania," further providing for residency of students.

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

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**HB 951, HB 1332 and HB 1500** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

#### BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

**HB 1598 (Pr. No. 2140)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 4, 1978 (P.L.851, No.166), known as the Flood Plain Management Act, replacing references to the Department of Community Affairs with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; in miscellaneous and appropriations, repealing provisions related to appropriations; making a related repeal; 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.

**The PRESIDING OFFICER (Senator Elder A.Vogel, Jr.) in the Chair.**

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

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

#### MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL ON AGING

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 27, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, to serve until October 8, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Dennis Flynn, Chester Springs, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated June 23, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Bogle, Yeadon, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

CLERK OF COURTS, WESTMORELAND COUNTY

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 13, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Clerk of Courts, in and for the County of Westmoreland, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice Bryan Kline, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 19, 2021, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Donald R. Walko, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, ALLEGHENY COUNTY

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July

19, 2021, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable John A. Zottola, deceased.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, JUNIATA AND PERRY COUNTIES

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated August 23, 2021, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Juniata and Perry Counties, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Kathy A. Morrow, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, LANCASTER COUNTY

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated August 23, 2021, of Brittany Erney-Muniz, Esquire, 701 Sherwood Drive, Carlisle 17013, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable James P. Cullen, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MINORITY BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 27, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority, to serve until June 2, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jenine Diaz, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 13, 2021, of Rebecca Dombrowsky, 669 Rockwood Drive, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve until February 5, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Davis Haire, Meshoppen, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
PAROLE BOARD

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 27, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Parole Board, to serve until February 5, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice Maureen Barden, Philadelphia, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

October 12, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated June 11, 2021, of Betsy Phillips, 3607 North Fourth Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Transportation Commission, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Sharon Knoll, Fairview, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE  
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

October 12, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated June 11, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg

17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Transportation Commission, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice George Khoury, Lemont, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated September 14, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-1-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Robert Wagner, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 27, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Delaware, Magisterial District 32-1-22, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Spencer B. Seaton, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated September 1, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Erie, Magisterial District 06-1-02, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Paul Urbaniak, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

October 15, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated July 19, 2021, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 1408 Rose Lane, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Schuylkill, Magisterial District 21-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2022, vice the Honorable Christina Hale, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE**

September 23, 2021

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated May 13, 2021, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of York, Magisterial District 19-1-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Dwayne A. Dubs, deceased.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

***NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR***

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

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The nominations will be returned to the Governor.

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

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

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS**

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michael McAndrew, 326 Pine Street, Jermyn 18433, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF  
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kirk Holman, 420 Fourth Street, California 15419, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Roberta Betza, Gibsonia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF  
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Barbara Logue, 633 Audubon Avenue, Pittsburgh 15228, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Sean Logue, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF  
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Ryan Boyer, 113 Hilldale Road, Lansdowne 19050, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Joseph Wells, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF  
THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Cheryl E. Harper, 1413 Yerkes Street, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Audrey Bronson, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kafi Lindsay, 7008 Pipers Glen Way, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Leon Spencer, Jr., Kennett Square, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, LeRoy Nunery II, 511 Cresheim Valley Road, Wyndmoor 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Bogle, Yeadon, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jasmine Sessoms, 8528 Williams Avenue, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is

appointed and qualified, vice Samuel Patterson, Bryn Mawr, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Larry Skinner, 5608 Wynnefield Avenue, Philadelphia 19131, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Traynham, 2105 13th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, James Turner, 101 West 24th Street, Chester 19013, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Raith, Thornton, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Welburn, 7216 Farm Meadow Court, McLean, Virginia 22101, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Vincent Gordon, Drexel Hill, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES'  
EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Westover, 1320 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin 16323, Venango County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
ELECTION LAW ADVISORY BOARD

August 24, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Quetcy Lozada (Congressional District 2), 5001 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia 19124, Philadelphia County, Second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Election Law Advisory Board, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Margaret Spitzer, Philadelphia, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard Rauso, 267 Saunders Station Road, Trafford 15085, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Land-

scape Architects, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Aaron Singer, 77 Greenbriar Drive, Wellsboro 16901, Tioga County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

July 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Abraham Amoros, 3604 Green Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

July 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Terrence Pegula, 7777 NW Beacon Square Boulevard, Boca Raton, Florida 33487, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Steven Erickson, 755 Windrush Drive, York 17313, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### ***NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE***

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The nominations will be laid on the table.

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

Senator AUMENT, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following nomination made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the Honorable Vincent J. Hughes, 2401 North 54th Street, Philadelphia 19131, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

#### ***NOMINATION LAID ON THE TABLE***

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The nomination will be laid on the table.

#### **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

##### ***EXECUTIVE SESSION***

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

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

#### ***NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE***

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kirk Holman, 420 Fourth Street, California 15419, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Roberta Betza, Gibsonia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Barbara Logue, 633 Audubon Avenue, Pittsburgh 15228, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Sean Logue, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Ryan Boyer, 113 Hilldale Road, Lansdowne 19050, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Joseph Wells, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Cheryl E. Harper, 1413 Yerkes Street, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Audrey Bronson, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kafi Lindsay, 7008 Pipers Glen Way, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Leon Spencer, Jr., Kennett Square, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, LeRoy Nunery II, 511 Cresheim Valley Road, Wyndmoor 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Bogle, Yeadon, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jasmine Sessoms, 8528 Williams Avenue, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Samuel Patterson, Bryn Mawr, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Larry Skinner, 5608 Wynnefield Avenue, Philadelphia 19131, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Traynham, 2105 13th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, James Turner, 101 West 24th Street, Chester 19013, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a

term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Raith, Thornton, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Welburn, 7216 Farm Meadow Court, McLean, Virginia 22101, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Vincent Gordon, Drexel Hill, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES'  
EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Westover, 1320 Rocky Grove Avenue, Franklin 16323, Venango County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA  
ELECTION LAW ADVISORY BOARD

August 24, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Quetcy Lozada (Congressional District 2), 5001 Roosevelt Boulevard, Philadelphia 19124, Philadelphia County, Second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Election Law Advisory Board, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Margaret Spitzer, Philadelphia, resigned.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard Rauso, 267 Saunders Station Road, Trafford 15085, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Aaron Singer, 77 Greenbriar Drive, Wellsboro 16901, Tioga County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

July 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Abraham Amoros, 3604 Green Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

July 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Terrence Pegula, 7777 NW Beacon Square Boulevard, Boca Raton, Florida 33487, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Pennsylvania State University, to serve until July 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Steven Erickson, 755 Windrush Drive, York 17313, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

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

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

YEA-49

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

NAY-0

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

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

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

September 2, 2021

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, the Honorable Vincent J. Hughes, 2401 North 54th Street, Philadelphia 19131, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council

of Trustees of Cheyney University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF Governor

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Hughes.

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I currently serve as a member of the Council of Trustees of Cheyney University, and I am now being renominated to that trustee. I have consulted with the Secretary of the Senate, and I believe I should be excused from this vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Hughes, you are excused from voting.

And the question recurring, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-0

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise. The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator GORDNER. 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 275, SB 448, SB 755, SB 814, SB 904, SB 905, SB 913, HB 430 and HB 1122.

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY**

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2021

10:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (public hearing to discuss the proposed regulation #6-349 from the Pennsylvania Department of Education on charter schools and cyber charter schools)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. (LIVE STREAMED)
10:30 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (public hearing on Senate Bills No. 801, 802, 803 and 804, lobbying disclosure)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021

10:30 A.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (public hearing on the services to Pennsylvania veterans)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. (LIVE STREAMED)
Off the Floor	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 349)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider certain Executive Nominations)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021

11:00 A.M.	APPROPRIATIONS and EDUCATION (joint public hearing on the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education update regarding the latest report pursuant to Act 50 of 2020)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off. (LIVE STREAMED)
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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021

10:00 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (to consider Senate Bill No. 482)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
10:30 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 676; Senate Resolution No. 195; and House Bill No. 1588)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
11:00 A.M.	HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (to consider House Bill No. 764)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
11:30 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (to consider Senate Bill No. 881)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021

1:00 P.M.	VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (roundtable discussion with female veterans)	Natl. Counter Drug Training Ctr. Clsrm. Building, 8-63 Ft. Indiantown Gap, Annville
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**PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator Tartaglione.

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, I rise today in support of Senate Resolution No. 191, which recognizes October 2021 as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and October 15 as National Mammography Day throughout the Commonwealth.

I thank Leader Kim Ward for cosponsoring this resolution with me this year. Leader Kim Ward, we are all in awe of your courage and strength during these last few months, and we all stand with you during the months ahead. Thirty-six years ago, the American Cancer Society founded National Breast Cancer Awareness Month to eradicate an illness that was, and continues to be, the most common form of cancer in the United States and one of the nation's leading causes of death. The annual awareness month has helped healthcare advocates and the medical community make great strides in curtailing the threat of breast cancer in the United States.

From 1989 to 2017, the annual death toll for this disease decreased by 40 percent. As a result, 375,900 American lives have been saved. Yet, breast cancer is still all too common in the U.S. and in Pennsylvania. Last year, about 276,000 new cases were diagnosed among American women and about 2,600 were diagnosed in men. Among the 50 States, Pennsylvania has the 24th highest rate of new breast cancer diagnoses among women. Yet, the Commonwealth now ranks just 26th in the annual mammography rate for women over 50. During the COVID-19 pandemic, breast cancer treatment and early screening have declined substantially due to the patients' concerns about virus exposure and hospitals' capacity for non-COVID-19 medical services. The National Cancer Institute says that doctor visits related to breast cancer declined by 94 percent in the U.S., and the mammogram rate declined by 87 percent in the early stages of the pandemic. The institute reports that screening and treatment delays could result in an additional 10,000 deaths from breast cancer and colorectal cancers over the next 10 years.

Mr. President, I do not think it is an exaggeration to say that every single Member of this Senate--and every single Pennsylvanian, for that matter--has been affected by breast cancer in some way. Personally, I lost my sister to breast cancer, which is one of the many reasons why I am very passionate about fighting this disease and one of the reasons why I introduce a National Breast Cancer Awareness Month resolution each year. In 2021, I want to take our advocacy a step further. That is why I am also asking the Senate to resolve that we recognize National Mammography Day. The importance of mammograms in stopping breast cancer cannot be understated. Early detection is crucial for improving our chances of survival and healing and for improving quality of life as a survivor. For women, a mammogram is the most effective early screening method. Starting at age 40, women should get a mammogram every year. Starting at age 55, they should get

a mammogram every 2 years. In between those tests, women should practice self exams regularly. Men should do this as well. When breast cancer is detected early at the localized stage, the 5-year survival rate is 99 percent. Mr. President, let me repeat that. If we detect breast cancer early enough, our wives, sisters, mothers, and daughters will have a 99 percent chance of survival--and so will our husbands, brothers, fathers, and sons.

In honor of all those Pennsylvanians who have lost their battle with breast cancer, and in honor of the many who are now fighting this horrible illness--including the honorable Majority Leader of the Pennsylvania Senate--it is our responsibility and our obligation to spread the word that early detection and treatment saves lives, and that regular breast exams and mammograms are the best early detection methods.

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to support this resolution recognizing National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and National Mammography Day.

Thank you, Mr. President.  
(Applause.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes, for the second time, the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator Tartaglione.

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, today marks 5,581 days since the Pennsylvania legislature last raised the minimum wage in the Commonwealth; 5,581 days that we have been falling behind our lowest earners.

Since 2014, 24 States have increased their minimum wages. In our region, all of our neighbors have raised their minimum wage at least once. As you know, Mr. President, Pennsylvania's minimum wage to this day has remained \$7.25. That is 21 percent below the minimum wage in Delaware, 18 percent below the wage in Ohio, 22 percent below New Jersey's minimum wage, 21 percent below the minimum wage in West Virginia, 39 percent below Maryland's wage, 53 percent below the minimum wage in most of New York State, and 83 percent below the minimum wage in the District of Columbia.

Mr. President, a question that I am often asked by my constituents is, why do Pennsylvania workers deserve less? I challenge any of my colleagues to tell someone making \$7.25, \$8, or even \$8.50 that they deserve less for their work than someone else doing the same job in our neighboring States. We have failed our fellow Pennsylvanians for the last 15 years, but we have a way to fix it. Senate Bill No. 12 is currently sitting in the Committee on Labor and Industry. Mr. President, let us bring it up to a vote. Let us get our lowest earners the raise that we know they all deserve.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Chester, Senator Comitta.

Senator COMMITTA. Mr. President, good afternoon friends. I rise today at a time when our Commonwealth is facing a pivotal crossroads in addressing climate change. We are now closer than ever before to taking an important step forward here in Pennsylvania to address it. I have expressed, many times, my support for joining the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative, known as RGGI, and I have previously outlined the environmental, economic, and health benefits that RGGI will have for workers and families across Pennsylvania. So, today, I would like to focus on the impact RGGI will have on future generations in Pennsylvania.

I have served in public office at the local and State levels for over 15 years now. Prior to being elected to serve the people of Chester County in the 19th Senatorial District, I served 4 years in the State House. Before that, I was a councilwoman and mayor in the Borough of West Chester. Serving in elected office, in any capacity, has been one of the greatest honors of my life. Both personally and professionally, it is a responsibility I take very seriously. I know my colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, will agree. I became involved in public service to create a better world for our children, our young people, including my children, my grandchildren, and yours. They represent our greatest possibilities; they represent our dreams for a better, cleaner, and brighter future. It is because of them that I have been such a strong supporter of RGGI. I think we can all agree that our children should inherit a safe and healthy planet with clean air, clean water, and a clean environment. As adults, we have a fundamental responsibility to protect and nurture our children. With RGGI, we are giving subsequent generations the opportunities they need and deserve; giving them a chance to thrive; and addressing the crisis that is right in front of our eyes--one that is grounded in science and informed by years upon years of data and backed up by study after study.

Science shows that extreme weather events are exacerbated by climate change. Global warming is making severe flooding, dangerous wildfires, and extreme heat the norm. You can see it, and you can feel it. Summers in Philadelphia and southeastern Pennsylvania are now hotter than those in Washington, D.C., or Atlanta were only a few decades ago. Summers in Washington and Atlanta are hotter than the summers in Tampa, Florida, used to be and so on. Meanwhile, there is no indication whatsoever that rising temperatures and extreme weather events will decrease unless we take immediate and effective action to address our emissions. We are watching a crisis unfold before our very eyes, and it is time to get off the sidelines and get to work. The recently released United Nations IPCC report said as much, it spelled out: we must act now to avoid the very worst impacts of climate change.

Now, RGGI has been called a lot of things over the last 2 years, but here are the facts. RGGI is a commonsense cap and invest program that simply asks companies that have greatly contributed to our climate crisis to take responsibility for their role by limiting their emissions and investing in the transition to clean energy. The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and other organizations have produced extensive modeling to illustrate the multiple ways Pennsylvania will benefit from RGGI, including reduced CO2 in our atmosphere, healthier air, new jobs, and a more competitive edge in our energy sector. There is still some opposition. We are told that RGGI will stifle the coal industry and Pennsylvanians will lose jobs. The truth is that the coal industry is going to be forced to evolve with or without RGGI, and it is already happening. Every day, coal-fired power plants are less and less viable in our competitive energy marketplace. They are older facilities with higher emissions and higher costs of operation. The stark reality is that they are already being phased out, and if we do not act to transition to clean energy now, they will suffer huge losses as the energy sector transitions over the next decade.

If we are really worried about the workers and the jobs of today and tomorrow--and we are worried about our workers and their jobs for today and tomorrow--let us not just worry about

them. Let us do something to help them now. Let us join RGGI. RGGI will keep Pennsylvania competitive in the energy sector and will create almost 30,000 jobs across the Commonwealth. Those are new jobs for individuals who will need to transition within the energy industry and new opportunities for future generations to truly lean into clean energy with a wealth of home-grown ingenuity and innovation that is yet to be tapped. If you want examples of what progress looks like, look no further than the 11 States that are already realizing the benefits of RGGI. In Rhode Island, two RGGI auctions this year yielded nearly \$8.5 million for the State to invest in energy efficiency, renewable energy, and other climate and consumer programs. Now, Rhode Island is considering investing in solar energy adoption for homeowners and small businesses, renewable energy projects at State government facilities, accelerating the adoption of LED lighting technologies across municipal and public school facilities, clean energy improvements to support its public transit authority and helping agriculture and farmers green their operations. Right now in Virginia, a significant amount of RGGI proceeds are being invested in flood preparedness and mitigation to support at-risk communities along its thousands of miles of coastline. Virginia only joined RGGI last year, and its second RGGI auction netted over \$20 million for the fund, bringing the total pot to over \$40 million with two more auctions scheduled in 2021. The fund is projected to generate upwards of \$800 million over the course of the next decade for statewide flood resilience. Those are investments in local and statewide infrastructure, transportation, and economic success. I would love to see, we would love to see, the same types of investments here in Pennsylvania.

That is why, as a companion to RGGI, I have introduced Senate Bill No. 15, the RGGI Investments Act, which will ensure our communities can transition to careers in clean and renewable energy, invest in energy-efficient programs, and uplift the health and well-being of all Pennsylvanians. Senate Bill No. 15 would create funds to disperse proceeds that would be generated for Pennsylvania through RGGI auctions. Specifically, it would make targeted investments to support workers and communities impacted by energy transition, invest in environmental justice communities, and further strengthen Pennsylvania's growing clean energy, commercial, and industrial sectors.

For those who may remain opposed to RGGI, I respectfully ask that you consider one final point. What kind of world are we leaving our children and our grandchildren? You see, this is not only the crisis of our time, this is also the crisis of our children's future. Meanwhile, they are standing up and speaking out. More and more young people are raising their voices to let us, lawmakers and legislative leaders, know that they want change, they demand change, and they grasp the severity of the climate crisis. They understand the power of the moment, and they represent the promise of our best and brightest hopes. RGGI is not radical environmentalism; it is basic problem solving. The problem is climate change; the solution is cap and invest. The future is clean energy.

We all came to Harrisburg for different reasons, representing different regions, but while our Commonwealth is home to exceptional vibrance and diversity, climate change is the great equalizer. Let us take on these problems now for the sake of our children and our grandchildren. Let us take them on because it is our constitutional duty, and it is the right thing to do. We are

here, in this Chamber, now, today. We see a climate crisis happening now, today. Let us make a promise to get it done. Let us do it today. The time to come together in support of RGGI and Senate Bill No. 15 is now. Thank you very much.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Cappelletti.

Senator CAPPELLETTI. Mr. President, I rise today to bring attention to the inaction by this Chamber to address climate change. At the end of August, my constituents and many others in the southeast--and, well, all across the Commonwealth--were hit by Hurricane Ida. The flooding ruined homes, tornadoes destroyed entire communities, properties destroyed, and total blocks of cars completely incapable of being turned back on. Hurricane Ida was a prime example of the types of weather conditions that scientists have been talking about for a while that, in our future, if we continue to deny climate change, those 100-year storms will happen more and more frequently. In fact, the storms and natural disasters will get worse. Pennsylvania voters overwhelmingly support action on climate change, and these voters do not just live in the southeast. Pennsylvania voters strongly favor subsidies for clean energy. Voters support tax credits to bring clean energy manufacturers to Pennsylvania by 70 percent to 10 percent, including 89 percent of Democrats and a clear majority of both Republicans and Independents. A minimum of 82 percent of voters in every demographic assessed in a recent poll are concerned about air pollution, including Democrats, Republicans, and Independents; men and women; college and non-college educated voters; in fact, every age group and region of Pennsylvania. In advocating for Senate Bill No. 872, which I have introduced with Senator Muth--it is also known as Go 100 PA; it gets our Commonwealth to 100 percent renewables by 2050--we have heard stories of people from all across the Commonwealth who are concerned for their health, livelihood, and their children's futures. Here are some quotes and stories:

After moving to the city of Philadelphia at the age of seven, I was diagnosed with asthma. In seventh grade, I learned about fossil fuels being the cause of air pollution and the health problems they bring. At that time, I wondered why we do not move from using fossil fuels and upgrade to something better, something healthier, cleaner for the environment, something that future generations would thank us for. We hear about the potential renewable energy has and how it benefits the regions that use it, yet nothing has been done. I cannot help but wonder if a seventh grader knew better than a politician voting against renewable energy. Does that politician have their community's best interests in mind? Twenty-one percent of children have asthma in the city of Philadelphia alone. It is time that we hold our State accountable and support Go 100 percent PA. That is from Evelyn, a constituent in Senator Street's district.

I want a world to have a future. I am doing what I can, but one person's actions are not enough. All the hurricanes, tornadoes, and wildfires should be a big wake-up call. Jean, a constituent from Senator Collett's district.

Isabelle, from my own district, says, I am a snow sports coach. I worry about the effects of climate change on my livelihood. Less snow means less joy in being outdoors, skiing, or snowboarding. The economic impact on the ski and snowboard industry would be absolutely devastating.

These are the thoughts and opinions of many Pennsylvanians wondering why their elected officials are not acting with urgency

to fight against climate change. Asking why health problems are not a priority over the interests of the fossil fuel industry. Pennsylvania voters strongly favor subsidies for clean energy. They support the tax credits. We need to do something. I think that some action from this Chamber in the right direction on climate change is not too much to ask for. I am willing to meet you in the middle, because I recognize that a transition will take time. Fossil fuels are ingrained in so much of our society and they are not going away overnight, but we can plan for a green future and create a transition plan with a pathway to continued employment for all people. We can only do that, though, if the General Assembly uses its time in Harrisburg to work together and pass legislation with this goal in mind, addressing climate change. We do not have much time left to do it, but if we get started now, we have the chance to continue Pennsylvania's status as an energy leader in America and probably the world. We just have to invest correctly in clean, renewable energy that gives Pennsylvanians new hope for the future of this Commonwealth and the world.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Street.

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise because, like my colleagues, I, too, am concerned about the existential threat that climate change poses to the world. We have seen unparalleled and unimaginable flooding recently from Hurricane Ida. We have seen out-of-control wildfires in California. Clearly, our actions and science would demonstrate that people have an impact on the rising temperatures on the planet. Those temperatures have caused weather patterns that have been, given the circumstances, unimaginable. Recently, the Schuylkill River rose to levels through parts of Philadelphia and Main Street Manayunk over 16.5 feet, and cars floated away. We have seen Interstate 676 fill up with so much water that people were able to dive into it and swim. Across some parts of the country, the lack of rainfall has caused fires that burned hundreds, if not millions, of acres of forest. The time for us to act is now. There are many things we can do to ameliorate the problems of climate change. Adopting one commonsense solution does not mean we cannot adopt all of them, that we cannot adopt others.

I submit that my proposal, and the legislation we have offered to add additional categories to the alternative energy portfolio standards, is one commonsense solution. It would allow us to power our society more responsibly. It would create incentives to not only expand the portfolio of renewables to the 30 percent that the environmental activists have suggested, but it also would provide assistance in the way of creating incentives for carbon capture. So that, for the period of time in which we need to continue to burn fossil fuels, we can capture that carbon and, in many cases, eliminate the climate-warming gases that would otherwise be released. There was a proposal recently in western Pennsylvania by CNX that some estimates have suggested using carbon capture would actually make their plant carbon negative. When we look at the goals of this legislation, it is suggested that we can make the entire Commonwealth carbon neutral by 2050. We have to get serious about reducing our carbon footprint. Clearly, our planet's health is at stake, and our young people are watching us. There is a Native American proverb that we do not inherit the land from our parents, but borrow it from our children and future generations. We have to be great custodians of this gift that future generations have lent us, of the Earth. So, Mr.

President, I urge this body and the General Assembly to be serious and diligent in addressing climate change, and I think we need to advance the clean energy bill that I have proposed.

Mr. President, I thank you for the time.

### **BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

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

October 19, 2021

Senators AUMENT, MARTIN, HUTCHINSON, PITTMAN, MASTRIANO, PHILLIPS-HILL, SCAVELLO, STEFANO, J. WARD and GEBHARD presented to the Chair **SB 914**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, October 19, 2021.

### **RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following Senate Resolution numbered, entitled, and referred as follows, which was read by the Clerk:

October 19, 2021

Senators MENSCH, COLLETT, BROWNE, COSTA, HUGHES, COMITTA, FONTANA, STREET and SCAVELLO presented to the Chair **SR 194**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing October 8, 2021, as "National Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, October 19, 2021.

### **RECESS**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland, Senator Kim Ward.

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Monday, October 25, 2021, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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