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SENATE

MONDAY, May 23, 2022

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

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend GARRY KIPE, of Bethel Assembly of God Church, Chambersburg, offered the following prayer:

Father God, we are grateful that each of us has been created by You. You have a plan for our lives found in the Bible. I ask that Your scriptures and Your Holy Spirit would guide every Member of this great Senate, as they pause to hear Your voice, for the decisions that will be made today. I ask that You would give them wisdom beyond their training and experience levels, bring clarity for the perplexing world we live in, give them Your grace and peace for the task before them. Put Your ideas and thoughts in their minds and hearts as solutions for the challenges of this great Commonwealth. Use them in a significant way today as they operate from Your principles. I ask that You protect and bless them, bless their families, and bless their futures out of a personal relationship with You. In Your Son, Jesus', name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair thanks Pastor Kipe, who is the guest today of Senator Mastriano.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those assembled)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

**RECALL COMMUNICATION
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

May 23, 2022

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated January 12, 2022, of Elizabeth Empson, 610 Willow Street, Apt. J, Highspire 17034, Dauphin County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Suzanne Hendricks, Quakertown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 14, 2022

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, Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jonathan Peri, Glen Mills, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

April 14, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elise Claire Schell (Public Member), 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, to serve until March 18, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Scott Custead, Hollidaysburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, LANCASTER COUNTY

April 14, 2022

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, Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Howard Knisely, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, LYCOMING COUNTY

April 14, 2022

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, Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lycoming County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Joy Reynolds McCoy, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT

April 14, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Philadelphia Municipal Court, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Nazario Jimenez, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, SUPERIOR COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

April 14, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Superior Court of Pennsylvania, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jacqueline Shogan, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

COMMISSIONER OF PROFESSIONAL
AND OCCUPATIONAL AFFAIRS

April 14, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Kalonji Johnson, Harrisburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

April 14, 2022

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, Sean Logan, 1135 Balkan Drive, Pittsburgh 15239, Allegheny County, Forty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, vice John Wozniak, Johnstown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF
WEST CHESTER UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 14, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of West Chester University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until October 17, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Christopher Lewis, Philadelphia, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

April 27, 2022

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, Joseph Zawisza, 650 Lake Front Drive, Orwigsburg 17961, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed

and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice new position created by Act 78 of 2021.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE FARM
PRODUCTS SHOW COMMISSION

May 2, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Farm Products Show Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Black, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
HIGHER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE AGENCY

May 2, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency, to serve until June 30, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robin Wiessmann, Newtown, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

May 2, 2022

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, Moriah Hathaway, 112 Juniata Hall, Middletown 17109, Dauphin County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the Counties of Juniata and Perry, Magisterial District 41-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Michael Schechterly, removed.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

May 2, 2022

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, Moriah Hathaway, 112 Juniata Hall, Middletown 17109, Dauphin County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Lehigh, Magisterial District 31-2-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Donna Butler, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

SECRETARY OF COMMUNITY
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

May 9, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Secretary of Community and Economic Development, to serve to serve until January 17, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Dennis Davin, Pittsburgh, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

May 9, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve until June 23, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Walter Eisenhauer, Jersey Shore, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL
THERAPY EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

May 9, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carolyn Gatty, Mifflinburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

May 9, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Montgomery, Magisterial District 38-2-09, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Gregory Scott, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PAROLE BOARD

May 12, 2022

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, Elizabeth Bolton Penna, 112 Providence Drive, Johnstown 15904, Cambria County, Thirty-fifth 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

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

April 21, 2022

Senators SANTARSIERO, COLLETT, FONTANA, CAPPELLETTI, KEARNEY, FLYNN, STREET, COSTA, COMITTA and DILLON presented to the Chair **SB 1077**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 21, 2022.

Senators KEARNEY, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, DUSH and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 1175**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in organization of departmental administrative boards and commissions and of advisory boards and commissions, further providing for State Planning Board.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 21, 2022.

Senators L. WILLIAMS, STREET, COLLETT, FONTANA, KANE, COSTA, CAPPELLETTI, BREWSTER, COMITTA,

KEARNEY and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 1176**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, providing for refugee resettlement; establishing the New Neighbors Account; and making a transfer.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 21, 2022.

Senators COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, SAVAL, KANE, FONTANA, HUGHES, SCHWANK, KEARNEY, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, MUTH, BREWSTER and ROBINSON presented to the Chair **SB 1177**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for remedies and penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 21, 2022.

Senators ARGALL, MARTIN, BROOKS, REGAN, AUMENT, BAKER, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH, STEFANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1195**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, further providing for reports to General Assembly.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 21, 2022.

Senators ROBINSON, MENSCH, VOGEL, BREWSTER, STEFANO, BARTOLOTTA, HUTCHINSON and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 1199**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 14, 1992 (P.L.818, No.133), known as the Port of Pittsburgh Commission Act, further providing for commission and governing body.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 21, 2022.

Senators PITTMAN, KANE, LAUGHLIN, SANTARSIERO, SCAVELLO, COSTA, J. WARD, ROBINSON, MARTIN, MASTRIANO, ARGALL, PHILLIPS-HILL, L. WILLIAMS and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1201**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 21, 2022.

April 22, 2022

Senators ARGALL, SCHWANK, GEBHARD, MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, KANE, YUDICHAK, COSTA, STREET, ROBINSON, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1203**, entitled:

An Act preventing the Commonwealth from dealing with persons associated with the Government of Russia or the Government of Belarus; and imposing duties on the Treasury Department and the Attorney General.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 22, 2022.

Senators ROBINSON, COSTA, KANE, FONTANA, LAUGHLIN, PITTMAN, BARTOLOTTA, MENSCH, ARGALL, SCHWANK, YUDICHAK, BREWSTER, TOMLINSON, VOGEL, BROWNE, SCAVELLO, YAW, REGAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1205**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in waterfront development tax credit, further providing for limitations.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 22, 2022.

April 25, 2022

Senators KEARNEY, SAVAL, FONTANA, COMITTA, KANE, SCHWANK, BREWSTER, COSTA and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 1185**, entitled:

An Act providing for financial assistance to stabilize arts organizations and programs and to support community recovery and resiliency through the arts through partnerships among public, private and non-profit entities; establishing the Arts and Culture Stability and Recovery Fund; and imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 25, 2022.

April 26, 2022

Senators BROOKS and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1198**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in departmental powers and duties as to licensing, providing for precensure waiver of physical site requirements and further providing for regulations and for rules and regulations for personal care home and assisted living residences.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 26, 2022.

Senators TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, SCHWANK, KEARNEY, COSTA, CAPPELLETTI, BREWSTER, STREET, COLLETT and L. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1204**, entitled:

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Opportunity Program and the Pennsylvania Opportunity Program Fund; imposing duties on the Treasury Department; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 26, 2022.

Senators L. WILLIAMS, FONTANA, COSTA, HUGHES, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, PITTMAN, MUTH and KANE presented to the Chair **SB 1207**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for medical emergency response drills.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, April 26, 2022.

April 28, 2022

Senators BROWNE, MARTIN, MENSCH, BOSCOLA, STEFANO and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 1208**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, April 28, 2022.

Senators ARGALL, SCAVELLO, MENSCH, J. WARD, YUDICHAK and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1209**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, prohibiting the Legislative Reapportionment Commission from adjusting the population data for the Commonwealth as determined by the Federal decennial census for any group quarters population.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 28, 2022.

May 3, 2022

Senators BROWNE, SCAVELLO and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 1183**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in forfeiture of assets, further providing for asset forfeiture and providing for disposal of forfeited property; and, in snowmobiles and all-terrain vehicles, further providing for operation on streets and highways.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 3, 2022.

Senators DUSH, PHILLIPS-HILL and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1206**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, in judicial review, providing for criminal penalty.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 3, 2022.

Senator LANGERHOLC presented to the Chair **SB 1210**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8360, on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 36 over Clearfield Creek, Ashville Borough, Cambria County, as the Francis and Robert Zerbee Memorial Bridge.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 3, 2022.

Senators SCHWANK, FONTANA, COLLETT, SAVAL, STREET, CAPPELLETTI, HUGHES, KEARNEY, COSTA, COMITTA and KANE presented to the Chair **SB 1211**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in professional employees, further providing for definitions and for duty to employ, repealing provisions relating to minimum salaries for teachers and providing for minimum

salaries for professional staff members; and, in reimbursements by Commonwealth and between school districts, repealing provisions relating to special payments on account of minimum salary increases and providing for special payments on account of minimum salary increases for professional staff members.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 3, 2022.

Senators PHILLIPS-HILL, REGAN, J. WARD and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1212**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, in licenses and regulations and liquor, alcohol and malt and brewed beverages, further providing for renewal of licenses and temporary provisions for licensees in armed service and for rights of municipalities preserved.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, May 3, 2022.

May 5, 2022

Senators DUSH, PITTMAN, STEFANO, J. WARD and AUMENT presented to the Chair **SB 1214**, entitled:

An Act providing for auditor qualifications for the Department of the Auditor General, for new department employees, for current department employees, for employee certification, for forensic audits, for fraud audits and for committee standards.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 5, 2022.

Senators VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, SCAVELLO, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, PITTMAN, MENSCH and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1215**, entitled:

An Act designating a portion of Harvey Run Road between State Route 2004 in New Sewickley Township to Pennsylvania Route 65 in Freedom Borough, Beaver County, as the Army Sergeant Joshua James Rimer Memorial Road.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 5, 2022.

Senators VOGEL, BROOKS, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, COSTA, MENSCH and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1216**, entitled:

An Act designating the bridge identified as Bridge Key 7890 on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 108 in Worth Township, Butler County, spanning Interstate 79 as the Veterans of Slippery Rock Bridge.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 5, 2022.

Senators MASTRIANO, HUTCHINSON, SCAVELLO, PHILLIPS-HILL, J. WARD, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1219**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 27 (Environmental Resources) and 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in administrative provisions, providing for definitions, for coal-powered plants, for regulations, for natural gas and coal permit database, for natural gas and coal permit review procedure and for withdrawal from Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative; in development relating to oil and gas, further providing

for well permits and providing for leases in State parks and forests; and making an editorial change.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 5, 2022.

Senator PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 1221**, entitled:
An Act designating the interchange of U.S. Route 119 with U.S. Route 422 in White Township, Indiana County, as the Lieutenant Colonel William A. Rush III Memorial Interchange.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 5, 2022.

May 9, 2022

Senators AUMENT, VOGEL, MARTIN, KANE, GORDNER, SCHWANK and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 1218**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, providing for 2022-2023 budget implementation.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 9, 2022.

Senators KEARNEY, COMITTA, MENSCH, FONTANA, KANE, FLYNN, STREET, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, SAVAL, MUTH and A. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1223**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in reimbursement by Commonwealth and between school districts, providing for level-up supplemental basic education funding for the 2021-2022 school year.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 9, 2022.

Senators KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, SAVAL, FONTANA, BROOKS, STREET, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA, KANE, SCHWANK, HUGHES and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 1224**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in construction and renovation of buildings by school entities, further providing for maintenance program.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 9, 2022.

Senators MENSCH, K. WARD, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, GEBHARD, LANGERHOLC, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, STEFANO, TOMLINSON, J. WARD, COSTA, BOSCOLA, BREWSTER, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, FONTANA, HUGHES, KEARNEY, TARTAGLIONE, ROBINSON, STREET, SAVAL, HAYWOOD, LAUGHLIN, YAW, ARGALL, COMITTA, AUMENT, BROWNE, REGAN, CORMAN, SCAVELLO, L. WILLIAMS, FLYNN, VOGEL, SANTARSIERO, MASTRIANO, YUDICHAK, SCHWANK, KANE, BROOKS, HUTCHINSON, MUTH, DILLON and A. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1225**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, May 9, 2022.

Senators BAKER, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, COLLETT, A. WILLIAMS, GORDNER, CAPPELLETTI, LAUGHLIN, KEARNEY, MENSCH, KANE and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 1226**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in criminal history record information, further providing for juvenile records; and, in juvenile matters, further providing for powers and duties of probation officers, for informal adjustment, for consent decree, for adjudication, for disposition of delinquent child and for powers and duties.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 9, 2022.

Senators BAKER, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, COLLETT, A. WILLIAMS, GORDNER, CAPPELLETTI, LAUGHLIN, KEARNEY, MENSCH, KANE and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 1228**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for limitation on and change in place of commitment.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 9, 2022.

May 10, 2022

Senators BAKER, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, COLLETT, A. WILLIAMS, GORDNER, CAPPELLETTI, LAUGHLIN, KEARNEY, MENSCH, KANE and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 1227**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in children and youth, providing for purpose.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, May 10, 2022.

Senators BAKER, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, COLLETT, A. WILLIAMS, GORDNER, CAPPELLETTI, LAUGHLIN, KEARNEY, MENSCH, KANE and SCHWANK presented to the Chair **SB 1229**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in children and youth, further providing for payments to counties for services to children.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, May 10, 2022.

May 16, 2022

Senators BROOKS, SCHWANK, COSTA, J. WARD, STEFANO, COLLETT, PITTMAN and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 1202**, entitled:

An Act providing for access to pasteurized donor human milk, for duties of Department of Health and for pasteurized donor human milk coverage.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, May 16, 2022.

Senators DiSANTO, STREET, PHILLIPS-HILL, CAPPELLETTI, PITTMAN, FONTANA and KANE presented to the Chair **SB 1222**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in insurance holding companies, further providing for definitions, for acquisition of control of or merger or consolidation with domestic insurer and for registration of insurers, providing for group capital calculation exemptions, further providing for standards and management of an insurer within an insurance holding company system, for group-wide supervision for international insurance groups and for confidential treatment and providing for compliance with group capital calculation and liquidity stress test requirements.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, May 16, 2022.

May 18, 2022

Senators YAW, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, KANE, COSTA, J. WARD, BARTOLOTTA and SAVAL presented to the Chair **SB 1233**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for definitions, repealing provisions relating to summary offenses, providing for financial obligations imposed on child and further providing for disposition of delinquent child.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 18, 2022.

Senators DiSANTO, STREET, GORDNER, SCHWANK, PHILLIPS-HILL, MARTIN, BAKER, VOGEL, BREWSTER and KANE presented to the Chair **SB 1235**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in comprehensive health care for uninsured children, further providing for contracts and coverage packages.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, May 18, 2022.

Senators VOGEL, SCHWANK, DUSH, GORDNER, MENSCH, STEFANO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SB 1236**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for extensive amendments to the very small meat processor Federal inspection reimbursement grant program.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 18, 2022.

May 19, 2022

Senators VOGEL, MENSCH, COSTA, SCHWANK and PITTMAN presented to the Chair **SB 1237**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in race horse industry reform, further providing for State Horse Racing Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 19, 2022.

May 20, 2022

Senators BARTOLOTTA, A. WILLIAMS, COSTA, SCHWANK, KEARNEY, CAPPELLETTI, BREWSTER and KANE presented to the Chair **SB 1240**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for definitions, for place of detention and for transfer to criminal proceedings.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 20, 2022.

Senators BARTOLOTTA, A. WILLIAMS, COLLETT, KANE, CAPPELLETTI and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 1241**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for definitions, for powers and duties of probation officers and for informal adjustment, providing for requirement of diversion and further providing for taking into custody, for detention of child, for release or delivery to court, for release from detention or commencement of proceedings, for informal hearing, for release or holding of hearing, for consent decree, for disposition of delinquent child and for limitation on and change in place of commitment.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 20, 2022.

May 23, 2022

Senators GORDNER, MENSCH, YAW and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1213**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in magisterial district judges, further providing for jurisdiction and venue; in abandoned vehicles and cargos, further providing for reports by garage keepers of abandoned vehicles; and providing for garage or repair shop liens.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, May 23, 2022.

Senators MARTIN, SANTARSIERO, CAPPELLETTI, TOMLINSON, GORDNER, ARGALL, COSTA, BOSCOLA, FONTANA, COLLETT, MUTH and COMITTA presented to the Chair **SB 1220**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1996 (P.L.1478, No.190), entitled "An act relating to the recycling and reuse of waste tires; providing for the proper disposal of waste tires and the cleanup of stockpiled tires; authorizing investment tax credits for utilizing waste tires; providing remediation grants for the cleanup of tire piles and for pollution prevention programs for small business and households; establishing the Small Business and Household Pollution Prevention Program and management standards for small business hazardous waste; providing for a household hazardous waste program and for grant programs; making appropriations; and making repeals," in Small Business and Household Pollution Prevention Program, further providing for grants for collection events.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 23, 2022.

Senators FONTANA, KEARNEY, KANE, STREET, CAPPELLETTI, SCHWANK, MUTH and BREWSTER presented to the Chair **SB 1230**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, establishing the Nellie Bly Scholarship Program and the Nellie Bly Scholarship Program Restricted Account.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 23, 2022.

Senators LAUGHLIN, PITTMAN and HAYWOOD presented to the Chair **SB 1231**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 21, 2016 (P.L.1318, No.169), known as the Pharmacy Audit Integrity and Transparency Act, adding provisions relating to contracting for pharmacy benefits management.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, May 23, 2022.

Senators MASTRIANO, GEBHARD, SCAVELLO, MENSCH and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SB 1232**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1981 (P.L.128, No.43), known as the Agricultural Area Security Law, further providing for purchase of agricultural conservation easements and for Agricultural Conservation Easement Purchase Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, May 23, 2022.

Senators LAUGHLIN, STREET, KANE and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SB 1238**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 17, 2016 (P.L.84, No.16), known as the Medical Marijuana Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in program, further providing for lawful use of medical marijuana and for unlawful use of medical marijuana.

Which was committed to the Committee on LAW AND JUSTICE, May 23, 2022.

Senators VOGEL, STEFANO, J. WARD, DiSANTO, GORDNER, YUDICHAK, HUTCHINSON, SCHWANK, FONTANA, HAYWOOD, COSTA, ROBINSON, A. WILLIAMS and FLYNN presented to the Chair **SB 1239**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1987 (P.L.220, No.39), known as the Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors Act, further providing for licensing and regulating the practice of music therapy; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, May 23, 2022.

Senators GEBHARD, COLLETT, SCAVELLO, REGAN, ARGALL, MENSCH, CAPPELLETTI, GORDNER, J. WARD, MUTH, HAYWOOD, COSTA, PITTMAN, DiSANTO, AUMENT, MARTIN and ROBINSON presented to the Chair **SB 1243**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for economics and personal finance course graduation requirement and further providing for economic education and personal financial literacy programs; and abrogating regulations.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 23, 2022.

Senators MARTIN, L. WILLIAMS, AUMENT, BAKER, HUTCHINSON, ARGALL, YUDICHAK, PITTMAN, STEFANO, VOGEL, J. WARD and BARTOLOTTA presented to the Chair **SB 1244**, 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 special provisions applicable to the Keystone Exams, graduation requirements and alternative competency assessment.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 23, 2022.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

April 21, 2022

Senators YAW, MARTIN, ARGALL, GORDNER, J. WARD, ROBINSON, PITTMAN, HUTCHINSON, MENSCH and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 256**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the President of the United States to consider the current geopolitical tensions and support policies and take measures to ensure America's long-term energy affordability, security, leadership and progress, including actions that result in the continued operation of existing oil and natural gas pipelines, the construction of new pipelines and the end of restrictions on developing our nations onshore and offshore oil and natural gas resources.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, April 21, 2022.

Senators COMMITTA, BROWNE, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, PHILLIPS-HILL, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, HUGHES, BROOKS, FONTANA, SANTARSIERO, KANE, L. WILLIAMS and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 275**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2022 as "Autism Acceptance Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators COLLETT, J. WARD, HUGHES, KEARNEY, BARTOLOTTA, BROWNE, FONTANA, BROOKS, KANE, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, MENSCH, SANTARSIERO and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 276**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 8 through 14, 2022, as "Skilled Nursing Care Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators GORDNER, BROWNE, STREET, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, HUTCHINSON, MARTIN, BREWSTER, BROOKS, COSTA, J. WARD and KANE presented to the Chair **SR 277**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 18 through 24, 2022, as "National Osteopathic Medicine Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators COLLETT, J. WARD, HUGHES, KEARNEY, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, BROOKS, KANE, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, SANTARSIERO, COSTA and COMMITTA presented to the Chair **SR 278**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 11, 2022, as "School Nurse Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators J. WARD, COLLETT, KEARNEY, BROOKS, BARTOLOTTA, KANE, FONTANA, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, LANGERHOLC, MENSCH, SANTARSIERO, GORDNER, SCAVELLO, HUTCHINSON and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 279**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 6 through 12, 2022, as "Nurses Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators TARTAGLIONE, KANE, STREET, KEARNEY, BREWSTER, PHILLIPS-HILL, SANTARSIERO, FONTANA, COMMITTA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 280**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2022 as "Alcohol Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators MARTIN, BROWNE, FONTANA, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, BREWSTER, MASTRIANO, STREET, J. WARD, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 281**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2022 as "Testicular Cancer Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators MARTIN, BROWNE, ARGALL, J. WARD, BARTOLOTTA, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, COSTA, STREET, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 282**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 29, 2022, as "College and Career Savings Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

Senators KEARNEY, HUGHES, MARTIN, FONTANA, STREET, KANE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 283**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2022 as "Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month" in Pennsylvania to promote public awareness of the Sikh faith and recognize the important contributions of the Sikh community.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 21, 2022.

April 25, 2022

Senators GORDNER, MARTIN, BREWSTER, MENSCH and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 258**, entitled:

A Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to enact the Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2021, directing the redemption and transfer of matured, unredeemed and unclaimed United States Savings Bond proceeds to state unclaimed property administrators so they may be returned to their lawful owners.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, April 25, 2022.

Senators COMMITTA, BROWNE, STREET, FONTANA, COSTA, CAPPELLETTI, KEARNEY and KANE presented to the Chair **SR 284**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 22 through 30, 2022, as "International Dark Sky Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 25, 2022.

April 26, 2022

Senators BOSCOLA, MENSCH, COSTA, FONTANA, COLLETT, SCHWANK, BROWNE, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, BROOKS, CAPPELLETTI, HUTCHINSON, KANE, KEARNEY, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, SANTARSIERO, SCAVELLO, L. WILLIAMS and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 286**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2022 as "Pennsylvania Community College Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, April 26, 2022.

April 28, 2022

Senators SANTARSIERO, FONTANA, HUGHES, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, COMMITTA and BAKER presented to the Chair **SR 287**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to establish an advisory committee to conduct a study on how to best assist residents of this Commonwealth who have been impacted by rising flood insurance premiums.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, April 28, 2022.

May 3, 2022

Senators GORDNER, FONTANA, KEARNEY, LANGERHOLC, KANE, ARGALL, MENSCH, J. WARD, BREWSTER, PITTMAN and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 285**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct an assessment and analysis of public and private recycling infrastructure and operations across the Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 3, 2022.

Senators J. WARD, BARTOLOTTA, SCHWANK, MENSCH, GORDNER, PITTMAN, STEFANO, MASTRIANO and BROOKS presented to the Chair **SR 288**, entitled:

A Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study of long-term care facilities' impact relating to Medicaid funds in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, May 3, 2022.

Senators DiSANTO, BARTOLOTTA, BROWNE, COSTA, FONTANA, HUGHES, KANE, MARTIN, MENSCH, PHILLIPS-HILL and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 289**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 7, 2022, as "Childhood Stroke Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania; and urging residents of this Commonwealth to support programs, education, services and advocacy efforts to enhance public awareness of childhood stroke.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 3, 2022.

Senators STEFANO, BARTOLOTTA, BREWSTER, BROOKS, BROWNE, CAPPELLETTI, COMMITTA, FONTANA, MARTIN, PHILLIPS-HILL, VOGEL and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 290**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 24, 2022, as "State Working Animal Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 3, 2022.

May 6, 2022

Senators REGAN, BROOKS, KANE, ROBINSON, BARTOLOTTA, AUMENT, TOMLINSON, CORMAN, MARTIN, SANTARSIERO, MENSCH, GORDNER, COSTA, SCAVELLO, BAKER and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 292**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the week of May 15 through 21, 2022, as "National Police Week" and designating May 9, 2022, as "Police Officers' Memorial Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 6, 2022.

May 16, 2022

Senators BARTOLOTTA, COLLETT, BOSCOLA, BROWNE, KANE, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO, FONTANA,

HUGHES, SCAVELLO, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, MENSCH, SCHWANK, COSTA, BAKER, COMITTA, J. WARD and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 293**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2022 as "Postpartum Depression Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 16, 2022.

May 18, 2022

Senators VOGEL, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, MARTIN, BROOKS, KANE, BROWNE, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, CAPPELLETTI, SCHWANK, MENSCH, COSTA, SCAVELLO and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 294**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of May 2022 as "Stroke Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 18, 2022.

Senators MARTIN, BROWNE, MENSCH, SCAVELLO, FONTANA, COSTA, BARTOLOTTA, J. WARD and STEFANO presented to the Chair **SR 296**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2022 as "Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 18, 2022.

May 20, 2022

Senators STEFANO, MUTH, ARGALL, BROOKS, BROWNE, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, FLYNN, FONTANA, HUGHES, KEARNEY, MARTIN, L. WILLIAMS, BARTOLOTTA, COMITTA, MENSCH, COSTA, BAKER and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 299**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 15 through 21, 2022, as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 20, 2022.

May 23, 2022

Senators KEARNEY, MENSCH, COLLETT, HAYWOOD, SAVAL, BROWNE, BARTOLOTTA, SANTARSIERO, PHILLIPS-HILL, FONTANA, SCHWANK, HUGHES, MARTIN, PITTMAN, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, KANE and STREET presented to the Chair **SR 295**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution commemorating June 19, 2022, as "Korean-American Citizenship Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 23, 2022.

Senators MUTH, STEFANO, BROOKS, BROWNE, KEARNEY, CAPPELLETTI, HUGHES, FONTANA, MARTIN, L. WILLIAMS, BARTOLOTTA, COMITTA, COSTA, J. WARD and STREET presented to the Chair **SR 297**, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 18, 2022, as "Emergency Medical Services for Children Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 23, 2022.

Senators COLLETT, PHILLIPS-HILL, SANTARSIERO, MARTIN, MENSCH, BARTOLOTTA, FONTANA, KANE, CAPPELLETTI, STREET, KEARNEY, COSTA, STEFANO, COMITTA and J. WARD presented to the Chair **SR 298**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2022 as "Osteoporosis Awareness and Prevention Month" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 23, 2022.

Senators TARTAGLIONE, SCHWANK, MARTIN, BROWNE, KEARNEY, BARTOLOTTA, HUGHES, FONTANA, COMITTA and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 300**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2022 as "Trauma Awareness Month" and May 25, 2022, as "Trauma Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 23, 2022.

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

April 21, 2022

HB 223, 224, 1847, 1984, 2212, 2397, 2456 and 2457 -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 746 and 2171 -- Committee on State Government.

HB 972 and 1330 -- Committee on Education.

HB 2073 -- Committee on Transportation.

HB 2373 -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2401 -- Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 2419 -- Committee on Banking and Insurance.

HB 2458 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

April 26, 2022

HB 875 and 934 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 1962 -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

April 28, 2022

HB 385, 1960 and 2277 -- Committee on Finance.

HB 978, 2159, 2496 and 2507 -- Committee on State Government.

HB 1123, 1929, 2271, 2275, 2464 and 2525 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 2086, 2097 and 2412 -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2169 -- Committee on Education.

May 3, 2022

HB 121 -- Committee on State Government.

HB 2209 and 2210 -- Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

HB 2238 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 2449 -- Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

HOUSE RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

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

May 2, 2022

House Concurrent Regulatory Review Resolution No. 1 -- Committee on Education.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

STATE ETHICS COMMISSION RULINGS

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

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

TO: Director or Administrator
FROM: Robert Caruso, Executive Director
State Ethics Commission
DATE: April 12, 2022
RE: Distribution of State Ethics Commission Rulings

On June 26, 1989, the revised Public Official and Employee Ethics Law was enacted which re-authorized the State Ethics Commission. The State Ethics Commission is responsible for issuing various types of rulings on matters within its mandated jurisdiction. Pursuant to the law, the Commission is mandated to forward, quarterly, a copy of every Opinion, Advice of Counsel, and Order issued to one law library in each county, one public library in each county, the State Library, the State Senate Library, each authority appointing a Commission member, the Pennsylvania Association of County Commissioners, the Pennsylvania Association of Boroughs, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors, the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners, the Pennsylvania State School Boards Association and the Pennsylvania League of Cities. Your agency is either specifically identified in the above requirement or has been selected as a library to which this mailing will be made pursuant to the above authority. As such, enclosed please find decisions of the State Ethics Commission from January 1, 2022 to March 31, 2022. Due to budgetary restraints, a CD containing said rulings will replace paper copies that were previously sent.

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

Commission Opinions - Opinions are advisory rulings issued by the State Ethics Commission regarding the duties and responsibilities of public officials and employees under the Public Official and Employee Ethics Law. Opinions are catalogued by year of issuance followed by the

sequential number of the opinion during that year. As such, opinions relating to 2022 will begin with the number 22-001 and proceed there from as decisions are rendered.

Advice of Counsel - The Commission's Chief Counsel is authorized to issue similar advisory letters. Such letters are issued generally when there is prior precedent for counsel to rely upon in issuing a decision or when the provisions of the State Ethics Act directly provide the answer to the question posed. Advice of Counsel letters are numbered with the year and a 500 series number that progresses in order therefrom as rulings are issued. If more than 100 such letters are issued, a 600 series number will then be used.

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

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

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

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

**REPORT PURSUANT TO ACT 3 OF 2008
UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH**

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

UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH
Office of the Senior Vice Chancellor and CFO
3017 Cathedral of Learning
4200 Fifth Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15260

May 12, 2022

Donetta M. D'Innocenzo, Chief Clerk
Senate of Pennsylvania
Senate Box 203052
104 North Office Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3052

Dear Chief Clerk D'Innocenzo:

As required by the Right-to-Know legislation, please find enclosed the University of Pittsburgh's Federal Form 990 and the 25 highest paid non-officers for the year-ended June 30, 2021.

If you should require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 412-624-6577.

Yours truly,

NARAHARI SASTRY

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

APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAJORITY LEADER

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

Senator Camera Bartolotta to the Pennsylvania Community Service Advisory Board.

Mr. Paul Puleo as a member of the Pennsylvania Industrial Development Authority.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Browne, and a legislative leave for Senator Scavello.

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

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

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

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Kane. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

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

In the Senate, May 23, 2022

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, June 6, 2022, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, June 6, 2022, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-47

Argall	DiSanto	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	Dush	Martin	Stefano
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mastriano	Street
Boscola	Fontana	Mensch	Tartaglione

Brewster	Gebhard	Muth	Tomlinson
Brooks	Gordner	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Browne	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Cappelletti	Hughes	Regan	Ward, Kim
Collett	Hutchinson	Robinson	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Santarsiero	Yaw
Corman	Kearney	Saval	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc	Scavello	

NAY-0

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

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

GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce to our colleagues a remarkable group of student athletes and their coaches from my district back in Pittsburgh. The Winchester Thurston Boys' Soccer Team won the PIAA State Class A championship with an overtime victory against the defending State champs, Faith Christian School, last fall, with the game-winning goal being scored by junior standout, Oliver Daboo. Oliver, I hope I am pronouncing your name properly. On the road to the State championship, the Bears went undefeated in the regular season for the first time in their long school history, and they won their second WPIAL championship with a victory over Greensburg Central Catholic.

To understand just how successful this team was this past year, let me tell you just a few facts about their 2021 statistics. The Bears scored 124 goals combined, with 17 different varsity players chipping in on goals that were scored, while at the same time only allowing 8 goals scored against them throughout the entire season. They played 18 shutout games, including 6 playoff shutouts, one of which, of course, was the State championship game with senior goalkeeper, Otto Graham, at the defensive helm. The Bears had a 24-0 record overall, including a 12-0 record in section play, and, of course, an 8-0 record during the playoffs. It is no surprise that their success was a true team effort, and that they have a very deep, versatile bench. Many of the players were asked to play two or three different positions throughout the year, and the entire roster had playing opportunities and playing time throughout the State and district playoffs. The senior class leaves the squad with a career record of 68-8. That is the most wins for any 4-year period, and they are 18-4 in playoffs, more than any class in their school's history. Some of these seniors have played in two PIAA State championship games and three State WPIAL championship games. They are led by their head coach, Adam Brownold, who was the 2021 winner of the Section 3A Coach of the Year, 2021 Class A WPIAL Coach of the Year, Pennsylvania Soccer Coaches Association Coach of the Year, and the United Soccer Coaches Association Regional Coach of the Year for Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey.

Mr. President, a number of student athletes are here today and I would like to take a moment to introduce some of them, as well as their coaches who are here. I am going to start with the senior players, who were major contributors to the team this past year.

First, we have Massi Memoli, Lance Nicholls, Otto Graham, Grant Robinson, Nick Blair, Andrew Porco, and Dan Myers. In particular, Lance Nicholls is a four-sport athlete at Winchester Thurston--soccer, cross country, basketball, and track. They made a second trip to Hershey this past fall, and early in November, Lance finished sixth overall in the PIAA Cross Country Championships, and then he led the Winchester Thurston boys' team to a second place team finish. He did all that, helping the Bears win the soccer championship, the night before he was running. He will be attending Johns Hopkins University this upcoming fall. Some of the outstanding players who made All-WPIAL section, before, as I mentioned to you, Massi Memoli, Oliver Daboo, Alex--I am going to try to say it, Alex--Alex Hauskrecht, Otto Graham, and Thomas Votruba-Drzal. Those individuals were all section players, and Alex Hauskrecht was also named the 2021 Class A Player of the Year, and was the leading scorer with 40 goals. Mr. President, the team was coached by, as I mentioned, a Camp Hill native, quite frankly, Mr. Adam Brownold, who was born and raised in Camp Hill, came to Pittsburgh one year and then ended up staying 20 years, 19 as coach at Winchester Thurston. He is also joined by assistant coaches Josh Andy, Dave Piemme--I am sorry if I butchered that name--Jason Snyder, as well as Mac Gray. Mr. President, I ask that my colleagues give these fine young men and this coaching team a wonderful warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Costa please rise so that the Senate can give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR DEVLIN ROBINSON PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator ROBINSON. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce some very special guests today, seated in the gallery, from Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh USA. HSS, in collaboration with many other Hindu community organizations, has launched an exhibition here in the Capitol today called: "Darshana--A Glimpse into the Hindu Civilization." The exhibition portrays the Hindu way of life, a product of the Hindu civilization, born and nurtured in the womb of the Indian subcontinent for over 5,000 years. This exhibition, with vivid illustrations and lucid and succinct descriptions of 24 different topics related to yoga, Ayurveda, Dharma, mathematics, architecture, arts, sciences, traditional attire, and present-day global impact, will certainly inspire curiosity towards a deeper study of these topics. This exhibit will be here until 5 o'clock today, and I strongly urge you all to visit. HSS USA is a 501(c)(3), voluntary, nonprofit, social, educational, and cultural organization. Sangh, as the organization is popularly known, aims to coordinate the Hindu-American community to practice, preserve, and advance ideals and values of Hindu Dharma. HSS conducts regular values-based, educational programs for children, youth, and adults through more than 250 branches nationwide.

They also organize service activities and community outreach projects. A recent such project was Sewa Diwali, where HSS partnered with 315 organizations nationwide and collected 590,000 pounds of food, which was donated to 204 pantries. This project

was conceived as a way of contributing to the community through selfless service as they celebrated the festival of Diwali. They are a wonderful presence in my district, and I am so pleased they came to Harrisburg today. Please join me in extending our usual Senate warm welcome to Sai Patil, Dr. Kiran Patil, Sai Venkatarapurapu, Raja Pragallapati, Mahesh Kalla, Mukund Kute, and Prasanna Jog. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Robinson please rise so the Senate may give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR KRISTIN PHILLIPS-HILL PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise to introduce some very important guests, who are seated in the gallery. Max Pflieger, the PIAA AA State champion diver from Susquehannock High School. With an impressive score of 412.75, Max brought home the gold with his 404 inward double somersault. As a senior, Max plans to attend Millersville University, where he intends on playing golf and majoring in sports administration. Seated with Max are his family and coach, Brian Wingert. Our athletes would not be anywhere without the support of their families and coaches. Congratulations, Max. We are Warrior proud.

This leads me to my next guest, Mr. Steve Navaroli, a retired freelance journalist who has covered the world of swimming, diving, and sports for over 30 years. He has reported on the PIAA championship swim meets for 17 consecutive seasons. Everyone knew who Steve was on the pool deck, and I personally have had the pleasure of reading his work on many occasions and even saw my own sons' names quoted in his high school swimming reports. While he covered all sports with great enthusiasm, he holds a very special place in the hearts of swimmers and divers across York County. Swimming and diving are sports that--they often do not receive the media attention that they deserve, much less an above-the-fold article on that front page. But not when Steve covered local sports. Steve appreciated and recognized their hard work and accomplishments, and when Steve was diagnosed with cancer, those swimmers who he supported, supported him, creating Navaroli Nation to raise awareness and funds for cancer research and prevention. Steve is a no-nonsense type of journalist. He writes it as it is, and we really appreciate that. Steve is now cancer free, and he is going to remain in the world of sports, as he is currently serving as the webmaster for the PIAA District 3, as well as the York-Adams Interscholastic Athletic Association. Steve, congratulations on your much-deserved retirement.

Now my final guest I would like to introduce is my guest shadow, Garrett Kilgore. Garrett currently attends Millersville University where he is a double major, studying government and secondary education with a concentration in American history. Garrett has big ambitions after college. He plans to attend law school in hopes of becoming a constitutional attorney and perhaps a member of Congress one day. Would my colleagues please join me in welcoming Max Pflieger, Steve Navaroli, and Garrett Kilgore to the Senate of Pennsylvania.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Phillips-Hill please rise so the Senate may give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR
AMANDA M. CAPPELLETTI,
SENATOR MARIA COLLET, AND
SENATOR VINCENT J. HUGHES
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Cappelletti.

Senator CAPPELLETTI. Mr. President, today I rise to welcome the Plymouth Whitmarsh Colonial Girls' Basketball Team to the Senate Chamber, one of the few public schools to be nationally ranked. On March 26 of this year, at the Giant Center right here in Hershey--not too far away--the Plymouth Whitmarsh Girls' Basketball Team defeated Mt. Lebanon 60-40, claiming victory in the final PIAA 6A championship. To endure 33 games and remain undefeated is an exciting accomplishment, but then they ultimately went on to win the State championship, and that is a monumental achievement. In fact, 31 of those 34 undefeated games were won by double digits, and as I learned today, they trailed in perhaps only one game all season. With us today, we have members of the basketball team, coaches, trainers, administrators from the school, and, of course, family members. All of whom are incredibly proud of this achievement and these young women. Every determined and hardworking athlete dreams of an achievement like this, and I am just thrilled to celebrate their victory with them here in Harrisburg today. I look forward to next season, because many of these young girls will be returning. I would like to wish the graduating seniors that I have met here today the absolute best of luck in your next adventure. I look forward to seeing what all of you do in the future. I would like to give a chance for people that I share this basketball team with to speak on them as well.

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

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, I am really thrilled to be here today to join my colleagues to honor the Plymouth-Whitmarsh Girls' Basketball Team at our Senate proceedings. This talented group of young athletes have distinguished themselves as giants on the basketball court, making their school and community proud, and I am honored to recognize their accomplishments. As you heard my colleague say, on March 26, 2022, the team traveled to the Giant Center in Hershey to play in the PIAA 6A girls' basketball championship game, the team's first State championship appearance. They won with a score of 60-40 and secured an undefeated and perfect season with an official record of 34-0. Simply an incredible feat. While the individual athletes worked to perform at their personal best, they succeeded as a team through their collective efforts, including those of their trainers, coaches, friends, and family who supported them along the way, many of whom are joining them today. I want to congratulate all of you who helped make this season one for the record books.

To the students, I know that you understand that your commitment to the pursuit of excellence does not begin and end on the basketball court. Your successes required countless hours of

physical conditioning, mental preparation, and, of course, your rigorous academic studies, all of which helped you maintain the grit needed to be successful in your futures. You should be proud of yourselves, as we all are. You have worked so hard to come out on top. Congratulations on your incredible season, and I cannot wait to see what all of you do next.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. I apologize; you were not on my list. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Hughes.

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I appreciate that, but I am also Philadelphia and Montgomery County. This school is in my district. For the record, one more time, 34-0. It is a congratulations to teamwork. Teams win championships, Mr. President, you know that. Teams win championships, and the athletes, players, coaches, support staff, teachers, and entire community came together to make this happen: 34-0. Please, if you will, Mr. President, please recognize them.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Would the guests of Senator Hughes, Senator Cappelletti, and Senator Collett please rise so the Senate can give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, if you would notice that they have the trophy and it is--there you go, please wave.

(Applause.)

**GUEST OF SENATOR CAROLYN T. COMITTA
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Chester, Senator Comitta.

Senator COMITTA. Mr. President, I rise today to welcome Karina Gonzalez, director of constituent services and assistant communications director for my office. It is a bittersweet day. Karina began her legislative career as a Senate intern. We immediately recognized her talents and asked her to come serve on our team when I was in the House. When I was elected to the Senate, Karina was again promoted and proved herself to be a respected leader, serving as a senior member of my staff. But most importantly, Karina is a loyal, trustworthy, sincere, and dear friend. For the past 5 years, I always knew I could count on her for invaluable support and advice.

In June, Karina will be departing from the Pennsylvania State Senate to pursue her dream of serving with the Peace Corps in Colombia. While I will miss Karina, I know that this next chapter in her life will be especially fulfilling. I am grateful for her hard work and dedication, and we wish her the very best. On a personal note, it has been such a joy to watch Karina grow from a college student at St. Joseph's University to a seasoned professional and strong young woman. Karina, congratulations on embarking on a new journey, and thank you for all your hard work. Please join me in welcoming Karina Gonzalez to the Pennsylvania Senate, and join me in wishing her all the best as she moves on to the Peace Corps.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will the guest of Senator Comitta please rise so the Senate may give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN M. DiSANTO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator DiSANTO. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce several of my constituents who are visiting the Capitol today and are seated in the well of the gallery. Matt Morgan and his wife, Chandra, live in Halifax Township and operate Fire and Ice Smokehouse and Creamery, where you will find some of the finest smoked meats and homemade ice cream around. They are joined by their children, Denton and Kayden, as well their friend's siblings, Susan and Christopher Stoltzfus, are with us today. I would like to thank them for all they do for the community. Please join me in giving the Morgan and Stoltzfus families a warm welcome to the Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will the guests of Senator DiSanto please rise so the Senate may give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS AND MOMENT OF SILENCE OBSERVED

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

Senator J. WARD. Mr. President and Members of the Senate, today I rise in a somber moment to recognize Rhonda Russell. Officer Russell was a dedicated corrections officer who tragically lost her life in the line of duty on November 17, 2021, at the age of 47. She made the ultimate sacrifice while faithfully carrying out the professional responsibilities that she had so willingly embraced for nearly two decades. I am privileged to offer this tribute to her. We are honored today to have members of Officer Russell's family with us, and I would ask them to stand: her sons, Justin, Richard, and Aric Reader; and her fiancé, Don LaGessee. Over the last 7 months they have been joined in their grief by countless individuals throughout Blair County who admired Officer Russell for all the remarkable traits that she represented. Time cannot ease the sense of loss over Officer Russell's passing. However, celebrating her life gives us strength and faith. Strength to hurdle all obstacles in pursuit of our dreams, and faith that we will fulfill the promise that each one of us possesses.

Officer Russell was born on July 23, 1974, the daughter of Ronald and Joyce Bryan Russell. She was a 1992 graduate of Tyrone Area High School. Officer Russell earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from The Pennsylvania State University and was employed as a corrections officer at the Blair County Prison for 16 years. Officer Russell was a beloved family member, dedicated law enforcement professional, and an avowed community steward who gave of her heart and time to enhance the quality of life for her family and community. Officer Russell enjoyed spending time with her loved ones, especially with the men in her life. She loved watching her sons play sports and traveling with her fiancé to their cabin near Portage. Her inspiring presence and genuine love for her family and friends will live long in the hearts and memories of the many individuals whose lives she touched.

As a corrections officer, Officer Russell was fulfilling her professional goals and ambitions. She had attained a position of stature among her colleagues and merited praise for her unfailing commitment. Her courage, bravery, and humanity were characteristics that enabled her to excel in her role and to command the respect of those who served beside her. Officer Russell's life was tragically short, but her legacy will endure forever. Justin, Richard, Aric, and Donald, each of you is a part of that legacy. Following the example that Officer Russell demonstrated throughout her life, we honor her memory by reaching out to others with a helping hand, a knowing smile, and a kind word. Concern for the welfare of others was central to her life's work, her family orientation, and her civic pride. Officer Russell enriched the lives of many. My hope for all who cherished Officer Russell, particularly her sons and fiancé, is that the void which has existed since her passing will be filled with memories of all the special moments that were shared with her. Justin, Richard, Aric, and Donald, please accept our heartfelt thanks for joining us today with this special tribute to Officer Rhonda Russell. You can be certain that her distinguished service will forever remain a source of inspiration not only to her fellow officers, but to all citizens of our Commonwealth. Our hearts and prayers will remain with you. At this time I would ask that all Members rise for a moment of silence in memory of Rhonda Russell.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will all the Members of the Senate and guests in the gallery please rise and join Senator Judy Ward and the family and friends of Officer Russell in a moment of silence.

(Whereupon, the Senate en bloc stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Officer RHONDA RUSSELL.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR DOUGLAS V. MASTRIANO PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Senator Mastriano.

Senator MASTRIANO. Mr. President, it is my honor to welcome Pastor Garry Kipe, who offered the prayer at the commencement of our events today. He served as a lead pastor at Bethel Assembly of God in Chambersburg for 20 years. He is married to his wife, Kelly; they have three children, Kayla, Kody, and Karlee; and one granddaughter, Lainey. In his free time, he enjoys hunting and spending time with his family. He believes in leading by example and is passionately committed to sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ. Thank you, Pastor, for being here with us.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will the Pastor and the guests of Senator Mastriano please rise so the Senate can give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY

The SECRETARY. Permission has been granted for the Committee on Transportation to meet today, off the floor, in the Rules room, to consider House Bill No. 1560.

RECESS

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of off-the-floor meetings, beginning with the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, followed by the Committee on Transportation to be held in the Rules room, followed by a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room.

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

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For purposes of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, followed by a meeting of the Committee on Transportation to be held in the Rules room, 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 pro tempore. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Browne and Senator Scavello have returned, and their respective leaves are cancelled.

RECESS

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

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For the purpose of an off-the-floor meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held here on the Senate floor, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks and Senator DiSanto.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks and Senator DiSanto. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR****BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

SB 1, SB 137, SB 322, SB 358, SB 457, SB 573, SB 597, SB 676, HB 723 and SB 745 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 775 (Pr. No. 913) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

SB 775 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 775, Printer's No. 913, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL AMENDED

SB 848 (Pr. No. 1277) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1905 (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of Health, and defining its powers and duties," further providing for the administrative structure of the Department of Health, establishing the office of Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth and providing for the powers and duties of the Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator MENSCH offered the following amendment No. A4197:

Amend Bill, page 5, line 26, by inserting after "nurse":
, including at least five years providing direct care to patients.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, it is a simple amendment that clarifies that any individual under consideration for appointment as the Chief Nursing Officer must have at least 5 years of experience as a bedside nurse.

Thank you, Mr. President, I ask for consideration.

And the question recurring,
 Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
 It was agreed to.
 Without objection, the bill, as amended, was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 862, SB 871, HB 889, SB 967, SB 991 and HB 996 -- 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 1043 (Pr. No. 1366) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 3, 1978 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Steel Products Procurement Act, further providing for payments under contracts by requiring centralized portal for electronic submission of documentation.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
 Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-47

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

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1614, HB 1660, HB 1849 and HB 2051 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 24, HB 118, SB 145 and SB 152 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 199 (Pr. No. 2654) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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 225 and SB 297 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 324 (Pr. No. 298) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 30, 1984 (P.L.345, No.69), known as the First Class City Business Tax Reform Act, further providing for definitions.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
 Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.
 Upon motion of Senator K. WARD, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 333, SB 527, HB 581, SB 749 and SB 750 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 771 (Pr. No. 1589) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

Considered the second time and agreed to,
 Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.
 Upon motion of Senator K. WARD, and agreed to by voice
 vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on
 Appropriations.

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 815 (Pr. No. 1016) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

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

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

SB 845 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its
 order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 892 (Pr. No. 1376) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consoli-
 dated Statutes, in special vehicles and pedestrians, providing for electric
 low-speed scooter pilot program.

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

SB 892 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No.
 892, Printer's No. 1376, be taken from the table and placed on the
 Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 895 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its
 order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

**BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
 AND REREFERRED**

SB 907 (Pr. No. 1550) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Animal Welfare Board; and providing for its
 powers and duties.

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 965, HB 987, SB 993 and SB 1018 -- Without objection,
 the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator
 K. WARD.

**BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
 AND REREFERRED**

SB 1027 (Pr. No. 1332) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 24, 2012 (P.L.1209, No.151),
 known as the Child Labor Act, further providing for minors serving in
 volunteer emergency service organizations.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
 Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.
 Upon motion of Senator K. WARD, and agreed to by voice
 vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on
 Appropriations.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 1031 (Pr. No. 1377) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and
 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing,
 further providing for sentence of total confinement; in licensing of driv-
 ers, further providing for driving while operating privilege is suspended
 or revoked and for ignition interlock limited license; and, in driving after
 imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for ignition inter-
 lock.

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

SB 1031 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No.
 1031, Printer's No. 1377, be taken from the table and placed on
 the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1032 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its
 order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 1051 (Pr. No. 1369) -- The Senate proceeded to considera-
 tion of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in turnpike, further providing for annual hearing.

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.

SB 1053 (Pr. No. 1368) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in turnpike, further providing for definitions and for electronic toll collection.

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 1057, SB 1083 and HB 1103 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 1121 (Pr. No. 1456) -- 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, further providing for uniformity in administration of assistance and regulations as to assistance.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.
Upon motion of Senator K. WARD, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1122 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 1124 (Pr. No. 1464) -- 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, further providing for uniformity in administration of assistance and regulations as to assistance.

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 1173, SB 1180, SB 1188 and SB 1191 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 1196 (Pr. No. 1572) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law, providing for barber training through career and technical center.

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 1197 (Pr. No. 1573) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 3, 1933 (P.L.242, No.86), referred to as the Cosmetology Law, providing for cosmetology training through career and technical center.

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 1500, HB 1594 and HB 1615 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 1665 (Pr. No. 2733) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1970 (P.L.484, No.164), entitled "An act relating to indemnification agreements between architects, engineers or surveyors and owners, contractors, subcontractors or suppliers," further providing for title of act and providing for indemnification agreements relating to snow removal or ice control services.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.
Upon motion of Senator K. WARD, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill just considered was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2044 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 152, TABLED

Senator K. WARD, without objection, called up from page 12 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 152**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to call a Convention for proposing amendments pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States limited to proposing amendments that impose fiscal restraints on the Federal Government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the Federal Government and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

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

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 152
TAKEN FROM THE TABLE**

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that **Senate Resolution No. 152** be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The resolution will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 230 (Pr. No. 1389) (Rereported)

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

SB 622 (Pr. No. 779) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in preliminary provisions relating to retirement for State employees and officers, further providing for definitions.

SB 811 (Pr. No. 996) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 16, 1923 (P.L.207, No.153), referred to as the Municipal Claim and Tax Lien Law, further providing for municipal claims first lien, cities of first class, docketing, judgment and execution, for cities of the first class, recovery of judgment and sale free from claims, for redemption and for rule to show cause, decree, service and notice and providing disposition of property in cities of the second class.

SB 960 (Pr. No. 1249) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 3 (Agriculture) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in food protection, providing for frozen dessert safety; and making a related repeal.

SB 1038 (Pr. No. 1359) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 31, 1945 (P.L.1198, No.418), known as the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, further providing for land reclamation financial guarantees; and making an inconsistent repeal.

SB 1058 (Pr. No. 1393) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, in auditors and accountants, further providing for auditor's compensation.

SB 1094 (Pr. No. 1419) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in motor carrier safety, repealing provisions relating to findings and declaration of policy and further providing for definitions and for Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee.

SB 1163 (Pr. No. 1509) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, in State lottery, further providing for definitions and providing for disclosure of certain prizewinner identities.

SB 1186 (Pr. No. 1544) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration plates, further providing for USA semiquincentennial registration plates and establishing the Semiquincentennial Restricted Account.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1****BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 230 (Pr. No. 1389) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise in support of Senate Bill No. 230. This legislation would amend the definition of income in the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program to exclude a distribution from a qualified plan that is invested in another qualified plan within 60 days. If those funds are not invested into another qualified retirement plan within 60 days, then it shall be considered income. This change aligns the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program with both Pennsylvania and Federal income tax laws. Unfortunately, a loophole within the Department of

Revenue deems these transferred funds as income, thereby disqualifying the applicant from receiving a rebate because they exceeded the income eligibility requirements.

As our offices assist many constituents with their property tax rent rebate applications, we have seen many instances when retirees come in to complete their PA-1000 application only to discover that they do not qualify for a rebate since they transferred a retirement account from one financial institution into another. With extreme market volatility and retirees moving their retirement funds in and out of various retirement accounts to protect their investments, this practice will only be more prevalent. Senate Bill No. 230 would simply correct this loophole and allow retirees to move their retirement accounts within a reasonable timeframe and still be eligible to qualify for the Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program. I respectfully ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kane has returned, and his legislative leave is cancelled.

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-47

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

NAY-0

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

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

MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move the Senate proceed to consider Senate Bill No. 848, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(m)(2).

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

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 848 (Pr. No. 1670) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 27, 1905 (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of Health, and defining its powers and duties," further providing for the administrative structure of the Department of Health, establishing the office of Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth and providing for the powers and duties of the Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth.

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, Senate Bill No. 848 establishes the position of a Chief Nursing Officer within the Commonwealth. As the largest professional group in Pennsylvania, registered nurses play a crucial role in the Commonwealth's healthcare environment, but unfortunately they sometimes lack adequate representation and policy-related decision-making in Harrisburg. This bill would create the office of Chief Nursing Officer of the Commonwealth and will be modeled after the roles and confirmation process of the Physician General. Duties would include advising the Governor and Secretary of Health; participating in the decision-making process of the Department of Health on policies relating to nursing and public health; reviewing professional standards and practices in nursing and public health; consulting with recognized experts on nursing and public health matters; providing advice on nursing and public health issues to the Secretary and to other executive branch agencies; coordinating educational, informational, and other programming for the promotion of wellness, public health, and related nursing issues; and serving as a voting member of the State Board of Nursing. This bill was amended earlier today, Mr. President, to specify that a candidate for the Chief Nursing Officer position must have at least 5 years of experience as a bedside nurse.

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

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

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, today I rise to oppose Senate Bill No. 848. As a nurse myself, I do not take this decision lightly. This Commonwealth has long been supported by the dedicated and tireless nurses working in every setting across our State, from trauma units in major metropolitan areas to long-term care facilities in our least populated counties, from outpatient service centers to home care everywhere Pennsylvanians live. Bedside care nurses have been treating patients and healing communities during the strain of the last 2 years, and their efforts should not go unnoticed. In creating the position of Chief Nursing Officer, Senate Bill No. 848 seems intended to make sure that those most affected by policies set by the Department of Health and the State Board of Nursing have a hand in the process of creating

them. I strongly support the notion that nurses need to have a seat at the table. My opposition to this bill at this time rests solely on the fact that, even as amended, it does not require that the Chief Nursing Officer have recent, meaningful, and extensive hands-on nursing experience. As written, my fear is that the position could be filled by someone whose background and experience align more with corporate interests than those of patients and their caregivers. I will be voting "no" on Senate Bill No. 848 today, Mr. President, and I ask my colleagues to do the same.

Thank you, Mr. President.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

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-35

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

NAY-12

Cappelletti	Haywood	Muth	Street
Collett	Kane	Santarsiero	Tartaglione
Comitta	Kearney	Saval	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.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1186 (Pr. No. 1544) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration plates, further providing for USA semiquincentennial registration plates and establishing the Semiquincentennial Restricted Account.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-47

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

NAY-0

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator LANGERHOLC, from the Committee on Transportation, reported the following bill:

HB 1560 (Pr. No. 3125) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act designating a portion of State Route 2038, also known as County Line Road, from Meetinghouse Road to Blair Mill Road in Bucks County as the U.S. Air Force Major James Doherty Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 35000, on that portion of State Route 2040 in Bentleyville Borough, Washington County, as the Mrs. Madeline Finney Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 19557, on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 36 over the Redbank Creek, Brookville Borough, Jefferson County, as the CPT Raymond Harry "Bud" Hetrick Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 19033, on that portion of northbound State Route 119 over State Route 286 in White Township, Indiana County, as the Specialist Five Timothy Rice Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 39537, on that portion of State Route 1005 over a tributary of Crooked Creek, Rayne Township, Indiana County, as the Sergeant Charles R. Learn Memorial Bridge; designating the portion of State Route 2004, also known as North Broad Street, within the Borough of Lansdale and Hatfield Township, Montgomery County, as the Dr. Frank Erdman Boston Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 57053, located over Dixon Run at the intersection of State Route 1012 to Pennsylvania Route 403 in Green Township, Indiana County, as the PVT William L. Hadden Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 36020, on that portion on Pennsylvania Route 66, known as Main Street, over the Norfolk Southern Railway, City of Greensburg, Westmoreland County, as the Sergeant Richard Ivory Cullen Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 19231, on that portion of State Route 1014 over the abandoned Conrail Railroad, Green Township, Indiana County, as the Carl E. Keith Memorial Bridge; designating the portion of Pennsylvania Route 309 from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 29 in Monroe Township, Wyoming County, to the intersection with State Route 1026 in Dallas Township, Luzerne County, as the Kunkle Firefighter Edward L. Nulton, Sr., Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 41272, on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 286 over Crooked Creek, Rayne Township, Indiana County, as the Sergeant First Class Randy McCaulley Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 45531, carrying Pennsylvania Route 879 over the West Branch Susquehanna River, Lawrence Township, Clearfield County, as the Gerald "Jerry" Confer Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 13321, located on State Route 3021, also known as Geneva Road, over the Conneaut Outlet, Union Township, Crawford County, as the Trooper John W. Marin Memorial

Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 43235, on that portion of State Route 2012 over Alloway Creek, Mount Joy and Germany Townships, Adams County, as the Michael Dillman Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8639, carrying State Route 3024, also known as Ragers Hill Road, over State Route 2006, Norfolk Southern Railroad, and the South Fork Branch Little Conemaugh River in Croyle Township, Cambria County, as the PFC Donald E. Hunter, USMC Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8672, on that portion of State Route 3045 over the South Branch Blacklick Creek, Vintondale Borough, Cambria County, as the John "Sonny" Kuhar, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 45635, on that portion of State Route 1036 over Howells Run at Lake Rowena, Ebensburg Borough, Cambria County, as the Ross W. Dixon Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8604, on that portion of State Route 2014 over U.S. 22, Cambria County, as the Sheriff Bob Kolar, Sr., Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 322 from the intersection with County Line Lane to the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 117 through Campbelltown in South Londonderry Township, Lebanon County, as the Commissioner William E. Ames Memorial Highway; designating the portion of U.S. Route 19 between Ivory Avenue and Cemetery Lane in Ross Township, Allegheny County, as the Chief Vernon Moses Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8360, on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 36 over Clearfield Creek, Ashville Borough, Cambria County, as the Francis and Robert Zerbee Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of Harvey Run Road between State Route 2004 in New Sewickley Township to Pennsylvania Route 65 in Freedom Borough, Beaver County, as the Army Sergeant Joshua James Rimer Memorial Road; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 7890 on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 108 in Worth Township, Butler County, spanning Interstate 79 as the Veterans of Slippery Rock Bridge; designating the interchange of U.S. Route 119 with U.S. Route 422 in White Township, Indiana County, as the Lieutenant Colonel William A. Rush III Memorial Interchange; designating the interchange located on I-279 at Camp Horne Road in Ohio Township, Allegheny County, as the Scott F. Hirsh Memorial Interchange; designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 104, from the southern border of the Borough of Middleburg to the northern border of the Borough of Middleburg, Snyder County, as the Chief of Police Tony M. Jordan Memorial Highway; designating the interchange of Interstate 276, also known as the Pennsylvania Turnpike, with Pennsylvania Route 611, known as Exit 343, and the Willow Grove Interchange in Upper Moreland Township, Montgomery County, as the Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf Memorial Interchange; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 4142, carrying State Route 1001 over the Dunning Creek in the Borough of Bedford, Bedford County, as the CPL William Glen Imler Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of State Route 2044, also known as Briery Lane, between Homestead-Duquesne Road and Interboro Avenue in West Mifflin Borough, Allegheny County, as the Regis L. Stephenson Memorial Highway; designating the entire length of State Route 4010 in North Branch Township, Wyoming County, as the Joyce Maureen Steele Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 12165, carrying Pennsylvania Route 150 over the Bald Eagle Creek, in Bald Eagle Township, Clinton County, as the Colonel Henry Bossert Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 113 from its intersection with Schoolhouse Road, in Franconia Township, Montgomery County, and State Route 4027, also known as County Line Road, in Souderton Borough, Montgomery County, as the Honorable Robert W. Godshall Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8517, carrying Pennsylvania Route 403 over the Stonycreek River in Ferndale Borough, Cambria County, as the Private First Class Lee David Meadows Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 56645, carrying State Route 1045, also known as South 4th Street, over Cocalico Creek in the Borough of Denver, Lancaster County, as the John K. Weaver Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 21481, carrying State Route 1051, also known as Main Street, over Little Cocalico Creek in the Borough of Denver, Lancaster County, as the Fichthorn and Marburger Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of State Route 2019, known as Nyes Road, from the intersection of Derry Street to the intersection of Union Deposit Road, in Swatara and Lower Paxton Townships, Dauphin County, as the Glenn A. Martin Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 25507, on that portion of State Route 3006 over the Kinzua Creek in the census-designated place of

Westline, Lafayette Township, McKean County, as the Westline Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of State Route 994 over the Blacklog Creek, Cromwell Township, Huntingdon County, as the Lieutenant Joseph O. Stevens Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of State Route 2009, also known as Byberry Road, between State Route 2040, also known as Warminster Road, and State Route 263, also known as Old York Road, in Hatboro Borough, Montgomery County, as the SPC John Kulick Memorial Highway; designating a portion of U.S. Route 11, also known as Main Street, from Segment 200, Offset 0000, to the intersection with Oak Street in Shickshinny Borough, Luzerne County, as the Honorable George C. Hasay Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5786, carrying State Route 3013, known as Dunning Highway, over South Poplar Run, in Greenfield Township, Blair County, as the Bryan T. "Chipper" Chamberlain Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 20703, on State Route 1039, also known as Meredith Street, over Gordan Avenue and Lackawanna Avenue in Carbondale Township, Lackawanna County, as the Joseph Caviston Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified by Bridge Key 19699, on that portion of State Route 2003 over Mahoning Creek in Big Run Borough, Jefferson County, as the SP4 James Wise, Jr., and PFC James Wingert USMC Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 36313, carrying Pennsylvania Route 981, also known as Lloyd Avenue, over Loyalhanna Creek in Latrobe, Westmoreland County, as the Trooper Michael Stewart III Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 11802, carrying State Route 3008 over Clearfield Creek, Beccaria Township, Clearfield County, as the Corporal Cecil J. Snyder Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 41673, carrying Oakridge Drive (State Route 3102) over U.S. 219 in Richland Township, Cambria County, as the Cambria County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating the portion of Interstate 76, also known as the Schuylkill Expressway, from Mile Marker 334.5 to Mile Marker 335.5 in Lower Merion Township, Montgomery County, as the Firefighter Thomas Royds Memorial Highway; designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 72 from Segment 0010/Offset 0000 to Segment 0110/Offset 1330 in Cornwall Borough, Lebanon County, as the William G. Carpenter Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 46159, carrying Pennsylvania Route 36 on Charger Highway, Blair Township, Blair County, as the Corporal Ralph Hammel Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 68510, carrying Pennsylvania Route 271 over Coal Pit Run in Blacklick Township, Cambria County, as The Lazendorfer Brothers Memorial Bridge; designating the portion of State Route 1020, also known as Lawrence Road, between Springhouse Road and Parkway Avenue in Marple Township, Delaware County, as the Richard Paul Memorial Highway; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 68360, carrying State Route 2025, also known as Bristol Road, over U.S. Route 1 in Bensalem Township, Bucks County, as the PFC Robert Joseph Morris Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 67570, carrying State Route 2006, also known as New Falls Road, over the Pennsylvania Turnpike in Bristol Township, Bucks County, as the PFC Hopson Covington Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 7278, carrying State Route 2043, also known as Brownsville Road, over Neshaminy Creek in Lower Southampton Township, Bucks County, as the PFC George Raymond Huntzinger Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 46778, carrying State Route 3012, also known as New Baltimore Road, over Raystown Branch Juniata River in Juniata Township, Bedford County, as the Army Specialist Four Harold Phillip Grasser Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 3937, carrying Pennsylvania Route 26 over Yellow Creek in Everett Borough, Bedford County, as the PFC James E. Williams Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 45676, carrying Pennsylvania Route 26 over Bloody Run in Hopewell Township, Bedford County, as the Colonel Joseph M. Stine Memorial Bridge; and designating a portion of Pennsylvania Route 50 in Mount Pleasant Township, Washington County, identified as Segment 210-220, as the Corporal Brady Clemens Paul Memorial Highway; and making related repeals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2022

10:00 A.M.	LABOR AND INDUSTRY (to consider Senate Bill No. 1147)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:00 A.M.	LAW AND JUSTICE (to consider Senate Bills No. 669 and 1212)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
10:30 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider Senate Bill No. 1244; and House Bills No. 972 and 1041)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
11:00 A.M.	AGING AND YOUTH (to consider Senate Resolution No. 288)	Room 461 Main Capitol
11:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (to consider Senate Bills No. 1222 and 1235; and House Bill No. 2419)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
12:30 P.M.	AGRICULTURAL AND RURAL AFFAIRS (to consider Senate Bills No. 1236 and 1237)	Room 461 Main Capitol
12:30 P.M.	FINANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 321)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
12:45 P.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (to consider the nomination of NazAarah Sabree for Small Business Advocate; and the nomination of Patrick Cicero for Consumer Advocate)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Resolution No. 230; and House Bill No. 129; and certain Executive Nominations)	Senate Chamber (LIVE STREAMED)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 2022

10:00 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (to consider Senate Bills No. 784, 1127, 1175, 1182 and 1209; and House Bill No. 2496)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
10:30 A.M.	COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (to consider Senate Bills No. 643 and 1159)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I appreciate the opportunity to once again rise to draw attention to Senate Resolution No. 296, which would designate May 2022 as Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome, or EDS, Awareness Month here in the Commonwealth. EDS is a syndrome describing a group of genetic disorders that affect the connective tissue in one's body. The hallmarks of this horrible syndrome include appearing to have loose skin; instability; constant dislocations of joints; and fragile, often hyper-elastic skin

that bruises, scars, and tears easily. I am sad to say that in some cases of EDS, an individual can experience unpredictable arterial and organ ruptures that, as one can imagine, cause pain, excessive bleeding, shock, strokes, and--in the worst scenario--even death. While largely unknown to the public, in any given year there are approximately 200,000 cases diagnosed in the United States.

Mr. President, I was one of those individuals who knew little about this horrible syndrome. It was only brought to my attention by a grieving family, the Schobers, who lost their beautiful young daughter, Davina Schober, to EDS a few short years ago. Davina was an intelligent young woman who graduated high school with honors and attended Drexel on a scholarship for nursing. She was an advocate for not only those diagnosed with EDS, but with rare diseases as well. Regrettably, before passing, due to unawareness, the high levels of vital pain medication and bruising caused professionals to question whether she was a drug addict and forced her to take part in routine limb exams to check for needle marks. I cannot imagine what she went through.

I stand here today, once again in her memory, in the hopes of drawing attention to EDS to help increase attention towards research in combatting the condition and to tell those out there in the network of EDS support groups that we recognize your plight, and we want to do everything we can to help.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I rise today to speak on the importance of planning and saving for education, which is why I have introduced Senate Resolution No. 282, designating May 29 as College and Career Savings Day in Pennsylvania. The Pennsylvania 529 College and Career Savings Program was signed into law in April of 1992, and since then, over 270,000 accounts have been opened, saving nearly \$7 billion. PA 529 accounts, which can be either investment accounts or guaranteed savings accounts, allow for tax-free withdrawals to pay for tuition, fees, equipment, books, room and board, and other qualified expenses at most schools nationwide. This includes qualified apprenticeship programs, 4-year colleges and universities, community colleges, and technical schools. There are generous tax benefits that come with this form of saving, including a State income tax deduction for contributions, no Federal or State income taxes on investment growth, tax-free withdrawals for qualified expenses, gift and inheritance tax benefits, and PA 529 account assets have no effect on State financial aid eligibility.

My hope is that this resolution serves to increase public understanding of the value of saving for education through the Pennsylvania 529 College and Career Savings Program, and I would like to thank our Treasury Department for their outstanding stewardship of the program.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Cappelletti.

Senator CAPPELLETTI. Mr. President, I rise today in response to the continuing increase in gun violence in our Commonwealth and in our nation. Last month, I used our time here in Harrisburg to list each and every bill that has been introduced this Session that would reduce gun and firearms violence. As people continue to die from gun suicide, mass shootings, and other types of firearm violence, any of these bills could have been enacted.

We could have passed laws that would have gotten to the root cause of violence. Instead, they continue to sit in committee.

At the beginning of this month, we saw a horrendous attack at a supermarket in Buffalo, New York. It was fueled by hate, racism, and anti-Semitism, and we cannot untangle the serious gun and firearms violence occurring in our country from the racism and hate that fuels those committing the atrocities. If we are seriously going to condemn these actions, if we are seriously going to stand up against hate with our Black and brown neighbors, Jewish neighbors, LGBTQ neighbors, then we must act now. Because, here in Pennsylvania, we lack even the most basic of public safety laws--the mandatory reporting of lost and stolen guns. Senate Bill No. 217, introduced by Senator Tartaglione, would help law enforcement track lost and stolen guns in our communities, the basic law that we should pass in every community without controversy. It only requires that responsible gun owners need to report when a gun goes missing. It is a simple step that could make a big difference. But, as I think back to what happened in Buffalo, not only do I denounce the horrendous, hate-fueled acts, I also think of my mom. As many of you already know, she is a grocery store manager in the southeast of Pennsylvania. Every time something like this happens, I fill up with fear again, that one day an attack like this might claim her life, but it could also claim mine. Because the very next day, after that attack, I was at the store picking up a few items to do some home renovations, when I started to hear yelling. It continued to escalate in both language and tone and lasted the entire time I was there. So, I spent my time looking over my shoulder, thinking, wow, I have got to get out of here. Where is what I need? I have got to go. I do not know what is going to happen. I stand here to say, simply, that I hope before this Session ends, that we can pass even one measure that would save lives in our communities from gun and firearms violence, and that would recognize that our communities, Pennsylvania, this Commonwealth, this country, deserve better than what we are living through right now.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, I rise today because it marks 5,797 days since our Commonwealth's legislature last passed an increase in our minimum wage. As we look around the nation, Mr. President, we can see that not all the States are failing the moral test of ensuring every worker has dignity in their pay. Just this month, America's youngest State, again, proved it is possible to pass substantial and meaningful minimum wage legislation. Hawaii, just a few days ago, passed another increase in their minimum wage that will have it rise to \$12 on October 1, and \$18 an hour by 2028. Those increases are from Hawaii's already increased \$10.10 minimum wage. But, here in Pennsylvania, Mr. President, workers are told \$7.25 is adequate; \$7.25, no matter what anyone says, Mr. President, is not a wage anyone can survive on and make ends meet. I agree with Nate Hix, from Living Wage Hawaii, Mr. President. He recently said: "People should be able to afford their basic needs on 40 hours a week, otherwise people are forced to work multiple jobs or sacrifice their basic necessities like food, shelter, and clothing." No worker should have to have 2 or 3 jobs just to make ends meet, like they do in Pennsylvania, or most places across our country. According to a recent study, the hourly wage that would support the local cost of

living in Philadelphia would be \$17.36; \$17.11 in Centre County; \$16.02 in Allegheny County; and more than \$15 across much of central Pennsylvania, including Harrisburg, Lancaster, and Lebanon. That means, Mr. President, that the wage a worker needs to be able to survive on a 40-hour workweek is more than double what we allow businesses and corporations to pay our workers now. We can fix that, Mr. President. Right this very minute, Senate Bill No. 12, legislation that would raise our minimum wage, is stalled in the Committee on Labor and Industry. Let us bring it to the floor and pass support for our minimum wage workers. It is far past time workers are paid a livable and dignified wage.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, along with Senator Muth, I rise in support of Senate Resolution No. 299, which marks May 15 through May 21 as EMS Week in Pennsylvania, as well as Senate Resolution No. 297, which designates May 18 as EMS for Children Day. These two resolutions honor Pennsylvania's emergency medical services providers and the incredible work they perform as the frontline of our healthcare system. The network of emergency medical responders, from ambulance attendants and paramedics to firefighters, police officers, and emergency room doctors and nurses, render aid around the clock in the wake of sudden, life-threatening illnesses or injuries. First responders provide life-saving care, often at great risk to themselves, responding to the scene of brutal crimes, raging fires, and devastating traffic accidents. The truth is, access to quality care, high-quality emergency care, significantly improves the patient's recovery process and their chances of survival. As such, all first responders are intrinsically tied together, and when they do work together, their combined efforts make our communities stronger, and they are always there for us, 24/7, 365. Nationally, EMS Week was first designated by President Gerald Ford in 1973. This year's theme is "EMS, Rising to the Challenge." I am honored to serve as the chair of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, and I am working with Senator Muth and our committee on a number of measures that would help sustain the EMS profession, which was in a difficult situation prior to the pandemic, and even more so now. I am pleased that we are able to provide an infusion of \$25 million for our EMS providers through my Senate Bill No. 739. We will continue to work on additional support for our EMS system in Pennsylvania. Mr. President, I encourage all Pennsylvanians to take time next week to honor and thank EMS providers for the work they do for our communities. I also ask that we listen to their needs.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Montgomery, Senator Muth.

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I rise today, alongside my co-chair of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, Senator Stefano, to recognize both EMS week and EMS for Children Day in Pennsylvania. Senate Resolution No. 297 recognized last Wednesday, May 18, as EMS for Children Day in Pennsylvania. EMS for Children is a national program working in communities throughout our country to ensure that all children and adolescents--no matter where they live, attend school, or travel--receive appropriate care in a health emergency. This Federal initiative was created because the physiological,

developmental, and psychological needs of children are different than those of an adult during a medical emergency. There are more than 30 million children annually who receive emergency medical care due to illness or injury. This program helps our communities prepare for medical and traumatic emergencies involving a child by providing training to emergency response personnel, ensuring that ambulances and emergency departments have access to child-appropriate equipment, and standardizing well-defined pediatric treatment protocols and procedures. EMS for Children works closely with our EMS community, as well as with physicians and nurses who provide pediatric emergency care to help States and communities reduce child and youth disability and death due to severe illness or trauma. The needs of children differ greatly from adults, especially when it comes to emergency care. Providing that care requires special training and focus on children as patients, and that is why the EMS for Children program is so critically important in our Commonwealth. Mr. President, just last month, our Senate Democratic Policy Committee partnered with the House Democratic Policy Committee for a joint hearing in Pittsburgh on various issues facing our EMS providers. These issues impact EMS providers in all 67 counties of our Commonwealth. We heard of many issues facing our emergency agencies, which includes State funding issues, reimbursement issues, recruitment and retention, and also overall morale. They are at a crisis breaking point. Giving them the resources they need is critical to ensure our role in serving the public, but also making sure our communities are safe. Knowing that they will always answer the call is invaluable, but it does not mean that they should not be fully funded. It should be our mission as a legislature to work to ensure that our EMS agencies have adequate funding, appropriate reimbursement rates, access to mental health services, and the tools they need to recruit and retain EMTs. I am proud to join Senator Stefano to recognize both EMS week and EMS for Children Day to celebrate and highlight the Pennsylvania EMS for Children program, our EMS workers in our communities, and all the professional organizations working to improve the quality of emergency care for Pennsylvania families. Thank you, again, to all of our EMS workers across the Commonwealth for everything you do for our families and our communities in times of need.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise to lend support to the comments of my colleague from Montgomery County with respect to the need and the desire to see this General Assembly advance measures in gun safety measures. Some of the measures that many of us believe are reasonable and responsible. Things like the Emergency Protection Order, lost and stolen, universal background checks, how important they are, particularly given the rise of the use of weapons, not only in the streets of our Commonwealth and our country, but also in the manner in which they are used in other situations. For example, suicides, particularly with our veterans. Mr. President, as part of that conversation, it is imperative that we have a conversation about hate and hate crimes. What happened in Buffalo, just a few weeks ago, again, demonstrates and illustrates how serious the issue is about the spewing of hate statements, hate words, and words filled with hate that end up impacting people's lives. To that end, last year

we introduced a package of bills that addressed the use of hate as it relates to our hate crimes and ethnic intimidation, and each of these bills have been sent to the appropriate committee for consideration. A few weeks ago, I stood on this floor and asked for a consideration of those measures, and I rise again today to ask my colleagues--we have written letters to each of them asking them to advance these measures--to be able to have a conversation along those lines. I am just going to recap, very briefly, what those measures would be. There are six of them, Mr. President. The first one would provide the Attorney General of the Commonwealth with concurrent jurisdiction in crimes involving ethnic intimidation. The second one would be a requirement for hate crime offenders to complete diversity classes and allowing community impact statements to be part of that case. Certainly, there are some horrific offenses, but there are a lot of offenses that do not rise to the level of killings and things of that nature, but yet are measures that need to be addressed in that manner. That is one of the measures that we are asking to be part of it.

Next is MPOETC training. MPOETC training on investigating, identifying, and reporting crimes of ethnic intimidation. Also, providing a private right of action for civil rights violations along those lines. In addition to that, Mr. President, there are two other ones that I think are important. One of them is a reporting system for postsecondary institutions. Having come from the city of Pittsburgh, with a lot of higher education institutions in my district, in my community, and around Pittsburgh, and with the number of students who are not from Pennsylvania, but other parts of the country and other parts of the world, there are often-times when these types of crimes or incidences of intimidation go unreported. I think it is important that we capture this data. Finally, the last measure, which I think is important, is to be able to share information about hate crime groups we know to exist in Pennsylvania. Reports have indicated that we are one of those States that has the highest number of hate crime groups that are active here. Having a reporting system that would allow the Attorney General to be able to maintain a record and share information with local policing entities to know exactly who these folks are in terms of what their thoughts are, what their issues are, and what steps they may be taking to wreak havoc on our Commonwealth.

So, at the end of the day, Mr. President, I rise and ask my colleagues who chair those respective committees to move those forward. Let us have a discussion in committee. Let us advance these measures. If we can get them through committee and onto the floor, we can demonstrate here in the Pennsylvania Senate that we recognize the things that happened in Buffalo, my community, the Tree of Life in Squirrel Hill, where folks, every time they hear of a mass shooting, speak to me. A week ago, Sunday, I was in an event the day after the Buffalo shooting, and members of the community came up to me and indicated how shocked they were, how concerned they were, and how they essentially relived the occurrences of 2018 in that community. These are the things we have to stop. We have the opportunity to do it. Combined with some of the gun safety measures, I think it is appropriate for us to have that conversation as we go forward.

Thank you very much, Mr. President, for the patience to be able to say a few words. Thank you.

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 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 4:50 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.