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SENATE

TUESDAY, June 14, 2022

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Senator John R. Gordner) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. J. HENRY BUCK, JR., of Grace Baptist Church of Germantown, Philadelphia, offered the following prayer:

Good afternoon.

Let us pray.

God, we thank You for this privilege, and we thank You for this opportunity to be in Your presence. Now, these as Your servants come on this afternoon, God, to deliberate, debate, but most of all to serve Your people. Guide their eyes, hearts, minds, and spirits, that even in the most difficult of decisions, that You would grant Your mercy to them. Bless them now, God, and even as it is written by one of Your great prophets, seek the welfare of the city or of this Commonwealth where You have sent us and pray to it, for in its welfare, we will find welfare. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair thanks Reverend Buck, who is the guest today of Senator Haywood.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

**RECALL COMMUNICATIONS
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE**

The PRESIDING OFFICER 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:

CONTROLLER, ALLEGHENY COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Thomas J. Yablonski, Jr., 3115 Wayland Road, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller, in and for the County of Allegheny, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice Chelsa Wagner, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

June 13, 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 March 18, 2022, of Gary Cressman (District 9), 2301 South Aubrey Street, Allentown 18103, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice new position created by Act 3 of 2022.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jeffrey Manning, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BERKS COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Berks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Timothy Rowley, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Rodney R. Akers, Esquire, 4307 Dakota Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Katherine Platt, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jacqueline Cody, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LANCASTER COUNTY

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Donald Totaro, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LANCASTER COUNTY

June 13, 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 April 14, 2022, of 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

June 13, 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 April 14, 2022, of 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, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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 February 15, 2022, of Anne Gingrich Cornick, Esquire, 2311 Briarcliff Road, Harrisburg 17104, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Frederica Massiah-Jackson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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 February 15, 2022, of Victoria S. Madden, Esquire, 1056 Brandt Avenue, Lemoyne 17043, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County,

to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jeffrey Minchart, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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 February 15, 2022, of Mary K. Topper, Esquire, 232 Sylvania Avenue, Glenside 19038, Montgomery County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Diane Thompson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 March 9, 2022, of 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 Bucks, Magisterial District 07-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable William Benz, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Rebecca Dombrowsky, 6466 Heatherfield Way, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Delaware, Magisterial District 32-1-28, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Deborah Krull, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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

March 9, 2022, of Elise Claire Schell, 1500 North Sixth Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Schuylkill, Magisterial District 21-3-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable James Ferrier, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of 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 Snyder, Magisterial District 17-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Lori Hackenberg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of Rebecca Dombrowsky, 6466 Heatherfield Way, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Washington, Magisterial District 27-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jesse Pettit, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 March 31, 2022, of 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 York, Magisterial District 19-1-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Ronald Haskell, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 14, 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 May 2, 2022, of 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

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDING OFFICER 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:

CONTROLLER, ALLEGHENY COUNTY

June 13, 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, Corey O'Connor, 1108 Goodman Street, Pittsburgh 15218, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller, in and for the County of Allegheny, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice Chelsa Wagner, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION

June 13, 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, Robert Schwalm (District 9), 508 Norway Place, Bethlehem 18015, Lehigh County, Eighteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice new position created by Act 3 of 2022.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

June 13, 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, Andrew Szefi, Esquire, 347 Parker Drive, Pittsburgh 15216, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Allegheny

County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jeffrey Manning, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
BERKS COUNTY

June 13, 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, Jill Koestel, Esquire, 255 Pennwyn Place, Reading 19607, Berks County, Eleventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Berks County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Timothy Rowley, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

June 13, 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, Nicole Forzato, Esquire, 1542 Sugartown Road, Paoli 19301, Chester County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jacqueline Cody, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
CHESTER COUNTY

June 13, 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, Louis Mincarelli, Esquire, 140 Randolph Drive, Downingtown 19335, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Chester County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Katherine Platt, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
COLUMBIA COUNTY AND MONTOUR COUNTY

June 13, 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, Richard Knecht, Esquire, 10 Amber

Lane, Berwick 18603, Columbia County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Columbia County and Montour County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Thomas James, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LANCASTER COUNTY

June 13, 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, Shawn Long, Esquire, 475 Snavely Mill Road, Lititz 17543, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth 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,
LANCASTER COUNTY

June 13, 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, Karen Mansfield, Esquire, 665 North Pier Drive, Lancaster 17603, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Lancaster County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Donald Totaro, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
LYCOMING COUNTY

June 13, 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, William Carlucci, Esquire, 1330 Mansel Avenue, Williamsport 17701, Lycoming County, Twenty-third 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, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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, Brian McLaughlin, Esquire, 3699 Morrell Avenue, Unit A, Philadelphia 19114, Philadelphia County, Fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Diane Thompson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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, John Padova, Esquire, 1901 Walnut Street, Apt. 2E, Philadelphia 19103, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Frederica Massiah-Jackson, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 13, 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, Tamika Washington, Esquire, 8264 Temple Road, Philadelphia 19150, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jeffrey Minchart, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, Brian Marriott, 48 Karen Road, Holland 18966, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Bucks, Magisterial District 07-2-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable William Benz, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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 Gallard, 210 Sykes Lane, Wallingford 19086, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Delaware, Magisterial District 32-1-28, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Deborah Krull, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, John Caffese, 123 Stillwater Drive, Pocono Summit 18346, Monroe County, Fortieth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Monroe, Magisterial District 43-4-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Richard Claypool, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, Andrew Serina, 530 McIntosh Lane, Andreas 18211, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Schuylkill, Magisterial District 21-3-03, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable James Ferrier, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, Bo Trawitz, 317 Wagenseller Street, Middleburg 17842, Snyder County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Snyder, Magisterial District 17-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Lori Hackenberg, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, Phillipe Melograne, 201 Trinity Drive,

McMurray 15317, Washington County, Thirty-seventh-first [sic] Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Washington, Magisterial District 27-3-01, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Jesse Pettit, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 13, 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, Adrian Boxley, 342 East Jackson Street, York 17403, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of York, Magisterial District 19-1-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Ronald Haskell, Jr., resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

June 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, Kenneth Joel, Esquire, 2116 Chestnut Street, Unit 2408, Philadelphia 19103, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2024, vice the Honorable Shelley Robins New, resigned.

TOM WOLF
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 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, Jeffrey Wood, 22 Milford Road, Newport 17074, Perry County, Fifteenth 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

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 14, 2022

Senators KANE, FONTANA, COLLETT, CAPPELLETTI, COMITTA, SANTARSIERO, KEARNEY, HUGHES, COSTA, A. WILLIAMS and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 1256**, entitled:

An Act providing for violence prevention committees in health care facilities, for duties of committees, for workplace violence reporting requirements and for powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry; and imposing fines and administrative penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, June 14, 2022.

Senators SCHWANK, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, FONTANA, STREET, COMITTA, SANTARSIERO, COSTA, KEARNEY, HUGHES, KANE and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 1259**, entitled:

An Act providing for Commonwealth funding safety and transparency.

Which was committed to the Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, June 14, 2022.

Senators KANE, FONTANA, COLLETT, COMITTA, MENSCH, CAPPELLETTI, COSTA, KEARNEY, SANTARSIERO and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 1269**, 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 Statewide children's mental health ombudsman.

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, June 14, 2022.

Senators L. WILLIAMS, BREWSTER, FONTANA, COLLETT, KEARNEY, COMITTA, CAPPELLETTI, HUGHES, SCHWANK, COSTA, STREET, DILLON and MUTH presented to the Chair **SB 1285**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in school safety and security, further providing for School Safety and Security Grant Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, June 14, 2022.

Senators MUTH, STEFANO, KEARNEY, CAPPELLETTI, FONTANA, L. WILLIAMS, HUGHES, SCHWANK, COSTA, BAKER and STREET presented to the Chair **SB 1286**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Pennsylvania National Guard, further providing for pay of officers and enlisted personnel on special duty and for pay of officers and enlisted personnel in active State service; in Pennsylvania Guard, further providing for pay and expenses of officers and enlisted personnel; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 14, 2022.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 14, 2022

Senators STREET, CAPPELLETTI, KANE, HUGHES, MARTIN, KEARNEY, SAVAL, FONTANA, ARGALL, SANTARSIERO, BREWSTER, COMITTA, SCAVELLO, LAUGHLIN, SCHWANK, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, BAKER, BARTOLOTTA, COLLETT and MUTH presented to the Chair **SR 312**, entitled:

A Resolution observing June 19, 2022, as "Juneteenth National Freedom Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, June 14, 2022.

Senators STREET, FONTANA, COLLETT, SCHWANK, HAYWOOD, BREWSTER, SANTARSIERO, YUDICHAK, COSTA, MUTH and KANE presented to the Chair **SR 313**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the month of June 2022 as "LGBTQ+ Pride Month" in Pennsylvania in celebration of past, present and future LGBTQ+ accomplishments and contributions to this Commonwealth and in commemoration of the 53rd anniversary of the Stonewall Inn demonstrations.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, June 14, 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:

June 14, 2022

HB 1952 -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.

HB 2254 and **2599** -- Committee on Local Government.

HB 2404 and **2407** -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

HB 2526 -- Committee on Transportation.

HB 2586 -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

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:

June 14, 2022

HR 203 -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator J. WARD, from the Committee on Aging and Youth, reported the following bills:

SB 1227 (Pr. No. 1756) (Amended)

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.

SB 1229 (Pr. No. 1645)

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.

HB 2426 (Pr. No. 2836)

An Act amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for resource families; making editorial changes; and making related repeals.

Senator REGAN, from the Committee on Law and Justice, reported the following bills:

SB 1193 (Pr. No. 1687)

An Act amending Title 44 (Law and Justice) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for law enforcement recovery grants; establishing the Law Enforcement Recovery Grant Pilot Program and the Law Enforcement Recovery Grant Pilot Program Fund; and imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

SB 1251 (Pr. No. 1710)

An Act amending Title 71 (State Government) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in benefits, providing for supplemental annuities for certain State Police officers commencing 2022.

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

SB 831 (Pr. No. 1760) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 16 (Counties) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, consolidating the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code; and making a related repeal.

HB 2148 (Pr. No. 2586)

An Act amending Titles 45 (Legal Notices) and 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in legal advertising, provid-

ing for redundant advertising on Internet by political subdivisions or municipal authorities; and, in open meetings, further providing for public notice.

Senator ARGALL, from the Committee on State Government, reported the following bills:

SB 1203 (Pr. No. 1759) (Amended)

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.

HB 2447 (Pr. No. 2909)

An Act providing for divestiture by the State Treasurer, the State Employees' Retirement System, the Public School Employees' Retirement System and the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System of investments in assets relating to Russia and Belarus.

Senator STEFANO, from the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, reported the following bills:

SB 1194 (Pr. No. 1758) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in military educational programs, establishing the Military College Educational Assistance Program; and making editorial changes.

HB 803 (Pr. No. 3240) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in National Guard Youth Challenge Program, further providing for definitions and for administration, establishing the Keystone State Challenge Academy Account and further providing for report and for audit required.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Browne, Senator Mastriano, and Senator Pittman, and a legislative leave for Senator Vogel.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Browne, Senator Mastriano, and Senator Pittman, and a legislative leave for Senator Vogel.

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Saval.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Journal of the Session of February 9, 2022, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of February 9, 2022.

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

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

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

YEA-49

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

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Journal is approved.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR MARIO M. SCAVELLO
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monroe, Senator Scavello.

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I welcome some very special guests from the Willow Green Community Center who are visiting the Capitol today. Willow Green is a gated, 55--wait a minute, there is no one here that is 55, they are in their 40s, there must be a misprint here--community in Northampton County, Pennsylvania. The Willow Green Community is a quiet and charming neighborhood setting, which includes approximately 188 homes as well as a clubhouse that includes great social spaces for residents to mingle and participate in activities and events, in addition to many other amenities.

I visited the Willow Green Community Center nearly a year ago and invited them to visit our beautiful Capitol. It is a pleasure to be able to spend such valuable time with this exceptional group of citizens. Please join me in giving this group from the Willow Green Community Center our usual warm Senate welcome.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guests of Senator Scavello please rise so the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUEST OF SENATOR STEVEN J. SANTARSIERO
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Santarsiero.

Senator SANTARSIERO. Mr. President, I rise today to welcome to the Pennsylvania State Senate the president of the Bucks County Community College, Dr. Felicia Ganther, and I am joined by my colleague and friend who also represents Bucks County, Senator Collett.

The board of trustees, faculty, staff, and students of Bucks County Community College formally installed Dr. Ganther on April 28, 2022, although she began her tenure as the community college's fifth president nearly a year ago in July 2021. Dr. Ganther brings with her a strong record of dedication to advancing higher education and student success. Over the course of her impressive 25-year career, Dr. Ganther has spearheaded initiatives in student affairs, college auxiliary services, college retention services, crisis management, strategic planning, academic quality improvement, and first-year student programs. Drafting meaningful and intentional programs in her current role has resulted in new student engagement opportunities, including a community speaker series focused on diversity, equity, and inclusion, and the creation of a diversity, equity, and inclusion community advisory board with representation from all areas of Bucks County. Dr. Ganther has done extensive work to further the college's collaboration with our county's K through 12 school districts, technical schools, and key industry partners in the region. In addition, since relocating to Bucks County, Dr. Ganther has met with a wide range of community organizations and businesses in the region to understand their needs and better inform the community at large of the opportunities offered at the college's three major campuses in Lower, Central, and Upper Bucks, and those that are offered online as well.

Hailing originally from Los Angeles, Dr. Ganther holds a bachelor of arts and master of arts from Norfolk State University in Virginia. She also holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of Illinois John Marshall Law School in Chicago, as well as a Ph.D. in community resources and development from Arizona State University. Dr. Ganther has previously served in various capacities at both the university and community college levels, most recently serving as the associate vice chancellor for student affairs and chief student affairs officer for the Maricopa County Community College District. She holds certifications in mediation, diversity and equity, change management, and strategic enrollment management. I want to say one further word. Our Bucks delegation from both the House and the Senate had a meeting with Dr. Ganther earlier today, and I for one--and I am sure my colleague, Senator Collett, would agree--was very impressed with her vision for the community college and, most importantly, to make community college accessible--and that means affordable--to all students. As we are about to finish our annual budget process over the course of the next 2 weeks or so, I want to underscore that point because I think it is important for each and every one of us in this Chamber to remember that education is only accessible when it is affordable. Our community colleges across Pennsylvania play a critically important role in giving students that accessibility, whether it is for a 2-year degree as a bridge, ultimately to a 4-year institution, or ultimately for workforce development purposes. We are proud of the fact that Bucks

County Community College is a leader in all of those things, and we are very proud and honored to have Dr. Ganther as the fifth president of the community college and here with us today. So, on that, Mr. President, I ask that we give her our customary warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guest of Senator Santarsiero please rise so the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR KRISTIN PHILLIPS-HILL PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise to introduce my guest shadow, Isaiah Morales, from York. Isaiah is a 2021 graduate of Red Lion High School and currently attends Penn State York, where he is studying public policy. After graduation, Isaiah hopes to one day be a politician, and today he is getting an in-depth look at the legislative process and how our legislature works. Isaiah has received multiple recognitions from the Pennsylvania Department of State for his efforts of registering eligible high school seniors to vote. This summer, Isaiah is interning at the York County Economic Alliance, where he will gain valuable skills and knowledge that he will need as he works towards his future ambition of being a politician. I look forward to hearing more about Isaiah's future success and hopefully, one day, see his name on the ballot. Would my colleagues please join me in giving Isaiah Morales a warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guest of Senator Phillips-Hill please rise so the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ARTHUR L. HAYWOOD PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator HAYWOOD. Mr. President, I am glad to rise to introduce my guest, Reverend Dr. J. Henry Buck, Jr., for being with us in Harrisburg today. Reverend Buck, in our community, is a great leader and preacher, and I am honored to have him as our guest Chaplain. He is the senior pastor of the historic Grace Baptist Church of Germantown in Philadelphia. Prior, he served in the U.S. Armed Forces and earned several medals and commendations of honors when he was enlisted. After serving our country, he became the third generation of preachers in his family when he was ordained at the Ebenezer Baptist Church under the leadership of Reverend Dr. Duane T. Kay. He is a graduate of Potomac University and the Howard School of Divinity, where he earned his Master of Divinity degree. In addition, Reverend Buck has, over the years, helped to create a medical clinic to serve low-income residents, opened an early childhood development center to aid mothers and fathers in the Philadelphia area, and created entrepreneurial opportunities for youth. Today he has assisted at least five students to attend Howard University. Most recently he has held a number of what he calls "porch meetings,"

where neighbors come to his porch and talk about issues of concern in the community. Today he has also shared a gun violence prevention pilot program that includes cleaning, lighting, and surveillance cameras in a small 10-block area. I know we are thrilled to have Reverend Buck in Philadelphia, and his energy and passion are unmatched. He is not only a leader, but a teacher. It is tremendous to have him in the Senate with us today. I would also like to recognize two colleagues who are with him this afternoon, Mr. Anil Khatori and Nicholas Rodgers, who are in the gallery. I request a warm Senate welcome for our guests.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would our guest Chaplain and his other guests please rise so that the Senate may give you our usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT B. MENSCH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, today it is my pleasure to introduce a very special guest to the Senate. It is Spencer Harmonosky. Spencer is the winner of a silent auction--but he just turned 11 years old yesterday, so, Spencer, happy birthday from the Pennsylvania Senate. I am happy to be a part of this happy birthday celebration for him. Spencer, who is also joined here by his family, hails from Quakertown, Pennsylvania, which, of course, is in Bucks County. Spencer loves to play and watch football and is quite knowledgeable about the sport. This year he took on another sport, that being shot put, and he does the shot put with the St. Isidore track and field team. He finished in second place in the regional C meet and recently traveled to Philadelphia to compete in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia championship, where he earned eighth place. In addition to sports, Spencer is also fascinated with outer space, NASA, and space travel. Mr. President, I ask that we all extend our traditional warm welcome to our special guests seated in the gallery today. Thank you.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guests of Senator Mensch please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR DANIEL J. LAUGHLIN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie, Senator Laughlin.

Senator LAUGHLIN. Mr. President, today I would like to take a moment to introduce a very important group from the city of Erie, Pennsylvania. The Jefferson Civic Leadership Academy prepares Erie professionals for meaningful engagement within the Erie area. They provide these individuals with a dynamic and unique environment that fosters teamwork, growth, and learning through a transformative experience for those seeking to be change-agents within their community. This year, the Leadership Academy is devoting its research to bridging Erie County's urban and rural divide, touching on the infrastructure, resources, and services throughout the Erie area. Please join me in giving the Jefferson Civic Leadership Academy a typical warm Senate welcome.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guests of Senator Laughlin please rise so the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR SCOTT F. MARTIN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Senator Martin.

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I rise this morning to introduce a special guest from my district, Andrew Welk. Andrew is a school director with the Lampeter-Strasburg School District, a career firefighter and paramedic, and also a realtor with Berkshire Hathaway Homesale Realty. Andrew joins us today to watch the legislative process in person and plans to attend our upcoming meeting of the Committee on Education to get a better perspective for how decisions made here in Harrisburg ultimately make their way down to the local level.

Andrew is a Lancaster County native, being born and raised in Quarryville, and currently lives in West Lampeter Township with his wife, Rachel, and their three children: Landon; Leona; and Adaline. I have appreciated the opportunity to spend time with him today and thank him for his ongoing service to my community back home. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in giving our traditional warm welcome to Andrew Welk.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guest of Senator Martin please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR VINCENT J. HUGHES PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, I am pleased to introduce our summer Penn State public policy intern, Kayla Clare. Kayla is a rising junior at Penn State Harrisburg, where she is double majoring in political science and American studies. She has made the dean's list over the past 4 semesters and has maintained a 3.9 grade point average, all while working full time in support of herself. Kayla is originally from East Stroudsburg but came to Penn State Harrisburg with the hope of working in State government. Having lost her father, a veteran, at a young age, she and her seven siblings were raised by her single mother. From early on, Kayla knew she wanted to help others experiencing the difficulties she faced growing up.

Following her undergraduate studies, she plans to attend law school and become a prosecutor, where she hopes to bring compassion and understanding to the criminal justice system. With a passion for activism and desire to change lives for the better--Mr. President, we need to be careful about this next line here--Kayla ultimately aspires to be elected to the State legislature. In addition to criminal justice, her other legislative areas of interest include mental health access, fair labor and employee rights, and environmental protection. Mr. President, I ask this body to recognize, if it will, Kayla Clare, our summer Penn State public policy intern.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guest of Senator Hughes please rise to so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN I. KANE PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Kane.

Senator KANE. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize members of my staff who have a great impact on the 9th Senatorial District, our district office interns, Tanner Chastain and Thomas Hanna. First, we will start with one who is leaving us today. It is my honor to introduce Tanner. Tanner just graduated from West Chester University in May with a bachelor of arts in sociology and a 3.5 GPA. I am not sure I am supposed to share this on the Senate floor, but my chief of staff told me in private that Tanner graduated with a higher GPA than he did. Tanner was involved in many tasks, ranging from constituent letters to drafting legislation that will improve the quality of life for residents in the 9th Senatorial District. Tanner is such a hard worker that he even participated in our office's volunteer day, where he helped make repairs to a constituent's home who was in need. That day, he got a front row seat of me digging a ditch like I was a plumber on a job site. From the pen to the paintbrush, Tanner, you brought value to the 9th Senatorial District, and we wish you well in all of your future endeavors. Do not forget about us when you make it big time.

Now, it is my honor to introduce our other intern, Thomas, who is currently enrolled at West Chester University working towards his B.A. in political science with a concentration in international relations. Thomas has quickly revealed himself as a detailed-oriented young man who can problem solve at a high level. Thomas has been a go-to person in our office for research and examining bills. So, if anyone has an issue with my voting record, take it up with Thomas. Obviously I am kidding, but on a serious note, the folks in the 9th Senatorial District know that Thomas is going places, and my office is better for having him with us. I can honestly say that our office would not be where it is today without the dedication and bright ideas from Tanner and Thomas, and I just want to take a moment to congratulate them. At a time when their peers are likely staying out late and waking up in the afternoon, these two have been trying to make their community a better place, and we should all admire that.

In my office, we try to make our office intern program a little bit more than just sealing envelopes and answering phone calls. I came from the plumber's union, where we relied on apprentices to do real work because we knew that one day the training wheels had to come off, and I wanted our program to look similar. That is why I entrusted this whole program to our brilliant constituent service director, Nancy Love. In my office, we are lucky because Nancy is the absolute best. Period. Not only has she been an outstanding mentor to Tanner and Thomas, Nancy took this job not having worked in government before and had to start in the midst of a global pandemic. I cannot go anywhere in my district without someone mentioning to me how much they enjoyed their experience with our office and how thankful they are we could serve them. My response is always the same: I am just glad we have Nancy. Outside of the office, Nancy has a passion for organizing

working people. She is the owner of one of the most amazing cats in the Commonwealth and was recently named a producer on a new film, which she also plays a minor role in. After the budget gets wrapped up, our office is going to screen it together. I know I am biased, but I am sure that the constituents of the 9th Senatorial District have benefited from these three and their work for the district. So from the bottom of my heart, thank you.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guests of Senator Kane please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR ELISABETH J. BAKER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Luzerne, Senator Baker.

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, I, too, am pleased to introduce an intern for my office, Jonathan Raspen of Harveys Lake in Luzerne County, who is serving as the intern in my Dallas district office. He is the son of Renee and Brett Raspen. Jonathan is a graduate of Lake-Lehman High School and has recently completed his junior year at Temple University, where he is majoring in political science with a minor in criminal justice. I have known Jonathan's family for many years; they are solid and very well-respected members of our community. His late grandfather, Raymond Hillman, was the commandant of our American Legion at Harveys Lake and a very special friend to my predecessor, Senator Charles Lemmond. Jonathan learned service at an early age from his parents and his grandfather, and I am pleased to help encourage his interest in government and public service. Working in our Senate office will give him the chance to apply his classroom lessons to real-world problem solving and constituent services. He has already witnessed firsthand the volume and variety of inquiries and requests that are received on a daily basis in the district office. Today is Jonathan's opportunity to attend various meetings here throughout the Capitol, as well as witness Senate Session from the gallery. I am delighted that he is here with us today. In his spare time, Jonathan enjoys fishing, hiking, biking, and I think he also likes chocolate chip cookies. So, please join me in offering a warm Senate welcome to my summer intern, Jonathan Raspen.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Would the guest of Senator Baker please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Pittman has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER SENATOR CHARLES TIMOTHY SHAFFER

SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators HUTCHINSON, BROWNE, FONTANA, GEBHARD, BARTOLOTTA, BOSCOLA, DUSH, CORMAN, LAUGHLIN, ARGALL, MENSCH, SCHWANK, GORDNER, COMITTA, COSTA, BAKER, PITTMAN, J. WARD and ROBINSON, by unanimous consent, offered **SR 314**, entitled:

A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and achievements of the Honorable Charles Timothy Shaffer and expressing heartfelt condolences to his many family members, friends and colleagues.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Charles Timothy Shaffer, a former member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, who represented the 21st Senatorial District from 1981 to 1996, passed away on May 3, 2022, at 76 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Affectionately known to his family members and friends as Tim, Senator Shaffer was born in Butler on October 2, 1945, and was the son of the late John S. and Jean (Kaufman) Shaffer and brother of the late John Stephen Shaffer; and

WHEREAS, A seventh-generation, lifelong resident of Prospect Borough and a 1963 graduate of Slippery Rock Area School District, Senator Shaffer received his bachelor's degree in 1966 from The Pennsylvania State University and then graduated from Duquesne University School of Law in 1973 after earning his Juris Doctorate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer had a license to practice law in all Pennsylvania Courts and the United States Court of Appeals, Third Circuit, and he worked at Dillon McCandless King Coulter and Graham, LLP, in Butler from 1997 until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Prior to his extensive law career, Senator Shaffer was known as 1st Lieutenant Shaffer, having honorably served his country in the United States Army from 1967 to 1970 in Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, In 1969, while serving as platoon leader in the United States Signal Corps, he was awarded the Bronze Star; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer continued his time of service after returning from Vietnam, serving as Butler County Solicitor from 1976 to 1978; and

WHEREAS, After Senator Shaffer's service in the State Senate, he was nominated and sworn in on May 17, 2010, as a Butler County Magisterial District Judge and served until his retirement in December 2015; and

WHEREAS, While Senator Shaffer served his State and country, he also continued to serve his communities through many organizations; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion and supported the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer was a member of the Unionville Grange, from which he received a 25-year award; the Historic Harmony, Inc., Board of Directors; the Christopher Gist Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution; the ARC of Butler County's Board of Directors; the Boy Scouts of America, Moraine Trails Council, which awarded him the Distinguished Citizen Award for Service to Youth; the Brady Paul Memorial Lodge No. 54 of the Fraternal Order of Police, of which he was an associate member; the Prospect Area Preservation Society; the William H. Miller Lodge No. 769; and various fraternal organizations; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer had a kind heart and was always very generous to his local fire departments, churches, food pantries, 4H clubs, FFA chapters, Rotary clubs, Boy Scouts of America troops, Special

Olympics events, Big Brothers/Big Sisters organizations, the Leukemia Society, addiction centers, the Butler County Association for the Blind, the Butler County Symphony, VOICE, the Visiting Nurses Association of Western Pennsylvania and the Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Senator Shaffer is also remembered for his generous contribution of \$1 million to the Butler County Community College registered nursing program; and

WHEREAS, As a member of the Senate, Senator Shaffer served as Chair of the Community and Economic Development Committee, Vice Chair of the Urban Affairs and Housing and Judiciary Committees and a member of the Aging and Youth, Appropriations, Banking and Insurance, Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, Law and Justice and State Government Committees, and he was a member of the Senate Impachment Committee of Justice Rolf Larsen in 1994; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of the Honorable Charles Timothy Shaffer and express heartfelt condolences to his many family members, friends and colleagues.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Senator Hutchinson.

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I rise to offer a few further remarks celebrating the impactful life and to mark the passing of former Senator Tim Shaffer. As you heard in the condolence resolution, Senator Shaffer's life and career reflected his love of his country and the love of his community. In addition to being a Senator, he was a military veteran, judge, and attorney, as well as a mentor, role model, and friend. He was a proud son of Butler County, and as you heard, he was actively engaged in improving and serving his community to the very end.

Senator Shaffer was first elected to the Senate in 1980, and at that time, the 21st Senatorial District included Butler County, as well as parts of Clarion, Lawrence, and Venango Counties. I can truly attest that Senator Shaffer was beloved by his constituents as the undaunted champion of their values and priorities. He was extremely active, visible, and accessible in our community. Among so many charitable and civic organizations which Senator Shaffer championed, he always had a special place in his heart for Butler County Community College. In 2018, in gratitude of his extremely generous personal philanthropy, Butler County Community College established the Shaffer School of Nursing and Allied Health.

On a personal note, I met Tim Shaffer 8 years before I was elected to the House in 1992. We would meet at community events in the early 1980s, and I never dreamed at that time that I would end up in the legislature serving with him. As I began my Harrisburg journey, he helped me learn the ropes and gave me good advice: professional; political; and personal. He was the epitome of a leader, and he was someone who I always looked up to. Former Senator Tim Shaffer was called home on May 3, 2022, leaving behind a legacy of service, dedication, and love of his prospect, Pennsylvania, his community, and his nation. He was an unwavering voice for western Pennsylvania values, and he will be sorely missed. Godspeed, my friend.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, on behalf of my colleagues, the Senate Democratic Caucus, we, too, want to extend our sympathies to the Shaffer family. While I personally never had the opportunity to serve with the Senator--I came as he was leaving in 1996--I can vividly remember the conversations that I had with some of our predecessors who had the opportunity to work with Senator Shaffer, particularly those from western Pennsylvania. I can think of Senator Bodack, Senator Belan, Senator LaValle, and so many others, who communicated to us what a good person the Senator was. I think that is what is important, that we recognize, as my colleague from Venango County indicated, his compassion for many programs. Particularly, what I learned about, when it occurred, as a trustee to the Community College of Allegheny County and as a graduate, somebody who recognizes and values how important and significant that was to that particular community, I was really taken aback of his generosity, along those lines. We have had many good men and women who have come through here over the years, and there is no question that the good Senator was one of those folks who, I think, left a legacy and a mark on this body in terms of his reputation with our colleagues both here in the Senate, but also back home in our community. While he was a Butler County person--we were from Allegheny County--I think the working relationship on behalf of everyone in western Pennsylvania, as was indicated by the gentleman who previously spoke, just a good person. We want to extend our sympathies to the family; and looking forward to working with the family and some of the causes that Senator Shaffer had started to work on.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All those in favor of the condolence resolution will please rise for a moment of silence. Staff and guests will also please rise.

(Whereupon, the Senate en bloc stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of the Honorable CHARLES TIMOTHY SHAFFER.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER. With the demonstration of a moment of silence, the Chair declares the resolution unanimously adopted.

RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Senator Hutchinson.

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Education to be held in the Rules room, followed by a meeting of the Republican Caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus room.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber at the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee on Education.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Education 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 PRESIDING OFFICER. The time of recess having expired, the Senate will come to order.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Browne and Senator Mastriano have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. 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.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations to be held here on the floor, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Tomlinson and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Aument.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Tomlinson and Senator Yudichak, and a legislative leave for Senator Aument. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 447 (Pr. No. 448) (Rereported)

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 imposition of tax.

SB 569 (Pr. No. 606) (Rereported)

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

SB 617 (Pr. No. 694) (Rereported)

An Act providing for family and medical leave for eligible employees.

SB 691 (Pr. No. 827) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in organization and jurisdiction of courts of common pleas, further providing for courts of common pleas.

SB 771 (Pr. No. 1589) (Rereported)

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.

SB 1083 (Pr. No. 1546) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, in compensation, further providing for ineligibility for compensation; and, in shared-work program, further providing for shared-work plan requirements, for effective period of shared-work plan and for participating employer responsibilities.

SB 1100 (Pr. No. 1436) (Rereported)

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

SB 1105 (Pr. No. 1763) (Amended) (Rereported)

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

SB 1283 (Pr. No. 1745)

An Act providing for funding for State-related universities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, for costs basis, for frequency of payments and for recordkeeping requirements; imposing a duty on the Auditor General; providing for financial statements, for the Agricultural College Land Scrip Fund and for restrictions; and making appropriations.

SB 1284 (Pr. No. 1746)

A Supplement to the act of April 1, 1863 (P.L.213, No.227), entitled "An act to accept the grant of Public Lands, by the United States, to the several states, for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges," making an appropriation from a restricted account within the Agricultural College Land Scrip Fund.

HB 1868 (Pr. No. 2652) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for military and veterans' licensure.

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

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

SB 1100 (Pr. No. 1436) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act to provide appropriations from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; to provide appropriations from special funds and accounts to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive and Judicial Departments for the fiscal year July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator HUGHES. Mr. President, for the purpose of the Members, as we have done this in years past, this is a vote that is essentially just a process vote. We are attempting to get all budget-related matters in position so that when we have reached a final agreement, everything is structurally in place so that we can execute that agreement posthaste. So, this is a process vote, and I just want to inform Members that is what we are voting on right now.

And the question recurring,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-1

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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.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 447 (Pr. No. 448) -- 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, further providing for imposition of tax.

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

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 322 (Pr. No. 330) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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 358, SB 457, SB 669, SB 676, HB 723, SB 745 and **SB 775** -- 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 811 (Pr. No. 996) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

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

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.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 871 (Pr. No. 1079) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for mandatory reporting and postmortem investigation of deaths, for establishment of Statewide database, for access to information in Statewide database, for information in Statewide database, for disposition and expunction of unfounded reports and general protective services reports, for disposition of founded and indicated reports, for expunction of information of perpetrator who was under 18 years of age when child abuse was committed and for release of information in confidential reports, providing for exchange of information for placement, further providing for amendment or expunction of information, for investigating performance of county agency, for employees having contact with children and adoptive and foster parents, for audits by Attorney General, for reports to Governor and General Assembly, for penalties, for services for prevention, investigation and treatment of child abuse, for reports to department and coroner, for investigation of reports, for voluntary or court-ordered services and findings of child abuse and for evidence in court proceedings; and making editorial changes.

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

SB 871 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 871, Printer's No. 1079, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 907 and SB 956 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 967 (Pr. No. 1266) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Women, Infants and Children State Advisory Board.

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

SB 967 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 967, Printer's No. 1266, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 972 and SB 993 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 996 (Pr. No. 1617) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for access to long-term care facilities for members of the clergy, for additional safety requirements for residents, for suspension of access for members of the clergy and for personal protective equipment for members of the clergy.

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

HB 996 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 996, Printer's No. 1617, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1032, SB 1052, SB 1093 and SB 1147 -- 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 1159 (Pr. No. 1507) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1988 (P.L. 1262, No. 156), known as the Local Option Small Games of Chance Act, in club licenses, further providing for distribution of proceeds.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I appreciate my colleagues' support on Senate Bill No. 1159, which will act as a lifeline for our local clubs and service organizations within our communities. Whether it is our VFWs, American Legions, Moose clubs, or fire department clubs, all of them provide such an amazing service for our local communities in donating money to our local charities, but right now they need help. As we know, many of these organizations--their restaurants and everything--were closed down the past 2 years due to the pandemic. Also, they were unable to raise money through their local small games of chance, with raffles and things like that.

So what this would do is extend Act 118 of 2020 to allow these service organizations to use all of their proceeds from the small games of chance for their local expenses, whether it is capital issues that they are having--a new roof--or expenses and so forth. Right now, they need this legislation. It is a lifeline to help them remain in our communities and provide the valuable resources that they do for our local charities. It extends this to the end of December so that they can use the money for their local expenses. So, again, to my colleagues, I appreciate their support for this legislation.

Thank you, Mr. President.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Yudichak has returned, and his 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-49

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

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1173 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL AMENDED

SB 1199 (Pr. No. 1606) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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.

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

Senator ROBINSON offered the following amendment No. A4718:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by inserting after "for": definitions and for
Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by inserting after "body": ; and making editorial changes
Amend Bill, page 1, lines 7 through 10, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. The definition of "port district" in section 2 of the act of December 14, 1992 (P.L.818, No.133), known as the Port of Pittsburgh Commission Act, is amended to read:

Section 2. Definitions.

The following words and phrases when used in this act shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

* * *

"Port district." The combined geographical territory of the Counties of Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Blair, Butler, Cambria Clarion, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Washington and Westmoreland.

* * *

Section 2. Section 3(b)(2) and (d) of the act are amended and subsection (b) is amended by adding paragraphs to read:

Amend Bill, page 5, by inserting between lines 6 and 7:

(d) Public meetings and records.--The commission shall be subject to the act of [June 21, 1957 (P.L.390, No.212), referred to] February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, and [the act of July 3, 1986 (P.L.388, No.84), known as the Sunshine Act] 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 7 (relating to open meetings).

Section 3. Section 13(b) of the act is amended to read:

Section 13. Interest of officers and employees.

* * *

(b) Restricted activities and financial interests.--The provisions of the act of July 19, 1957 (P.L.1017, No.451), known as the State Adverse Interest Act, and [the act of October 4, 1978 (P.L.883, No.170), referred to as the Public Official and Employee Ethics Law] 65 Pa.C.S. Ch. 11 (relating to ethics standards and financial disclosure), are hereby made specifically applicable to members and officers and employees of the commission. For the purposes of application of such acts, employees of the commission shall be regarded as public employees of the Commonwealth, and members and officers of the commission shall be regarded as public officials of the Commonwealth, whether or not they receive compensation.

* * *

Amend Bill, page 5, line 7, by striking out "2" and inserting:

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Robinson.

Senator ROBINSON. Mr. President, this amendment adds Cambria County to the legislation and makes a technical change to update the statute citations to Pennsylvania's primary public access laws, Sunshine Act, and Right-to-Know Law. I ask for a favorable vote.

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 ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1208 (Pr. No. 1620) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

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

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.

SB 1237 (Pr. No. 1654) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

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-48

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

NAY-1

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

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 118, SB 152, SB 225, SB 297, HB 333, SB 527, SB 692, SB 718, SB 749 and HB 773 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

SB 822 (Pr. No. 1001) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for museum unclaimed loaned property.

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 ON SECOND CONSIDERATION,
AMENDED AND REREFERRED

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

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

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?

Senator LAUGHLIN offered the following amendment No. A4436:

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 9 through 18; page 2, lines 1 through 20; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

(a) Authorization.--A city of the second class A or city of the third class may authorize an electric low-speed scooter pilot program within the boundaries of the city of the second class A or city of the third class. In order to authorize the pilot program under this subsection, a city of the second class A or city of the third class shall adopt an ordinance to implement the pilot program. Upon adopting an ordinance to implement the pilot program, the city of the second class A or city of the third class shall notify the department.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 21, by striking out "(c)" and inserting:

(b)

Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by inserting after "subchapter.":

An electric low-speed scooter may only be operated in a city of the second class A or city of the third class where a limited fleet of electric low-speed scooters are provided by a commercial electric scooter enterprise as determined by the city of the second class A or city of the third class. An electric low-speed scooter may only be operated on a pedal-cycle lane on a roadway or a pedalcycle path within the boundaries of a city of the second class A or city of the third class. A city of the second class A or city of the third class, in consultation with the property owner, may adopt an ordinance to authorize the operation of an electric low-speed scooter in any other location not specified in this subsection within the boundaries of the city of the second class A or city of the third class.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 26, by striking out "(d)" and inserting:

(c)

Amend Bill, page 2, line 27, by striking out "16" and inserting:

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Amend Bill, page 3, line 3, by striking out "(e)" and inserting:

(d)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 7, by striking out "(f)" and inserting:

(e)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 17, by striking out "(g)" and inserting:

(f)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 21, by striking out "(h)" and inserting:

(g)

Amend Bill, page 3, line 26, by striking out the period after "powers" and inserting:

under section 6109 (relating to specific powers of department and local authorities).

(h) Safety issues.--When a pilot program includes the use of a highway owned or under the jurisdiction of the department, the department may restrict access, permanently or temporarily, to the highway for the pilot program when a safety issue has been identified by the department that cannot be reasonably corrected. The department shall establish a process to evaluate a safety issue under this subsection, including the evaluation of damage to property on the highway owned or under the jurisdiction of the department. The department shall also establish a mechanism to communicate a safety issue under this subsection to the local authority and commercial electric scooter enterprise prior to restricting access, permanently or temporarily, to the highway owned or under the jurisdiction of the department for the pilot program.

Amend Bill, page 3, line 29, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 4, line 1, by striking out the period after "scooters" and inserting:

, which may include, but not be limited to, approved and restricted deployment locations, approved and restricted parking locations, data sharing and reporting and education and awareness.

Amend Bill, page 4, line 2, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 4, line 19, by striking out "A" and inserting:

Within six months after authorizing a pilot program, a

Amend Bill, page 4, line 20, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 4, line 21, by inserting after "prepare":

an interim report evaluating the deployment of electric low-speed scooters under the pilot program. The city of the second class A or city of the third class, in coordination with the department, shall also prepare

Amend Bill, page 4, line 21, by striking out "micro-mobility"

Amend Bill, page 4, lines 22 and 23, by striking out "micro-mobility"

Amend Bill, page 4, line 23, by striking out "report" and inserting: reports

Amend Bill, page 5, line 5, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 5, line 22, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 5, line 26, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 6, line 3, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 6, line 12, by striking out "AND" and inserting: or city of the

Amend Bill, page 6, by inserting between lines 22 and 23:

"Pilot program." An electric low-speed scooter pilot program authorized by a city of the second class A or city of the third class.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

YEA-48

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

NAY-1

DiSanto

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

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

It was 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, as amended, was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 895, SB 965 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 1029 (Pr. No. 1732) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for mandatory in-person meetings for Commonwealth government and its agencies, including independent agencies.

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 1035, HB 1041, HB 1103, SB 1127, SB 1175, SB 1180, SB 1182 and SB 1209 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 1213 (Pr. No. 1273) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions relating to home rule and optional plan government, further providing for definitions, providing for appointment of government study commission in distressed municipality and further providing for first meeting of commission, for function and duty of commission, for hearings and public forums, for report of findings and recommendations, for limitation on enactment of ordinance or filing of petition and for limitation on municipal powers.

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 1226, SB 1228, SB 1255, SB 1265, HB 1500 and HB 1594 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 1694 (Pr. No. 2324) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 2, 1966 (1965 P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," further providing for definitions, for duty to keep premises safe and warning and for assurance of safe premises and duty of care and responsibility and liability.

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 1866 and HB 1947 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL OVER IN ORDER AND LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 2044 (Pr. No. 2352) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, in the Secretary of the Commonwealth, further providing for powers and duties of the Secretary of the Commonwealth; and, in county boards of elections, further providing for powers and duties of county boards.

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2075-- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION,
AMENDED AND REREFERRED

HB 2097 (Pr. No. 3191) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency medical services system, further providing for basic life support ambulances.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?
Senator STEFANO offered the following amendment No. A4490:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 13, by inserting after "requirements":
at the time of transport

Amend Bill, page 2, line 13, by striking out "when responding to a call"

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the amendment?
It was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration, as amended?

It was 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, as amended, was rereferred to the Committee on Appropriations.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 2116, HB 2214, HB 2401, HB 2419 and HB 2420 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

MOTION TO PROCEED TO SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS TO CALL UP DISCHARGE RESOLUTION No. 1, DEFEATED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move that Discharge Resolution No. 1, discharging the Committee on Judiciary from further consideration of Senate Bill No. 88, Printer's No. 62, be called up for consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Costa moves that Discharge Resolution No. 1 on today's Calendar be considered as a special order of business. For the information of the Members, debate on this motion is very limited. Debate is not on the merits of the resolution or the underlying bill, rather, debate is limited to whether to take up the discharge resolution.

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

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

Senator CAPPELLETTI. Mr. President, I stand in support of this motion to consider the discharge resolution. When we start each Session, we agree to a set of rules, and I would say those rules are largely determined by the Majority party, whatever the Majority might be. The way they have continuously been written--and my guess is throughout the history of this Chamber in Harrisburg--is that it has been set that the Majority party really gets to control what moves when and how, with limited reasons as to why we might work together on bipartisan issues. There are bills that sit in committees today that have significant bipartisan support but the committee chair--whichever committee it might be, the Leader of the party, whichever party it might be--does not fit into an agenda? I do not know. To be quite frank, it continues to just sit there, despite the fact that it is sound policy, with overwhelming bipartisan support, that we know our people want to see. In this moment, we are considering a discharge resolution at a time when we are seeing a huge increase in the epidemic of gun violence. That is something that we have put out there as a party that we have been supportive of addressing for a long time. But because the way the rules are written, despite the fact that there is bipartisan support on this specific issue, we have no other choice but to look to a discharge resolution to get our bills; bills that have bipartisan support; bills that overwhelmingly Pennsylvanians want to see us pass; we have to do this. This is the only way. This is the only way we can get something done as Democrats in this Chamber.

So, I am asking you to support bringing it to the floor. Take a vote on it. If you truly believe that your policies on that issue are

the right thing, then you will vote the way you vote, and it is what it is, and your constituents will hold you responsible. But until then, this is the only way we do it, because you are not taking that vote. You are not taking that hard stand; you are simply saying I motion not to discuss it. No, thank you. I do not want to deal with this issue. We are asking you, begging you, bring it to a vote. We cannot get it out of committee any other way. The rules do not let us. This is it; this is all we have. We could be doing this on a lot of other issues, but we have chosen, right now, gun violence, because you have seen, day in and day out, the way it ravages many cities. You have seen over the course of 2 to 3 weeks, how many mass shootings, babies, children, who you purport to care about, are dead--

POINT OF ORDER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Speaker will suspend.

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

Senator K. WARD. Point of order, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. State your point.

Senator K. WARD. My colleague has gone beyond the scope of the special order of business.

So the Chair would just admonish the speaker to continue to stay on that vein and not on the subject matter of the underlying bill. The speaker may continue.

Senator CAPPELLETTI. Mr. President, my point simply is this: we are in the Minority. We have bipartisan solutions to problems that are facing our constituents every day, but we have no means to get those policy issues here if the Leadership of the other side does not agree to it. This is the only remedy we have, and we will not stop bringing it to a head until we do something because there is bipartisan support. There is bipartisan support for many issues, but right now this is one that is at a critical mass, and I implore you to please do the right thing. If you truly believe a vote against the underlying bill is the right thing to do, bring it to the floor, vote "no" on it, and it gets shot down. That is the worst that can happen.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For the information of the Members, on the motion, an "aye" vote is in support of the special order of business to call up the discharge resolution. A "no" vote is in opposition to the motion to call up the discharge resolution as a special order of business.

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

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

YEA-21

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

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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

Senator MARTIN, from the Committee on Education, reported the following resolution:

House Concurrent Regulatory Review Resolution No. 1

Disapproving the Department of Education regulations (#6-349) on charter schools and cyber charter schools.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The resolution will be placed on the Calendar.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 831, SB 1193, SB 1194, SB 1203, SB 1227, SB 1229, SB 1251, SB 1283, SB 1284, HB 803, HB 2148, HB 2426 and HB 2447.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA
COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022

9:30 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (to consider Senate Bill No. 1201)	Room 8E-B East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)
10:00 A.M.	TRANSPORTATION (to consider Senate Bill No. 1049; and House Bills No. 1571, 2139 and 2216)	Room 461 Main Capitol
10:30 A.M.	URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING (to consider Senate Bills No. 1135, 1254 and 1282; and House Bills No. 2209 and 2210)	Room 8E-A East Wing (LIVE STREAMED)

Off the Floor

RULES AND EXECUTIVE
NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 915; and certain Executive Nominations)

Senate Chamber
(LIVE
STREAMED)

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Senator Mastriano.

Senator MASTRIANO. Mr. President, on this day in 1775 the Continental Army was founded, a great day for America. Now it is the United States Army, and what a rich legacy it has. On this day in 1777 our Stars and Stripes were recognized and credited to Betsy Ross--what a rich legacy. Ten of the founding companies of our modern U.S. Army, then Continental Army, come out of Pennsylvania and, obviously, our own flag out of Philadelphia. I think it is important that we recognize and commemorate such occasions to remember the sacrifice and rich history that we have in our nation, an absolutely superb history, but it came at a great cost and price. We think about the painting over there with George Washington on the left side of our wall here on 11 September 1777, marching off to Brandywine to fight the British; a battle that would be lost and would result in the capture of our Capital of Philadelphia. The struggle of freedom would go on for many years, and although losing more battles than he won, George Washington, with the Continental Army/United States Army, would go on to achieve victory with some good help from our French allies and Lafayette. But the cost of freedom, of course, over the centuries, has come with a high price and sacrifice. We see on the wall in front of me here, of course, what happened in Gettysburg, and it is commemorated on the wall here--Abraham Lincoln giving his address a few months after the Battle of Gettysburg. It is depicted where he gave his speech on 19 November 1863, and his words on the wall here from his Gettysburg Address echo across the generations to us today, where Lincoln reminds us, "It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated [here] to the unfinished work." On such occasions as the birthday of the United States Army and Flag Day, both corresponding, they remember the sacrifice that came. At the Battle of Gettysburg--the anniversary is coming up here shortly--the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd of July, 1863, the bloodiest battle in North America, with great casualties and high costs, we remember the words of Colonel Strong Vincent from Erie, Pennsylvania, as he was going towards Little Round Top on 2 July 1863, and it looked like we were going to lose. His words to the captain to his right were, I can think no better way to die than die defending Pennsylvania. Strong Vincent from Erie, Pennsylvania, would lose his life on Little Round Top rallying the 16th Michigan as they were being routed by the 4th and 5th Texas during that bloody, terrible day. The legacy and contribution of Pennsylvania on Flag Day and founding of the United States Army, I think it is key to remember all the sacrifice. We think about the sacrifice in a wheat field in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Over 7,000 casualties over the course of several hours, and they say you could walk across that wheat field on the lines of men without touching the ground.

Over there was where another hero lost his life. His name was Colonel Jeffords from Michigan. He received a new battle flag from his governor in Michigan a few weeks before the Battle of Gettysburg. Governor Blair presented him the flag in a great patriotic ceremony. Old Glory flying, he promised Colonel Jeffords of Michigan, saying I pledge with my life to defend this flag. On

2 July 1863, in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Colonel Jeffords' flag would be captured, and when he saw the flag in Confederate hands he cried out to his men and his brother to take the flag back. He led the charge, seizing the flag from the Confederates, throwing it over his shoulder to the men behind him. He was bayoneted through both kidneys, and his dying words on the wheat field in Gettysburg were calling to see his mom one more time. We think about this legacy and contribution. We think about the First World War, where our own 28th Infantry Division served with such glory and magnificence, and they are our National Guard, the best National Guard division there is in the nation. During the Battle of Meuse-Argonne, 26 September 1918, they liberated Verdun, a town held by the Germans for 4 years and the town that the French could not take in 4 years of fighting. Our boys in the 28th, old Keystone Division, broke through the Argonne Forest, a forest held by the Germans for 4 years, and at a cost of 150,000 casualties. We were unable to break the German hold of it. The sacrifice during the Meuse-Argonne campaign lasted 47 days of the First World War. There were about 20,000 casualties a week by the Americans alone; so much sacrifice. So, on this day, as we reflect upon the legacy of our great flag together with the birthday of our great Army here, the cost of freedom was never free. They go through the generations and a legacy of so many wars and conflicts, and so many of our men and women sent across the seas and around the world to defend the cause of freedom. All of that was started here in Philadelphia in 1776, where the light of liberty was lit and, of course, a new birth of freedom in Gettysburg in 1863 and going through World War II, the global conflict; Korea, Vietnam, the Cold War, Desert Storm, Somalia, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Iraq. I think it is a great day to reflect upon where our flag has gone, freedom has followed, but that sort of freedom came at great cost. So, with that I wish the United States Army a happy birthday as well as our flag a happy birthday. Thank you, and God bless America.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Senator Devlin Robinson) in the Chair.

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, I rise because today marks 5,819 days since our Commonwealth's legislature last passed an increase in our minimum wage. Our legislature's continued failure to act on increasing the minimum wage is not just a failure in legislation, it is a moral failure that we still, to this day, have Members in this body and the House who refuse to act and pass substantive minimum wage reform that would provide an economic boost to hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvania's lowest paid workers at a time when they need it most.

Mr. President, it is no secret inflation is hurting families across the country, but the inflation we are all seeing and feeling is exponentially more impactful and hurtful to the hundreds of thousands of Pennsylvanians who are making at or near our poverty-level minimum wage and have not had a raise from the Pennsylvania legislature in 16 years. It is unconscionable that we continue to fail Pennsylvania's minimum-wage workers.

Mr. President, right now, Senate Bill No. 12 is sitting in the Committee on Labor and Industry, waiting for a vote. We must bring it out of the committee now, put it up for a final vote, and,

finally, after 16 years, provide relief to the workers who need it most. We have the chance, right now, to act and pass meaningful reform and support our Commonwealth's lowest earners. As we come in here week after week to discuss how to spend and invest billions of dollars across the State, we need to address and discuss how we can invest in our workers. This is the time; now, Mr. President. We have the resources; we have the legislation; let us have the heart.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Mercer, Senator Brooks.

Senator BROOKS. Mr. President, I also rise in recognition of Flag Day. It is the symbol of the land of the free and home of the brave. To those who see it, our flag represents hope and freedom; a symbol of all that is good in this world. I thank our brave heroes who have died for the symbol of our flag and the freedom and liberties that we enjoy in our country.

Thank you, Mr. President.

HOUSE MESSAGE

SENATE BILL RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 915**, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to Senate Rule 13(c)(2)(i), the bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

RECESS

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 5:24 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.