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# **SENATE**

WEDNESDAY, October 26, 2022

The Senate met at 10:30 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

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

#### **PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Reverend DR. AIDSAND F. WRIGHT-RIGGINS III, of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Spring House, offered the following prayer:

Would you pray with me?

Thou of grace and thou of glory, on these servants pour Your power. Grant them wisdom; grant them courage for the facing of this hour. May not one among them tremble, stumble, neglect, nor cower. While the hounds of hell surround them, scorning the weak and dismissing the frayed from the fears that bind and haunt them, free their hearts towards hope and grace. Grant them vision, grant them valor, for the living of these days. Oh, God, cure us from all warring madness. Bend our pride to Your control. Tame our wanton, selfish habits--rich in things, but poor in soul. Grant them wisdom, grant them courage, lest they miss Your kingdom's goal. Save them from weak resignation to the harms we so deplore. Let the gifts of health and wholeness be their aim forevermore. Oh, God, grant them wisdom, grant them courage, serving You, whom we adore. Yes, serving You, whom we adore. Amen.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair thanks Reverend Dr. Wright-Riggins III, who is the guest today of Senator Muth.

# PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

# **HOUSE MESSAGES**

# HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to **HB 1795** and **HB 2637**.

#### HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate SB 731, SB 807, SB 1173, SB 1199 and SB 1201 with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

# APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair wishes to announce the President pro tempore has made the following appointment:

Senator Camera Bartolotta as a member of the Health Care Cost Containment Council.

# APPOINTMENTS BY THE MAJORITY LEADER

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

Senator David Argall as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America 250PA Commission.

Senator Chris Gebhard as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America 250PA Commission.

Senator John Gordner as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America 250PA Commission.

Senator Wayne Langerholc as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America250PA Commission.

Senator Kristin Phillips-Hill as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America250PA Commission.

Senator Devlin Robinson as a member to the Infrastructure Improvements and Projects Committee of the America250PA Commission.

# APPOINTMENT BY THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair wishes to announce the Minority Leader has made the following appointment:

Mr. Christopher E. Deery to serve on the Board of the Pennsylvania Insurance Fraud Prevention Authority.

# **BILLS SIGNED**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Jacob D. Corman III) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 731, SB 736, SB 807, SB 1173, SB 1199, SB 1201, HB 121, HB 875, HB 1795, HB 2209, HB 2210, HB 2426, HB 2527, HB 2538 and HB 2637.

#### BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

# HB 1108 (Pr. No. 1147)

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in fishing licenses, further providing for exemptions from license requirements.

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator Browne, Senator Mastriano, and Senator Regan, and a legislative leave for Senator DiSanto.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Saval and Senator Anthony Williams.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks, Senator Browne, Senator Mastriano, and Senator Regan, and a legislative leave for Senator DiSanto.

Senator Costa requests legislative leaves for Senator Saval and Senator Anthony Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

# JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Journal of the Session of July 6, 2022, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of July 6, 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-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerhold		

#### NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Journal is approved.

# GUEST OF SENATOR JAY COSTA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, colleagues, I am truly honored today to be here with one of our heroes--hometown heroes--in the city of Pittsburgh and those of us from Allegheny County and southwestern PA. We certainly remember--those of us who are old enough to remember--that 50 years ago, we were--exciting game in Pittsburgh that ultimately led to what has been called now the "Immaculate Reception." Hard to believe it was 50 years ago this upcoming December 23 that that was the case. And, today, we have with us here today an integral part of that play, Franco Harris, and we are very honored to have him here today with us. I would like to just briefly provide a few remarks along those lines if I may, Mr. President. Thank you. Franco Harris was born in Fort Dix, New Jersey. His father, Carl [Cad] Harris, served in World War II and was stationed in Italy during that war, and his mother--his mom--Gina Parenti Harris, was a native Italian. While playing at Penn State for the Nittany Lions, he served primarily as a blocking back for All-American running back, Lydell Mitchell--who you may remember that person. But he led the team in scoring in 1970. In his first season with the Steelers in 1972, Franco was named the league's Rookie of the Year by The Sporting News, but also United Press International, as we know, UPI. He has certainly been a very popular person in our Italian American community and has developed a very strong fan base. In fact, during this period of time, his most prominent person as part of "Franco's Italian Army,"--created by folks like Tony Stagno, and Bob O'Connor was part of that, and so many wonderful folks were part of that in our community--but his brigadier general was Frank Sinatra, and I remember seeing a picture vividly where he was at a practice, I think, with the Steelers at one point checking out this new rookie from Pittsburgh playing for the Steelers. But over the years, he has been someone who has been involved in our community in many ways.

Franco was one of the very first Italian Americans to be named Super Bowl MVP and certainly something we are proud about. Franco was a major contributor for the Steelers and their first four Super Bowls. And let me repeat that, first four Super Bowls, and I might add 4 of 6, by the way, if anybody is listening from Philadelphia. [Laughter.]

In his 13 professional seasons, Franco Harris gained more than 12,000 yards. At the time, he finished third at the time in terms of yards--4.1 yards per carry average--and also scored 91 touchdowns. He caught 307 passes for 2,287 yards--a 7.4 average--and nine receiving touchdowns. As I mentioned, his 12,000 yardsplus ranks him 12th all-time--all time--in the NFL while 91 career rushing touchdowns ranks him 10th--tied with another Pittsburgh famous person, Jerome Bettis. As I mentioned to you, he was a key part of probably the most famous football play in NFL history. It was dubbed by Myron Cope in 1972, as I mentioned, as the "Immaculate Reception." In 1984, he received the Golden

Plate Award of the American Academy of Achievement, and in 1999 he was ranked number 83 on *The Sporting News'* list of all-time 100 greatest football players. He serves as the advisory board at Penn State's Center for Food Innovation, and in the fall of 2009 was named a Conti professor by Penn State School of Hospitality Management.

As I mentioned, Franco has been very involved in a number of entities that he has been very successful as an entrepreneur and as someone who--I can say to you as someone who has lived in Pittsburgh and grown up there--one of those folks who has given so much back to our community. He serves as the chairperson of our Heinz History Center, Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, and is an integral part of that program and the development of that program in terms of turning it into one of the most significant sports museums that we have in the country, working closely with Andy Masich and others who were here. We are very fortunate to have someone of his caliber and his commitment to the people of Pittsburgh, and he does it in a variety of ways. More recently, over the last 5 or 6 years at Bloomfield in the city of Pittsburgh, we have the Bloomfield Little Italy Days. At the Little Italy Days, we have a bocce tournament with the Italian community; representatives, elected officials from the Italian community face off against our counterparts in the Irish community. And I am happy to say that over the course of the past 5 years, along with myself and Senator Fontana, Franco and a few others successfully have defended the Mayor's Cup for the past 5 years. So, not only is he a good football player, he is an excellent, excellent bocce player. And if you happen to see some TV anytime soon, you will see him in a commercial regarding bocce.

So, ladies and gentlemen, it truly is my honor to introduce to my colleagues--and I believe Senator Kim Ward and some other folks may speak on this--to introduce to all of you--some of you may have already met him over the last half hour or so--Franco Harris.

Thank you, Franco.

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, it is really so cool as a southwestern Pennsylvanian to be able to stand here today and talk about Franco Harris. Franco Harris is the only name in Pittsburgh that is as famous as Heinz. He is a part of our culture. You know, to this day, you talk a little bit about the "Immaculate Reception," to this day, when I see a long pass happening, I automatically say it, it just automatically comes in my head. I mean, Franco Harris, you are really part of us in western Pennsylvania, and we are so, so proud to have you here on the floor. You know, I am going to talk a little bit about his history. Jay, you talked a little bit about, you know, his Italian American self, so I am going to talk about his career. So, from the beginning he was a standout football, basketball, and baseball player in high school. The values of hard work, discipline, and dedication were instilled in him by his parents at a young age. Franco Harris, that is a legend name. As the number one draft pick in the NFL from Penn State, the Steelers grabbed him. Harris had a total of 12,120 career rushing yards over 13 seasons, and for 8 of those seasons he rushed 1,000 yards with a total of 100 touchdowns. But it does not stop. He was an all-AFC choice in 1972, 1975, 1976, and 1977, and first or second team All-Pro six times. He was selected to nine Pro Bowls and played in five AFC Championships and four Super Bowls. You know, we were just talking about it last evening how that time in Pittsburgh was magic. We became the city of champions at that time. And when the Steelers won their firstever league title with the 16-6 victory over Minnesota in the Super Bowl, Harris was named the game's most valuable player. Most notably--and I think it goes without saying, we talked a little bit--he will be remembered not just as one of the greatest Steelers ever in history, and one of the greatest Penn State players, I may add, in history, but one of the most recognized as one of the greatest in NFL history. When things looked bleak for the Steelers late in the 1972 AFC Divisional Playoff game versus the Oakland Raiders at Three Rivers Stadium trailing 7-6, facing a 4th and 10 from their own 40-yard line with just 22 seconds remaining and desperately searching for the team's first ever playoff appearance, it did not look promising. While under pressure, Terry Bradshaw threw the ball in the direction of Frenchy Fuqua, and it arrived. He collided with the Raiders' safety Jack Tatum, and the ball ricocheted back, and Franco Harris miraculously scooped it out of the air and took off running for a 60-yard touchdown reception and gave the Steelers the 13-7 win, and a wild celebration ensued. I was part of that, just so you know. Without question, Franco Harris' on-the-field accomplishments are equally matched by his off-the-field accomplishments. You know, politics are what politics are. Franco Harris is a great human being, not only just a great legend, and we are so honored to have you sitting here today, but just a great human being, and I am so pleased to be part of being able to introduce you today. So let us please give Franco Harris a big warm Senate welcome, the Pittsburgh way.

[Applause.]

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair now invites Franco Harris to the rostrum.

Mr. HARRIS. Thank you, thank you, thank you very much, thank you, Senators. Boy, this is quite an honor, and it is hard to believe 50 years ago, how incredible is that. And I do want to say that, you know, you talk about my accomplishments, but I want to say we had a great team, and football is the ultimate team sport. And I just want to thank my teammates and, boy, you should, you know, first look at our defensive guys, right, on our team: "Mean" Joe Greene, you know, Jack "No Teeth" Lambert--you know what I mean--L.C. "Hollywood Bag" Greenwood, "Mad Dog" Dwight White; incredible. Then we go to the offensive guys, right, and we had names like: Terry, Lynn, Frenchy, you know what I mean. Boy, you know, but what a team. And so, the seventies, we had a great run; but talking about 1972 and talking about going into the playoffs, and I am a rookie, and this is the second time in the history of the Steelers that they go into a playoff game. And this game against the Oakland Raiders--of all the teams, right, the Oakland Raiders--and for 58 minutes it was a defensive battle, nothing was happening offensively. I think in the first 3 quarters there was no score. I mean, it was a tough defensive game. And then in the fourth quarter things started to happen; we got a couple of field goals, and we were ahead 6-0. So, for 58 minutes it was a defensive game, and the last 2 minutes some incredible things happened. But that is what you live for, those moments, right, moments. Moments are what makes it happen. And within that 2 minutes, Kenny Stabler scored a touchdown for the Oakland Raiders and put them ahead, and that was an incredible moment, incredible moment. And then we get the ball, it is fourth down, a long way to go, and 22 seconds on the clock. I go into the huddle

saying to myself: it is probably the last play of this season, Franco, you know, but play it to the end, play it to the end. And they called the pass pattern 66 option; I do not have an assignment on that play except to block. So, Bradshaw being the strong quarterback that he is, fighting off blockers, and he throws the ball down the field and there is this collision. I remember nothing after that [laughter], remember nothing--my mind a complete blank. But I watched it on the film, and I said: oh okay, this is, you know, so this is what happened; but I have no recollection. But, you know, we go into the locker room, right, and we are feeling good. And I go up to Brad, you know, Bradshaw, I said: Brad--I said-you know, great game, way to finish it, you know, and man great, you called that play 66 option--you know that was the play 66 option. I said: what made you call that--because Bradshaw called his own plays, and you guys know Terry. He said: well, Franco, we are in a huddle, I look at you, you are number 32, and I look at Frenchy, he is number 33, and 32 and 33 equals 66. [Laughter.] I said: good call Terry, good call.

But it goes to show you, when things are down and out, and I know the Oakland Raiders thought they were down and out, but they had this great play by Kenny Stabler that helped change the game, and that gave them that moment. And here they are thinking that, you know, we are thinking before that we had the game won right, we had the game in control, and boom, that play. And now we get to this fourth down play, and the Raiders think they have things in control, just one more play and the game is over. And so, it really goes to show you that, you know, until that clock hits zero that things can happen, and moments can happen, and what a moment. And thank you for celebrating this with me and my family, Dana and Dok, over here that--thank you for sharing this moment with us. It really means a lot. And I do want to say that, you know, we are all Pennsylvanians in the long run, even though I was born in New Jersey, you know, but spent most of my life here. And, you know, so I grew up a Phillies and Eagles fan growing up, and I want to say that it is exciting now, you know what I mean. So, in Pennsylvania, you know, having, you know, moments like this, great moments like this means a lot and, you know, so I like to embrace these moments. But if I just get back to 50 years ago, thanks for sharing this with us. Now, was anybody in here at the game? Well, okay, and thank you for the rest of you to say, you know, to really tell the truth that you were not at the game [laughter]. You know, once again, as I said, thank you for sharing this, making this day happen, and it really means a lot. Thank you.

[Applause.]

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR ROBERT M. TOMLINSON PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks, Senator Tomlinson.

Senator TOMLINSON. Mr. President, I want to introduce someone to you who is more famous than Franco Harris [laughter], or more important to me than Franco Harris. And it is indeed an honor to have Franco here and see him once again, and I told him: you missed Joe Conti by one day. And Franco worked for Joe's dad and meant a lot to Franco, and it is a shame that they

did not get here together. But someone much more important to me is my little granddaughter, Landry, and I am going to ask Landry and her mom to stand, Maddie; and her dad, Colin; and my other daughter, K.C., who was here the other day, I would like them to stand. They were supposed to be up here for my farewell comments, but Landry decided she did not want to go, so they did not get to make the trip. But today seemed to be a much better day for them all to make it here. So, I am really happy and honored and pleased to introduce all my colleagues to my grand-daughter, Landry.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR JUDY WARD PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator J. WARD. Mr. President, I do not know how you follow Landry and Franco Harris [laughing], but I am going to try. Today, I would like to welcome constituents from Blair County. We have Babette Gottshall, Peggy Karnes, Jamie Scarangella, Cathy Schimminger, and they join us today in the Senate gallery to observe today's proceedings. I am sure these ladies are enjoying the day exploring our Commonwealth's beautiful Capitol building and seeing the legislature in action. Their experience today will be one that I hope they can take back with them to the district to share with others in the community. Would you please join me in giving this wonderful group of women from my district a warm Senate welcome.

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

[Applause.]

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

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize some incredible guests sitting in the gallery today, the J.P. McCaskey Unified Track and Field Team. I want to congratulate the McCaskey Red Tornadoes for recently earning the gold in the team rankings during the 2022 Pennsylvania State Unified Track and Field Championships. For those who are unaware, students that compete with Unified Track and Field are individuals overcoming disabilities and those without partners who compete in several traditional track and field competitions. Cosponsored by the PIAA and the Special Olympics, these athletic forums allow students to participate in a competitive environment that promotes social connectivity, camaraderie, and physical activity. It is truly inspiring, and I want to also honor and congratulate the team's coaches, Brett and Nicole McCoy, for their leadership.

This victory was a result of a steady march towards success. In 2018, the team finished third in the regional meet, and in 2019 they finished second before seeing their 2020 season cancelled due to COVID-19. In 2021, they finally finished first at regionals and ultimately pulled out the win through a virtual competition

where each team held their own home meet and logged in their participants' personal scores. Mr. President, these student athletes are inspiring, and I am proud to stand here to honor their efforts. I ask my colleagues to join me in welcoming the J.P. McCaskey Unified Track and Field Team champions.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR CAROLYN T. COMITTA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator COMITTA. Mr. President, I rise today to welcome the Conestoga High School's Girls' Lacrosse Team to the Senate to celebrate their State championship win. This past year, the Conestoga Girls' Lacrosse Team won an astounding 23 out of 24 games. After a phenomenal season, the team went on to the State championship, where they earned their first State title since 2016 in a 15-7 win. While this team is fortunate to have the talents of three All-Americans, Kathryn Bielinski, Kate Galica, and Melissa Hewitt, their pathway to victory was truly a team effort.

I want to congratulate each member of the team for all your hard work and remarkable achievements. And thank you to the coaches who supported the team along the way, including head coach and coach of the year, Amy Orcutt; assistant coach, Jaclyn Klunder; and assistant coach, Elise Bendinelli. The motto of the team is the 7-C's: culture, contagious, consistent, communicate, connect, commitment, and care. These values helped bring these student athletes together and drove them to achieve success both on and off the field. Please join me in extending a warm Senate welcome to the Conestoga High School Lady Pioneers Lacrosse Team and State champs.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR JUDY SCHWANK PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, several weeks ago, I attended an event at the Department of Agriculture and met two college students who are interning with the department's Bureau of Market and Business Development this semester and invited them to join us over here in the Senate to see how we work. They are two individuals, two delightful young ladies. Leaslie Alejandres was born in York, Pennsylvania, and is a constituent of Senator Phillips-Hill. Leaslie is pursuing a degree in international business, with a minor in international studies at E-town College. Leaslie studied abroad in Granada, Spain, in her junior year of college. Her internship with PDA and the Food Export-Northeast began in October. As an international trade intern, Leaslie is researching agricultural businesses in Pennsylvania that are interested in exporting. With her marketing knowledge, she is also creating a marketing plan to promote Pennsylvania's

Agriculture in the international marketplace. Her career aspirations include working in project management and marketing for the nonprofit sector or State government.

Lauren Baatz was born and raised in Macungie, but currently resides in Harrisburg and is a constituent of Senator DiSanto. Lauren is a senior political science major at Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, and Lauren has been an active member with the Women's Leadership Initiative at St. Joe's for the last 2 years. She started her internship with the Department of Agriculture at the end of August, and it ends in the middle of December. During her internship, Lauren has worked with the Pennsylvania Preferred team, performing marketing and finance activities. In this role, Lauren has had the opportunity to connect with the PA Preferred members, where she has learned about the important role of this program in supporting our local economy and agriculture industry. Her future goals include working in local government or the nonprofit sector. Two very accomplished and amazing young ladies. Would the Senate join me in welcoming them here today? Thank you.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR SHARIF T. STREET PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I rise to welcome my fraternity brothers from the fraternity of Kappa Alpha Psi, who I believe are joined by State Representative Stephen Kinsey. Kappa Alpha Psi was founded in 1911 in [Bloomsfield], Indiana, and is going on to become one of--well, let us just be honest--it is going on to become the world's greatest fraternity known to man and God [laughing]. With an international headquarters in the city of Philadelphia, the alumni of Kappa Alpha Psi have lived out their motto of achievement in every field of human endeavor. The men of Kappa Alpha Psi today include alumni like former mayor of Philadelphia, Wilson Goode; former mayor, John Street; and many, many others. The men of Kappa Alpha Psi are dedicated to charity and mentorship. They run a mentorship program in the city of Philadelphia and run mentorship activities in almost every major city in America. Today, they are here as their Capitol lobby day, to lobby only that we do better by those most vulnerable citizens. Please welcome and join us, the men of Kappa Alpha Psi.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR KATIE J. MUTH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I rise today to extend my thanks to Reverend Aidsand Wright-Riggins from the 44th Senatorial District for offering the opening prayer for Senate Session today. Rev. "Ace" has over 40 years of community, public, and congregational service across the country. He is a pastor, he is a

professor, a civil and human rights leader, and a denominational executive. He is also a local official who serves the public in the 44th Senatorial District in Collegeville Borough. He was the first African American mayor to be elected to serve Collegeville Borough in 2017, as well as re-elected in 2021. He holds a doctorate, master's, and bachelor's of arts degrees and also has been honored with four honorary doctoral degrees. Mr. President, Rev. Ace is such a dynamic and genuine individual and a keystone to the 44th Senatorial District community. Prior to becoming a mayor, he served as the CEO of the American Baptist Home Mission Societies and Judson Press for almost 25 years. In this capacity, he provided oversight and leadership for 5,800 churches, which entailed 1.5 million people, 16 colleges, 9 seminaries, and a host of neighborhood action centers, retirement homes, and skilled nursing facilities. He also served as a pastor in California for almost 20 years and as a mission pastor of 100 congregants. He still is an ordained American Baptist clergy person as a certified grief recovery specialist and organizational consultant.

Rev. Ace is joined today in the Senate with his brilliant wife, Reverend Betty Wright-Riggins, who is also an ordained American Baptist minister and certified spiritual director. She also serves as the interim Chaplain at Ursinus College. Both Betty and Ace have three adult children and three wonderful, amazing, brilliant grandchildren. I want to say thank you to both of you for leading in our community, for inspiring and uniting our local community. I am grateful to know you; I am grateful to have you in our community; and I am grateful to represent you and serve you in the Senate. And thank you both for keeping me brave, teaching me, and reminding me to lead with courage and truth. I ask my colleagues to join me in giving Rev. Ace and Betty a warm Senate welcome. Thank you.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR RYAN P. AUMENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, it is my pleasure to introduce my guests for the day, the members of the Warwick High School Baseball Team, who won the 2022 PIAA State Class 6A baseball championship. I take great pride in being able to recognize the hard work and dedication of this team that earned this incredible honor. The Warriors captured their first State title by defeating Liberty High School 6-4 in the championship game. They further distinguished themselves during the 2022 season by capturing the PIAA District III title. Under the expert guidance of head coach, Bill Weismandel; and assistant coaches, Todd Smoker, Dan Johnson, Zach Peters, and Tyler Wentzel; as well as athletic trainer, Sheila Hershey, the team was comprised of Connor Blazek, David Woolley, Josh Zimmerman, Chase Martin, Brendan Stuhltrager, Matt Seibert, Michael Valudes, Ian Van-Brookhoven, Brady Cossette, Cody Lutz, Aaron Hess, Nick Slogik, Sawyer Martin, Tyler Marley, Seth Adomnik, Jack Martin, Chance Montgomery, Tyson Kline, Caleb Johnsen, Matthew Williams, Logan Roup, James Hample, and Ethan Zipko.

Congratulations on your incredible victory, which serves as a reminder of the value of continued commitment to excellence. Please join me in welcoming the State champion Warwick High School Baseball Team to the Pennsylvania Senate.

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

[Applause.]

# GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, we are joined today by some exceptional students from my home school district in Allegheny County, the Woodland Hills School District. Today they are here with their two instructors to learn about what we do here in government. They are led today, Mr. President, by educator, Brad Zolnak, and they are high school juniors and seniors, as I mentioned, who are studying government at this moment in time. A 17-year veteran of Woodland Hills School District, Mr. Zolnak is the social studies department coordinator, the local association vice president, and the treasurer of PSEA Western Region. He teaches AP comparative government and politics courses as well as U.S. government and politics and U.S. government and economics. And he is joined here today by his fellow teacher, Mr. David Brown, who is also a social studies teacher at Woodland Hills and also in his 17th year. These gentlemen teach an assortment of elective courses and classes including college and career readiness programs, psychology courses, and the Holocaust and genocide. He is also a co-planner of the multi-school district student summit. He is establishing a branch of LIGHT, Leadership through Innovation in Genocide and Human rights Teaching, in their district.

The students who are here with us today, Mr. President, have joined us, and they represent these classes that I just mentioned. They are juniors and seniors at Woodland Hills, all with the career advancement in terms of going on to higher education. These students are an integral part of the Woodland Hills ecosystem. They are team members from club sports, club captains, National Honor Society students, individuals who participate in Woodland Hills' award-winning musicals year-in and year-out, community activists, and many of them, Mr. President, hold part-time jobs as well.

It has been an honor to have them here with us in the Senate today to learn about the workings of State government here in Harrisburg. And I want all my colleagues to say thank you to them for joining us here today; thank you for their interest in this space; and thank you to Mr. Zolnak and Mr. Brown, and the best in their studies as they continue the remainder of the 2022-23 school year. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join these wonderful students from Woodland Hills High School who are here with us today and give them a warm Senate welcome.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

[Applause.]

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER CHIEF JUSTICE MAX BAER

#### SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators ROBINSON, COSTA, CORMAN, K. WARD, SAVAL, HUGHES, BOSCOLA, LAUGHLIN, BARTOLOTTA, MARTIN, DILLON, FONTANA, FLYNN, CAPPELLETTI, COLLETT, KANE, VOGEL, HAYWOOD, SCAVELLO, KEARNEY, MENSCH, GORDNER, ARGALL, AUMENT, COMITTA, SCHWANK, BAKER, BROWNE, TARTAGLIONE, MUTH, LANGERHOLC, GEBHARD, DiSANTO, PHILLIPS-HILL, REGAN, TOMLINSON, BROOKS, MASTRIANO, YUDICHAK, STEFANO, DUSH, HUTCHINSON, J. WARD, PITTMAN, YAW, BREWSTER and STREET, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 381, entitled:

#### A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and achievements of Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice Max Baer.

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Max Baer passed away on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 74 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was born in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, on December 24, 1947, the son of Henry "Budd" and Helen Baer; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was a 1971 graduate of the University of Pittsburgh; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer earned a juris doctorate degree in 1975 from Duquesne University and a Masters of Tax Program from Robert Morris College in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer served as a deputy attorney general for the Commonwealth from 1975 to 1980, and he was in private law practice from 1980 to 1989; and

WHEREAS, In 1989, Chief Justice Baer was elected a judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, In 1993, Chief Justice Baer was appointed Administrative Judge of the Family Division of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, In 2003, Chief Justice Baer was first elected to the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, In 2013, Chief Justice Baer was retained for a second 10-year term as Chief Justice; and

WHEREAS, In April 2021, Chief Justice Baer succeeded Chief Justice Thomas Saylor as Chief Justice; and

WHEREAS, During the past several decades, Chief Justice Baer achieved numerous accomplishments and received awards and honors on varied issues; and

WHEREAS, During Chief Justice Baer's tenure, he authored several publications and was actively involved in a number of professional associations and commissions; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer was a champion for children and families and earned national recognition for juvenile court reforms; and

WHEREAS, Chief Justice Baer is survived by his wife, Beth Baer; his two children, Benjamin (Lauren) Baer and Andrew (Tiffany) Baer; his five grandchildren; his brother, Mark (Jill) Baer; and his sister, Lisa (Curt) Cron; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice Max Baer. On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, I did not know Chief Justice Baer very well, which is to my loss. I did get to know him a little bit in the last couple of years; you know, I have always been a big proponent of getting out of this building and getting to know one another in our stories, humanizing each other so that we do not feel like we are always so competitive. And I got the chance to attend a couple of conferences with the Chief Justice and I could not have met a warmer, kinder, more brilliant man, gracious than Chief Justice Baer. We served on a panel together, and it was a little intimidating--I have got to be honest with you--when you are dealing with someone of his intellect, but he always set me up to say nice things though. But, you know, as a judge, it is important not only to be brilliant, which he was, but it is important to be kind as well and thoughtful and understanding, and he embodied all these traits and many, many more. You know, he was going to retire at the end of this year anyway, but it still seems like just a major loss to the Commonwealth. It does not seem, but is. To have someone of his respect, his brilliance, his kindness, in the position of the Chief Justice, that is a pretty important role in our Commonwealth. I believe he was the 57th Chief Justice, and to obtain that accomplishment--you know, I do not think we look at judges as much as we look at us as legislators as accomplishing things--and that is a tremendous, tremendous accomplishment, one I am sure his family and his community is very proud of. And I will let Senator Costa talk more about the man and his career, but as someone who got to know him at the end of his life, I can just tell you that I was very, very impressed, very, very taken with him. And again, just know, the loss that I had that I did not get to know him even better. I did get to attend his funeral with his family, and his sons did a spectacular job in describing their father--was again, one of these things, I wish, I remember saying this when Senator Arnold passed away--I wish I would have gotten to spend more time when they described what a wonderful father and grandfather that he is and was, it was just heartwarming. And as someone who eulogized his own father once, I applaud you and your brother for really--for those of us just knew the Chief Justice on the edges--you gave us a sense of what his life was all about, and that was extremely impressive on your part and obviously a very impressive man in the career that he had.

So, on behalf of myself, my Caucus, I want to wish you and your family the best. I thank you for giving him to us. You know, as we talked about when we do public service, it means a lot of time away from home, and so I know you and your family must have made major sacrifices over the years for him to do the job that he did here in Pennsylvania, and so I thank you for that. I wish you and your family nothing but the best. He was one of a kind, and he left an important mark on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. God bless.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I rise on behalf of the colleagues on this side of the aisle and as part of this Chamber to echo many of the comments that my colleague, the President pro

tempore, Senator Corman, referenced about Chief Justice Max Baer. I did have the privilege of knowing him for many, many years from the time he first ran for judge in Allegheny County. He and my father were friends, and I can remember he was seeking advice from a lot of folks, and I know that the two of them had communicated in that regard. First and foremost, what we have learned--what I have learned and we learned, really specifically, at the ceremony that Senator Corman and I attended--was the nature of the family man this person was and the love he had of his family, and how frequently he would share, certainly with all his colleagues on the court--whether it be the Supreme Court or the Court of Common Pleas--how important his family was. And we certainly understand the significant and monumental loss that they are experiencing, and we extend our condolences.

There are a number of things that Chief Justice Baer did when he became a judge in Allegheny County. Right off the bat, he focused on kids, on children, and developed programs that today, as was mentioned, are world-renowned. Long before he got to the Supreme Court, he developed--working closely with the Supreme Court--the Office of Children and Families in the courts. highlighting and promoting the role that courts should play with respect to how it addresses and deals with children, and how it deals with family, and how it needs to be addressed in a more holistic way. Some of the things that we have done here over the years and more recently--I had the privilege of working with Senator Lisa Baker and the task force in this space, of the Juvenile Justice Task Force--many of those things were ideas and concepts that Justice Baer brought to the courts many, many years ago that we need to build upon and do some other things in that space as we go forward, as we deal with some of the issues that are taking place there.

But also know that he was a tremendous sports fan--a Pitt University graduate, but he was a strong, strong Pitt fan, particularly Pitt football and basketball. But I got to know him probably best when he and I served on the, continue to serve on the, Dean's Advisory Board for the Duquesne School of Law. An integral part he was there, helping to frame the direction of the law school working with then Dean Ken Gormley, and now President Ken Gormley, at Duquesne University--was just really instrumental in ensuring and helping to create events and do different things that promoted the law school. And he was called upon a number of times to be able to bring folks to the university, Duquesne Law School, for events and different types of seminars and the like, that really enhanced the reputation of our law school. So, to the family, our deepest condolences. Certainly lost someone way too young, and someone who we know has made a major role in how we develop and how we work with our children and our court systems, and how we work with them in advising judges to be sympathetic and compassionate when we deal in that space. So, thank you, Justice Baer, for the work that you have done, and thank you to the family, as Senator Corman said, for allowing us to have the privilege of serving with him and working with him in many, many ways.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

[Whereupon, the Senate en bloc stood in a moment of silence in solemn respect to the memory of Chief Justice MAX BAER.]

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER REPRESENTATIVE JEFFREY PAUL PYLE

# SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators PITTMAN, PHILLIPS-HILL, LAUGHLIN, BARTOLOTTA, CAPPELLETTI, MARTIN, K. WARD, BROOKS, FONTANA, MENSCH, GORDNER, AUMENT, ARGALL, SCAVELLO, VOGEL, HUGHES, LANGERHOLC, HUTCHINSON, COSTA, KANE, ROBINSON, BREWSTER, STREET and DUSH, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 382**, entitled:

#### A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and achievements of the Honorable Jeffrey Paul Pyle and expressing heartfelt condolences to his many family members, friends and colleagues.

WHEREAS, The Honorable Jeffrey Paul Pyle, a former member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, passed away on September 14, 2022, at 58 years of age, following a long battle with cancer; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle, the son of Theodore and Janet Pyle, was born August 30, 1964, in Kittanning and graduated from Ford City High School in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from West Virginia University and a Bachelor of Science degree in Social Studies Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle began his career as an American History, Government and Sociology teacher for the Armstrong School District from 1992 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle cared greatly for the welfare of all his students and was named "Educator of the Year" in 1999 by the Armstrong School District in recognition of his efforts with drug abuse prevention; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle was named "Conservation Educator of the Year" by the Armstrong Conservation District in 2000; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle was an active member of his local community, serving as the Mayor of Ford City from 2001 to 2004; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle dutifully served the people of the 60th Legislative District as their State representative for 16 years from 2005 to 2021; and

WHEREAS, A kidney cancer diagnosis in 2005 and his subsequent battle with cancer over the years never prevented Representative Pyle from being an ardent advocate of the needs of his constituents and a dedicated servant to the residents of this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle's strong work ethic, good humor, enthusiasm and genuine nature left a lasting impact upon many members in both chambers of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle's lifelong passion and commitment to education will be hereafter memorialized by the completion of the new Butler County Community College campus in Ford City, a project made possible only by the vision, hard work and dedication of Representative Pyle; and

WHEREAS, Representative Pyle leaves behind his loving wife of 28 years, Michele Pyle (née Buccieri), and their two daughters, Lauren and Katherine; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of the Honorable Jeffrey Paul Pyle 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 Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, Jeffrey Paul Pyle, an educator, a mayor, a State Representative, a son, a husband, and a father, Jeffrey Pyle had many titles or many hats throughout his 58 years. But no matter what hat Jeff Pyle was wearing, he always had the same Jeff Pyle, you saw what you got. My relationship with Jeff Pyle actually goes back before I even met him. In fact, my wife, Gina, was a student of Jeff Pyle's in the late nineties. He was a sociology teacher at Shannock Valley High School; it was her senior year. And I can tell you, Mr. President, the stories that she has of teacher Jeff Pyle are not unlike the stories many of us here have of Representative Jeff Pyle. And she asked me this morning, she said: are you going to be able to get through this resolution without shedding a tear? And I said: yes, but I am not sure that I will get through the resolution without cracking a smile or chuckling, because at the end of the day, Jeff Pyle was the happiest of happy warriors. All of us who knew Jeff Pyle and have a story about Jeff Pyle, invariably that story ends with a smile and a chuckle. And that is how Jeff Pyle would want it.

I first got to know Jeff Pyle in 2001 as a teacher at his beloved Ford City Junior/Senior High School. He built a fast relationship with Senator Don White. They became very good friends, and quickly Jeff Pyle chose to step forward and run for mayor of his beloved hometown of Ford City. And he ran for mayor because he saw what was happening to his kids. Not his family, but his kids, his students. He always referred to his students as his kids because he took great pride in teaching them, he took great pride in their success, and great pride in their achievements, but he also shared great sadness when he saw drug dealers preying upon his kids. He saw families destroyed. He saw future opportunities taken away, and Jeff Pyle not only recognized the problem, but he chose to step forward to be part of the solution, and he ran for mayor of Ford City. A few years later, Mr. President, he stepped up again and ran for State Representative. Elected in 2004, he took office in 2005, and as the condolence resolution points out, no sooner did he take office that cancer came knocking at his door, and he had to have his kidney removed. But Jeff Pyle--being the happiest of happy warriors--met cancer, and for 17 years, kicked its butt; and he did it with a smile, and he did it with a chuckle. And as he continued that battle, it did not deter him from stepping forward and continuing to be a solution to the problems that he saw.

In fact, when he first took office, his focus was getting drug dealers off the street, but he quickly grew into a dynamic legislator who accomplished much in his time of service. Some of the main achievements include the funding for dirt and gravel roads as part of the transportation package. That was Jeff Pyle, because Jeff Pyle recognized rural communities needed infrastructure just as much as those in urban and suburban areas. Jeff Pyle focused on issues related to drug dealers. He focused on issues back

home, particularly funding the cancer treatment center at the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital. And then toward the end of his career, the beloved Butler County Community College, which a year ago we broke ground on. You see, Mr. President, several years ago, when the Armstrong School District had to consolidate school buildings, they closed the Ford City Junior/Senior High School. That high school was the life of the community. It had generations who went through those buildings, and it was where Jeff Pyle learned, and it is where Jeff Pyle taught. And he made a commitment to revitalize that piece of property in the heart of Ford City, and he went to work, and he got Butler County Community College to build a new campus on that piece of property. I will say, Mr. President, when we broke ground on it just over a year ago, Jeff was certainly not in the best condition, but it was an honor to see him there to break ground on his beloved project. And when we cut the ribbon on his beloved project, it will be very bittersweet that he will not be there with us in person, but I am quite confident that he will be there with us in spirit. He will be standing on the steps of the community college, just as he stood on the steps of this Capitol, and he will stand there with a simple nod of the head, and a "right on." That is Jeff Pvle.

Mr. President, I would like to say, it is a sad moment, but because Jeff Pyle was the happiest of happy warriors, we must accept this as a happy moment, because for all of us who knew and loved Jeff Pyle, we continue to carry a piece of him with us. And he would not want us to be sad, he would want us to carry on as happy warriors, just as he did. You know, he fought a lot of battles, and he was legendary on the floor of the House for his remarks. But the number of Members of the House Democratic Caucus who I have talked to, who respected Jeff Pyle for who he was in his genuine nature, is pretty immeasurable, and it is a lesson that we could all learn from Representative Jeff Pyle. So, Mr. President, to his wife, Michele, and his daughters, Katie and Lauren, I offer our deepest sympathies on the loss of Jeff. Taken from us way too soon, and I pledge that we will continue to carry on his legacy. May his soul and all the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, it is a great honor to rise in remembrance of my dear friend and former House colleague, Jeff Pyle. Thank you to the gentleman from Indiana County for bringing forward this opportunity to remember him with this condolence resolution. Jeff was one of a kind. He had an indomitable spirit; tremendous courage; a keen intellect; unsurpassed wit; great passion for his constituents, his district, and his Commonwealth; and profound love and pride for his beloved wife, Michele; his daughters, Katie and Lauren; and his family. Not to mention, he was the person who bequeathed me with my nickname, KPH. Where do you even begin to start about talking about Jeff Pyle? I think my earliest recollection as a House staffer was when one of the York County House Delegation had the audacity, as he said, to challenge a guy from Armstrong County in the ALS challenge. Jeff was never to be outdone, and I can still see that video playing in my mind of him standing in a field in Armstrong County and hearing this large piece of equipment turn on, and he says: this is how we roll; as this front-end loader comes

forward with this big amount of ice and water and just dumps it on top of him. That was Jeff Pyle.

As a newly elected State Representative, I was appointed to serve as a Deputy Whip, and I was provided a list of Members who I was to work with. They were predominantly from south central Pennsylvania--where I represent--and Jeff Pyle. So, they gave us these little tablets, and they had the Members who you were responsible for--their names listed--and they had a column for "yes" and a column for "no." And when I could find Jeff Pyle and he was not eluding me, I would say: you know, where are you on this bill? Well, let me just say that the answer that he gave me, I cannot repeat here today [laughing]. And we certainly did not have a column for that on our Whip tablets. I began to think that this was some form of freshman initiation for me, although the Majority Whip, Bryan Cutler, assured me that it was not. There were many other adventures that I could share with you here today, but let me just say that we finally came to a place of mutual understanding, great respect, and friendship. He truly was a dynamic legislator and the happiest of warriors. He gave me many treasured and sage pieces of advice, and I smile when I remember him telling me: [in a deep voice] Sweetheart, you never tell Leadership how you are going to vote, or else you will lose your power. That was Jeff Pyle. Jeff Pyle was not only a dear friend, he was one of the most genuine individuals I have ever met. And I am forever grateful for how he helped me, as a freshman legislator, navigate the legislative process; always kept things light with his unmatched sense of humor; was always willing to share his wisdom and knowledge; and he left an indelible mark on this Commonwealth for the betterment of us all. Rest in peace, Jeff.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I appreciate the opportunity to share a few thoughts about my friend, my former colleague, and a true American original, Jeff Pyle. Jeff was a very smart and very well-educated person, and those who only have met him briefly maybe would be shocked to hear people say that, but he was truly an intellect. I think people would be shocked to hear that because if they did not know him, his folksy, down-toearth, genuine, fun demeanor just overpowered everything else. But, when Jeff turned that button on, boy, was he smart, and I just appreciated that ability to enjoy life, but when times get serious, just click the button on and really show--really make the arguments for the things that are important. Now, before Jeff came to the legislature, he was a teacher. It is my understanding that he was nominated as a National Teacher of the Year while a teacher, and anyone who knows Jeff is not surprised to hear that, either. He had a great rapport with young and old. He could talk to anybody; he could relate to anybody. He was able to make very complex things simpler, much more understandable, and really interesting because he had so many stories that he could weave into his explanations of anything he was talking about. Jeff could be irreverent, but he could be extremely serious, and we have heard some of those stories. And I have many, many Jeff Pyle stories. I cannot share them today, but let me--and by telling you about two more titles for Jeff Pyle. My colleague earlier said that Jeff Pyle had many, many titles. I had two personal titles for Jeff Pyle.

While I was chairman of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy in the House, Jeff was always a Member of that committee, and he was extremely knowledgeable, especially about the coal and gas industries. Now, as chairman, I really did not like to jump into the mix too often to debate for or against things. Of course, I let my ideas, I think people knew where I stood--I would, if necessary, get into the mix, but I really wanted the Members to debate the bills, the amendments before us. So, I really--I went to Jeff one time, I said: Jeff, you got to help me out with this; because he just knew so much about the oil and gas industry in particular, but really about all the environmental issues we were dealing with. So, I said: Jeff, you are going to be my enforcer. So, I used to call him the enforcer, and any time something needed to be said, you know, Jeff would jump into the mix, and he was a master debater. He was excellent, and he knew his stuff, and people knew that he knew his stuff. And they may have not agreed with him in the end, but he made a forceful case for the things he believed in every time. So, the enforcer--that is Jeff Pyle.

The other nickname I had for Jeff--another title for him, and, again, my other colleague here, she was doing a little bit of an impersonation of Jeff speaking. Jeff had that really low, deep, deliberate voice, really plain delivery, and, on top of that, he had a real, strong, basic, traditional American patriotism. One time I asked Jeff what his favorite movie is, and he said--no surprise after he said it--*The Green Berets*, with John Wayne. That is a great movie--really a timepiece for when it was made. And, so, I made this connection in my mind of the voice, the values--Jeff is the John Wayne of the House, and I used to call him John Wayne. I admired him; I admired his intellect; I admired his passion. I loved him, and I miss him. God bless you, Jeff. May God bless your family and your friends at this difficult time.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Jefferson, Senator Dush.

Senator DUSH. Mr. President, this is both an honor, and it is also kind of hard to speak about my friend. Jeff was an original, that is true. And, before, like Senator Pittman, my first encounter with him was not exactly direct. I was knocking on doors in Indiana County, and I see this "this is a castle doctrine home," blue little stickers that he would give out. And I knew I was knocking on the right doors. That was one thing. The people of Pennsylvania can thank Jeff Pyle for the ability to stand their ground in their own home when somebody is barging through the front door instead of having to run out the back. I got into the House with him, and everything that has been said about him and his humor--it is just astounding. The teaching--the experience with teaching-gave him the ability to do something that I wish I had the ability to do, which is: he was so very able to say something in such very few words but hit it right on the mark. And when he got up to speak, everybody knew he was going to be effective in what he said. The Senator from York County, she had said about: I do not have a column for that. Jeff was--I got the same advice: you do not tell Leadership what you are going to vote for because it takes away your power. But then, I think everybody who served over there in the House with him also knew there were times that you absolutely knew where he was when he would walk in with his red blazer on. You know the red button was going to be pushed, and you knew that you were probably going to hear some reasons why, as well, on the floor.

His comments were pretty legendary. He was a happy warrior. When he came down with cancer, he had already experienced it before I had gotten into the House and was a survivor. And then he turned around, and his body subjected him to it yet again, and again. But he fought and he fought, and he absolutely would never quit. He fought for his family because he wanted to be there for his family. One of the things that--following his death--it happened so very quickly. These 10 by 20 billboards offering their condolences to him down in Indiana, Armstrong Counties. The people absolutely loved him down there because he showed he cared for his people. As the Senator from Indiana County indicated, the passion that he had for his kids; the passion he had for his community, especially his hometown in Ford City, it was always on display. He had a passion for Armstrong County that-he and I had a little back and forth on the floor, I will never forget--he was always proud of and constantly was saying that some survey had been done, and Armstrong County came back as the fourth most heavily armed county in the country. I got up one day and I said: Rep. Pyle, I have got to tell you, the people in Jefferson County are smarter than to take those surveys. We both got a good chuckle out of it. He came out when--he loved Pittsburgh, and he loved all things Pittsburgh, and when the Pens won the Stanley Cup, he got this bottle--water bottle--and some other stuff and created a mockup of the Stanley Cup and brought it in onto the floor of the House one day, and we kept it back in the reception area, or the, in the back of the floor. Again, Jeff was a compassionate and passionate individual. He cared about family; he cared about his community; and he was always a public servant. Jeff, God bless you; God bless your family.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SCAVELLO. Mr. President, I served with Jeff for quite a few years. As a matter of fact, we were in the East Wing for quite a long time. He was--you know, he had a heart of gold. You did not know that Jeff was ill. He never--you know, he just did not talk about it, but when he got to the podium on the floor, everybody listened. I am telling you, he was an attraction on the floor, and he did not mince any words, right, Scott? He did not mince words, but I just--all the previous speakers did a phenomenal job. I just wanted to say to my friend: rest well. He was one of the characters on that floor and in this--and he loved being here. And it was always a pleasure to see him come by with a little whippet or something--he would say something funny. But he always had some humor in his heart, and you can tell he loved people. Thank you.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All those in favor of this 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 JEFFREY PAUL PYLE.]

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

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will be at ease. We will momentarily be taking up another resolution. Anyone who needs to leave the Chamber, or guests in the balcony, please take a moment to do so. We will resume in a second.

[The Senate was at ease.]

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER REPRESENTATIVE ANTHONY "TONY" DeLUCA

#### SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senator COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 383**, entitled:

#### A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and achievements of former State Representative Tony DeLuca.

WHEREAS, Representative Anthony "Tony" DeLuca passed away on October 9, 2022, at 85 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca was born in the East Liberty neighborhood of Pittsburgh on June 3, 1937, the son of the late Lawrence and Katherine DeLuca; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca graduated from Westinghouse High School and the Community College of Allegheny County; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca was married to his beloved wife of 66 years, Constance "Connie" DeLuca, prior to her passing in 2021; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca operated DeLuca's Meat Market with his father and brother; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca served as a member of Penn Hills Borough Council for five years and as Deputy Mayor for two years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca served as a member of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives in the 32nd Legislative District for 39 years from 1983 until his passing, making him the longest-serving member of the House; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca proudly served as the Democratic Chairman of the House Insurance Committee for more than 20 years, during which time he championed legislation to increase access to the Children's Health Insurance Program and to improve accountability measures for medical professionals; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca was a vocal advocate for cancer awareness and early detection after he was first diagnosed with lymphoma and his wife was diagnosed with breast cancer, earning him the Leadership Award from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca was a dedicated public servant who gave his time, passion and energy to many residents in Allegheny County and across this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, Mr. DeLuca is survived by his sons, Larry and Anthony, daughters, Debbie Brinker and Michele Joyce, nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and many other family members, friends and colleagues; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of former State Representative Tony DeLuca, and extend heartfelt sorrow on his passing.

On the question,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, thank you to my colleagues for allowing me the opportunity to just provide some comments about a friend who I had the opportunity to know and consider a mentor of mine. I want to thank the Senate Clerk for reading the resolution that highlighted many of the things that Representative DeLuca has done over the years. Although he never served in this Chamber and served in the House for a number of years, as I look around the room, by my last count earlier this morning, I believe there were 20 Members of the Senate who had the privilege of serving with Representative Tony DeLuca. And I think I can speak for all 20 of those folks who had the opportunity to serve, that the quality of the person who they served with was above reproach. He was somebody who was very outgoing, very engaging, and very thoughtful. And, in fact, for a number of years--I think was indicated for 20-plus years--20 years he served as the chairman of the House Committee on Insurance. And when you think about all the major pieces of health insurance and other health-related matters that we have addressed here in the General Assembly the last 20 years, Representative DeLuca had his fingerprints on all of those. He was an integral part of the passage of those measures, whether they be things related to CHIP, whether they be related to the Medicaid expansion, whatever the issues were, he was always a big part of that, and a strong, strong, strong proponent of research, particularly in the later years of his service in the cancer research space, particularly breast cancer research. I know that he was somebody who had dedicated his life to many of those areas.

He was also known as one of the founders, or cofounders, of the--many folks may remember that we used to have the "budget blast," when the Pennsylvania Italian American caucus would put together the budget blast in the last week of June to help relieve some of the stress and pressure that was building and mounting as we had the budget discussions that were taking place. And the activities and the fun that Members had, and it was not about the budget blast, it was about bringing people together, Democrats and Republicans, House Members and Senate Members, it was about bringing together government relations folks who were advocating for their clients to remind us that, you know, we are here to do our business, but we also need to recognize that we need to have time to understand the importance of getting to know one another and spending time with each other. That is what that was about, and it was something that was very, very important to many of us.

He served in a variety of capacities, whether it be fighting for firefighters, issues along those lines, autism, you name it, he was involved with it and advocating in the right way. I knew Representative DeLuca certainly from here and working with him, but also back home. I had the privilege, as I mentioned, to serve my entire career overlapping with Representative DeLuca, and when I tell you that he was a good partner and a thoughtful partner working closely with us on things that were taking place in the community. Certainly, on the political side of things, we were always allies working together to be able to ensure, whether it be local or statewide officials or county officials, that we were consistent in looking to and bring out the best of the candidates and supporting those candidates who would best represent our collective communities. But I also knew him as someone who was very engaged in his community in a variety of different ways, making sure that the programs that were there--whether it be State government programs or whether they be community programs--that they had the support of folks like myself and others--Congressman Doyle, for example--for a lot of those years as well.

So, we were blessed to have a partner, a true partner who was very much concerned about the community activities that took place in the area we collectively represented, and I am very, very pleased to be able to say he was my friend, colleague, but someone who I learned a great deal from. There is no question that the community of Penn Hills, in particular, but he also represented Verona Borough--which is adjacent to Penn Hills--and parts of Plum Borough for a number of years, and more recently, Oakmont. The loss of Representative Tony DeLuca to those communities is going to be large, and whomever is the person who fills those shoes going forward will have large shoes to fill. But I do think that what he was able to do, in terms of the way he worked to bring people together, that will be part of his legacy going forward and to ensure that whoever takes that position is going to be able to maintain that type of relationship and that type of commitment to the community that they represent. But he clearly has set the bar very, very high, and I have no doubt that whoever succeeds him will strive to make certain that they meet that standard. So, Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in a moment of silence for the departure of our friend, Representative Tony DeLuca, who many in this Chamber had the opportunity to serve with.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator SANTARSIERO. Mr. President, we are considering condolence resolutions for two of my former House colleagues today. Tony DeLuca was like Jeff Pyle; he was well known in the Chamber for many years. The Minority Leader just mentioned the budget blasts; I remember my first year in the State House was 2009, and that was the year we had one of our delayed budgets that went until, I think, October that year. So, the budget blast that happened in June was perhaps a little premature, but Tony insisted that everyone go to it, and it was a fun time, as were his frequent lunches that he would have for Members in his office. And anyone was invited to go to those, and he always had his homemade sausage and peppers that he would make and bring into Harrisburg. Tony was just a wonderful colleague, someone who genuinely cared about his district and his constituents. But he also cared about the other Members in the Chamber, and it did not matter whether you were a Democrat or Republican, he was just an open and good man. As was, by the way, Jeff Pyle, and I wanted to add that as well. The gentleman from Indiana County had mentioned earlier that Representative Pyle was respected on the Democratic side of the aisle as well, and that is absolutely true because he was a good guy and had a great sense of humor, as was mentioned. In that respect, he and Tony were, while very different, somewhat similar, and their personalities and their service will be long missed in the General Assembly.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All those in favor of the 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 Representative ANTHONY "TONY" DeLUCA.]

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FORMER SENATOR JAMES "JIM" FERLO

#### SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senator COSTA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 384**, entitled:

#### A RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and achievements of former State Senator Jim Ferlo. WHEREAS, Senator James "Jim" Ferlo, passed away on May 15, 2022, at 70 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo was born in Rome, New York, on June 19, 1951, the son of the late Thomas Henry and Isabella Ferlo; and WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo was a passionate and outspoken community

whereas, Mr. Ferlo was a passionate and outspoken community activist who cared deeply about social justice and civil liberties; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo served as a member of Pittsburgh City Council, representing the 7th District for 15 years from 1988 to 2003, and as president of Pittsburgh City Council from 1994 to 1998; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo served as a member of the Pennsylvania Senate in the 38th Senatorial District for 12 years from 2003 until 2015; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo served as the Democratic Chair of the Senate Law and Justice Committee for more than 10 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo championed legislation to preserve Pennsylvania's natural environment, enshrine workers' rights, ensure the right to housing, provide universal health care to all and reenact Pennsylvania's hate crime statute for the LGBTQ community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo announced he was gay at a 2014 press conference on increasing protections for the LGBTQ community under Pennsylvania's hate crime statute, becoming the first openly gay State Senator in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo served on the Board of Directors of the American Civil Liberties Union of Pennsylvania from 2015 to 2021, and he also served numerous organizations, including the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the Allegheny River Towns Enterprise Zone, the Port of Pittsburgh Commission, Preservation Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ferlo is survived by his sisters, Lyn Ferlo, Carol Ferlo and Patricia (Ferlo) Thron and her husband, Jim, and by his brothers, Thomas Ferlo and his wife, Pat, and Leo Ferlo, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews and friends whom he adopted into his family; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate honor the life and achievements of former State Senator Jim Ferlo.

On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I thank the Senate Clerk for reading the resolution, really talked about Senator Ferlo's service here in the Senate, but also in his days in city council. To anyone who served with him, I think it is safe to say that Jim was the progressive conscience of the Senate during his tenure here, and

probably the entire General Assembly, long before it was fashionable to be considered progressive. He was a staunch fighter and was a champion for the people, of the people, especially those whose voices were oftentimes ignored. And he was known for his soaring rhetoric and his never-back-down style, which was Jim. He always had an eye on community development and helped a number of organizations to that end, to be able to have their voices heard as well. He served in elected office for decades, but involvement in politics goes back to the 1960s for Senator Ferlo. It included organizing, marching, protesting for causes that he truly believed in. This was always Jim's true passion. He was always advocating, always advocating for working people, minority groups, women, and the LGBTQ community, the least-heard voices in politics.

The son of Italian immigrants, Jim was born in Rome, New York, and oftentimes credited his ability to stay as an effective legislator as being 1 of 10 siblings. And no matter what side you came down on an issue, Jim Ferlo was always part of the conversation that kept you on your toes and made sure you became more educated and more thoughtful about both sides of the issue. For that, I know he has made many of us better public servants, and in our Caucus, he was certainly able to do that and made me a better servant as well. It was a true honor that I had the ability to serve with Jim, but even more so, I am glad to have called him a friend. On behalf of the entire Senate Democratic Caucus, our thoughts and prayers are certainly with Senator Ferlo and his family to this day.

There are a number of things that Jim should be recognized for and honored for. Certainly, his engagement in community activities--when I think about parts of the city of Pittsburgh and neighborhoods and river towns, the work that Jim had done to ensure that he was able to deliver resources, to grow communities, to develop a council of government of three river communities that really never really spoke to one another--to the degree that he was able to make that happen. The work that he did in parts of Pittsburgh--you know, Lawrenceville today, in the city of Pittsburgh, is known as a thriving neighborhood with restaurants and housing and development that has taken place; that all was stimulated by Senator Jim Ferlo. His vision for work needed to be done there, and his ability to bring resources to that neighborhood, to developers and other folks, to be able to make the commitment to grow that neighborhood. If you went to Lawrenceville today, you would be amazed at what the community looks like when you compare it back to the time prior to Senator Jim Ferlo's service. Same thing could be said about Bryant Street in the Highland Park section of Pittsburgh, again, a cause that he chose to support and advance, again, has made that neighborhood and that particular street really a special place to live and one of the most attractive places for people to live; particularly our young folks like Lawrenceville, where they want to live there.

But I guess one of Jim's lasting achievements that is still here with us today, will be for a number of years, was his ability to recognize young talent. Recognize talent who he brought into the Ferlo camp to come work, and a number of those folks are still participating and working today in and around our Senate of Pennsylvania, not the least of which is our Senate Democratic policy director, Stephen Bruder, who worked many years for Jim Ferlo. Along with Dorry Lang and Sue Conroy in my district offices; Bridget Hartman, who now works with Senator Brewster;

Anne Huber, who works with us in our office; all these folks along with Jennifer Kiley; and Kate Roberts in the Governor's office were all Ferlo--I guess--descendants, right? Bill Belichick has his tree of coaches; Jim Ferlo has his tree of government employees, high-caliber, high-functioning employees of State government who learned under Senator Jim Ferlo. That, truly, was one of the major things that he was able to accomplish and the legacy left us with. Certainly, we know his passion for causes; we know his passion for economic and community development; we know that he also recognized talent and wanted to make certain that he had the opportunity to provide our Senate Chamber with those caliber of folks, and we are pleased to have them with us still today. So, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering our good friend Senator Jim Ferlo, who many times on this Senate floor was always working to try to do what was best for the people he represented, and I ask my colleagues to join me for a moment of silence for Senator Ferlo.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre, Senator Corman.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, I, too, had the honor of serving with Senator Ferlo, and I think we can be clear, Jimmy was authentic. You know, he did not pretend; there was no pretending about him. He believed what he believed; he did not care if you did not believe it, but he wore it on his sleeve. And he really was a character here and someone who we really enjoyed. I was the Committee on Appropriations chairman at the time, and he served on the committee. Always was, particularly during Republican administration, always tough on the questioning of the cabinet secretaries--and Democrat administrations as well. Jimmy was, you know--I think he coined the phrase, I am freaking out about fracking, when the natural gas industry came to Pennsylvania and fracking started; and this whole thing started when Jimmy was here. He was, he was very nervous about it: freaking out about fracking. He said that about 100 times. And when he left, I paid tribute to him at the Committee on Appropriations because, you know, he was a good Member. He fought hard for his issues. We did not necessarily agree all the time, but he fought hard for his issues and what he believed in. And at the end of the day, you know, he was very gracious that through magic of redistricting, as I am going through at this moment, his district got changed. And instead of running against a sitting Member, then was Senator Vulakovich, and their districts got put together, he said: I am just going to bow out; I am going to retire. That was very gracious of him at the end. So, for those of us on this side of the aisle who got to serve with Senator Ferlo, he was authentic--I think is the best word I can say about him. He believed. He had a lot of passion, and he was not shy about sharing it. And, you know, I always appreciate that about people that, you know, this is what I believe. That is fine. We all come from different backgrounds. And he was one who was a very authentic, honest man and served his community well. So, I join Senator Costa and the rest of the Members in paying tribute to a fine public servant.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Lindsey Williams.

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life of my friend and predecessor as the Senator for the 38th

Senatorial District, the Honorable Jim Ferlo. While the 38th Senatorial District looks a little different now than when Senator Ferlo retired in 2014, he certainly left a lasting impression on the people who we both serve. When I was running for election in 2018 and talking to the people in the Allegheny Valley, I heard over and over again about Senator Ferlo and his office in Natrona Heights and how much it meant to the people there. How much he meant to the people there. They might not have always agreed with him, but Jim Ferlo was a tireless fighter for the people of the 38th Senatorial District, and they did not forget him easily.

I knew that when I took office, I had to follow his example. And I made it a priority to put an office back in Natrona Heights. In fact, I looked at his old office. His name was still on the door and there was a map of the old 38th Senatorial District in one of the back rooms. The building had been vacant since he had retired. Unfortunately, that building had some water damage and was not a good fit, but we made good on Senator Ferlo's legacy, and we opened an office in the Heights Plaza in 2020 and returned constituent services to the Allegheny Valley. I have had the honor to represent Senator Ferlo for the past 3.5 years, though, as those of you who have served with him and knew him well can imagine, that was not always the easiest job [laughing]. Jim was, to the end, a fierce champion for his neighborhood in Highland Park, for the city of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, and the entire State. And if that meant he needed to cause a little trouble to get it done, Jim was always fine with that. But it did not mean he was not your friend or your champion. It just meant he wanted you to be at your best. I often heard him referred to as a quote, rabble rouser. I cannot think of a bigger compliment to give to an organizer, because that is what Senator Ferlo was at his core, an organizer. So, it is my absolute honor to take this opportunity to recognize the life, achievements, legacy, and passing of one of our own: an organizer, a rabble rouser, a true representative of his constituents, Senator Jim Ferlo.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All those in favor of the 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 JAMES "JIM" FERLO.]

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

# LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Senator Brooks has returned, and her temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

#### RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Senate Majority Caucus Room on the first floor.

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 for a caucus as well.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses to be held in their respective caucus rooms, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

#### **AFTER RECESS**

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

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

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Browne and Senator Mastriano have returned, and their temporary Capitol leaves are cancelled.

# LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Brooks and Senator Dush, and legislative leaves for Senator Gebhard and Senator Martin.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, no further leaves.

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

# **CALENDAR**

#### THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### **HB 397 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER**

HB 397 (Pr. No. 3603) -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 2 of the Third Consideration Calendar, by Senator K. WARD, as a Special Order of Business.

#### **BILL REREFERRED**

**HB 397 (Pr. No. 3603)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Nonprofit Security Grant Fund, further providing for Nonprofit Security Grant Fund and for expiration; in Commonwealth services, further providing for State Fire Commissioner and for curriculum and training and providing for capital grants for municipal fire departments, for capital grants for emergency service training centers, for money for online training for firefighters and for money for reimbursement to Pennsylvania bomb squads; in volunteer firefighters, further providing for fire relief formula study; in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for award of grants for volunteer fire companies and for award of grants for emergency medical services companies; in incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services

agencies, further providing for rejection and appeal; in emergency medical services, providing for tuition and loan assistance for active volunteers and establishing the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program and the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program Fund; in emergency medical services system, providing for scholarships for recruitment, training and retention; and establishing the EMS Training Fund.

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

#### **HB 2528 CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER**

**HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3594)** -- Without objection, the bill was called up out of order, from page 5 of the Third Consideration Calendar, by Senator K. WARD, as a Special Order of Business.

# BILL AMENDED AND REREFERRED

HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3594) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in oil and gas well plugging oversight, further providing for allocation of funding, for establishment of Oil and Gas Well Plugging Grant Program, for grants, for eligible wells, for qualified well plugger and for applications and review process; in development, further providing for well plugging funds and providing for well plugging contracts; and making editorial changes.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

# YAW AMENDMENT A5858 ADOPTED

Senator YAW offered the following amendment No. A5858:

Amend Bill, page 10, line 11, by inserting after "COMPANY.":

This paragraph shall not prohibit the department from accepting or awarding bids for contracts for plugging oil or gas wells from companies which are not Pennsylvania companies if no other law, regulation or Executive Order would prevent the company which is not a Pennsylvania company from bidding.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

# YEA-47

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

#### NAY-3

Muth Saval Williams, Lindsey

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

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

# LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

# **RECESS**

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

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

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

### **AFTER RECESS**

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

# **BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

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

# HB 284 (Pr. No. 282) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 37 (Historical and Museums) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in powers and duties of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, further providing for specific powers and duties, for personal property and for documents and providing for Commonwealth archival records, for local government archival records and for access to older public records; and, in historic properties, further providing for title to historic property and for powers over certain historic property.

# HB No. 397 (Pr. No. 3603) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Nonprofit Security Grant Fund, further providing for Nonprofit Security Grant Fund and for expiration; in Commonwealth services, further providing for State Fire Commissioner and for curriculum and training and providing for capital grants for municipal fire departments, for capital grants for emergency service training centers, for money for online training for firefighters and for money for reimbursement to Pennsylvania bomb squads; in volunteer firefighters, further providing for fire relief formula study; in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for award of grants for volunteer fire companies and for award of grants for emergency medical services companies; in incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies, further providing for rejection and appeal; in emergency medical services, providing for tuition and loan assistance for active volunteers and establishing the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program and the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program Fund; in emergency medical services system, providing for scholarships for recruitment, training and retention; and establishing the EMS Training Fund.

# HB 609 (Pr. No. 3566) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 23, 1945 (P.L.913, No.367), known as the Engineer, Land Surveyor and Geologist Registration Law, further providing for definitions, for general powers of board, for procedure for licensing as professional engineer, for procedure for licensing as professional geologist, for continuing professional competency requirements, for exemption from licensure and registration, for fees and for penalties.

# HB 668 (Pr. No. 629) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 31, 1945 (P.L.1198, No.418), known as the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, further providing for Mining and Reclamation Advisory Board.

#### HB 1059 (Pr. No. 3613) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for declarations of estimated tax; in realty transfer tax, further providing for transfer of tax; providing for Pennsylvania Economic Development for a Growing Economy (PA EDGE) tax credits; imposing penalties for noncompliance; and making editorial changes.

# **HB 1103 (Pr. No. 1140)** (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1982 (P.L.1404, No.325), known as the Self-Service Storage Facility Act, further providing for owner's lien, for enforcement of lien, for notice, for advertisement of sale and for location of sale.

# HB 1328 (Pr. No. 2641) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 26, 1947 (P.L.318, No.140), known as the CPA Law, further providing for general powers of the board, for requirements for issuance of certificate, for peer review and for unlawful acts

#### HB 1630 (Pr. No. 3605) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for pharmacy benefits manager audit and obligations; and abrogating regulations.

#### **HB 2057 (Pr. No. 3299)** (Rereported)

An Act amending Titles 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) and 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions, for form of records, for delivery of document, for functions of Department of State, for processing of documents by Department of State, for court to pass upon rejection of documents by Department of State, for statement of correction and for tax clearance of certain fundamental transactions, providing for annual report and further providing for short title and application of subchapter and for fee schedule; in entities generally, further providing for requirements for names generally, for required name changes by Senior associations and for registration of name of nonregistered foreign association and providing for ratification of defective entity actions; in entity transactions, further providing for definitions, for relationship of chapter to other provisions of law, for nature of transactions, for excluded entities and transactions, for approval by business corporation, for interest exchange authorized, for statement of conversion and effectiveness, for approval of division, for division without interest holder approval, for effect of division, for allocation of liabilities in division and for domestication authorized and providing for administrative dissolution or

cancellation; in foreign associations, further providing for governing law, for activities not constituting doing business, for noncomplying name of foreign association, for required withdrawal on certain transactions and for termination of registration; in corporations, further providing for application and effect of subchapter, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard, for limitation on standing and for actions by shareholders or members to enforce a secondary right and providing for renunciation of business opportunities; in general provisions relating to business corporations, further providing for application of subpart and for definitions and repealing provisions relating to annual report information; in incorporation, further providing for articles of incorporation; in corporate powers, duties and safeguards, further providing for general powers, for adoption, amendment and contents of bylaws, for persons bound by bylaws, for registered office, for corporate records and inspection by members, for bylaws and other powers in emergency and for informational rights of a director, providing for forum selection provisions and further providing for authorized shares, for stock rights and options, for transfer of securities and restrictions, for power of corporation to acquire its own shares, for liability for unlawful dividends and other distributions and for application and effect of subchapter; in officers, directors and shareholders, further providing for manner of giving notice, for place and notice of meetings of shareholders, for use of conference telephone or other electronic technology, for conduct of shareholders meeting, for alternative provisions, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard, for limitation on standing and for inconsistent articles ineffective, providing for renunciation of business opportunities, further providing for board of directors, for qualifications of directors, for term of office of directors, for selection of directors, for quorum of and action by directors, for interested directors or officers and quorum, for compensation of directors, for executive and other committees of the board and for officers, providing for officer's standard of care and justifiable reliance and for personal liability of officers and further providing for mandatory indemnification, for duration and extent of coverage, for time of holding meetings of shareholders, for quorum, for voting rights of shareholders, for determination of shareholders of record, for voting lists, for consent of members in lieu of meeting, for derivative action, for eligible shareholder plaintiffs and security for costs and for special litigation committee; in fundamental changes, further providing for proposal of fundamental transactions, for amendment of articles authorized, for proposal of amendments for adoption of amendments, for voluntary transfer of corporate assets and for survival of remedies and rights after dissolution; in nonstock corporations, further providing for election of an existing business corporation to become a nonstock corporation and for termination of nonstock corporation status; in registered corporations, further providing for call of special meetings of shareholders, for adjournment of meetings of shareholders, for consent of shareholders in lieu of meeting, and for notice of shareholder meetings, providing for qualifications of directors, and further providing for application and effect of subchapter, for definitions, for business combination, for application and effect of subchapter, for definitions, for voting rights of shares acquired in a controlshare, for procedure for establishing voting rights of control shares, for application and effect of subchapter and for definitions; in benefit corporations, further providing for standard of conduct for directors, for benefit director and for standard of conduct for officers; in general provisions relating to nonprofit corporations, further providing for definitions and repealing provisions relating to annual report; in incorporation, further providing for articles of incorporation; in corporate powers duties and safeguards, further providing for adoption, amendment and contents of bylaws, for persons bound by bylaws, for registered office, for corporate records and inspection by members, for bylaws and other powers in emergency and for informational rights of a director, providing for forum selection provisions, and further providing for authority to take and hold trust property; in officers, directors and members, further providing for manner of giving notice, for place and notice of meetings of members, for use of conference telephone or other electronic technology, for conduct of members meeting, for alternative provisions, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard and for limitation on standing, providing for renunciation of corporate opportunities, further providing for board of directors, for term of office of

directors, for selection of directors, for quorum of and action by directors, for interested directors or officers and quorum, for compensation of directors, for executive and other committees of the board and for officers, providing for officer's standard of care and justifiable reliance and for personal liability of officers and further providing for mandatory indemnification, for duration and extent of coverage, for time of holding meetings of members, for quorum, for voting rights of members, for determination of members of record, for consent of members in lieu of meeting, for derivative action, for eligible member plaintiffs and security for costs and for special litigation committee; in amendments, sale of assets and dissolution, further providing for amendment of articles authorized, for proposal of amendments and for survival of remedies and rights after dissolution; in electric cooperative corporations, further providing for merger, consolidation, division or sale of assets; in general partnerships, further providing for short title and application of chapter, for partner's rights and duties and for rights to information; in limited partnerships, further providing for short title and application of chapter, for signing of filed documents, for registered office, for limited partner rights to information, for general partner rights to information, for derivative action, for security for costs and for special litigation committee; in limited liability companies, further providing for formation of limited liability company and certificate of organization, for registered office, for rights to information, for derivative action, for security for costs, for special litigation committee, for standard of conduct for members and for standard of conduct for managers and officers; in limited liability companies, further providing for application and effect of subchapter; in business trusts, further providing for registered office; in general provisions, further providing for definitions and for execution of documents; in fictitious names, further providing for definitions, for registration, for contracts entered into by entity using unregistered fictitious name and for effect of registration; in corporate and other association names, repealing provisions relating to register established, to certain additions to register, to decennial filings required, to effect of failure to make filings, to late filings and to voluntary termination of registration by corporations and other associations; and making editorial changes.

# HB 2086 (Pr. No. 2972) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, further providing for operation of State-owned vehicles.

# HB 2214 (Pr. No. 3065) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, providing for miscellaneous provisions; and making an editorial change.

# HB 2293 (Pr. No. 3344) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, providing for temporary health care services agencies.

#### HB 2398 (Pr. No. 3563) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in certificate of title and security interests, further providing for content and effect of certificate of title; in rules of the road in general, repealing provisions relating to platooning; in miscellaneous provisions, providing for theft of catalytic converter; in miscellaneous provisions relating to accidents and accident reports, further providing for accidents involving death or personal injury, for accidents involving damage to attended vehicle or property, for duty to give information and render aid, for accidents involving damage to unattended vehicle or property and for immediate notice of accident to police department; in equipment standards, further providing for promulgation of vehicle equipment standards; in inspection of vehicles, further providing for requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles; in size, weight and load, further providing for width of vehicles; in powers of department and local authorities, further

providing for specific powers of department and local authorities; and, in highly automated vehicles, further providing for definitions, for highly automated vehicles and for Highly Automated Vehicle Advisory Committee, providing for certificate of compliance required, for powers of department, for self-certification application, for self-certification review, for operation requirements, for commercial operation, for preemption, for enforcement and penalties, for regulations and guidelines, for confidential records, for appeals and for interstate agreements; and adding provisions relating to other automated vehicles.

# HB 2447 (Pr. No. 2909) (Rereported)

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.

# HB 2484 (Pr. No. 2932) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 65 (Public Officers) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in ethics standards and financial disclosure, further providing for statement of financial interests required to be filed.

# HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3606) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in oil and gas well plugging oversight, further providing for allocation of funding, for establishment of Oil and Gas Well Plugging Grant Program, for grants, for eligible wells, for qualified well plugger and for applications and review process; in development, further providing for well plugging funds and providing for well plugging contracts; and making editorial changes.

# HB 2648 (Pr. No. 3591) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Office of State Inspector General, further providing for powers, purpose and duties; repealing provisions relating to coordination of Commonwealth community service programs; providing for PennSERVE and for public works employment verification; establishing the Public Works Employment Verification Account; and making a related repeal.

# LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa. Any further leaves? Nothing further on leaves.

Senator Kim Ward requests a legislative leave for Senator Mensch. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

# CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

**SB 1123 (Pr. No. 1916)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in other required equipment, further providing for flashing or revolving yellow and white lights.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1123?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1123.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator MASTRIANO. Mr. President, I rise today in support of Senate Bill No. 1123, and I thank my co-prime sponsor, the good gentleman from Somerset [Fayette] County, Senator Stefano, for helping get this legislation across the finish line. Senate Bill No. 1123, the Blue Lights Law, allows tow truck operators to use rear-facing blue lights while responding to a disabled vehicle. Recently, a constituent of mine and also a tow truck operator--he noticed a reduction in injuries for those States where they used the blue light. Under current Pennsylvania law, tow trucks can only use flashing orange and yellow lights. But--just as my constituent passed on to me--in Texas and in Michigan, studies demonstrated that lives are saved by the blue lights. Moreover, the blue lights are far more visible in hazardous weather, giving drivers more time to react and avoid collisions, and our goal, of course, is to save lives.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

#### YEA-50

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Brooks	Gordner	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Browne	Haywood	Regan	Ward, Kim
Cappelletti	Hughes	Robinson	Williams, Anthony H.
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# 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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

#### **BILL AMENDED**

HB 220 (Pr. No. 187) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, further providing for powers and

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

#### **BROWNE AMENDMENT A5660 ADOPTED**

Senator BROWNE offered the following amendment No.

Amend Bill, page 1, line 23, by striking out the period after "duties" and inserting:

; in powers and duties of the Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, providing for death review teams; imposing duties on the Department of Health; and making an editorial change.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by striking out all of said line and in-

Section 2. Article XXI of the act is amended by adding a subarticle heading to read:

# (a) General Provisions

Section 3. Article XXI of the act is amended by adding a subarticle to read:

# (b) Death Review Teams

Section 2127. Definitions.

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

"County." A county of the first class, second class, second class A,

third class, fourth class, fifth class, sixth class, seventh class and eighth

"Death review team." A suicide or overdose death review team established under section 2128.

"Deceased individual." An individual who died by suicide or fatal overdose.

"Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth.
"Drug." A substance which produces a physiological effect when ingested or introduced into the body. The term includes an illicit or legal substance.

"EMS provider." The term includes the following:

- (1) An emergency medical responder.
- (2) An emergency medical technician.
- (3) An advanced emergency medical technician.
- (4) A paramedic.
- (5) A prehospital registered nurse.
- (6) A prehospital physician extender.
- (7) A prehospital EMS physician.
- (8) An individual prescribed by regulation of the department to provide specialized EMS.

"Health care provider." A physician, advanced practice nurse practitioner or physician assistant who is licensed to practice medicine in this Commonwealth.

"Hospital." An institution having an organized medical staff established for the purpose of providing to inpatients, by or under the supervision of physicians, diagnostic and therapeutic services for the care of individuals who are injured, disabled, pregnant, diseased, sick or mentally ill or rehabilitation services for the rehabilitation of individuals who are injured, disabled, pregnant, diseased, sick or mentally ill. The term includes facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of disorders within the scope of specific medical specialties.

"Law enforcement agency." The Pennsylvania State Police, a local law enforcement agency or the Office of Attorney General.

"Local department of health." Any of the following:

(1) A local department of health established by a municipality under the act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315), known as the Local Health Administration Law.

(2) A single-county department of health or joint-county department of health established under the Local Health Administration Law.

"Local law enforcement agency." A police department of a city, borough, incorporated town or township.

"Mental health provider." A psychiatrist, psychologist, advanced practice nurse practitioner with a specialty in psychiatric mental health, clinical social worker, professional clinical counselor or marriage and family therapist who is licensed to practice in this Commonwealth.

"Multicounty team." A multidisciplinary and multiagency suicide or overdose death review team jointly created by two or more counties in this Commonwealth.

"Municipality." A county, city, borough, incorporated town or town-

"Overdose." An alcohol or substance overdose.
"Overdose death." A fatality resulting from one or more substances taken in excessive amounts.

'Overdose death review." A process in which a multiagency, multidisciplinary team performs a series of individual overdose death reviews to effectively identify system gaps and innovative community-specific overdose prevention and intervention strategies.

"School." A facility providing elementary, secondary or postsecondary educational services. The term includes the following:

(1) A school of a school district.

(2) An area career and technical school.

(3) A joint school.

(4) An intermediate unit.

(5) A charter school or regional charter school.

(6) A cyber charter school.

(7) A private school licensed under the act of January 28, 1988 ..24, No.11), known as the Private Academic Schools Act.

(8) A private school accredited by an accrediting association approved by the State Board of Education.

(9) A nonpublic school.

(10) An institution of higher education.

(11) A private school licensed under the act of December 15, 1986 (P.L.1585, No.174), known as the Private Licensed Schools Act.

(12) A private residential rehabilitative institution as defined in section 914.1-A(c) of the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949.

Substance use disorder." A pattern of use of alcohol or other drugs

leading to clinical or functional impairment.

"Substance use disorder treatment provider." An individual or entity who is licensed, registered or certified within this Commonwealth to treat substance use disorders or who has a drug addiction treatment waiver under section 303(g) of the Controlled Substances Act (Public Law 91-513, 84 Stat. 1236) from the Substance Abuse And Mental Health Services Administration to treat individuals with substance use disorder using medications approved for that indication by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

"Suicide death." A fatality caused by injuring oneself with the intent to die.

Section 2128. Suicide or overdose death review teams.

(a) Establishment.--A county, or two or more counties, may establish a suicide death review team, an overdose death review team, or both, for the purposes of collecting and examining information and records concerning suicide or overdose fatalities in this Commonwealth to improve community resources and systems of care to reduce suicide or overdose fatalities. The following shall apply:

(1) A county may establish an independent county death review team or jointly with other counties. If a joint county death review team is established, the multicounty team members shall execute a memorandum of understanding between participating counties regarding team membership, staffing and operations.

- (2) Upon the establishment of a death review team, the death review team shall notify the department of the establishment of the
- (3) A death review team shall be multidisciplinary and culturally diverse and include professionals and representatives from organizations that provide services or community resources for families in the community served by the death review team. (b) Membership.--
- (1) In counties where there is a local health department, the local health department shall be the lead organization to oversee and coordinate the death review team in a form and manner as prescribed by the department. In counties choosing to establish a death review team, if there is not a local health department, an organization interested in being selected as the lead organization shall submit an application, in a form and manner as prescribed by the department, for review and approval. Prior to submitting an application, a county's commissioners shall approve the submission of an organization as a lead organization.
- (2) The lead organization shall select the membership of the death review team. The following shall apply:
  - (i) Members of the overdose death review team shall be selected from any of the following categories:
    - (A) A coroner or medical examiner.
    - (B) A pathologist.
    - (C) A psychologist licensed under the act of March 23, 1972 (P.L.136, No.52), known as the Professional Psychologists Practice Act.
    - (D) A physician licensed under the act of December 1985 (P.L.457, No.112), known as the Medical Practice Act of 1985, or a physician licensed under the act of October 5, 1978 (P.L.1109, No.261), known as the Osteopathic Medical Practice Act, who practices as a psychiatrist.
      - (E) A local behavioral health representative.
    - (F) An individual who is a member of the education community with experience regarding existing and potential overdose prevention efforts for students in primary and secondary schools.
    - (G) An individual who is a member of the law enforcement community with experience regarding existing and potential overdose prevention efforts for individuals who are involved with the law enforcement system.
    - (H) A representative of an organization that advocates for individuals with behavioral health issues and their family members.
    - (I) A representative of an organization that advocates for individuals with substance use disorders and their family members.
      - (J) A representative from a single county authority.
    - (K) The county health officer, or the officer's designee, if applicable.
    - (L) The director of the local office responsible for human services or the director's designee.
      - (M) The local district attorney or the district attorney's
  - (ii) Members of the suicide death review team shall be se-<u>lected from any of the following categories:</u>
    - (A) At least three mental health providers specializing in trauma, youth mental health, veteran and military mental health, or other relevant specialty.
    - (B) A crisis counselor specializing in suicide prevention.
    - (C) An advocate for the prevention of suicide fatalities.
    - (D) A medical examiner or coroner responsible for recording fatalities.
    - (E) A family medicine specialist or other relevant medical specialty.
    - (F) An individual who is a member of the education community with experience regarding existing and potential suicide prevention efforts for students in primary and secondary schools.
    - (G) An individual who is a member of the law enforcement community with experience regarding existing

- and potential suicide prevention efforts for individuals who are involved with the law enforcement system.
- (H) The county health officer or the officer's designee, if applicable.
- (I) The director of the local office responsible for human services or the director's designee.
- (3) In addition to the members selected under paragraph (2), the lead organization may select additional members for a death review team as deemed necessary by the lead organization to administer the death review team's duties under section 2129, including individuals with experience and knowledge in the following areas:
  - (i) Physical health services.
  - (ii) Social services.
  - (iii) Law enforcement.
  - (iv) Education.
  - (v) Emergency medicine.
  - (vi) Behavioral health services.
  - (vii) Juvenile delinquency.
  - (viii) Adult or juvenile probation.
  - (ix) Drug and alcohol substance use disorder.
- (c) Chair, vacancies and meetings .-- A death review team shall select a chair by a majority vote of a quorum of the death review team's members. A majority of a death review team's selected members shall constitute a quorum. The death review team shall meet at least quarterly to conduct business and review suicide deaths and overdose deaths. A vacancy on the death review team shall be filled in accordance with subsection (b).
- Section 2129. Duties of death review team.
- (a) Authorization.--Upon receipt of a report of a suicide death or overdose death, a death review team may perform the following:
  - (1) Inquire into cause of death upon receipt of a report of a qualifying death.
  - (2) Conduct a multidisciplinary review of available infor-
  - mation collected regarding a deceased individual.

    (3) Establish policies and procedures for collecting and reviewing available information and records under section 2131 regarding the deceased individual from State, county and local agencies, law enforcement and private entities.
  - (4) Identify points of contact between the deceased individual and health care systems, social services systems, criminal justice systems and other systems involved with the deceased individual.
  - (5) Identify the risk factors that put individuals at risk for an overdose or suicide within the death review team's jurisdiction.
  - (6) Promote cooperation and coordination across State, county and local agencies involved in overdose or suicide investigations.
  - (7) Recommend improvements in sources of information relating to investigating reported overdose or suicide deaths, including standards for the uniform and consistent reporting of overdose or suicide deaths by law enforcement or other emergency service responders within the death review team's jurisdiction.
  - (8) Recommend improvements to State laws and local partnerships, policies and practices to prevent overdose and suicide deaths.
- (b) Interviews.--If a death review team opts to contact a family member or caregiver of a deceased individual to conduct an interview, the death review team shall develop protocols for initiating the contact and conducting the interview. The protocols shall be based on traumainformed care principles and shall address all of the following:
  - (1) The death review team's collection, use and disclosure of information and records from the family member or caregiver.
  - (2) Providing notice to the family member or caregiver that the interview is voluntary.
  - (3) Ensuring that information and records attained from the interview is confidential.
- (c) Annual report.--A death review team shall prepare and submit to the department an annual report. The team shall publish the annual report on the local department of health's or local government's publicly accessible Internet website for the purpose of evaluations, policy considerations and health care program enhancements. The annual report shall comply with confidentiality requirements under subarticle and shall include all of the following information:
  - (1) A summary of the aggregated, nonindividually identifiable findings of the death review team for the previous year.

- (2) Recommendations to improve systems of care and community resources to reduce fatal suicides or overdoses in the death review team's jurisdiction.
  - (3) Proposed solutions for inadequacies in the systems of care.
- (4) Recommendations to improve sources of information regarding the investigation of reported suicides and overdose deaths, including standards for the uniform and consistent reporting of fatal suicides and overdoses by law enforcement or other emergency service responders within the death review team's jurisdiction.
- (5) Recommendations for improvements to State laws and local partnerships, policies and practices to prevent suicide and overdose fatalities.

Section 2130. Duties of department.

- The department, in consultation with State or local government agencies, shall have all of the following duties:
  - (1) Provide technical assistance to a death review team in conducting suicide and overdose death reviews.
    - (2) Facilitate communication between death review teams.
  - (3) Transmit available information to the appropriate death review team regarding a fatal suicide or overdose in the death review team's jurisdiction, including all of the following information:
    - (i) The deceased individual's age, race, gender, county of residence and county of death.
    - (ii) The date, manner, cause and specific circumstances of the suicide or overdose death as recorded on the deceased individual's completed death certificate.
  - (4) Promulgate regulations as necessary to implement this subarticle.
  - (5) Submit an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly by September of each year which includes a summary of reports received from local death review teams and recommendations relating to the reduction of risk of death by suicide and over-

Section 2131. Authority to access records.

- To the extent permitted by Federal law, a death review team may access records as follows:
  - (1) If deemed necessary for its review, the death review team may petition the court for leave to review and inspect all files and records of the court relating to a deceased individual pursuant to a proceeding under 42 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63 (relating to juvenile matters) in accordance with 42 Pa.C.S. § 6307 (relating to inspection of court files and records). This paragraph shall not apply to a file and record of the court subject to a child fatality or near fatality review under 23 Pa.C.S. Ch. 63 (relating to child protective services).
  - (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (Public Law 104-191, 110 Stat. 1936) and 42 CFR Pt. 2 (relating to confidentiality of substance use disorder patient records), persons or entities that provide substance use disorder treatment services shall provide to an overdose death review team the records of a deceased individual under review without need for authorization of any person, including the executor, administrator or personal representative of the deceased individual for purposes of review under this subarticle.
  - (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, the team may review and inspect mental health care service files and records of a deceased individual under review without the need for authorization of any person, including the executor, administrator or personal representative of the deceased individual for purposes of review under this subarticle.
  - (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and consistent with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, health care facilities and health care providers, pharmacies and mental health care providers shall provide medical records of a deceased individual under review without the need for authorization of any person, including the executor, administrator or personal representative of the deceased individual for purposes of review under this subarticle.
- (5) Other records pertaining to the deceased under review for the purposes of this subarticle shall be open to inspection as permitted by law.
  Section 2132. Requests for records.

- (a) Request for information and records by a death review team .--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the following shall be provided to a death review team on written request of the lead organization or chair of a death review team:
  - (1) Records regarding the treatment for substance use disorder, maintained by a Federally assisted substance use disorder treatment provider, for a deceased individual under review by a death review team, as permitted to be shared in accordance with Federal law, including 42 CFR Pt. 2 (relating to confidentiality of substance use disorder patient records).
  - (2) Records regarding the physical health and mental health, maintained by a health care provider, hospital or health system, for a deceased individual under review by a death review team.
  - (3) Records maintained by a State or local government agency or entity, including death investigative information, medical examiner investigative information, law enforcement investigative information, emergency medical services reports, fire department records, prosecutorial records, parole and probation information and records, court records, school records and information and records of a social services agency, including the Department of Human Services, if the agency or entity previously provided services to the deceased individual under review by a death review team.
  - (4) The following shall comply with a records request by a death review team made under this subsection:
    - (i) Coroner or medical examiner.
    - (ii) Fire department.
    - (iii) Health system.
    - (iv) Hospital.
    - (v) Law enforcement agency.
    - (vi) State or local governmental agency, including the department, Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections.
      - (vii) Mental health provider.
      - (viii) Health care provider.
      - (ix) Substance use disorder treatment provider.
      - (x) School.
      - (xi) EMS provider.
      - (xii) Social services provider.
    - (xiii) Prescription drug monitoring program representative.
    - (xiv) Any other person or entity who is in possession of records pertinent to the overdose death review team investigation of an overdose death.
- (b) Cost to provide records.--A person or entity subject to a records request by a death review team under subsection (a) may charge the death review team a reasonable fee for the service of duplicating any records requested by the death review team for which duplication is required.
- (c) Disclosure of substance use disorder records.--The disclosure or redisclosure of a medical record developed in connection with the provision of substance use treatment services, without the authorization of a person in interest, shall be subject to any limitations that exist under section 8 of the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.221, No.63), known as the Pennsylvania Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Act, section 543 of the Public Health Service Act (58 Stat. 682, 42 U.S.C. 290dd-2) or 42 CFR Pt. 2.
- (d) Provision of information.--Information, if requested by the lead organization or chair of the death review team, shall be provided within five business days of receipt of the written request, excluding weekends and holidays, unless an extension is granted by the lead organization or chair. Written requests may include a request submitted via email or facsimile transmission.
- (e) Administrative subpoena.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a death review team shall not need an administrative subpoena or other form of legal compulsion to receive requested records under this subarticle. This subsection shall not negate any right the death review team has to obtain an administrative subpoena or other form of legal compulsion.
- (f) Sharing of information.--Information received by the lead organization or chair in response to a request under this section may be shared at a death review team meeting in accordance with section 2133.
- (g) Prohibition.--A record may not be released during the pendency of an investigation if the release of the record would hinder the progress of an active investigation or criminal proceeding.

- (h) Applicability.--This section shall apply to the extent permitted by Federal law.
- Section 2133. Confidentiality of death review team records and meetings.
- (a) Meetings.--A death review team meeting shall be closed to the public and information discussed at the meeting shall be confidential.

  (b) Records.--
  - (1) The proceedings, records and information maintained by and shared with a death review team may not be:
    - (i) Disclosed under the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law.
    - (ii) Subject to discovery, subpoena or introduction into evidence in a criminal or civil proceeding.
- (2) Information presented in or opinions formed as a result of a meeting of a death review team may not be subject to subpoena, discovery or admissible in evidence in a civil or criminal action. Nothing under this subsection shall be construed to prevent a member of a death review team from testifying in a criminal or civil proceeding to information obtained independently of participation in the death review team or to information which is publicly available. Section 2134. Criminal and civil liability protections.
- (a) Confidentiality.--An individual not a member of a death review team may, in good faith, provide information to a death review team for the purposes of this subarticle. A member of a death review team may discuss confidential matters during a meeting of the death review team. The following shall apply:
  - (1) A member of a death review team shall comply with applicable Federal and State laws regarding confidentiality.
  - (2) Except as provided under subsection (b), a member of a death review team or an individual who, in good faith, provides information to a death review team may not be disciplined, criminally prosecuted or held administratively or civilly liable for complying with the provisions of this subarticle.
- (b) Liability.--The immunity specified under subsection (a)(2) shall not apply to a member of a death review team or an individual providing information to a death review team by invitation who either rediscloses confidential information in a manner not in accordance with Federal or State law, or who discloses confidential information to the death review team with malice, in bad faith or in a negligent manner.
- Section 4. The provisions of this act are severable. If any provision of this act or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.
  - Section 5. This act shall take effect as follows:
    - (1) This section shall take effect immediately.
  - (2) The amendment of section 2301-A(1)(xviii) shall take efect in 60 days.
    - (3) The remainder of this act shall take effect in 30 days.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

# YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

NAY-0

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 third consideration, as amended?

#### **KEARNEY AMENDMENT A3658 OFFERED**

Senator KEARNEY offered the following amendment No. A3658:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 21, by inserting after "determined,": in powers and duties of the Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, providing for operation of State health centers;

Amend Bill, page 1, line 23, by striking out the period after "duties" and inserting:

; and making a related repeal.

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 26 and 27; page 2, line 1; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

Section 1. The act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 2127. Operation of State Health Centers.--With the exception of a State health center in any county that is established as a separate county health department under the act of August 24, 1951 (P.L.1304, No.315), known as the Local Health Administration Law, the Department of Health shall operate public State health centers and provide at a minimum those public health services in effect as of July 1, 1995. The Department of Health shall not enter into contracts with any additional private providers which would result in the elimination of any State health center, reduce the scope of services currently provided or reduce the number of centers.

Section 2. Section 2301-A(1)(xviii) of the act is amended to read: Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 24 and 25: Section 3. Repeals are as follows:

- (1) The General Assembly declares that the repeal under paragraph (2) is necessary to effectuate the addition of section 2127 of
- (2) Section 8(c) of the act of April 27, 1905 (P.L.312, No.218), entitled "An act creating a Department of Health, and defining its powers and duties," is repealed.

Amend Bill, page 2, line 25, by striking out "2" and inserting:

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, this amendment would eliminate government waste and redundancy and save the Commonwealth funds. This April, Delaware County's long-anticipated Health Department finally opened for business and is providing personal community health services across the county. However, one of our statutes mandates that the Pennsylvania Department of Health operate a State-run health center in many counties, including Delaware County. So now we have two competing health centers offering the same service. It does not make sense to have the State Department of Health also providing overlapping services now, but because of a provision in the statute that this bill amends, the Department of Health cannot close the shop; that is redundant. That is our laws at work creating government waste. I am asking my colleagues to do something about an unnecessary government office and adopt this amendment to shut

down the State health center in Delaware County. Those are taxpayer dollars that could be saved or put to better use elsewhere. I believe everyone here wants to be a responsible steward for the taxpayers. This amendment would not affect counties with their own health departments, and it would continue to require that the Department of Health maintain all its other health centers. So, if you believe in saving tax dollars and cutting government waste, then I ask for an affirmative vote on this amendment on the underlying legislation.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I think what you have to say is very important. We would be willing to work with you going down the road.

# **KEARNEY AMENDMENT A3658 WITHDRAWN**

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

Senator KEARNEY. Mr. President, thank you, Madam Leader. We will respectfully withdraw the amendment.

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 358 (Pr. No. 404) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 9, 2018 (P.L.118, No.24), known as the Maternal Mortality Review Act, further providing for confidentiality and protection of collected data, proceedings and activities.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, in 2018, Act 24 was passed, which created the Maternal Mortality Review Committee. Its purpose is to review pregnancy-associated deaths and make recommendations to reduce preventable deaths. This legislation was a result of learning that the Commonwealth had an unacceptably high level of maternal deaths, particularly among Black and brown women. Maternal mortality refers to the death of a woman from complications of pregnancy or childbirth. This particular bill, this legislation, addresses maternal morbidity, which is defined as any short- or long-term health problems that result from being pregnant and giving birth. Morbidity is when you have a specific illness or condition which may have been preexisting pregnancy or as a result of the pregnancy. Some examples of common morbidities are heart disease, diabetes, and obesity, and you can have more than one morbidity at a time, which I am sure we can all understand. Hypertension, preeclampsia--which is very, very high blood pressure--are common examples of severe maternal morbidity that can result in premature

births and low infant birth weights. These can be lifelong medical conditions with significant consequences to a woman's health. By tracking maternal morbidity, which is what this legislation will do, we can identify and work to address and overcome through better healthcare policies as this body goes forward. We can address those conditions that negatively impact birthing mothers and infants. Credit for this legislation most certainly goes to my fellow co-chairs on the women's health caucus, and certainly to Representative Morgan Cephas, who introduced this bill over in the House.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

# YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 365 (Pr. No. 3568)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in pupils and attendance, further providing for actual cost of tuition and maintenance of certain exceptional children in the four chartered schools for education of the deaf and the blind; making a repeal; and making editorial changes.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street

Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

NAY-0

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

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

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 492, SB 1031, SB 1135, SB 1160, SB 1161, SB 1226, SB 1227, SB 1228 and SB 1229 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

# BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**SB 1317 (Pr. No. 2008)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 22, 1978 (P.L.1166, No.274), referred to as the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency Law, providing for Indigent Defense Advisory Committee; and establishing the Indigent Defense Grant Program.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

# YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

# NAY-0

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

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

**HB 1393 (Pr. No. 3253)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, further providing for definitions.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

# NAY-0

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

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

**HB 1486 (Pr. No. 3604)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 74 (Transportation) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in turnpike, further providing for definitions, for electronic toll collection and for annual hearing; in registration of vehicles, providing for contributions for the prevention of child abuse and neglect, further providing for display of registration plate, providing for pollinator conservation registration plate, for Afghanistan and Iraq veterans plate and for Blue Star Family plate and further providing for suspension of registration upon unpaid tolls; in fees, further providing for payments to special funds and establishing the Pollinator Habitat Program Fund; and, in powers of department and local authorities further providing for provisions relating to fare evasion.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 1866 (Pr. No. 3064)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in juvenile matters, further providing for disposition of dependent child; in human services generally, reorganizing provisions relating to adoption opportunities and to family finding and kinship care; and making editorial changes.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

# YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, may we be at ease for a moment.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

**HB 1929 (Pr. No. 2197)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inchoate crimes, further providing for prohibited offensive weapons.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

# BILLS OVER IN ORDER

**HB 1958** and **HB 2216** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 2361 (Pr. No. 2775)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 38 (Holidays and Observances) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in veteran recognition, providing for Women Veterans Day.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### **BILL AMENDED**

HB 2373 (Pr. No. 2895) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for transfer authority over Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

### K. WARD AMENDMENT A5863 ADOPTED

Senator K. WARD offered the following amendment No. A5863:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 7, by inserting after "shall": , submit notice to the General Assembly of the determined use

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

# YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 2586 (Pr. No. 3100) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 38 (Holidays and Observances) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in veteran recognition, providing for Tuskegee Airmen Commemoration Day.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

# NAY-0

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

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

#### SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 69, HB 185, SB 244, HB 293, SB 359, HB 521, SB 749, SB 917, SB 996, SB 1136, HB 1155, HB 1178, SB 1195, HB 1307, SB 1331, SB 1333, SB 1338, SB 1339, SB 1358 and HB

1377 -- 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 1500 (Pr. No. 1563)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in abortion, further providing for definitions, for medical consultation and judgment and for reporting.

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

HB 1738, HB 2367, HB 2372, HB 2406, HB 2407, HB 2425, HB 2524 and HB 2632 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, may we be at ease for a moment?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

# THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

### **RECONSIDERATION OF HB 1958**

**HB 1958 (Pr. No. 3504)** -- Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I ask that we return to the calendar, and I move to reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 1958, Printer's No. 3504, went over in its order.

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

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 1958 (Pr. No. 3504)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; and, in licensing of drivers, further providing for school, examination or hearing on accumulation of points or excessive speeding, for driving while operating privilege is suspended or revoked and for establishment of schools.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally? The yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

#### YEA-50

Argall	Dillon	Laughlin	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Martin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	Langerholc		

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### LEAVE CHANGED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request that Senator Martin's leave be changed from a legislative leave to a personal leave.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests that Senator Martin's leave be changed from a legislative leave to a personal leave. Without objection, the leave will be changed.

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 397 (Pr. No. 3603)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Nonprofit Security Grant Fund, further providing for Nonprofit Security Grant Fund and for expiration; in Commonwealth services, further providing for State Fire Commissioner and for curriculum and training and providing for capital grants for municipal fire departments, for capital grants for emergency service training centers, for money for online training for firefighters and for money for reimbursement to Pennsylvania bomb squads; in volunteer firefighters, further providing for fire relief formula study; in grants to fire companies and emergency medical services companies, further providing for award of grants for volunteer fire companies and for award of grants for emergency medical services companies; in incentives for municipal volunteers of fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical services agencies, further providing for rejection and appeal; in emergency medical services, providing for tuition and loan assistance for active volunteers and establishing the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program and the Active Volunteer Tuition and Loan Assistance Program Fund; in emergency medical services system, providing for scholarships for recruitment, training and retention; and establishing the EMS Training Fund.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I rise in support of House Bill No. 397. This measure provides essential funding and support for our fire and EMS community. It puts in place a tuition and loan assistance program. It establishes recruitment, training, and retention programs, including higher and secondary education partnership for EMS. It creates capital grant programs for career and volunteer fire companies to shore up their facilities. It increases the max fire and EMS grants and allows for merged companies to receive higher grants for 20 years. It provides funding for online fire training. It requires the State Fire Commissioner to establish an online fire registry for firefighter courses. It sets up a firework safety education program. Mr. President, our fire and EMS systems are facing serious challenges. By working together at the State and local levels, we can help mitigate the threat of any Pennsylvanian needing assistance but not receiving it in a timely fashion. I am pleased to work with all our fire and EMS communities as well with the colleagues in the Senate and House to put this measure together. Mr. President, I ask for an affirmative vote.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

### YEA-49

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Argall	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	•		

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### BILL OVER IN ORDER

**HB 609** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator K. WARD.

# BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 668 (Pr. No. 629)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 31, 1945 (P.L.1198, No.418), known as the Surface Mining Conservation and Reclamation Act, further providing for Mining and Reclamation Advisory Board.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	-		

### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 1328 (Pr. No. 2641)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 26, 1947 (P.L.318, No.140), known as the CPA Law, further providing for general powers of the board, for requirements for issuance of certificate, for peer review and for unlawful acts.

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

#### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 1630 (Pr. No. 3605)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for pharmacy benefits manager audit and obligations; and abrogating regulations.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

# YEA-49

Argall	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	-		

# NAY-0

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

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

**HB 2086 (Pr. No. 2972)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Department of Military Affairs, further providing for operation of State-owned vehicles.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	•		

#### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 2214 (Pr. No. 3065)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 67 (Public Welfare) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in miscellaneous provisions, providing for miscellaneous provisions; and making an editorial change.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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

Corman Costa	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak	
		NAY-0		

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

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

HB 2293 (Pr. No. 3344) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 19, 1979 (P.L.130, No.48), known as the Health Care Facilities Act, providing for temporary health care services agencies.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	•		

#### NAY-0

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

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

HB 2447 (Pr. No. 2909) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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.

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:

Argall	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	·		

#### NAY-0

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

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

**HB 2648 (Pr. No. 3591)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in Office of State Inspector General, further providing for powers, purpose and duties; repealing provisions relating to coordination of Commonwealth community service programs; providing for PennSERVE and for public works employment verification; establishing the Public Works Employment Verification Account; and making a related repeal.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-41

Argall	Costa	Langerholc	Street
Aument	Dillon	Laughlin	Tartaglione
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Vogel
Boscola	Fontana	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Gebhard	Regan	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Gordner	Robinson	Williams, Anthony H.
Browne	Haywood	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Scavello	Yaw
Comitta	Kane	Stefano	Yudichak
Corman			
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#### NAY-8

Cappelletti	Hutchinson	Muth	Saval
DiSanto	Kearney	Phillips-Hill	Schwank

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has

passed the same with amendments in which concurrence of the House is requested.

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 2

BILL OVER IN ORDER TEMPORARILY

**HB 1059** -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order temporarily at the request of Senator K. WARD.

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3606)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in oil and gas well plugging oversight, further providing for allocation of funding, for establishment of Oil and Gas Well Plugging Grant Program, for grants, for eligible wells, for qualified well plugger and for applications and review process; in development, further providing for well plugging funds and providing for well plugging contracts; and making editorial changes.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

# **RECONSIDERATION OF HB 2528**

**HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3606)** -- Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now reconsider the vote by which House Bill No. 2528, Printer's No. 3606, was agreed to on third consideration.

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

### MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 2528, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(p)(2)(ii).

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 2528 (Pr. No. 3606)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in oil and gas well plugging oversight, further providing for allocation of funding, for establishment of Oil and Gas Well Plugging Grant Program, for grants, for eligible wells, for qualified well plugger and for applications and review process; in development, further providing for well plugging funds and providing for well plugging contracts; and making editorial changes.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

### YEA-47

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

#### NAY-2

Cappelletti Collett

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

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

# LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 3

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 2398 (Pr. No. 3563) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill. entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in certificate of title and security interests, further providing for content and

effect of certificate of title; in rules of the road in general, repealing provisions relating to platooning; in miscellaneous provisions, providing for theft of catalytic converter; in miscellaneous provisions relating to accidents and accident reports, further providing for accidents involving death or personal injury, for accidents involving damage to attended vehicle or property, for duty to give information and render aid, for accidents involving damage to unattended vehicle or property and for immediate notice of accident to police department; in equipment standards, further providing for promulgation of vehicle equipment standards; in inspection of vehicles, further providing for requirement for periodic inspection of vehicles; in size, weight and load, further providing for width of vehicles; in powers of department and local authorities, further providing for specific powers of department and local authorities; and, in highly automated vehicles, further providing for definitions, for highly automated vehicles and for Highly Automated Vehicle Advisory Committee, providing for certificate of compliance required, for powers of department, for self-certification application, for self-certification review, for operation requirements, for commercial operation, for preemption, for enforcement and penalties, for regulations and guidelines, for confidential records, for appeals and for interstate agreements; and adding provisions relating to other automated vehicles.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

#### L. WILLIAMS AMENDMENT A5751 OFFERED

Senator L. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment No. A5751:

Amend Bill, page 19, line 7, by striking out "and" Amend Bill, page 19, line 9, by striking out the period after "TITLE" and inserting:

(3) a human operator is present in a highly automated vehicle engaged in the transport of interstate commerce or the transporting of goods or eight or more people for hire so that the individual has the ability to monitor the vehicle's performance and intervene if necessary.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, this amendment would require a human operator to be present in a highly automated vehicle engaged in the transport of interstate commerce, the transporting of goods, or for the purpose of mass transit. This amendment is a commonsense solution to make this bill work for workers, for public safety, and for Pennsylvanians, a majority of whom would feel more comfortable if a human operator were present. A recent poll found that only 17 percent of Pennsylvanians feel okay sharing the road with driverless trucks, and more than half did not feel comfortable sharing the road with driverless vehicles. The proliferation of highly autonomous vehicles will displace workers from some of Pennsylvania's largest industries, truck delivery and mass transit drivers, just to name a few. Their voices deserve to be heard, and their feedback deserves your consideration. I offer this amendment as a voice for the workers whose lives and livelihoods will be dramatically impacted as a result of highly autonomous vehicles and for all Pennsylvanians who deserve to feel safe traveling on the roads paid by their tax dollars. I urge my colleagues to consider the importance of having a human operator present in some highly autonomous

vehicles and ask for an affirmative vote on this amendment. Thank you.

#### L. WILLIAMS AMENDMENT A5751 TABLED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the amendment be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward moves that the amendment be laid upon the table. That motion is not debatable.

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-28

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

#### NAY-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	•		•

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Amendment A5751 will be laid on the table.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

It was agreed to.

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator LANGERHOLC. Mr. President, I rise to ask for support for House Bill No. 2398. Now, this bill is the result of numerous discussions, numerous negotiations, and an ultimate compromise across a wide spectrum of stakeholders. This has been an area that we have been working on in the Senate Committee on Transportation for some time, as well as in the House. And back in June of 2021, I had the privilege of having the Senate Committee on Transportation attend Pittsburgh Hazelwood Green to have a public hearing and a tour on HAVs. It was at that time that myself and the committee learned of the importance of this emerging industry and the potential enormous economic benefits that HAVs would have on our Commonwealth. It was also at that hearing that our committee learned that these companies are headquartered in Pittsburgh. And naturally, the question came about and was elicited through various testimony, why were these companies here in Pittsburgh? And the answer was a resounding: the institutions that surround them. Carnegie Mellon, being a worldwide leader in this technology, as well as the University of Pittsburgh, as well as Penn State University. All are increasing players in this industry.

At that time, we learned of the needs of this industry, and we began our drafting of language to help these industries, to keep them here in Pennsylvania. Because at that time, it was apparent to myself, as well as members of the committee, that this was an emerging area. And there were a lot of laws that were not being enacted across our nation, and we wanted to be one of the first to act, to ensure that these companies stayed here and recruited employees, which led to jobs, which led to economic activity. And recently, a Pittsburgh-based study concludes that the HAV sector is predicted to grow to a \$1 trillion global market by 2026--that is less than 4 short years from today--with an estimated 5,000 new jobs and a \$10 billion impact for southwestern Pennsylvania, representing 1 percent of that global market growth.

This bill, as I had indicated, is a result of many, many discussions and the work of many individuals. And I am proud to stand here with this finished product, House Bill No. 2398, which will authorize highly automated vehicles to operate with or without a driver at a level three, four, or five, as defined by the Society of Automotive Engineers. An HAV can only be owned and operated by a certificate holder, which will be limited to an HAV company such as Waymo, or Locomation, or Aurora, as well as educational institutions such as Carnegie Mellon, or the University of Pittsburgh, or Penn State. With this bill, our Commonwealth will continue to offer a safe, vibrant, and economically competitive environment to advance vehicle automation. A "yes" vote tonight sends a message that Pennsylvania will be a player in this emerging economic area and sends a message that we embrace and welcome not only the jobs that this industry will bring, but we welcome all the ancillary work that will spill out to other counties within our Commonwealth and show that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is truly a leader in this industry. I would ask for an affirmative vote for House Bill No. 2398.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I too rise today in support of House Bill No. 2398. This important measure will allow a homegrown industry a clear pathway to testing and deployment of autonomous vehicles in our Commonwealth. This industry is comprised of thousands of high-paying jobs and has continued to grow over the course of its short history. That being said though, it has hit a wall in its ability to continue to develop and deploy in Pennsylvania. This bill will allow Pennsylvania then to remain in the forefront of this industry as it develops and advances, keeping this Commonwealth on top of the list for future investments, and not at the bottom; and I ask for an affirmative vote as well.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I too rise in support of this legislation. I think it is an important time here in Pennsylvania, specifically in the southwestern part of Pennsylvania, as was indicated by my colleague, Senator Langerholc, about the role that Pittsburgh and, specifically, that Allegheny County will play. Particularly with the tremendous talent that we have at the University of Pittsburgh, CMU, Duquesne, and many other institutions around our region that will allow for a planning--a process--and understanding what needs to be done and what is necessary for these industries to flourish, particularly given the volume of resources that we anticipate going forward. I will be submitting my remarks for the record, but just the last thing I would like to talk a little bit about, what Senator Lindsey Williams raised earlier with regard to concerns that have been shared with us by folks, particularly our friends in the Teamsters. We recognize that that is an important part of this conversation that needs to take place as we go forward. Unfortunately, up to this point in time it has not been as open of a dialogue that we would have hoped to be able to address, but I do think that as this plays out over the course of many months and many years, the work through the Department of Transportation and so many others that will be involved in the development of this industry in our region, that they have the opportunity to have a seat at the table and discuss it with our friends in labor. Thank you.

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

(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator COSTA:)

Mr. President, each and every one of us deserves to get where we are going safely and easily and arrive at our destinations alive and unharmed. Highly Automated Vehicles will help move us towards a more efficient, less costly, and safer future of transportation. Highly Automated Vehicles (HAVs) have the potential to improve the quality of life for drivers on Pennsylvania's roadways and the public at large, according to the Coalition for Future Mobility. Automation can provide greater road safety by reducing the number of crashes. Driver behavior or error is a factor in 94 percent of crashes. Increased autonomy could potentially reduce devastating outcomes from risky or dangerous driving behaviors, including impairment, speeding, and distracted driving.

Full automation could provide greater independence to people with disabilities, including blind individuals and senior citizens, as well as reduce costs of personal transportation through ride-sharing in HAVs. Workers using HAVs would be able to reclaim personal time during commutes, during which they could answer emails, watch TV, or simply relax on their ride to work. We can reduce traffic congestion and save lives using HAVs, as fewer crashes would occur, and stop-and-go traffic would be reduced due to HAVs' ability to maintain safe distances between vehicles. Not only does this save lives, but also costly medical expenses and precious first-responder resources. By reducing the amount of time that cars are on the road, we could significantly reduce our fossil fuel consumption and help ensure our planet remains livable. Car-sharing of HAVs could encourage a higher demand for electric vehicles generally.

Continued investments in policies and companies on the forefront of HAV technology allows Pennsylvania and the U.S. to remain globally competitive in this burgeoning market. There are eight HAV testing facilities authorized in PA: seven are private companies, and one is Carnegie Mellon University. About the testing entities—many of these authorized entities are in Pittsburgh (CMH, Argo AI, Aurora). Waymo, formerly the Google self-driving car project to provide self-driving passenger vehicles, also opened an office in Pittsburgh. Motional is also testing in the Pittsburgh area.

The Pittsburgh-based Regional Industrial Development Corporation found that in the Pittsburgh region, the HAV industry has created 6,500 new jobs. The global HAV industry could be [work] \$1 trillion globally by 2026. By the end of the decade, it estimated the HAV sector will create 5,000 new jobs and a \$10 billion impact for SWPA if it captures only 1 percent of the global market growth.

I do have to note some reservations with the legislation regarding the views of labor related to impact HAVs may have on trucking in particular, but also the taxi and TNC industry and other transportation-related jobs. While these impacts may be down the road, like many other industries where robotics have replaced humans on the assembly line, HAVs have the longer-term impact to do the same. I would be remiss if I failed to note that the Teamsters remain opposed to this measure. Nonetheless, we cannot stand by and let this opportunity pass us by. If there is an opportunity for Pennsylvania to lead the world in HAVs, reduce traffic, save lives, and lessen gasoline usage, we must seize it.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Washington, Senator Bartolotta.

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, I rise in support of House Bill No. 2398. House Bill No. 2398 addresses a very important issue for the autonomous vehicle industry in Pennsylvania by providing clear guidance on testing and commercial deployment of these vehicles in the Commonwealth. This industry supports thousands of jobs and has great relationships with our educational institutions, so much so--as we have heard--that some of the leading companies have decided to locate their headquarters in Pennsylvania. That does not happen a lot. We, instead, are getting too used to seeing really great capital investment finding their home elsewhere. This is an opportunity for the Commonwealth to attract and keep innovative ideas--this booming, emerging industry--not just with the automotive industry, but with technology, with young entrepreneurs and young innovators. This will protect thousands of family-sustaining jobs and create an environment that will foster additional growth in the future.

The jobs that exist are not just comprised of software engineers, but also, they run the gamut to include automotive technicians, machinists, and vehicle operators. The companies have done a great job recruiting and retaining students from our universities and our trade schools. Student retention post-graduation is an issue which we all care about and hope to see more of in our State. One autonomous vehicle company, Aurora, has even started a program with the Pittsburgh Technical College for service engineer technicians to build and repair these vehicles. They have created a whole new area of study. I commend this industry for its vision in creating a workforce pipeline that aligns with the students our schools have graduating every year.

It is also important to point out that this legislation that is before us today, House Bill No. 2398, strikes a good balance by providing PennDOT the tools needed to regulate the industry in a way that ensures safety while encouraging a robust autonomous vehicle sector. This is an industry that is invested in us and grown here. Now, let us consider investing in them by passing this important legislation

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-29

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

#### NAY-20

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

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

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 4

# BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 284 (Pr. No. 282)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 37 (Historical and Museums) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in powers and duties of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, further providing for specific powers and duties, for personal property and for documents and providing for Commonwealth archival records, for local government archival records and for access to older public records; and, in historic properties, further providing for title to historic property and for powers over certain historic property.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

Senator GORDNER. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Langerholc.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, no further leaves.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Gordner requests a legislative leave for Senator Langerholc. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-48

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

#### NAY-1

Saval

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

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

**HB 1103 (Pr. No. 1140)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1982 (P.L.1404, No.325), known as the Self-Service Storage Facility Act, further providing for owner's lien, for enforcement of lien, for notice, for advertisement of sale and for location of sale.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street
Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	•		

# NAY-0

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

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

**HB 2057 (Pr. No. 3299)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) and 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions, for form of records, for delivery of document, for functions of Department of State, for processing of documents by Department of State, for court to pass upon rejection of documents by Department of State, for statement of correction and for tax clearance of certain fundamental transactions, providing for annual report and further providing for short title and application of subchapter and for fee schedule; in entities generally, further providing for requirements for names generally, for required name changes by Senior associations and for registration of name of nonregistered foreign association and providing for ratification of defective entity actions; in entity transactions, further providing for definitions, for relationship of chapter to other provisions of law, for nature of transactions, for excluded entities and transactions, for approval by business corporation, for interest exchange authorized, for statement of conversion and effectiveness, for approval of division, for division without interest holder approval, for effect of division, for allocation of liabilities in division and for domestication authorized and providing for administrative dissolution or cancellation; in foreign associations, further providing for governing law, for activities not constituting doing business, for noncomplying name of foreign association, for required withdrawal on certain transactions and for termination of registration; in corporations, further providing for application and effect of subchapter, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard, for limitation on standing and for actions by shareholders or members to enforce a secondary right and providing for renunciation of business opportunities; in general provisions relating to business corporations, further providing for application of subpart and for definitions and repealing provisions relating to annual report information; in incorporation, further providing for articles of incorporation; in corporate powers, duties and safeguards, further providing for general powers, for adoption, amendment and contents of bylaws, for persons bound by bylaws, for registered office, for corporate records and inspection by members, for bylaws and other powers in emergency and for informational rights of a director, providing for forum selection provisions and further providing for authorized shares, for stock rights and options, for transfer of securities and restrictions, for power of corporation to acquire its own shares, for liability for unlawful dividends and other distributions and for application and effect of subchapter; in officers, directors and shareholders, further providing for manner of giving notice, for place and notice of meetings of shareholders, for use of conference telephone or other electronic technology, for conduct of shareholders meeting, for alternative provisions, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard, for limitation on standing and for inconsistent articles ineffective, providing for renunciation of business opportunities, further providing for board of directors, for qualifications of directors, for term of office of directors, for selection of directors, for quorum of and action by directors, for interested directors or officers and quorum, for compensation of directors, for executive and other committees of the board and for officers, providing for officer's standard of care and justifiable reliance and for personal liability of officers and further providing for mandatory indemnification, for duration and extent of coverage, for time of holding meetings of shareholders, for quorum, for voting rights of shareholders, for determination of shareholders of record, for voting lists, for consent of members in lieu of meeting, for derivative action, for eligible shareholder plaintiffs and security for costs and for special litigation committee; in fundamental changes, further providing for proposal of fundamental transactions, for amendment of articles authorized, for proposal of amendments for adoption of amendments, for voluntary transfer of corporate assets and for survival of remedies and rights after dissolution; in nonstock corporations, further providing for election of an existing business corporation to become a nonstock corporation and for termination of nonstock corporation status; in registered corporations, further providing for call of special meetings of shareholders, for adjournment of meetings of shareholders, for consent of shareholders in lieu of meeting, and for notice of shareholder meetings, providing for qualifications of directors, and further providing for application and effect of subchapter, for

definitions, for business combination, for application and effect of subchapter, for definitions, for voting rights of shares acquired in a controlshare, for procedure for establishing voting rights of control shares, for application and effect of subchapter and for definitions; in benefit corporations, further providing for standard of conduct for directors, for benefit director and for standard of conduct for officers; in general provisions relating to nonprofit corporations, further providing for definitions and repealing provisions relating to annual report; in incorporation, further providing for articles of incorporation; in corporate powers duties and safeguards, further providing for adoption, amendment and contents of bylaws, for persons bound by bylaws, for registered office, for corporate records and inspection by members, for bylaws and other powers in emergency and for informational rights of a director, providing for forum selection provisions, and further providing for authority to take and hold trust property; in officers, directors and members, further providing for manner of giving notice, for place and notice of meetings of members, for use of conference telephone or other electronic technology, for conduct of members meeting, for alternative provisions, for standard of care and justifiable reliance, for personal liability of directors, for notation of dissent, for exercise of powers generally, for alternative standard and for limitation on standing, providing for renunciation of corporate opportunities, further providing for board of directors, for term of office of directors, for selection of directors, for quorum of and action by directors, for interested directors or officers and quorum, for compensation of directors, for executive and other committees of the board and for officers, providing for officer's standard of care and justifiable reliance and for personal liability of officers and further providing for mandatory indemnification, for duration and extent of coverage, for time of holding meetings of members, for quorum, for voting rights of members, for determination of members of record, for consent of members in lieu of meeting, for derivative action, for eligible member plaintiffs and security for costs and for special litigation committee; in amendments, sale of assets and dissolution, further providing for amendment of articles authorized, for proposal of amendments and for survival of remedies and rights after dissolution; in electric cooperative corporations, further providing for merger, consolidation, division or sale of assets; in general partnerships, further providing for short title and application of chapter, for partner's rights and duties and for rights to information; in limited partnerships, further providing for short title and application of chapter, for signing of filed documents, for registered office, for limited partner rights to information, for general partner rights to information, for derivative action, for security for costs and for special litigation committee; in limited liability companies, further providing for formation of limited liability company and certificate of organization, for registered office, for rights to information, for derivative action, for security for costs, for special litigation committee, for standard of conduct for members and for standard of conduct for managers and officers; in limited liability companies, further providing for application and effect of subchapter; in business trusts, further providing for registered office; in general provisions, further providing for definitions and for execution of documents; in fictitious names, further providing for definitions, for registration, for contracts entered into by entity using unregistered fictitious name and for effect of registration; in corporate and other association names, repealing provisions relating to register established, to certain additions to register, to decennial filings required, to effect of failure to make filings, to late filings and to voluntary termination of registration by corporations and other associations; and making editorial changes.

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	Dillon	Langerholc	Schwank
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Stefano
Baker	Dush	Mastriano	Street

Bartolotta	Flynn	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Fontana	Muth	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
Corman	Kearney	Scavello	Yudichak
Costa	-		

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### **HOUSE MESSAGES**

# SENATE BILLS RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate SB 225, SB 522, SB 696, SB 806, SB 1083, SB 1152, SB 1194 and SB 1208, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Pursuant to Senate Rule 13(c)(2)(i), the bills will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Dush has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 2 RESUMED

# MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 1059, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(m)(2).

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

# BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 1059 (Pr. No. 3613)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for declarations of estimated tax; in realty transfer tax, further providing for transfer of tax; providing for Pennsylvania Economic Development for a Growing Economy (PA EDGE) tax credits; imposing penalties for noncompliance; and making editorial changes.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

#### **MUTH AMENDMENT A5879 OFFERED**

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A5879:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 12, by inserting after "TAX;":

repealing provisions relating to local resource manufacturing tax credit;

Amend Bill, page 6, lines 23 through 30; pages 7 through 20, lines 1 through 30; page 21, lines 1 through 3; by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

(Reserved)

Section 6. Sections 1702-L, 1703-L, 1704-L, 1705-L, 1706-L, 1707-L, 1708-L, 1709-L, 1710-L, 1711-L, 1712-L, 1713-L, 1714-L and 1715-L of the act are repealed:

[Section 1702-L. Definitions.

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

"Company." A corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, business trust, affiliate, unincorporated joint venture or other business entity doing business in this Commonwealth.

"Department." The Department of Revenue of the Commonwealth.

"Downstream company." The term includes a company that purchases chemical products or chemical compounds manufactured or processed by a qualified taxpayer.

"Dry natural gas." Natural gas in which there are no appreciable natural gas liquids recoverable by separation at the wellhead.

"Fertilizer." A chemical product derived from petrochemicals which is added to soil or land to increase fertility.

"Natural gas." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 2301 (relating to definitions).

"Natural gas liquids." As defined in 58 Pa.C.S. § 3203 (relating to definitions).

"New job." A full-time-equivalent job created during the construction of the project facility and paying the prevailing minimum wage and benefit rates for each craft or classification as determined by the Department of Labor and Industry under the Prevailing Wage Act.

"Pass-through entity." Any of the following:

- (1) A partnership as defined in section 301(n.0).
- (2) A Pennsylvania S corporation as defined in section 301(n.1).
  - (3) An unincorporated entity subject to section 307.21.

"Permanent job." A full-time-equivalent job created to support the ongoing operation of the project facility.

"Petrochemical." Chemical products obtained from refining and processing natural gas. The term does not include liquefaction or other processing of natural gas for the purpose of transport.

processing of natural gas for the purpose of transport.

"Prevailing Wage Act." The act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act.

"Project facility." A facility located in this Commonwealth which manufactures petrochemicals or fertilizers using dry natural gas and which required a capital investment of at least \$400,000,000 to construct and place into service.

"Qualified tax liability." The liability for taxes imposed under Articles III, IV, VII, VIII, IX, XI and XV. The term does not include tax withheld under section 316.1.

"Qualified taxpayer." A company that satisfies all of the following:

- (1) Purchases and uses dry natural gas produced in this Commonwealth in the manufacture of petrochemicals or fertilizers at a project facility in this Commonwealth that has been placed in service on or after the effective date of this section.
- (2) Has made a capital investment of at least \$400,000,000 in order to construct the project facility and place the project facility into service in this Commonwealth.
- (3) Has created a minimum aggregate total of 800 new jobs and permanent jobs.
- (4) Has made good faith efforts to recruit and employ, and to encourage any contractors or subcontractors to recruit and employ, workers from the local labor market for employment during the construction of the project facility.

(5) Has demonstrated that the new jobs created at the project facility or for work covered by section 1713-L are paid at least the prevailing minimum wage and benefit rates for each craft or classification as determined by the Department of Labor and Industry.

"Tax credit." The local resource manufacturing tax credit provided under this article.

- "Unit." One thousand cubic feet of natural gas at a temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and an absolute pressure of 14.73 pounds per square inch, in accordance with American Gas Association standards and according to Boyle's law for the measurement of gas under varying pressures with deviations therefrom as follows:
  - (1) The average absolute atmospheric pressure shall be assumed to be 14.4 pounds to the square inch, notwithstanding the actual elevation or location of point of delivery above sea level or variations in the atmospheric pressure.
  - (2) The temperature of the gas passing the meters shall be determined by the continuous use of a recording thermometer installed so that the thermometer may properly record the temperature of the gas flowing through the meters. The arithmetic average of the temperature recorded each 24-hour day shall be used in computing gas volumes. If a recording thermometer is not installed, or if installed and not operating properly, an average flowing temperature of 60 degrees Fahrenheit shall be used in computing gas volume.

(3) The specific gravity of the gas shall be determined by tests made by the use of an Edwards or Acme gravity balance annually or at intervals as are found necessary in practice. Specific gravity shall be used in computing gas volumes.

(4) The deviation of the natural gas from Boyle's law shall be determined by tests annually or at other shorter intervals as are found necessary in practice. The apparatus and the method to be used in making the tests shall be in accordance with recommendations of the National Bureau of Standards of the Department of Commerce or Report No. 3 of the Gas Measurement Committee of the American Gas Association on the effective date of this section. The results of the tests shall be used in computing the volume of gas delivered.

"Upstream company." The term includes a company that is engaged in the exploration, development, production, processing, refining or transportation of dry natural gas in this Commonwealth.

Section 1703-L. Eligibility.

In order to be eligible to receive a tax credit, a company shall demonstrate the following:

- The company meets the requirements of a qualified taxpayer.
- (2) The use of carbon capture and sequestration technology, or similar technologies, at the project facility to the extent it is cost effective and feasible at the discretion of the qualified taxpayer.
- (3) Confirmation that the company has filed all required State tax reports and returns for all applicable taxable years and paid any balance of State tax due as determined by assessment or determination by the department and not under timely appeal.

Section 1704-L. Application and approval of tax credit.

(a) Rate.--The tax credit shall be equal to \$0.47 per unit of dry natural gas that is purchased and used in the manufacturing of petrochemicals or fertilizers at the project facility by a qualified taxpayer.

(b) Application.-

- (1) A qualified taxpayer may apply to the department for a tax credit under this section.
- (2) The application must be submitted to the department by March 1 for the tax credit claimed for dry natural gas purchased and used in manufacturing of petrochemicals or fertilizers by the qualified taxpayer at the project facility during the prior calendar year.
- (3) The application must be on the form required by the department which shall include the following:
  - (i) information required by the department to document the amount of dry natural gas purchased and used in the manufacture of petrochemicals or fertilizers at the project facility;
  - (ii) information required by the department to verify that the applicant is a qualified taxpayer; and
  - (iii) any other information as the department deems appropriate.
- (c) Review and approval .--
- (1) The department shall review the applications and shall issue an approval or disapproval by May 1.

- (2) Upon approval, the department shall issue a certificate stating the amount of tax credit granted for dry natural gas purchased and used in the manufacture of petrochemicals or fertilizers at the project facility in the prior calendar year.
- (d) Availability of tax credits.--
- (1) Each fiscal year, \$26,666,668 in tax credits shall be made available to the department in accordance with this article.
- (2) No more than two qualified taxpayers shall receive a tax credit annually, for a maximum credit of \$6,666,667 each.
- (3) The department shall issue unallocated credits to no more than one qualified taxpayer, notwithstanding the maximum credit limit under paragraph (2), if the qualified taxpayer
  - (i) has made a total capital investment of at least \$1,000,000,000 in order to construct the project facility and place the project facility into service in this Commonwealth;
  - (ii) has created a minimum aggregate total of 1,800 new jobs and permanent jobs; and
  - (iii) has satisfied all other eligibility requirements for a qualified taxpayer under this article.
- (4) For purposes of paragraph (3), the term "unallocated credits" means the difference between tax credits authorized under paragraph (1) and approved under paragraph (2).

Section 1705-L. Use of tax credits.

- (a) Initial use.--Prior to sale or assignment of a tax credit under section 1707-L, a qualified taxpayer must first use a tax credit against the qualified tax liability incurred in the taxable year for which the tax credit was approved.
- (b) Eligibility.--The tax credit may be applied against up to 20% of the qualified taxpayer's qualified tax liabilities incurred in the taxable year for which the tax credit was approved.
- (c) Limit.--A qualified taxpayer that has been granted a tax credit under this article shall be ineligible for any other tax credit provided under this act.

Section 1706-L. Carryover, carryback and refund.

A tax credit cannot be carried back, carried forward or be used to obtain a refund.

Section 1707-L. Sale or assignment.

- (a) Authorization.--If the qualified taxpayer holds a tax credit through the end of the calendar year in which the tax credit was granted, the qualified taxpayer may sell or assign a tax credit, in whole or in part, provided the sale is effective by the close of the following calendar year.
  - (b) Application.-(1) To sell or assign a tax credit, a qualified taxpayer must file an application for the sale or assignment of the tax credit with the department. The application must be on a form required by the department.
    - (2) To approve an application, the department must receive:
      - (i) a finding from the department that the applicant has:
      - (A) filed all required State tax reports and returns for all applicable taxable years; and
      - (B) paid any balance of State tax due as determined by assessment or determination by the department and not under timely appeal; and
    - (ii) for a sale or assignment to a company that is not an upstream company or downstream company, a certification from the qualified taxpayer that the qualified taxpayer has offered to sell or assign the tax credit:
      - (A) exclusively to a downstream company for a period of 30 days following approval of the tax credit under section 1704-L(c); and
      - (B) to an upstream company or downstream company for a period of 30 days following expiration of the period under clause (A).
- (c) Approval.--Upon approval by the department, a qualified tax-payer may sell or assign, in whole or in part, a tax credit. Section 1708-L. Purchasers and assignees.
- (a) Time.--The purchaser or assignee under section 1707-L must claim the tax credit in the calendar year in which the purchase or assignment is made.
- (b) Amount.--The amount of the tax credit that a purchaser or assignee under section 1707-L may use against any one qualified tax liability may not exceed 50% of any of the qualified tax liabilities of the purchaser or assignee for the taxable year.

- (c) Resale and assignment.--
- (1) A purchaser under section 1707-L may not sell or assign the purchased tax credit.
- (2) An assignee under section 1707-L may not sell or assign the assigned tax credit.
- (d) Notice.--The purchaser or assignee under section 1707-L shall notify the department of the seller or assignor of the tax credit in compliance with procedures specified by the department. Section 1709-L. Pass-through entity.
- (a) Election.--If a pass-through entity has an unused tax credit, the pass-through entity may elect, in writing, according to procedures established by the department, to transfer all or a portion of the credit to shareholders, members or partners in proportion to the share of the entity's distributive income to which the shareholders, members or partners are entitled.
- (b) Limitation.--The same unused tax credit under subsection (a) may not be claimed by:
  - (1) the pass-through entity; and
  - (2) a shareholder, member or partner of the pass-through entity.
- (c) Amount.--The amount of the tax credit that a transferee under subsection (a) may use against any one qualified tax liability may not exceed 20% of any qualified tax liabilities for the taxable year.
- (d) Time.--A transferee under subsection (a) must claim the tax credit in the calendar year in which the transfer is made.
- (e) Sale and assignment.--A transferee under subsection (a) may not sell or assign the tax credit.

Section 1710-L. (Reserved).

Section 1711-L. Administration.

- (a) Audits and assessments .--
- (1) The department may audit a taxpayer awarded a tax credit to ascertain the validity of the amount awarded.
- (2) The department may issue an assessment against a taxpayer for an improperly issued tax credit. The procedures, collection, enforcement and appeals of an assessment made under this section shall be governed by Article II.
- (b) Guidelines and regulations.--The department shall develop written guidelines for the implementation of this article. The guidelines shall be in effect until the department promulgates regulations for the implementation of the provisions of this article.

Section 1712-L. Reports to General Assembly.

- (a) Annual report.--No later than the year after which tax credits are first awarded under this article, and each October 1 thereafter, the department shall submit a report on the tax credit provided under this article to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives. The report must include the names of the qualified taxpayers utilizing the tax credit as of the date of the report and the amount of tax credits approved for, utilized by or sold or assigned by a qualified taxpayer.
- (b) Reconciliation report.--On May 1 of the year which is 10 years after the year in which tax credits are first awarded under this article, the department shall submit to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives a reconciliation report on the effectiveness of this article. The report shall include, to the extent possible, the following information for the preceding 10 years:
  - (1) The name and business address of all qualified taxpayers who have been granted tax credits under this article.
  - (2) The amount of tax credits granted to each qualified tax-payer.
  - (3) The total number of jobs created by the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company. This paragraph includes the average annual salary and hourly wage information.
  - (4) The amount of taxes paid under Article II by the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company.

(5) The amount of taxes withheld from employees or paid by members, partners or shareholders of the pass-through entities under Article III of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company.

(6) The amount of taxes paid under Article IV by the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company

and downstream company.

- (7) The amount of taxes paid under Article XI by the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company.
- (8) The amount of any other State or local taxes paid by the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company and any companies that provide goods, utilities or other services that support the business operations of the qualified taxpayer, upstream company and downstream company.
- (9) Any other information pertaining to the economic impact of this article on this Commonwealth.
- (c) Reduction.--If the reconciliation report issued under subsection (b) reveals that the total amount of the tax credits granted under this article exceeds the total amount of tax revenue reported under subsection (b)(4), (5), (6), (7), (8) and (9), the report must include any recommendation for changes in the calculation of the credit.
- (d) Publication .-- The reports required by this section shall be a public record as defined under section 102 of the act of February 14, 2008 (P.L.6, No.3), known as the Right-to-Know Law, and shall be available electronically on the publicly accessible Internet website of the department. The reports required under this section may not contain "confidential proprietary information" as defined in section 102 of the Right-to-Know Law.

Section 1713-L. Prevailing wage.

- (a) Application.--A project facility for which a tax credit is sought and awarded under this article is deemed to meet each of the minimum requirements necessary to apply the wage and benefit rates, and related certification of payroll records, required by the Prevailing Wage Act. A qualified taxpayer, or the qualified taxpayer's agent, and all contractors and subcontractors, of every tier, engaged to perform on the project facility must comply with all provisions and requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act for all new jobs and for all crafts or classifications performing construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration and/or repair work, other than maintenance work, undertaken at the project facility during the initial construction and during any period in which tax credits are sought and awarded for the project facility.
- (b) Compliance.--The Department of Labor and Industry shall enforce this section and shall apply the same administration and enforcement applicable to any project of construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration and/or repair work, other than maintenance work, undertaken pursuant to the requirements of the Prevailing Wage Act to ensure compliance.
- (c) Notification.--Prior to the solicitation of bids or proposals of any contract or subcontract covered under subsection (a), the qualified taxpayer, or the qualified taxpayer's agent, shall notify the Department of Labor and Industry of the solicitation and request the issuance of a wage and benefit rate determination for all crafts and classifications anticipated to perform at the project facility. Rate requests shall be in conformity with the procedures of the Prevailing Wage Act, and the Department of Labor and Industry shall issue rates upon request as required pursuant to this section and the provisions of the Prevailing Wage Act.
- (d) Violation.--In addition to enforcement authorized under the Prevailing Wage Act and subsection (b), if, after notice and hearing, the Department of Labor and Industry determines that the qualified taxpayer intentionally failed to pay or intentionally caused another to fail to pay prevailing wage rates or benefit rates as set forth under section 11(h) of the Prevailing Wage Act for work covered under subsection (a), or ratified any such intentional failure by any contractors or subcontractors of the qualified taxpayer, the qualified taxpayer shall be required to refund 10% of the amount of the tax credits awarded to the qualified taxpayer for the first fiscal year for which tax credits are awarded, in the case of

initial construction, or the fiscal year in which the intentional noncompliance occurred as determined by the department.

(e) Appeal.--A finding of a violation under subsection (d) shall be appealable under section 2.2(e)(1) of the Prevailing Wage Act and 34 Pa. Code § 213.3 (relating to appeals from determinations of the secretary). Any final determination by the appeals board under the Prevailing Wage Act may be appealed pursuant to 2 Pa.C.S. (relating to administrative law and procedure).

Section 1714-L. Applicability.

This article shall apply to the purchase of dry natural gas produced in this Commonwealth for the period beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2049.

Section 1715-L. Expiration.

This article shall expire December 31, 2050.]

Amend Bill, page 21, line 4, by striking out "16" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 28, by inserting between lines 20 and 21:

(c) Disclosure.--Members of the General Assembly shall disclose all financial investments in qualified taxpayers utilizing the tax credit and in purchasers of the tax credit in a manner determined by the department.

Amend Bill, page 29, lines 5 through 13, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

"Clean hydrogen." Hydrogen that derives its energy content from renewable sources other than biomass, including solar, wind, geothermal/geoexchange and water, and achieves a 70% greenhouse gas emission reduction compared to fossil-based hydrogen.

Amend Bill, page 37, by inserting between lines 18 and 19:

(c) Disclosure.--Members of the General Assembly shall disclose all financial investments in qualified taxpayers utilizing the tax credit and in purchasers of the tax credit in a manner determined by the department.

Amend Bill, page 45, by inserting between lines 21 and 22

(c) Disclosure.--Members of the General Assembly shall disclose all financial investments in qualified taxpayers utilizing the tax credit and in purchasers of the tax credit in a manner determined by the department.

Amend Bill, page 48, line 13, by striking out "17" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 17, by striking out "18" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 21, by striking out "17" and inserting:

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, this amendment would do three things. First, it would remove the Local Resource Manufacturing Tax Credit Program for petrochemical and fertilizer manufacturing. This tax credit was already funded in July of 2020, authorizing up to \$26.67 million annually in tax credits over a 26year period, and this current bill would allow for an increase of up to \$56.67 million annually. Many of the environmental stakeholders have expressed concern that this locks increased methane and harmful air pollution emissions and VOC emissions until 2050. My amendment would also amend the definition of clean hydrogen, and it would change it to that hydrogen derives its energy content from renewable sources other than biomass and achieves, 70 percent greenhouse gas emission reduction compared to fossil-based hydrogen. My amendment would ensure that we are incentivizing a green hydrogen hub that relies on naturally replenished sources of energy including solar, wind, geothermal, and hydroelectric. Finally, the last part of the amendment will require that all Members of the General Assembly disclose any and all financial investments in tax credit recipients and purchasers of these tax credits since they are transferable. I ask for an affirmative vote on this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

#### MUTH AMENDMENT A5879 TABLED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the amendment be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward moves that the amendment be laid upon the table. That motion is not debatable.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

#### **YEA-29**

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

#### NAY-20

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

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Amendment A5879 will be laid upon the table.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

## MUTH AMENDMENT A5877 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A5877:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 14, by inserting after "NONCOMPLIANCE;":

in general provisions, providing for fiscal impact study;

Amend Bill, page 48, by inserting between lines 12 and 13: Section 17. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 3003.26. Fiscal Impact Study.--(a) Within sixty days of the publication of the notice under subsection (b), the Independent Fiscal Office shall submit a detailed report to the following individuals analyzing the net long-term fiscal impact of legislation providing a tax credit or reducing tax revenue:

- (1) Chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate.
- (2) Chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the Senate.
- (3) Chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.
- (4) Chairperson and minority chairperson of the Finance Committee of the House of Representatives.

(b) The Secretary of Revenue shall transmit notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin that legislation that creates a tax credit or reduces tax revenue has been enacted.

Amend Bill, page 48, line 13, by striking out "17" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 17, by striking out "18" and inserting: 19

Amend Bill, page 48, line 21, by striking out "17" and inserting:

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, this amendment would add a section to House Bill No. 1059 to require the Independent Fiscal Office to submit a detailed report analyzing the net long-term fiscal impact of any legislation providing a tax credit or reducing tax revenue. The report, required within 60 days of the publication of the notice under subsection (b) of this bill, would be submitted to the Majority and Minority chairs of the Senate and House Committees on Appropriations and Committees on Finance. This amendment would also require that the Secretary of Revenue transmit notice to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin when legislation is enacted that creates a new tax credit or reduces tax revenue. This tax credit that was amended in House Bill No. 1059 certainly has been rushed through, and the sense of having actual time to review the content, its impact, and get community stakeholder input, and at minimum, we should at least have the IFO analyze this proposal to make sure that it is fiscally sound and fiscally responsible. I ask for an affirmative vote on my amendment. Thank you.

## MUTH AMENDMENT A5877 TABLED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the amendment be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward moves that the amendment be laid upon the table. That motion is not debatable.

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-28

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

#### NAY-21

Boscola	Dillon	Kane	Schwank
Brewster	Flynn	Kearney	Street

Cappelletti Muth Fontana Tartaglione Collett Haywood Santarsiero Williams, Anthony H. Comitta Hughes Saval Williams, Lindsey Costa

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Amendment A5877 will be laid on the table.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

#### MUTH AMENDMENT A5878 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A5878:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 14, by inserting after "NONCOMPLI-ANCE;":

providing for Alternative Fuel Vehicle Tax Credit; promulgating regulations:

Amend Bill, page 48, by inserting between lines 12 and 13: Section 17. The act is amended by adding an article to read:

### ARTICLE XVII-M

## ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLE TAX CREDIT

Section 1701-M. Scope of article.

This article provides for an alternative fuel vehicle tax credit for taxpayers who purchase alternative fuel vehicles.

Section 1702-M. Definitions.

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

"Alternative fuel vehicle." As defined under section 2 of the act of November 29, 2004 (P.L.1376, No.178), known as the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Alternative fuels." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Bi-fuel vehicle" or "dual-fuel vehicle." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Biodiesel fuel." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Credit." A tax credit authorized under this article.

"Dedicated vehicle." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative

Fuels Incentive Act.

"Department." The Department of Revenue of the Commonwealth.

"Diesel fuel." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Electric vehicle." A motor vehicle which operates solely by use of a battery or battery pack and which meets the applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. The term includes a motor vehicle which is powered mainly through the use of an electric battery or battery pack but which uses a flywheel that stores energy produced by the electric motor or through regenerative braking to assist in operation of the motor vehi-

"Gasoline." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Hybrid vehicle." As defined under section 2 of the Alternative Fuels Incentive Act.

"Taxpayer." An entity or individual subject to a tax under Article IV, VII, VIII, IX or XV.

Section 1703-M. Amount of credit.

A taxpayer shall receive a credit for the applicable taxable year in an amount up to \$5,000 for the purchase of an alternative fuel vehicle. Section 1704-M. Carryover, carryback, refund and assignment of credit.

(a) General rule.--If a taxpayer cannot use the entire amount of the credit for the taxable year in which the credit is first claimed, the excess may be carried over to succeeding taxable years and used as a credit against the qualified tax liability of the taxpayer for those taxable years. Each time that the credit is carried over to a succeeding year, it shall be reduced by the amount that was used as a credit during the immediately preceding taxable year. The credit may be carried over and applied to

succeeding taxable years for no more than 15 taxable years following the first taxable year for which the taxpayer was entitled to claim the credit.

(b) Application of credit.--Any credit shall first be applied against the taxpayer's qualified tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit was approved before the credit is applied against any succeeding tax liability under subsection (a).

(c) Limitations.--A taxpayer is not entitled to carry back or obtain a refund of an unused credit.

Section 1705-M. Limitation.

For each fiscal year, not more than \$500,000,000 in credits shall be made available to the department and may be awarded by the department in accordance with this article.

Section 1706-M. Regulations.

The department shall promulgate regulations necessary for the implementation and administration of this article.

Section 1707-M. Expiration.

This article shall expire December 31, 2027, or upon the repeal of the act of November 30, 2004 (P.L.1672, No.213), known as the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, whichever occurs first.

Amend Bill, page 48, line 13, by striking out "17" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 17, by striking out "18" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 21, by striking out "17" and inserting:

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, this amendment would establish a tax credit program for Pennsylvania residents who purchase alternative fuel vehicles. This amendment would allow for up to \$500 million in alternative fuel vehicle tax credits each fiscal year. Under my amendment, a taxpayer will be eligible to receive a tax credit of up to \$5,000 for the purchase of an alternative fuel vehicle. The Inflation Reduction Act, which President Biden signed on August 16, created a Federal tax credit program for consumers who buy new electric vehicles. The tax credit awarded under the Federal bill does not roll over, so depending on their tax liability, residents will not be able to take advantage of the full tax credit. We can and must do more to incentivize electric and hybrid vehicle purchases here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a means to combat the climate crisis. I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote.

#### MUTH AMENDMENT A5878 TABLED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the amendment be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward moves that the amendment be laid upon the table. That motion is not debat-

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-28**

DiSanto Dush Gebhard Gordner Hutchinson Langerholc	Mastriano Mensch Phillips-Hill Pittman Regan Robinson	Stefano Tomlinson Vogel Ward, Judy Ward, Kim Yaw
Laughlin	Scavello	Yudichak
	Dush Gebhard Gordner Hutchinson Langerholc	Dush Mensch Gebhard Phillips-Hill Gordner Pittman Hutchinson Regan Langerholc Robinson

#### NAY-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			•

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Amendment A5878 will be laid on the table.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

#### MUTH AMENDMENT A5880 OFFERED

Senator MUTH offered the following amendment No. A5880:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 14, by inserting after "NONCOMPLIANCE."

providing for Consumer Solar Tax Credit; promulgating regulations; Amend Bill, page 48, by inserting between lines 12 and 13: Section 17. The act is amended by adding an article to read:

## <u>ARTICLE XVII-M</u> CONSUMER SOLAR TAX CREDIT

Section 1701-M. Scope of article.

This article provides for a Consumer Solar Tax Credit.

Section 1702-M. Definitions.

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

"Credit." A tax credit authorized under this article.

"Department." The Department of Revenue of the Commonwealth.

"Installation costs." Costs related to solar installation, including accessories and labor. The term does not include costs related to any equipment not directly integrated into a solar installation.

"Solar installation." An arrangement or combination of components utilizing solar radiation, which, when installed in a residence or business or other facility, produces energy designed to provide heating, cooling, hot water or electricity.

"Taxpayer." An entity or individual subject to a tax under Article IV, VI, VII, VIII, IX or XV.

Section 1703-M. Amount of credit.

A taxpayer shall receive a credit for the applicable taxable year equal to 35% of the installation costs for the taxpayer's solar installation.

Section 1704-M. Carryover, carryback, refund and assignment of credit.

(a) General rule.—If a taxpayer cannot use the entire amount of the credit for the taxable year in which the credit is first claimed, the excess may be carried over to succeeding taxable years and used as a credit against the qualified tax liability of the taxpayer for those taxable years. Each time that the credit is carried over to a succeeding year, it shall be reduced by the amount that was used as a credit during the immediately preceding taxable year. The credit may be carried over and applied to succeeding taxable years for no more than 15 taxable years following the first taxable year for which the taxpayer was entitled to claim the credit.

(b) Application of credit.--Any credit shall first be applied against the taxpayer's qualified tax liability for the taxable year in which the credit was approved before the credit is applied against any succeeding tax liability under subsection (a).

(c) Limitations.--A taxpayer is not entitled to carry back or obtain a refund of an unused credit.

Section 1705-M. Limitation.

For each fiscal year, not more than \$125,000,000 in credits shall be made available to the department and may be awarded by the department in accordance with this article.

Section 1706-M. Regulations.

The department shall promulgate regulations necessary for the implementation and administration of this article.

Section 1707-M. Expiration.

This article shall expire December 31, 2027, or upon the repeal of the act of November 30, 2004 (P.L.1672, No.213), known as the Alternative Energy Portfolio Standards Act, whichever occurs first.

Amend Bill, page 48, line 13, by striking out "17" and inserting:

Amend Bill, page 48, line 17, by striking out "18" and inserting: 19

Amend Bill, page 48, line 21, by striking out "17" and inserting:

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, this amendment would create a consumer solar tax credit to help all Pennsylvanians transition to using renewable energy. This consumer solar tax credit would provide Pennsylvania residents with a tax credit equal to 35 percent of the installation costs, and the tax credit could be carried over to a succeeding year. This amendment would provide up to \$125 million for these credits in each fiscal year. Mr. President, clean air and clean water are fundamental human rights and also constitutional rights here in Pennsylvania. If we are going to continue to subsidize our bridge-fuel philosophy, I think that we should have something in this legislation that also allows for those in the Commonwealth who want to transition to green energy to have that opportunity, at least at their own residence, if it is not at the will of the greater Commonwealth and General Assembly. Pennsylvania currently ranks 23rd in the nation for solar energy installations, and over the last 10 years, solar prices have fallen over 53 percent. My amendment's consumer solar tax credit would make an investment in Pennsylvania's future by assisting residents with often cost-prohibitive solar energy systems and would curb carbon emissions and other pollution while creating jobs and supporting a fast-growing industry. I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote on this amendment.

Thank you, Mr. President.

## MUTH AMENDMENT A5880 TABLED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the amendment be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward moves that the amendment be laid upon the table. This motion is not debatable

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-28

#### NAY-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	_		

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Amendment A5880 will be laid on the table.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? It was agreed to.

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-41

Argall	Dillon	Langerholc	Street
Aument	DiSanto	Laughlin	Tartaglione
Baker	Dush	Mensch	Tomlinson
Bartolotta	Flynn	Pittman	Vogel
Boscola	Fontana	Regan	Ward, Judy
Brewster	Gebhard	Robinson	Ward, Kim
Brooks	Gordner	Santarsiero	Williams, Anthony H.
Browne	Haywood	Scavello	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Schwank	Yaw
Corman	Kane	Stefano	Yudichak
Costa			

## NAY-8

Cappelletti	Hutchinson	Mastriano	Phillips-Hill
Comitta	Kearney	Muth	Saval
Comitta	Kearney	Muth	Savai

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

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

#### **RECESS**

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

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

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

#### AFTER RECESS

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

### BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 225 (Pr. No. 2004) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in quality health care accountability and protection, further providing for definitions, for responsibilities of managed care plans, for financial incentives prohibition, for medical gag clause prohibition, for emergency services, for continuity of care, for procedures, for confidentiality, for required disclosure and for internal complaint process, providing for internal complaint process for enrollees, further providing for appeal of complaint, for complaint resolution, for certification and for operational standards, providing for utilization review standards, further providing for internal grievance process, for external grievance process and for records, providing for adverse benefit determinations, further providing for prompt payment of claims, for health care provider and managed care plan protection, for departmental powers and duties, for confidentiality and for penalties and sanctions, providing for regulations and further providing for compliance with national accrediting standards and for exceptions; making repeals; and making editorial changes.

## SB 522 (Pr. No. 2009) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

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

### SB 696 (Pr. No. 2007) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, further providing for title of act, for definitions and for notification of breach; prohibiting employees of the Commonwealth from using nonsecured Internet connections; providing for data storage policy and for entities subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; and further providing for notice exemption and for applicability.

### SB 806 (Pr. No. 2000) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

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

#### SB 1083 (Pr. No. 1940) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

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 preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in contributions by employers and employees, further providing for contributions by employers and employees, successors-in-interest and appeals; 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 1152 (Pr. No. 2005) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act establishing the Overdose Information Network; providing for implementation and for use; and conferring powers and imposing duties on the Pennsylvania State Police.

#### SB 1194 (Pr. No. 1904) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

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.

#### SB 1208 (Pr. No. 2006) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

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.

#### LEAVE CHANGED

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I request that Senator Mastriano's leave be changed from a legislative leave to a personal leave.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator Kim Ward requests that Senator Mastriano's leave be changed from a legislative leave to a personal leave. Without objection, the leave will be changed.

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 5

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 696 (Pr. No. 2007) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 22, 2005 (P.L.474, No.94), known as the Breach of Personal Information Notification Act, further providing for title of act, for definitions and for notification of breach; prohibiting employees of the Commonwealth from using nonsecured Internet connections; providing for data storage policy and for entities subject to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996; and further providing for notice exemption and for applicability.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 696?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 696.

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-47

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

#### 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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 806 (Pr. No. 2000) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 806?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 806.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

#### YEA-48

Argall	Costa	Kearney	Schwank
Aument	Dillon	Langerholc	Stefano
Baker	DiSanto	Laughlin	Street

Bartolotta	Dush	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Flynn	Muth	Tomlinson
Brewster	Fontana	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Brooks	Gebhard	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Browne	Gordner	Regan	Ward, Kim
Cappelletti	Haywood	Robinson	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Hutchinson	Saval	Yaw
Corman	Kane	Scavello	Yudichak

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

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

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

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

# SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 5 RESUMED

#### BILLS ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 1083 (Pr. No. 1940) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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 preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in contributions by employers and employees, further providing for contributions by employers and employees, successors-in-interest and appeals; 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.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1083?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1083.

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:

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

### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 1152 (Pr. No. 2005) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Overdose Information Network; providing for implementation and for use; and conferring powers and imposing duties on the Pennsylvania State Police.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1152?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1152.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, may we be at ease for a mo-

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

#### YEA-48

Argall	Costa	Kearney	Schwank
Aument	Dillon	Langerholc	Stefano
Baker	DiSanto	Laughlin	Street
Bartolotta	Dush	Mensch	Tartaglione
Boscola	Flynn	Muth	Tomlinson
Brewster	Fontana	Phillips-Hill	Vogel

Gebhard Brooks Pittman Ward, Judy Browne Gordner Regan Ward, Kim Cappelletti Haywood Robinson Williams, Anthony H. Hughes Santarsiero Williams, Lindsey Collett Comitta Hutchinson Saval Yaw Scavello Yudichak Corman Kane

#### 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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

**SB 1194 (Pr. No. 1904)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1194?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1194.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator STEFANO. Mr. President, I rise on behalf of my colleague, Senator Mensch, on concurrence to Senate Bill No. 1194. Senate Bill No. 1194 passed the Senate unanimously back in June and seeks to provide a pathway for the Military College of Pennsylvania cadets to commission early into the Pennsylvania Army National Guard or Air National Guard as an officer, while providing support for them to complete their bachelor's degree while they remain in the National Guard. This program will be modeled after current similar military education programs established in Title 51 to recruit, train, educate, and retain cadets into commissioned officers to the reserve officer early commissioning process. Agreeing to an 8-year service obligation, cadets will receive educational grants for attendance in the Military College of Pennsylvania, as well as to continue their education at participating PASSHE university. If a student does not want to attend a PASSHE school, they will get the equivalent funding to put towards their education at any other college or university in the Commonwealth. The House amendments were largely technical and served to clarify three general areas: clarifies that the program would start in the '23-'24 academic year; clarifies reimbursable fees for room, board, books; and clarifies the difference in military college tuition versus PASSHE tuition. Thank you, Mr.

President. I respectfully ask my colleagues for their vote in concurrence with the House amendments in Senate Bill No. 1194.

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

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

#### YEA-48

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

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 1208 (Pr. No. 2006) -- 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.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1208?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1208.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, just briefly, I just want to acknowledge the work on Senate Bill No. 1208. This was a measure that was originally sent to the Governor, but because of significant concerns from significant outside groups, he had vetoed the bill. But after that, we reengaged with those groups with the help of Senator Baker, Senator Santarsiero, and my legislative expert, Stacey Connors, and we were able to come to compromise language that made those outside groups more comfortable with

the language. So, now, I am very confident that when we send this to the Governor, he will sign it. So, I just want to acknowledge their work; it was a good example of what collective action and governing can do.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

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

#### YEA-48

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

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

### **RECONSIDERATION OF SB 696**

#### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

**SB** 696 (Pr. No. 2007) -- Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now reconsider the vote by which the Senate concurred in House amendments to Senate Bill No. 696, Printer's No. 2007.

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

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the motion to concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 696?

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

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Cappelletti	Haywood	Robinson	Williams, Anthony H. Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Santarsiero	
Comitta	Hutchinson	Saval	Yaw
Corman	Kane	Scavello	Yudichak

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

## SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 6

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 225 (Pr. No. 2004) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in quality health care accountability and protection, further providing for definitions, for responsibilities of managed care plans, for financial incentives prohibition, for medical gag clause prohibition, for emergency services, for continuity of care, for procedures, for confidentiality, for required disclosure and for internal complaint process, providing for internal complaint process for enrollees, further providing for appeal of complaint, for complaint resolution, for certification and for operational standards, providing for utilization review standards, further providing for internal grievance process, for external grievance process and for records, providing for adverse benefit determinations, further providing for prompt payment of claims, for health care provider and managed care plan protection, for departmental powers and duties, for confidentiality and for penalties and sanctions, providing for regulations and further providing for compliance with national accrediting standards and for exceptions; making repeals; and making editorial changes.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 225?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 225.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I rise in support of concurring on amendments inserted by the House to Senate Bill No. 225. Mr. President, Senate Bill No. 225 is the most expansive change to the insurance and medical industries in over 2 decades, and it has been a long time coming. Finally, patients and their medical providers will have streamlined prior authorization deadlines in order to perform a procedure, a surgery, or put together a treatment plan that is in the best interest of the patient. The status quo had the opposite effect. When asked, 78 percent of doctors said these prior authorization delays led to patients walking away from their treatment, and a shocking 91 percent of doctors said delays with prior authorization ultimately had a negative clinical

impact on their patients. Treatment delays, patients abandoning treatment, mountains of paperwork to be sorted out between insurers and providers--the system is broken and Senate Bill No. 225 fixes it.

Getting to this point, it has been a long journey, but at the end of the day, the healthcare policy in our Commonwealth is about to drastically improve for patients and their medical providers. Hundreds of hours and countless meetings have led us here today. Every impacted stakeholder group has given input, and the bill has the support of over 70 patient provider organizations, insurers, and the departments of insurance and human services. And I would be remiss if I did not credit the person who got the ball rolling on this issue. I want to give a special thank you to my good friend, the gentleman from Dauphin County. Without him--who, as the chair of the Senate Committee on Banking and Insurance, took a chance on this issue and moved this bill knowing that there was still work to be done--we would not be here today. I also want to thank everyone who had a hand in crafting this important piece of legislation. Because of you, patients will receive the care that they need, and doctors will be able to perform the work that they need to do. At the end of the day, the work that went into this, the support of this Chamber, and the vote in the House of Representatives is the epitome of why we all first ran for public office. It is only fitting that one of our last votes as we close out this Session today is to do what we all set out to do when we all ran for public office, and that is to work together to make the lives of Pennsylvanians better. I am proud to say Senate Bill No. 225 will do just

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

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

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

#### YEA-48

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

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

### SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 522 (Pr. No. 2009) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 522?

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 522.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I rise to express my disappointment in the amendments that were made to this legislation over in the House. The original bill, which was introduced by the gentlewoman from Luzerne County, was a strong bill that would have protected our children by mandating that blood lead tests would be conducted in children and infants, and they would be paid for by insurance. The bill, as it has come back to us tonight, has removed that part of the bill so that it is merely a suggestion or a recommendation that lead testing be done. Almost every other State in this country mandates this lead testing and that insurance policies must also cover it. As the Senator representing a third-class city in our Commonwealth, the city of Reading, with the highest lead levels in our children, I absolutely cannot support this legislation. I would like to; it will make some positive impacts; but I really believe that this is not the bill that we intended to pass, and I urge a "no" vote. Thank you.

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

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

#### YEA-30

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

### NAY-18

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

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

#### MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 220, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(p)(2)(ii).

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

## BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 220 (Pr. No. 3617)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, further providing for powers and duties; in powers and duties of the Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, providing for death review teams; imposing duties on the Department of Health; and making an editorial change.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### **YEA-48**

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

#### NAY-0

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

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

#### MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

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

Senator K. WARD. Mr. President, I move that the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 2373, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(p)(2)(ii).

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

#### BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

**HB 2373 (Pr. No. 3612)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, further providing for transfer authority over Lieutenant Governor's Mansion.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

#### YEA-48

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

#### NAY-0

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

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

## PERMISSION TO ADDRESS

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, before we move on to Executive Nominations, I wanted an opportunity to say thank you to-you know, over the last 3 days, we have passed a lot of bills, and a lot of give and take, and a lot of these measures. And while we all had the opportunity to vote on them, the folks, some of whom in this room and some were in the office working on our staffs, the collective staffs of everybody, I think we all owe them a debt of gratitude for the work that they have done, the late hours. You know, we went out, we went back to our hotels or wherever we went; they were still here working through the night and through the weekend. And my hat is off to them, and I just want to take a moment to ask my colleagues to join me, say thank you to them. [Applause.] And I also want to say thank you to you, Mr. President, for stepping in and presiding over the Senate. We truly appreciate the expeditious manner you move things through here, and very complicated and complex conversations that we have had. And it gets tricky sometimes, but thank you for the manner in which you have conducted the Senate, presiding over our Senate the last several weeks.

Thank you, sir.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Thank you very much. I can give another speech if you want.

Senator COSTA. No, that is okay. We will pass [laughing]. The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Thank you. [Applause.]

# STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Before we head to Executive Nominations, I just want to make notification that by the time we reconvene in November, we will have another World Series Champions here in Pennsylvania. So, we are looking forward and wishing the best for the Philadelphia Phillies coming up this week.

Senator COSTA. I hope so. [Applause.]

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

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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 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, Benjamin Holland, 725 Norwegian Spruce Drive, Mars 16046, Butler County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and

qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Paul Kelly, Lower Gwynedd, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 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, Michael Ocker, 13876 Pond View Lane, Mercersburg 17236, Franklin County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Petchel (Public Member), 11 Cedar Street, McAdoo 18237, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Lynell Scaff, Aliquippa, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONDEMNATION APPROVAL BOARD

October 6, 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, Hannah Smith-Brubaker, 229 Cuba Mills Road, Mifflintown 17059, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jaclyn Matter, Millerstown, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONDEMNATION APPROVAL BOARD

October 6, 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, Kristi Wilt, 353 Marsteller Road, New

Park 17352, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Marlin Lynch, Warfordsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Chris Hoffman, 201 South Homestead Road, McAlisterville 17049, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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 E. Scott Augsburger, Lancaster, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, James Holt, 251 Barneston Road, Honey Brook 19344, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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 Shiffler, 600 Earlys Mill Road, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Glenn Stoltzfus, 1828 Wills Church Road, Berlin 15530, Somerset County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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 Duane Hertzler, Loysville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Sheryl Vanco, 585 Kidder Road, Bear Lake 16402, Warren County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

October 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, Rudy Battle, 319 W. Mount Pleasant Avenue, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Athletic Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

October 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, Joel Frank, 71 Park Lane, Glenmoore 19343, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Athletic Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE BANKING AND SECURITIES COMMISSION

October 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, Vincent Gastgeb, 5791 Glen Ora Drive, Bethel Park 15102, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Banking and Securities Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Gerald Pappert, Plymouth Meeting, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jonathan McCullough, Jr., 282 Holland Road, Holland 18966, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Chiropractic, 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 George Khoury, Bridgeville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Doyle Young III (Public Member), 2767 Locust Drive, Pittsburgh 15241, Washington County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Chiropractic, 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 Christopher Decker, Shohola, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

October 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, Pam Iovino, 1839 Green Street, Apt. 307, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Civil Service Commission, to serve until April 9, 2028, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bryan Lentz, Swarthmore, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Donald Koontz, 61 Tripplewood Drive, Mercer 16137, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Daryl Miller, 9557 Wyalusing New Albany Road, P.O. Box 243, Wyalusing 18853, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice MaryAnn Warren, New Milford, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES' EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

October 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, Harry Albert, Jr., 190 West Texter Mission Road, Robesonia 19551, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice John Bruno, Hummelstown, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES' EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

October 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, Wilden Davis, 803 East 24th Street, Chester 19013, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Thomas Brletic, McKeesport, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Shawn Casey, 168 South Highland Drive, Jenkins Township 18640, Luzerne County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Dentistry, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Andrew Matta, 3305 South Parkside Drive, New Castle 16105, Lawrence County, Forty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Dentistry, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 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, Amanda Hetrick, 417 North Kerr Street, Titusville 16354, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Colleen Sheehan, Wayne, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 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, Monica Taylor, 2532 Hillcrest Road, Drexel Hill 19026, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Craig Snider, Bryn Mawr, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEARING BOARD

October 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, Sarah Clark, Esquire, 352 Willow Avenue, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Environmental Hearing Board, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Mather, Harrisburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Allison Jones Manning, 1929 Pemberton Street, Philadelphia 19146, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until December 31, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Donald Houser, Coraopolis, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Daniel Klingerman, 376 Selkirk Road, Williamsport 17701, Lycoming County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until December 31, 2022, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice B. Michael Schaul, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

October 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, Rudolph P. Vulakovich, 109 Morewood Road, Glenshaw 15116, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, to serve until May 19, 2026, and until the successor is

appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Michael Negra, Centre Hall, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Mark Woodland, 610 Addison Street, Philadelphia 19147, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Donald Yealy, 1348 High Oak Court, Pittsburgh 15241, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Richard Bosco, 3004 Nicely Place, Greensburg 15601, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Donald Sedlacek, 128 Park Road, Aliquippa 15001, Beaver County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and

Training Commission, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Douglas Grimes, Canonsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Donald Bucher, 2313 Abbey Lane, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Sherri Luchs, Harrisburg, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charlene Compher, 604 South Washington Square, Apt. 802, Philadelphia 19106, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Kessey Kieselhorst, Danville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Marc Berson, 5527 Willow Way, Orefield 18069, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Kimberly Boyer, Blain, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Godfrey, 690 Marian Court,

Harleysville 19438, Montgomery County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Perry Umlauf, 45 Strathford Drive, Lebanon 17042, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George Wolters, 1336 Wexford Drive, West Chester 19380, Chester County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Randy Litman, Lansdale, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

October 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, Eric Esterbrook, 532 South Park Road, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Eleventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Frankil, Collegeville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, John T. Tighe III, 1139 Club House Road, Gladwyne 19035, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 5, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kevin Washo, Philadelphia, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, William Ward, Jr., 1534 Sylvan Drive, Hollidaysburg 16648, Blair County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 5, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bradley Franc, Sewickley, whose term expired and whose last day was April 23, 2021.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dan Hartman (Public Member), 2205 North Second Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joseph Mackey, Mount Bethel, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Annie Cestra, 910 West Waldheim Road, Pittsburgh 15215, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Armand Ferrara, Charleroi, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph McGettigan, 1019 Edgewood Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kyle Sampson (Public Member), 255 South 58th Street, Philadelphia 19139, Philadelphia County, Eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joyce Haas, State College, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kimberly Early, 1603 Rome Terrace, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Linda Martin, 6834 Linden Avenue, Pittsburgh 15208, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a

term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michelle Santiago, 57 Oak Lane, Northampton 18067, Northampton County, Fortieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE FARM PRODUCTS SHOW COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Ryan Unger, 254 Verbeke Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Farm Products Show Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Black, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, the Honorable Patrick M. Browne, 43 South West Street, Allentown 18102, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 14, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

TOM WOLF Governor

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

September 20, 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, Kellyn Hodges, 1365 Fenimore Lane, Gladwyne 19035, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 14, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ronald Donatucci, Philadelphia, deceased.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

October 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, Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., 1655 Carlene Court, Langhorne 19047, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BOARD OF REVIEW

October 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, Elena Cross, 3205 Emerson Way, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Unemployment Compensation Board of Review, to serve until July 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Keren Putman, Doylestown, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anjilla Cooley Codner, 104 Mary Court, Richlandtown 18955, Bucks County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is

appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Apryle Horbal, 1301 Grandview Avenue, Suite 220, Pittsburgh 15211, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Valerie Kehoe, 114 West Main Street, Hershey 17033, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The nominations will be laid on the table.

### **EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Senator AUMENT,

That the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of considering nominations made by the Governor.

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

#### NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 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, Benjamin Holland, 725 Norwegian Spruce Drive, Mars 16046, Butler County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Paul Kelly, Lower Gwynedd, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 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, Michael Ocker, 13876 Pond View Lane, Mercersburg 17236, Franklin County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Petchel (Public Member), 11 Cedar Street, McAdoo 18237, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Lynell Scaff, Aliquippa, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONDEMNATION APPROVAL BOARD

October 6, 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, Hannah Smith-Brubaker, 229 Cuba Mills Road, Mifflintown 17059, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until

the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jaclyn Matter, Millerstown, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE AGRICULTURAL LANDS CONDEMNATION APPROVAL BOARD

October 6, 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, Kristi Wilt, 353 Marsteller Road, New Park 17352, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Agricultural Lands Condemnation Approval Board, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Marlin Lynch, Warfordsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Chris Hoffman, 201 South Homestead Road, McAlisterville 17049, Juniata County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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 E. Scott Augsburger, Lancaster, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, James Holt, 251 Barneston Road, Honey Brook 19344, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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 Shiffler, 600 Earlys Mill Road, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Glenn Stoltzfus, 1828 Wills Church Road, Berlin 15530, Somerset County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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 Duane Hertzler, Loysville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH AND DIAGNOSTIC COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Sheryl Vanco, 585 Kidder Road, Bear Lake 16402, Warren County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Animal Health and Diagnostic 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.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

October 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, Rudy Battle, 319 W. Mount Pleasant Avenue, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Athletic Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

October 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, Joel Frank, 71 Park Lane, Glenmoore 19343, Chester County, Forty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Athletic Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE BANKING AND SECURITIES COMMISSION

October 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, Vincent Gastgeb, 5791 Glen Ora Drive, Bethel Park 15102, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Banking and Securities Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Gerald Pappert, Plymouth Meeting, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jonathan McCullough, Jr., 282 Holland Road, Holland 18966, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Chiropractic, 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 George Khoury, Bridgeville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Doyle Young III (Public Member), 2767 Locust Drive, Pittsburgh 15241, Washington County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Chiropractic, 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 Christopher Decker, Shohola, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

October 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, Pam Iovino, 1839 Green Street, Apt. 307, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Civil Service Commission, to serve until April 9, 2028, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bryan Lentz, Swarthmore, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Donald Koontz, 61 Tripplewood Drive, Mercer 16137, Mercer County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Daryl Miller, 9557 Wyalusing New Albany Road, P.O. Box 243, Wyalusing 18853, Bradford County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice MaryAnn Warren, New Milford, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES' EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

October 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, Harry Albert, Jr., 190 West Texter Mission Road, Robesonia 19551, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice John Bruno, Hummelstown, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE CONSTABLES' EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARD

October 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, Wilden Davis, 803 East 24th Street, Chester 19013, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Constables' Education and Training Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Thomas Brletic, McKeesport, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Shawn Casey, 168 South Highland Drive, Jenkins Township 18640, Luzerne County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Dentistry, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Andrew Matta, 3305 South Parkside Drive, New Castle 16105, Lawrence County, Forty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Dentistry, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 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, Amanda Hetrick, 417 North Kerr Street, Titusville 16354, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Colleen Sheehan, Wayne, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 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, Monica Taylor, 2532 Hillcrest Road, Drexel Hill 19026, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Craig Snider, Bryn Mawr, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEARING BOARD

October 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, Sarah Clark, Esquire, 352 Willow Avenue, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Environmental Hearing Board, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Richard Mather, Harrisburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Allison Jones Manning, 1929 Pemberton Street, Philadelphia 19146, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until December 31, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Donald Houser, Coraopolis, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Daniel Klingerman, 376 Selkirk Road, Williamsport 17701, Lycoming County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Governors of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until December 31, 2022, and until the

successor is appointed and qualified, vice B. Michael Schaul, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Mark Woodland, 610 Addison Street, Philadelphia 19147, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Donald Yealy, 1348 High Oak Court, Pittsburgh 15241, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Richard Bosco, 3004 Nicely Place, Greensburg 15601, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Donald Sedlacek, 128 Park Road, Aliquippa 15001, Beaver County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Municipal Police Officers' Education and

Training Commission, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Douglas Grimes, Canonsburg, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Donald Bucher, 2313 Abbey Lane, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Sherri Luchs, Harrisburg, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Charlene Compher, 604 South Washington Square, Apt. 802, Philadelphia 19106, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Nursing, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Kessey Kieselhorst, Danville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Marc Berson, 5527 Willow Way, Orefield 18069, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Kimberly Boyer, Blain, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Godfrey, 690 Marian Court,

Harleysville 19438, Montgomery County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Perry Umlauf, 45 Strathford Drive, Lebanon 17042, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Optometry, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, George Wolters, 1336 Wexford Drive, West Chester 19380, Chester County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Randy Litman, Lansdale, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

October 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, Eric Esterbrook, 532 South Park Road, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Eleventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Pharmacy, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Robert Frankil, Collegeville, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, John T. Tighe III, 1139 Club House Road, Gladwyne 19035, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 5, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kevin Washo, Philadelphia, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, William Ward, Jr., 1534 Sylvan Drive, Hollidaysburg 16648, Blair County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 5, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Bradley Franc, Sewickley, whose term expired and whose last day was April 23, 2021.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dan Hartman (Public Member), 2205 North Second Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve for a term of six years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joseph Mackey, Mount Bethel, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Annie Cestra, 910 West Waldheim Road, Pittsburgh 15215, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Armand Ferrara, Charleroi, whose term expired.

TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Joseph McGettigan, 1019 Edgewood Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kyle Sampson (Public Member), 255 South 58th Street, Philadelphia 19139, Philadelphia County, Eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Real Estate Commission, to serve for a term of five years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Joyce Haas, State College, resigned.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Kimberly Early, 1603 Rome Terrace, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

### TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 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, Linda Martin, 6834 Linden Avenue, Pittsburgh 15208, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a

term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

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

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michelle Santiago, 57 Oak Lane, Northampton 18067, Northampton County, Fortieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists and Professional Counselors, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE STATE FARM PRODUCTS SHOW COMMISSION

October 6, 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, Ryan Unger, 254 Verbeke Street, Harrisburg 17102, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Farm Products Show Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Black, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

TOM WOLF Governor

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

September 20, 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, Kellyn Hodges, 1365 Fenimore Lane, Gladwyne 19035, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 14, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ronald Donatucci, Philadelphia, deceased.

TOM WOLF Governor

## MEMBER OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BOARD OF REVIEW

October 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, Elena Cross, 3205 Emerson Way, Mechanicsburg 17055, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Unemployment Compensation Board of Review, to serve until July 1, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Keren Putman, Doylestown, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anjilla Cooley Codner, 104 Mary Court, Richlandtown 18955, Bucks County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Apryle Horbal, 1301 Grandview Avenue, Suite 220, Pittsburgh 15211, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

October 12, 2022

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Valerie Kehoe, 114 West Main Street, Hershey 17033, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to

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

#### TOM WOLF Governor

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

#### POINT OF ORDER

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

Senator J. WARD. Mr. President, I rise to ask for a ruling pursuant to Senate Rule 20. My son is a nominee to be a member on the Board of Trustees for the University of Pittsburgh. This nomination would be for a 2-year term and would be of no financial benefit to me. Am I permitted to vote on the nomination?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentle-woman for her inquiry about the conflict of interest in the factual situation that was just given. The Chair would rule that the situation just described, there is no conflict of interest, and in accordance with Senate Rule 20(c), Senator Judy Ward must vote on the nomination. The Chair does not find that you are about to cast or would be particularly personal to you or privately affect you alone or that you would derive direct pecuniary interest from such a vote. Therefore, it would be the ruling of the Chair that the gentlewoman is required to vote on this nomination.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

#### YEA-46

Brooks Browne Cappelletti Collett	Costa Dillon DiSanto Dush Flynn Fontana Gebhard Gordner Haywood Hughes	Langerholc Laughlin Mensch Phillips-Hill Pittman Regan Robinson Santarsiero Saval Scavello	Stefano Street Tartaglione Tomlinson Vogel Ward, Judy Ward, Kim Williams, Anthony H. Williams, Lindsey Yaw
	•	- Cu - Cu -	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta Corman	Kane Kearney	Schwank	Yudichak

## NAY-2

Hutchinson Muth

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

Ordered. That the Governor be informed accordingly.

#### NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I call from the table a certain nomination and ask for its consideration.

The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

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

October 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, the Honorable Patrick M. Browne, 43 South West Street, Allentown 18102, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Temple University of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 14, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

#### POINT OF ORDER

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I currently serve on the board at Temple University, and I am now being renominated to serve on the board. I consulted with the Secretary of the Senate, and I believe I should be excused from the vote because I am being renominated for the same position.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair agrees with your decision, and you should be excused from this vote.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

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

#### YEA-47

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

#### NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

#### NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

October 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, Rudolph P. Vulakovich, 109 Morewood Road, Glenshaw 15116, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, to serve until May 19, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Michael Negra, Centre Hall, whose term expired.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

#### MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

October 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, Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., 1655 Carlene Court, Langhorne 19047, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

#### TOM WOLF Governor

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

#### YEA-47

A mag 11	Costa	Vacamari	Stefano
Argall	Costa	Kearney	Sterano
Aument	Dillon	Langerholc	Street
Baker	DiSanto	Laughlin	Tartaglione
Bartolotta	Dush	Mensch	Tomlinson
Boscola	Flynn	Phillips-Hill	Vogel
Brewster	Fontana	Pittman	Ward, Judy
Brooks	Gebhard	Regan	Ward, Kim
Browne	Gordner	Robinson	Williams, Anthony H.
Cappelletti	Haywood	Santarsiero	Williams, Lindsey
Collett	Hughes	Saval	Yaw
Comitta	Hutchinson	Scavello	Yudichak
Corman	Kane	Schwank	

## NAY-1

Muth

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

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator AUMENT. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILL ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to consideration of the bill reported from committee for the first time at today's Session.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bill was as follows:

#### HB 1108.

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

## SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2022

9:00 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (public hearing to examine the role of LNG in strengthening American energy security on	Steamfitters Local Union 420 14420 Townsend
	the world stage)	Philadelphia

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2022

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10:00 A.WI.	REALITAND HUMAN SERVICES (Public	KOOIII &E-D
	hearing on Behavioral Health Commission report on	East Wing
	adult behavioral health services in PA as established	(LIVE
	in Act 54 of 2022)	STREAMED)
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to	Rules Committee
	consider Senate Bill No. 423; and certain Executive	Conference Room
	Nominations)	

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#### PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Beaver, Senator Vogel.

Senator VOGEL. Mr. President, I rise today to speak on my recently introduced resolution designating October 29, 2022, as World Stroke Day in Pennsylvania. Many of us have been impacted by stroke as we either have family members or acquaintances who suffered a stroke or became a caregiver to someone who became permanently paralyzed because of a stroke. A stroke is the interruption of the blood supply to the brain and is the fifth leading cause of death and leading cause of disability in the United States. Killing approximately 140,000 Americans annually, someone in the U.S. suffers a stroke every 40 seconds, and one death attributed to a stroke occurs every 4 minutes.

I myself am aware of this fact because my father passed away due to a stroke in 2016. Receiving the proper care in a short amount of time could be the difference between life and death.

Knowing the warning signs and symptoms of a stroke is important, as immediate medical care for a stroke improves the patient's outcome. Such signs include drooping of the face, sudden arm weakness, speech difficulty, vision problems, trouble walking, and a severe headache with no known cause. The acronym B.E.F.A.S.T. can be used to spot a stroke. Balance, eyes, face, arms, speech, time. Mr. President, thank you for allowing me to speak today on this resolution designating October 29, 2022, as World Stroke Day in Pennsylvania. Thank you.

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, unfortunately, this is going to be your last time at the podium as I speak on minimum wage, but it is not the last time in this Chamber that I will speak. Mr. President, I rise because today marks 5,953 days since this Commonwealth's legislature last passed an increase in our minimum wage. Today, Mr. President, these remarks are harder to deliver than normal. Not only does today signify more than 16 years of inaction and failure of action by Pennsylvania's General Assembly, but it also means we are now forced to pass the dreaded 6,000-day mark. As we finish up the last Session day of the year, we are telling minimum-wage earners this status quo is okay; that \$7.25 is acceptable; that we do not need to raise the Commonwealth's minimum wage.

Mr. President, I do not know about you, but I could not disagree more. We need to act. We need to pass meaningful minimum wage legislation. We need to tie the minimum wage to the CPI to ensure we never leave our minimum-wage earners behind. We need to put Pennsylvanians on a path to \$15 an hour. Make no mistake, it is a sad day. The General Assembly of Pennsylvania has turned its back on the Pennsylvanians who need it the most. But the fight is not over. Next Session, I and the Members of the Democratic Caucus here in the Senate and in the House will reintroduce legislation to finally address our poverty-level minimum wage. It pains me to think the next time I deliver one of these speeches, the number will be well over 6,000 days. But even though the count still rises, the fight continues.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator PHILLIPS-HILL. Mr. President, as the Senate cochair, along with the gentleman from Allegheny County, I rise to recognize October 7 as Manufacturing Day in Pennsylvania. And since being asked to head this caucus by the Majority Leader, I have met numerous manufacturing leaders from York County and all across the State, and Mr. President, it is hard not to be impressed. We have called on our manufacturers to do more now than ever before. Manufacturing in Pennsylvania today accounts for more than \$90 billion each year in gross State product. More than 540,000 Pennsylvanians work in this vital industry. Our hardworking manufacturers also account for millions of additional jobs in retail as well as supply chain and distribution networks

However, we continue to hear about the challenge of finding employees to fill these good-paying, family-sustaining jobs. They pay great wages. They include paid time off, healthcare, retirement packages, and even sign-on bonuses. On average, a job in manufacturing pays \$77,000 a year, and we have plenty of opportunities in Pennsylvania for our next generation of manufacturers

and their employees. As this industry becomes more tech savvy, high schools are providing the tools for students to learn more about manufacturing, the opportunities in manufacturing, and the important role that it plays in our Commonwealth. I am so very proud of our manufacturers in York County and all across the Commonwealth for stepping up in a big way over the last couple of years. We know this is just the beginning in a resurgence of manufacturing in Pennsylvania, and that is why I am so proud to celebrate October 7, 2022, as Manufacturing Day in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from--a new Senator from Centre, Senator Dush.

Senator DUSH. Mr. President, I want to thank you for entrusting me with the duties of investigating the election integrity issues for the purposes of finding anything that is not functioning properly and to properly address, through legislative action, the responses to anything that we find. September 2020, our Pennsylvania Supreme Court did something very unique in our State's history. They eliminated the signature verification on ballots. Signature verification and dates on evidence that comes before the court, or any type of evidence, is something that is essential. It is outlined in the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure; it is outlined in the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure. Signature verifications and dates on evidence are critical. Ballots are evidence. The evidence of that is the Federal law which requires 22 months of retention of that evidence for the purposes of being available to the courts should there be questions. Now, my question for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court is: did you make changes to the Rules of Criminal Procedure? Did you make changes to the Rules of Civil Procedure and tell the lower courts you do not have to worry about that any longer? The authority to create law is something that is reserved exclusively to the legislature. Pennsylvania law is very clear. Signature verification and verification of dates on such things as absentee and mail-in ballots is the law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Most recently, the Acting Secretary has issued guidance--and I will put that in air quotes--to county officials, instructing them not to follow that law. In what was supposed to be the first of five hearings before the Committee on State Government, the then Acting Secretary--not the current one--I asked her and the Deputy Secretary for elections specifically this: was Title 25 and the Election Code followed to the letter of the law? If you saw the debate last night on a certain question, you will be familiar with the tap dance that I experienced with the Secretary of State. The Deputy Secretary danced all around that issue, making vague references to the court. When it became obvious that--I let it play out to the point it became obvious--that he was tap dancing around that whole issue, and I made the point to him and to the Acting Secretary: their oath is to the Constitution, not the court. Their duty is to follow the Constitution and the law. Evidence of the fact that they knew that and did not want to come back and face further cross examination on this was the fact that they canceled the remaining four hearings. They refused to show up again.

I have said this before, that in a Constitutional Republic, the franchise owners are the people. We have had our republican form of government--that which is guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution--duplicated by every major sports franchise in the world. The franchise owners have a rules committee--people from

within their separate franchises. They set up the rules. The players and the coaches execute those rules on the field of play; the referees call the fouls. In this republican form of government, youthe people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania who are qualified electors under the law--are the franchise owners. The evidence of your selection as to who will govern you, is that evidence--the signature verification from the time you fill out your voter registration card to where it is verified at the place of voting--that is a chain of custody of the evidence of your choice. When that chain of custody does not exist and others get their votes into the system, you are disenfranchised.

In a hearing before the Committee on Intergovernmental Operations, we showed evidence of ballot stuffing with those drop boxes--video evidence that was incontrovertible and to which the Lehigh County District Attorney followed up. We showed nearly 300 ballots--one drop box, just 4 days--he followed up, examined, I think, another 4 ballot drop boxes, and the total came to almost 1,000 extra ballots in the system. He said he would not prosecute because Governor Wolf had his wife drop off his without a designated authorization form. So, he could not-equal protection--he could not prosecute anybody else. Ladies and gentlemen, that was November 21; that was municipal elections. There were 20--at least 20 elections that could have been within that margin because they were countywide in all of the drop boxes, for the whole period, there were only 31 or 36 designated authorization forms, and I will remind folks they are only authorized to carry one ballot, and it has to be somebody under their own roof.

Ladies and gentlemen, Mr. President, the people of this Commonwealth, last year, we began an investigation into the SURE system. The Secretary of State entered into a lawsuit with us over a subpoena that we issued to get access to the voter registration system to verify information in that system. Interesting, the crux of their argument is that my investigative team--the investigative team for the Committee on Intergovernmental Operations--was a third party. That third party investigates for the Federal government. They have top secret clearances. Conversely, the Secretary of State has entered into an agreement--not a contract--an agreement with the ERIC system, which is supposed to help clean up the voter rolls. They have no such clearances, and in fact, while the State has liability under that agreement for the release of information from ERIC, we do not have protection for information that ERIC releases about the SURE system. In fact, CEIR, another fourth-party operative, has access to ERIC's information on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. They are a "get out the vote" agency.

Mr. President, we are at the end of this Session. I have no guarantees that I will be leading this investigation going forward, but I have to tell you, the Supreme Court's interference in this, the Supreme Court's lack of alacrity in getting this done--this case settled--is a problem because every election matters. This is not about one individual. No matter what anybody else says, this investigation--and Mr. President, you know it because you set me up with this and with guidelines to keep this in the legislative lane--this is about every election. We showed it in Lehigh County with the November 21 election. District justices, a judge, mayor, school board members--every election matters. We attempted, on January 14 of this year, to obtain a forensic image of the two most important voting machines in the country. One of them has never been used in any election; one was used in November 2020.

Judge Leavitt of our Commonwealth Appellate Court gave us permission to gain access to that machine--or those two machines-- at 11 o'clock. My team was down there; they were topnotch people. They were being delayed for 25 minutes or so while we were told of a--people, not me--people were told that there was going to be a stay from the Supreme Court. What is interesting is people were taking photographs of my people and of the machines and the equipment that was brought--all top-notch-would stand up in any court. I am convinced that had those people been--some of those that have been involved in other evidence gathering where they did not have the type of qualifications of my people, they would have let it go so that they could dismiss it in court. But while they were getting that information, and then, 25 minutes later, that ruling comes down from the Supreme Court. I am disgusted. The people of Pennsylvania should be disgusted. Well, we could have been held in contempt. Well, that is bull because every inmate that has been convicted and given a time of death--if he is not executed at the time, even if somebody from the court says: oh, we are looking at giving a stay--you cannot bring that guy back from the dead. And the warden and the executioners have to follow the law.

There have been a lot of barbs thrown our way from both sides. I will tell you what the Secretary of State and the Attorney General, who should be investigating this stuff, who should be investigating, like, the videos down in Delaware County, where their solicitor is on tape saying he is going to create--tearing up the evidence, the election materials, and saying we are going to start a bonfire, and an agent of the county was saying we cannot talk about that. When I asked why--it is a felony. The Attorney General should be investigating stuff like that, but he is not. The Attorney General and the Secretary of State have constitutional responsibilities to ensure the integrity of the systems, whether it is the SURE system, the election machines, or the processes that go on within the various counties. And when the law is violated, they have got responsibilities to follow up and ensure that it is done, or that things are taken care of properly and judicially. That is not my role; that is not the role of anybody in this legislature, but we do have a constitutional responsibility to investigate such things and create the legislation that will prevent it from happening in the future. Mr. President, I will never step outside of my lane while this body chooses to keep me in charge of conducting those investigations. I do not know if I am going to be there next year with the new team, but I can tell you this: this investigation needs to continue. We passed out of this Senate--in 3 days, we had the legislation written, we had it through this body and over to the House in 3 days, and the House has been sitting on it since May. There is no excuse for that. We have to start stepping up in both Chambers and taking our responsibility seriously.

Again, I thank you, Mr. President, for entrusting me with this duty. Again, I do not know if I am going to have the opportunity in the future, but for those who want to take a look at the authority that we have, we outlined that in the hearing for the subpoena. Anybody is welcome to go to the Committee on Intergovernmental Operations web page. Take a look at that video and watch; we laid it out completely. We have the total authority to conduct these investigations for the purposes of the pieces of legislation such as my bill for the drop boxes. And when it comes to--one last thing, I know there are people who have made the comment that the Supreme Court had to act because of COVID-19. Well, the

Supreme Court likes to quote often from the Commentaries on the Constitution of Pennsylvania by Thomas Rayburn Wright. And under the construction of the Constitution clause, I am submitting for the record Section 5. It is--well, because of my eyesit is nine pages, and I am not going to continue, but the courts have repeatedly--there is plenty of case law on this--they have repeatedly said the legislature has exclusive authority for the creation of law. When you create a change to the law from the courts, they have repeatedly denounced it. Mr. President, thank you for this time. Again, thank you for the trust you have given me, and God bless.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the document will be spread upon the record.

(The following prepared document was made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Jefferson, Senator DUSH:)

§5. Laws Not Invalid unless Contrary to Some Clause in the Constitution .-- It follows from what has been said that a law duly enacted by the Legislature, or, indeed, any other act of state government, is constitutional unless it is contrary to some express prohibition in the constitution, or is absolutely repugnant to some provision of it. It was formerly supposed by some very great judges that the genius and spirit of our institutions were such that an act of Legislature contrary to natural justice would be void even though not repugnant to any clause in the constitution. Thus Mr. Justice Chase, in Calder v. Bull, 3 Dallas, 386 (1798), said: "The people of the United States erected their constitutions, or forms of government, to establish justice, to promote the general welfare, to secure the blessings of liberty, and to protect their persons and property from violence. The purposes for which men enter into society will determine the nature and terms of the social compact; and as they are the foundation of the legislative power, they will decide what are the proper objects of it: The nature and ends of legislative power will limit the exercise of it. This fundamental principle flows from the very nature of our free republican governments, that no man should be compelled to do what the laws do not require, nor to refrain from acts which the laws permit. There are acts which the Federal or State Legislature cannot do without exceeding their authority. There are certain vital principles in our free republican governments which will determine and overrule an apparent and flagrant abuse of legislative power; as to authorize manifest injustice by positive law; or to take away that security for personal liberty, or private property, for the protection whereof the government was established. An act of the Legislature (for I cannot call it a law) contrary to the great first principles of the social compact, cannot be considered a rightful exercise of the legislative authority.... The genius, the nature, and the spirit of our state governments amount to a prohibition of such acts of legislation, and the general principles of law and reason forbid them." He gave several illustrations of laws such as he had referenced to, but most, if not all of them were such as would have been prohibited by express clauses in the constitution. It is clear that laws cannot be declared void by the courts because contrary to natural justice or to the spirit of our institutions, for in such case the decision would be merely a review of the judgment of the Legislature, which presumably is quite as capable as the judiciary of determining whether a law is unjust. Such a question would be political, not a judicial, one, and the remedy would lie with the people and not with the courts. Numerous cases in Pennsylvania have determined the law to be in accordance with these principles. In Com. v. McCloskey, 2 Rawle, 369 (1830), Mr. Justice Rogers said: "If the Legislature should pass a law in plain, unequivocal and explicit terms, within the general scope of their constitutional power, I know of no authority in this government to pronounce such an act void merely because, in the opinion of the judicial tribunals, it was contrary to the principles of natural justice, for this would be vesting in the court a latitudinarian

authority which might be abused, and would necessarily lead to collision between the legislative and judicial departments, dangerous to the wellbeing of society, or at least not in harmony with the structure of our ideas of natural government."

In *Sharpless* v. *Mayor*, 21 Pa. 147 (1853), Mr. Chief Justice Black discussed the question very fully. He referred to the limitations laid upon the Legislature by federal and state constitutions, and continued: "But beyond this there lies a vast field of power, granted to the Legislature by the general words of the constitution, and not reserved, prohibited, or given away to others. Of this field the General Assembly is entitled to the full and uncontrolled possession. Their use of it can be limited only by their own discretion. The reservation of some powers does not imply a restriction on the exercise of others which are not reserved. On the contrary, it is a universal rule of construction, founded in the clearest reason, that general words in any instrument or statute are strengthened by exceptions and weakened by enumeration. To me it is as plain that the General Assembly may exercise all powers which are properly legislative, and which are not taken away by our own or by the federal constitution, as it is that the people have all rights which are expressly reserved.

"We are urged, however, to go further than this, and to hold that a law, though not prohibited, is void if it violates the spirit of our institutions, or impairs any of those rights which it is the object of a few [free] government to protect, and to declare it unconstitutional if it be wrong and unjust. But we cannot do this. It would be assuming a right to change the constitution, to supply what we might conceive to be its defects, to fill up every casus omissus, and to interpolate into it whatever in our opinion ought to have been put there by its framers. The constitution has given us a list of the things which the Legislature may not do. If we extend that list, we alter the instrument, we become ourselves the aggressors, and violate both the letter and spirit of the organic law as grossly as the Legislature possibly could. If we can add to the reserved rights of the people, we can take them away; if we can mend, we can mar; if we remove the landmarks which we find established, we can obliterate them; if we can change the constitution in any particular, there is nothing but our own will to prevent us from demolishing it completely [entirely].

"The great powers given to the Legislature are liable to be abused. But this is inseparable from the nature of human institutions. The wisdom of man has never conceived of a government with power sufficient to answer its legitimate ends, and at the same time incapable of mischief. No political system can be made so perfect that its rulers will always hold it to the true course. In the very best a great deal must be trusted to the discretion of those who administer it. In hours [ours], the people have given larger powers to the Legislature, and relied, for the faithful execution of them, on the wisdom and honesty of that department, and on the direct accountability of the members to their constituents. There is no shadow of reason for supposing that the mere abuse of power was meant to be corrected by the judiciary.

"There is nothing more easy then to imagine a thousand tyrannical things which the Legislature may do, if its members forget all their duties, disregard utterly the obligations they owe to their constituents, and recklessly determine to trample upon right and justice. But to take away the power from the Legislature because they may abuse it, and give to the judges the right of controlling it, would not be advancing a single step, since the judges can be imagined to be as corrupt and as wicked as legislators. It has been said of the ablest judge that ever sat on this bench, and one whose purity of character was as perfect as any who has ever lived or ever will live, that his opinions on such subjects are not to be relied on. If this be so, then transferring the seat of authority from the Legislature to the courts would be putting our interests in the hands of a set of very fallible men, instead of the respectable body which now holds it. What is worse still, the judges are almost entirely irresponsible, and heretofore they have been altogether so, while the members of the Legislature, who would do the imaginary things referred to, 'would be scourged into retirement by their indignant masters.'

"I am thoroughly convinced that the words of the constitution furnish the only test to determine the validity of a statue, and that all

arguments, based on general principles outside of the constitution, must be addressed to the people, and not to us." In Russ v. Com., 210 Pa. 544 (1905), there is a more recent expression by Mr. Justice Brown, quoting the language of Cooley on Constitutional Limitations: "The rule of law upon this subject appears to be that, except where the constitution has imposed limits upon the legislative power, it must be considered as practically absolute, whether it operates according to natural justice or not in any particular case. The courts are not the guardians of the rights of the people of the state, except as those rights are secured by some constitutional provision which comes within the judicial cognizance. The protection against unwise and oppressive legislation, within constitutional bounds, is by an appeal to the justice and patriotism of the representatives of the people. If this fail, the people in their sovereign capacity can correct the evil; but courts cannot assume their rights. The judiciary can only arrest the execution of a statute when it conflicts with the constitution. It cannot run a race of opinion upon points of right, reason and expediency with the lawmaking power.... If the courts are not at liberty to declare status void because of their apparent injustice or impolicy, neither can they do so because they appear to the minds of the judges to violate fundamental principles of republican government, unless it should be found that these principles are placed beyond legislative encroachment by the constitution.' Cooley on Constitutional Limitations, ch. VII, secs. 4 and 5 (6th ed., 1890, p. 201)." As the courts will pay little regard to a contention based on a conflict between the law and considerations of natural justice, they will pay none at all to an argument based upon the evil motives of legislators in enacting a law. This is a matter of no moment.

Citation 9 Com. v. Moir, 199 Pa. 534 (1901). See also Com. v. Gilligan, 195 Pa. 504, 513 (1900); Penna. R. R. Co. v. Riblet, 66 Pa. 164, 169 (1870); Sunbury, etc., R. R. v Cooper, 33 Pa. 278 (1859).

Commentaries on the Constitution of Pennsylvania Construction of the Constitution

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, for the last 25 minutes, Mr. President, we heard from an election denier who is beginning the process--

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will the gentleman cease? Senator COSTA. Yes, sir.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Senator, obviously, during Ps and Rs, we give a lot of leeway of what we are talking about. But referring to the previous speaker in the manner you just recently did, I think is out of line as far as our Senate rules, and I would ask you to rephrase.

Senator COSTA. Thank you, Mr. President. I will do that.

Mr. President, we heard for the last 20 minutes, and my interpretation was an attempt to begin to undermine the 2022 election, the previous election that the gentleman has been talking about has been over for 2 years. We know that there have been countless court cases that have upheld the outcome of the previous election and addressed many of the issues that were spoken about by the previous speaker. I believe that the speaker's comments, in many respects, were intentionally misrepresenting what has taken place and taken steps himself, as well as other folks on the other side of the--

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Will the gentleman cease? Senator COSTA. Yes, sir.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Again, we do not apply motivation to other Members, and when you phrased, intentionally misrepresenting, I think again, it goes to his motivations, and I would ask you to rephrase that.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, can I say I believe the comments of the gentleman were untruthful, in my opinion, and misleading?

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. I would, again--

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I respect your ruling, and I understand, and I do not want to put you in the middle of this debate. It is just unfortunate that the very last thing we do after a wonderful series of days where we worked in a pretty significant, bipartisan way, to be able to come to this point in time at 7:10 in the evening after 3 working days, to begin a conversation and rehashing a conversation that has taken place over the past 2 years that folks simply will not let go away. The election is over. The courts have certified that this is an appropriate election from 2022. We have conducted other elections since that time. The gentleman and others were elected at that same point in time and are not questioning any of the processes with respect to the validity of their own elections. It is just ridiculous to me that we come here tonight and have this conversation about what has transpired over the past several years with respect to this conversation. The committee conversation was about the Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs, was a committee we do not believe had jurisdiction even to issue these subpoenas. And that question is still in court as to whether or not they were validly issued. But let me remind the people who are watching on TV, that committee led by the chairman who previously spoke, and the person running for Governor, and other individuals, wanted 7 million records, wanted 7 million Social Security numbers of people who were there, who voted: 7 million people in Pennsylvania. They wanted your records and wanted them for themselves, not to share with other Members of the committee. The committee was not even consulted with respect to what consultants were going to be brought in to be able to look at them. And when the question was asked: who is going to look at these records? My committee is going to look at them; my staff is going to look at them. That is not what the people want. They do not want the ability of some people looking at their voting records, their driver's licenses, their Social Security numbers. That is not what this is about. This is about undermining the upcoming election as we go forward, and that is wrong. We spent hours and hours and wasted taxpayer dollars, report after report, and came to conclusions that this was an invalid election.

Mr. President, you convened the Integrity Committee that we participated in, and you participated in, your folks from your side of the aisle, and came out with the recommendations that the people wanted us to talk about, what the county election officials wanted us to talk about. Those are the things that were important to them, making sure that we do pre-canvassing, which we have not done. Making sure that we address the issues with respect to drop boxes, which we have not discussed. Many other recommendations that came from those two committees, your committee, as well as the voters of the election oversight committee that came out of Act 12 of 2020. We did not do any of those recommendations. But yet here we are, the last day of legislative Session, the gentleman is talking about putting together and talking about some of the things that have happened. Again, spewing information, which I interpret as being misinformation or inaccurate information as it relates to what has transpired, as it relates to what is going to go forward through this process. I am just extremely disappointed and frustrated that we go through this. We have to put the election behind us so that the people have faith in the process. Commenting about what has taken place over the past 2 years, which has no basis in fact, now finds us in a position where we are beginning to undermine the integrity of the election by individuals who do not want to accept the outcome. There is something called judicial review. We have to accept that. The courts have ruled, and they said what they have said with regard to this election and the process that the Secretary of State has taken, and other folks have taken. They have done that. And now we know that this matter of the undated signatures is now before the State Supreme Court. It will be decided probably in another couple of days. I think opinions and briefs are due in the next several days if they are not due all ready. That court case will be done then. I ask the question whether or not the gentleman would accept the outcome of that decision by the Supreme Court. I suspect not. It will be a continuation of accepting and denying what the rule of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has, particularly as it relates to legislative matters around elections. The Supreme Court ruled, accept it, and move forward and stop undermining what is going to be in place as we go forward in the next 13 days. Thank you, Mr. President.

#### **HOUSE MESSAGES**

#### HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate SB 153 and SB 317, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

# HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to HB 103, HB 1988, HB 2525 and HB 2633.

#### RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

#### October 26, 2022

Senators HAYWOOD, KANE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 357**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Secretary of the Common-wealth to enforce the disqualification clause of the Constitution of the United States by declaring ineligible to appear on a ballot in this Commonwealth for any office a candidate who has previously taken an oath of office to uphold the Constitution and then engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the United States or given aid or comfort to the enemies.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOV-ERNMENT, October 26, 2022.

# APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair wishes to announce the President pro tempore has made the following appointments: Mr. Marcus Shoffner as a member of the Conservation and Natural Resources Advisory Council.

Ms. Janet Sweeney as a member of the Conservation and Natural Resources Advisory Council.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate will be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

#### **HOUSE MESSAGES**

# HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILLS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to HB 220, HB 397, HB 1059, HB 1486, HB 1630, HB 1958, HB 2398, HB 2528 and HB 2648.

#### HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 431**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

#### **BILLS SIGNED**

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Jacob D. Corman III) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 153, SB 225, SB 317, SB 431, SB 522, SB 696, SB 806, SB 1083, SB 1123, SB 1152, SB 1194, SB 1208, HB 103, HB 220, HB 284, HB 324, HB 397, HB 668, HB 987, HB 1059, HB 1103, HB 1328, HB 1393, HB 1486, HB 1630, HB 1731, HB 1829, HB 1866, HB 1929, HB 1958, HB 1988, HB 2057, HB 2079, HB 2086, HB 2214, HB 2293, HB 2361, HB 2398, HB 2447, HB 2458, HB 2525, HB 2528, HB 2586, HB 2633, HB 2648 and HB 2800.

## **RECESS**

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

Senator BROWNE. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 1 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 9:47 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.