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THURSDAY, June 29, 2023

The Senate met at 6 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Senator Kim L. Ward) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The following prayer was offered by Senator KRISTIN PHILLIPS-HILL:

Let us join together in prayer.

Dear heavenly Father, You are the source and fulfillment of our call to serve the people of this great Commonwealth. We acknowledge that all authority is Yours. We pray that You grant us wisdom, discernment, strength, and resolve. Yet, an openness to Your spirit as we endeavor to respond to and meet the needs of those we represent. Hold us, guide us, and gently remind us of Your steadfast love and unending presence as we face the challenges of this season. Lift us up and help us to articulate our lived faith as leaders through displays of generosity and kindness to one another. Help us to always be mindful that we honor You in thought, word, and deed with great gratitude for the gifts we have been given. We humbly ask this in Your Son's Name. Amen.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair thanks Senator Phillips-Hill.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 29, 2023

Senators GEBHARD, PENNYCUICK, ROTHMAN, BARTOLOTTA and DUSH presented to the Chair **SB 821**, entitled:

An Act providing for protection of personal information from public agencies; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOV-ERNMENT, June 29, 2023.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 29, 2023

Senators L. WILLIAMS, MUTH, KEARNEY, CAPPELLETTI, HAYWOOD, BREWSTER, KANE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SR 139**, entitled:

A Resolution designating July 30, 2023, as "Whistleblower Appreciation Day" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, June 29, 2023.

Senators STREET, FONTANA, DILLON, KEARNEY, TARTAGLIONE, SANTARSIERO, ROBINSON, SCHWANK, HAYWOOD, COSTA, BREWSTER and CAPPELLETTI presented to the Chair **SR 144**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing the 146th anniversary of the uprising of the miners who became known as the "Molly Maguires."

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, June 29, 2023.

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

June 29, 2023

HB 255 -- Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

HB 580, 767 and **1170** -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 1295 -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

HB 1305 -- Committee on Health and Human Services.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

Senator Wayne D. Fontana as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Senator Arthur L. Haywood III as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

Senator Vincent J. Hughes as a member of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Madam President, I have no leaves.

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

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Cappelletti.

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Journal of the Session of April 25, 2023, is now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Session of April 25, 2023.

Senator PITTMAN. Madam 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 PITTMAN and were as follows, viz:

YEA-50

Argall	Culver	Langerholc	Santarsiero
Aument	Dillon	Laughlin	Saval
Baker	DiSanto	Martin	Schwank
Bartolotta	Dush	Mastriano	Stefano
Boscola	Farry	Miller	Street
Brewster	Flynn	Muth	Tartaglione
Brooks	Fontana	Pennycuick	Vogel
Brown	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Cappelletti	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Coleman	Hughes	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hutchinson	Robinson	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Rothman	Yaw
Costa	Kearney		

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.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Madam President, I request a recess of the Senate for a very brief Republican caucus, which will be held in the Rules room. That brief caucus will be followed by a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, which will be followed by a meeting of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy, which will be followed by a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, all held in the Rules room.

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

Senator COSTA. Madam President, prior to the meetings that were just announced, Senate Democrats will meet around the podium for 5 minutes.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. For purposes of a short Republican caucus to be held in the Rules room, and a short Democratic caucus around the podium, followed by a series of committee meetings to be held off the floor in the Rules room, beginning with the Committee on Appropriations, followed by the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy, followed by the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Austin A. Davis) in the Chair.

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

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

PREFERRED APPROPRIATION BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 614, HB 615, HB 616, HB 617, HB 618, HB 619, HB 620, HB 621 and HB 622 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PITTMAN.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 44 (Pr. No. 976) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in human trafficking, further providing for definitions, for the offense of trafficking in individuals and for the offense of patronizing a victim of sexual servitude; in minors, further providing for unlawful contact with minor; and, in domestic and sexual violence victim address confidentiality, further providing for definitions and for persons eligible to apply.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Jefferson, Senator Dush.

Senator DUSH. Mr. President, this important bipartisan piece of legislation will ensure that sexually exploited children have access to resources that they need to recover as victims of human trafficking. Senate Bill No. 44 changes Title 18 so that no matter how the purchaser is charged, the child who is purchased for

commercial sex is always treated as a victim of trafficking. The bill does this by ensuring that the buyer applicable trafficking offense explicitly applies to commercially exploited minors. This bill will also align our primary offense with Federal law by adding the word "patronizes." No matter how a district attorney chooses to prosecute an offender, sexually exploited children should never have to identify their human trafficking perpetrator to justify or obtain the services that they desperately need. This legislation ensures that they never do.

In addition to the changes this bill makes in Chapter 30, my office worked with the Office of the Attorney General to modify Section 6318 to allow undercover law enforcement to pose as a third party. The uncomfortable reality is that some purchasers are after a victim who is far too young for a law enforcement officer to impersonate. Victims of sex trafficking have been identified at ages as young as 4 years old. By amending our Criminal Code to allow law enforcement to pose as a party having contact with a minor, as this bill does, law enforcement can pose as a seller to catch and charge purchasers who are often after children too young to be impersonated.

I was proud to work on this combined legislative effort with Senator Collett and Senator Phillips-Hill. I would like to thank my co-prime sponsors, as well as their staff, for their work on this important legislation. I would like to specifically thank Tom Holroyd from Senator Collett's office and Chloe Mandara from Senator Phillips-Hill's office; Cade Hepner from my office has been just invaluable in the drafting of this; and I want to thank Chairwoman Baker and Ryan Shovlin from her office for their participation and help in this effort as well. Lastly, I would like to thank Doug Lengenfelder from my office who has pulled together a great number of organizations, both national and international, who are engaged every day in the fight against human trafficking: the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape, the Attorney General's office, and many, many others. This is just a first step in many that are going to be needed to combat this scourge. And, again, I want to thank Senator Collett and Senator Phillips-Hill, and I would ask please for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

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

Senator STREET. Mr. President, I want to first thank the makers of this bill, as human trafficking is a terrible scourge that needs to be dealt with. A wise man said: let not the perfect be the enemy of the good. And so, today, I will urge a "yes" vote, but not without some reservation. My understanding is that there is still language that the makers have agreed to in the form of an amendment that hopefully will be introduced in the House because, while this bill solves many compelling problems that need to be addressed--and so I will and do plan to vote for it--it leaves open the possibility that consensual sex between minors could be defined as criminal. That has historical problems. In other jurisdictions around the country, consensual sex between teenagers, when they were interracial, have sometimes been prosecuted, and usually it is the child of color; usually a male child of color is prosecuted. That being said, given the tremendous problem of sex trafficking and the fact that there is still an opportunity for the House to make the corrections, I urge my colleagues in the House to make those corrections and for us to concur in those corrections once made. But for today, to advance the process so that we can deal with this critically important issue, I urge a "yes" vote.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Mastriano.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pittman requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Mastriano. 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-50

Argall	Culver	Langerholc	Santarsiero
Aument	Dillon	Laughlin	Saval
Baker	DiSanto	Martin	Schwank
Bartolotta	Dush	Mastriano	Stefano
Boscola	Farry	Miller	Street
Brewster	Flynn	Muth	Tartaglione
Brooks	Fontana	Pennycuick	Vogel
Brown	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Cappelletti	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Coleman	Hughes	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hutchinson	Robinson	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Rothman	Yaw
Costa	Kearney		

NAY-0

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

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

SB 45 (Pr. No. 927) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 25, 2012 (P.L.1618, No.197), known as the National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline Notification Act, further providing for victim services.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator COLLETT. Mr. President, I rise today to offer remarks in support of Senate Bill No. 44, which we just passed, and Senate Bill No. 45. There is a widespread misconception that human trafficking, the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act against one's will-modern slavery--is something that only happens in other countries or on TV and is not something that happens here. Sadly, that is not the case. While the illicit nature of trafficking makes it difficult to research, it is believed that there are currently more than a million people living in modern slavery in the United States. Over the past 10 years, the number of calls into the National Human

Trafficking Hotline has more than doubled, and the number of Federal prosecutions has increased 84 percent. In Pennsylvania alone, the national hotline received over 1,000 tips in 2021 and nearly 8,000 since its 2007 inception. In addition to sex work, which makes up more than 80 percent of reports nationally and in Pennsylvania, the most common labor-trafficking venues are domestic work, agriculture, and construction. It happens in big cities, small towns, and everywhere in between. Its victims include people of all ages, genders, races, ethnicities, religious affiliations, and socio-economic backgrounds. In other words, it can happen to anyone.

As we continue to ensure that Federal and State law enforcement have every resource needed to prevent, investigate, and prosecute human traffickers, we must also do everything we can to make sure survivors have the tools and resources they need to recover and thrive in the next chapters of their lives. That is where Senate Bill No. 44 and Senate Bill No. 45 come in. Senator Dush, Senator Phillips-Hill, and I want to make sure that we are doing everything in our power to enable victims of human trafficking to become survivors by allowing access to victim services programs without the need to identify their trafficker to investigators first. Specifically, Senate Bill No. 45 will allow victims who reach out to the national hotline the ability to access these resources immediately without first having to identify a trafficker, something terrifying that they have no doubt been threatened against doing and something that they may be even more prepared to do after receiving services. I have heard from law enforcement, attorneys, victims' advocates, educators, healthcare providers, social workers, and constituents who all believe there is more we can do to confront the scourge of human trafficking and who want to see legislation like Senate Bill No. 44 and Senate Bill No. 45 passed. I also know firsthand from my time serving as a Deputy Attorney General representing the interests of children who are victimized by abuse and neglect the difference that resources like these make in a case and, more importantly, in the lives of survivors. I want to thank the co-sponsors of this legislation, Senator Dush and Senator Phillips-Hill, and I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote.

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	Culver	Langerholc	Santarsiero
Aument	Dillon	Laughlin	Saval
Baker	DiSanto	Martin	Schwank
Bartolotta	Dush	Mastriano	Stefano
Boscola	Farry	Miller	Street
Brewster	Flynn	Muth	Tartaglione
Brooks	Fontana	Pennycuick	Vogel
Brown	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Cappelletti	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Coleman	Hughes	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hutchinson	Robinson	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Rothman	Yaw
Costa	Kearney		

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 125, SB 146, SB 149, SB 235, SB 246, SB 346, SB 371, HB 623, SB 765, SB 774, SB 775, SB 784, HB 804 and HB 1031 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PITTMAN.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 173, SB 282, SB 286, SB 365, SB 373 and SB 375 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PITTMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

SB 442 (Pr. No. 980) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Flood Insurance Premium Assistance Task Force.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 514, SB 531, SB 739, SB 748, SB 802, SB 817, SB 831, SB 843 and SB 851 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PITTMAN.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION AND REREFERRED

HB 1171 (Pr. No. 1236) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 11, 1998 (P.L.58, No.15), known as the Combustible and Flammable Liquids Act, further providing for regulations.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

The PRESIDENT. The Senate will briefly be at ease. [The Senate was at ease]

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator MARTIN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bill:

HB 479 (Pr. No. 1804) (Amended) (Rereported)

An act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in Treasury Department, establishing the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Program and the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Fund; and providing for 2023-2024 budget implementation.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1

MOTION NOTWITHSTANDING SENATE RULE 12

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, as a special order of business, I call up Senate Supplemental Calendar No. 1 and move the Senate proceed to consider House Bill No. 479, notwithstanding the provisions of Senate Rule 12(m)(2).

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

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

YEA-48

Argall	Costa	Kane	Rothman
Aument	Culver	Kearney	Santarsiero
Baker	Dillon	Langerholc	Saval
Bartolotta	DiSanto	Laughlin	Schwank
Boscola	Dush	Martin	Stefano
Brewster	Farry	Mastriano	Street
Brooks	Flynn	Miller	Tartaglione
Brown	Fontana	Pennycuick	Vogel
Cappelletti	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Coleman	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Collett	Hughes	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Comitta	Hutchinson	Robinson	Yaw

NAY-2

Muth Williams, Lindsey

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 479 (Pr. No. 1804) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, in Treasury Department, establishing the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Program and the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Fund; and providing for 2023-2024 budget implementation.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

Senator J. WARD. Mr. President, I rise in support of the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success program and the thousands of young children across the State who will have their lives changed because of this program. Under this legislation, a scholarship would be available to students residing in school districts that are ranked among the lowest 15 percent of districts based on State testing performance metrics. The scholarships may be used for tuition or school-related fees at a non-public school that participates in the program. Funding for the scholarships would not be diverted from a public school's existing funds but would be part of a new appropriation to be distributed and administered by the Treasury. Over 30 States offer similar programs that are designed to meet the educational needs, interests, and goals of the students in low-performing districts. Pennsylvania cannot afford to lag behind in this critical area. As evidenced by the Governor's support of this type of program, the issue is not partisan. The approach under consideration is common sense and past due. Our children are our most valuable asset, and education is their most valuable tool. They should not be destined to a poor education just because of the ZIP Code that they live in. This legislation affords these children the opportunity for a quality education and a chance at a brighter future. This will change the lives and trajectory of so many young people. We must remember that our first and foremost priority is our children. Join me today in putting them and their success first. Thank you, and I humbly ask for my colleagues' affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, this is not the order I prefer to go in. I do want to speak on the bill, but I prefer others to go and then I will speak.

The PRESIDENT. We will come back to you towards the end. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Lindsey Williams.

Senator L. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, I rise today in opposition to House Bill No. 479, as amended. I rise in opposition because I support our public schools. I rise in opposition because I believe in the separation of church and State. The bill before us today creates a new program that sends public taxpayer dollars to private and religious schools. We cannot allow the first action this legislature takes in response to the Commonwealth Court decisions--declaring our public education funding system to be unconstitutional--to be the creation of a program that sends 103.7 million public tax dollars to unaccountable private institutions. Only a few short months ago, the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania ruled that we as a legislature are not meeting our constitutional obligation to provide a thorough and efficient system of public education, and the court reaffirmed that decision that we are unconstitutionally underfunding and inequitably funding our public schools just last week. The goal of legislation like this,

whether it is a so-called quote, Lifeline Scholarship, or the quote, Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Program, is to push vulnerable students and families into private and religious schools where they check their constitutional rights at the door. Our students lose nearly every right afforded to them when they enroll in private school. Private schools can and do discriminate against disabled kids. Private schools can and do refuse to admit LGBTQ+ students. Private schools can and do refuse to accept kids because they are poor or struggling academically. They are free to discriminate against students, parents, and staff however and whenever they want. And let me be clear, religious schools have lobbied me directly, in my office, upstairs, to keep their ability to refuse to admit or retain anyone they want. And I would be remiss to not connect the efforts of these same organizations to block the increase in the statute of limitations that have caused irreparable harm to generations of religious students and families. The bill before us today is part of a long-term plan to defund, destabilize, and destroy public education. Voucher programs only came about after the Supreme Court's Board v. Board of Education [sic] decision so that white families could attend segregated private schools and avoid integration, all on the taxpayer's dime. Rebranded as quote, unquote, school choice, in the 1990s, current data in States with voucher programs show that these programs only exacerbate racial segregation. The creation of the quote, Pennsylvania Award for Student Success Scholarship Program, creates another system of education that holds one set of schools to a different set of standards.

Private schools are not required to hire certified teachers, nor are they required to evaluate those teachers. For private schools, accreditation is optional. Only our public schools continue to be subject to these necessary accountability measures. This new privatization program lacks any accountability. The same standardized tests used to determine our underperforming schools do not apply to the private schools that our students will be attending. We lose the ability to track student outcomes when they set foot in a private school. Supporters of this bill cannot purport to care about the success of those students if there are no ways to tell if a student is actually succeeding in a private school. This legislation does not require the Auditor General to audit this program. In States where voucher programs like this have been enacted, we see rampant waste, fraud, and abuse of taxpayer dollars. The Auditor General has already made it clear that their office does not have the time nor interest to perform routine required school audits. How will they find the time to perform optional audits on these individual family accounts? The answer is, they will not. There will not be any oversight over how this money is spent. Regardless of what you call this bill, it is what it is, a brand-new program that takes 103.7 million public taxpayer dollars and diverts it to unaccountable private schools, and it is only a foot in the door. In other States that have created voucher programs, they have started small and then, over a short number of years, have grown 300 to 800 times the starting amount. We have seen the same thing here in Pennsylvania with EITC, a program that started at \$25 million that is now \$340 million a year. It is clear that this bill will pass tonight. I implore, I implore our House colleagues to hold the line for our students and our public schools and the property taxpayers who will foot the bill for this legislation and vote this bill down as soon as it gets to their side of the building.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, I rise in support of House Bill No. 479, and I thought I would start off with a little bit of a personal story. You know, growing up as the oldest of seven kids living on a cop's salary throughout the early 80s, we did not have a lot, you know, some people would make fun of, you know, the things that we did not have. But despite of what we did not have, my family believed that there were certain types of educational environments that would be appropriate for all of us. But, you see, back then, a lot of these programs that you just heard mentioned did not exist, those kinds of opportunities. So as a young man, myself, my siblings, we ended up having to spend our summers, in order to get an educational environment my parents thought was best for us, by scrubbing wax at our local high school; by doing lawn maintenance to earn off our tuition; doing all kinds of labor, because they felt that is what is right. I did not like it at the time, did not like it at all, but in hindsight, I will never be able to say thank you enough for my parents making the pathway for me and the opportunity to get an education they thought was right.

You know, I hear a lot of talk about accountability, and what people need to realize is that this bill is an accountable action, and the accountable action is, as we see time over time, educational entities that continually fail our students consistently in attainment. We have seen parents showing the accountability through their actions in wanting to see a different pathway for their kids, and of all the talk we hear about these programs and their utilization, it is really amazing that as even as we grow it, that time after time the list gets longer and longer for the people who want to participate. And these parents, who very much are the most involved and caring in what is going on with their children or realizing that things are not going right for them, they are showing the interest in finding a different pathway.

In the last 2 years, I got to spend our time chairing the Senate Committee on Education, and I got to meet people from all over this Commonwealth and all walks of life. But one of the most heartbreaking things that I can think of, a practice that goes on in this Commonwealth every year, is that we legitimately operate a lottery system where tens and tens of thousands of families--who are praying for an opportunity for their children to get out of a failing institution--all rely on a hope of a spinning lottery machine, hoping that their number is drawn, only to have a couple thousand of them get that opportunity to raise up and get out of either a failing or an unsafe institution. That is accountability, what the families have been telling us. That is the accountability, how they have been showing us that they want or demand better for their kids.

Many of us have districts that might be on this list in the bottom 15 percent. Many of them need to keep striving to get better. But here is the problem: how long do we wait in a child's development for a school to better itself along the way? Do not worry kid, maybe 5 years from now your elementary school will do better and get better results for you. These families have heard it over and over and over again. And no matter what the program is called--personally, I kind of like PASS, that sounds nice--however, this really, truly is a lifeline to those families who are begging for their child to have a better opportunity, a better future,

and we owe it to all of them regardless of where they live in this Commonwealth, what the color of their skin is in this Commonwealth, their futures matter, and they matter right now, and we owe it to them to come through for them. And I ask my colleagues to please support these families and kids, and to please support House Bill No. 479.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I will be very brief. I wanted to just make a brief comment with respect to the sort of comprehensive approach that we have seen here in the General Assembly over the course of the past several weeks and dating back to March of this year. I think it was mentioned by a previous speaker, this is about our children. This is about ensuring that our children's education--all of our children have the opportunity to be able to receive an appropriate, good, and solid education. To that end, the Governor has talked a lot about certainly making historic investments in education, and I know those conversations have been taking place up to this day. But this particular program is one part of that overall approach to making sure that we are educating our kids across the board. It is inclusive of public education spending with our K to 12. It is inclusive of early learning dollars. It is inclusive of trying to make sure that we protect our kids in our school, whether they be environmentally challenged schools or whether they be school safety programs. It is about the comprehensive approach to education that this conversation here has been about, and one of the reasons why I believe that the Governor has been speaking about this particular program.

However, to that end, this is one part of that, and it should not be held in isolation with respect outside of the other programs that we are talking about here. So, to that end, while I recognize there is a difference of opinion on this floor, and certainly a difference of opinion on the other side of this building, at the end of the day, we must come together to work and figure out what we need to be doing in a more comprehensive way. But please recognize that this is just one piece of that, and not stands in isolation without the other pieces taking place. In order for the historic investments to take place that we all want, we have to have more of a comprehensive conversation, particularly in light of the volume of resources that we have here in Pennsylvania. We have an obligation, an opportunity to do more together, and I think that is where we are heading towards through the next several days. So, thank you for the opportunity to speak on this bill.

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

Senator MUTH. Mr. President, I rise in opposition to House Bill No. 479 for the same reasons of my colleague, as Senator Lindsey Williams eloquently stated earlier this evening. In a 786-page court decision by our Commonwealth Court over a battle about our school funding system, the ruling said that we have to fund our public schools. That is part of the ruling, that we currently are violating the Constitution with the funding formula that we use now. Not one sentence in that 786-page decision did it ever suggest or state that creating or expanding funding for private schools would ensure that the Commonwealth would meet that constitutional obligation to adequately fund our public school system; not one time. So, it is very difficult to understand that after a massive battle in court with a ruling of 786 pages of

discussion about this issue--and tonight, jammed through an amendment in a non-live streamed meeting--that we are here about to divert many millions of dollars away from our public school system, a theme that has been ongoing here in this building, unfortunately, for many years now.

The effort to privatize our public school system is bold and strong and certainly is raging strong this year. And we used to have some of the best school districts in the nation, but after 20some plus years of underfunding, cuts, some of our schools are struggling. And I can say firsthand that my school district that would meet this quote, unquote, low-performing school district, is one of the districts that I have that has had the most progress in the last 2 years after changing their curriculum to focus on the science of reading, with an influx of students who left that district to go to a charter school that failed them for over 2 years and then came back to the public school. And now their reading and literacy levels are on the upward, and this is a small but mighty group of teachers, an underfunded district, many kids on reduced lunch, and they are doing the work. But for so long, you only can hang on when you are starving for dollars. And so, any dollar that is taken away or put towards something else other than public education is a dollar that is unconstitutional. It actually says in our Pennsylvania State Constitution that we are to fund public education and make sure that, as a Commonwealth, we are doing that consistently, and this legislation does no such thing. And so, supporting something that is unconstitutional, supporting something that is harmful to other school districts, is not something that I can support.

As mentioned earlier--the accountability issue--the existing programs that already divert dollars away from our public school systems have very little transparency, and those continue to get increases as a bartering system to not further gut public education with a divided legislature. They have for years. For the Commonwealth to actually create opportunities that make a difference in the lives of our students, this General Assembly, this Senate, needs to make the necessary investments in our public education system--that is it--not create a new program for non-public schools, not find a paved pathway to privatize and make schools for-profit. And to say that public schools are failing institutions, I would say that, really, the failure here is the failure of the government to uphold the Constitution. And so, as explained to me, there was supposed to be this broad discussion after the court ruling to figure out how to reformulate and reorganize the whole structure, and this is what we are voting on tonight.

And so, for those reasons and many more, this legislation is incredibly flawed and will continue to take dollars away, dollars that are desperately needed to fund our public schools, which again, as mentioned, this will fall on the backs of taxpayers to pay for tuition to religious schools, private schools, and then the dollars diverted away from that school district, property tax increases. If you bought a home in my district of Chester County in the Coatesville School District today, any house that you would buy would be at least, at least \$400,000-some at minimum, and the property tax, depending on the price of your home, would be up to \$1,300, \$1,200 a month. So, I cannot support legislation that allows our public taxpayer dollars to go to private institutions and then forcing our taxpayers' property tax costs to skyrocket. It is unnecessary, it is not a well-thought-out plan, and it certainly is not upholding the Constitution, and it is unacceptable for our

Commonwealth and this body to create and finance a separate division of our education system when we have a constitutional obligation to fund our public education system. For those reasons, Mr. President, I will be a "no" vote and encourage my colleagues to also do the same. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, the Pennsylvania Award for Student Success, that is what is before us tonight. Mr. President, it is time for this institution to pass the test. It is time for this institution to empower parents. It is time for this institution to empower families. It is time for this institution to recognize that parents have the ultimate responsibility for their children's education. It is time for this institution to recognize that parents must accept the responsibility for their child's education. It is time for this institution to demonstrate that divided government does not mean dysfunctional government. And what we have here in this legislation is bipartisan work. The gentlewoman from Blair County is the prime sponsor--joined by her co-prime sponsor, the gentleman from Philadelphia County--recognizing that our new Governor made lifeline scholarships a priority plank of his campaign. And what we have before us tonight is language that has been carefully crafted with the Senate Republican Majority and our new Democratic Governor. We are working tonight, on opposite sides of the aisle, to demonstrate that divided government is not dysfunctional government, and that is what we owe to every resident of this Commonwealth.

Now let us be crystal clear, Mr. President, about what the Commonwealth Court said. The Commonwealth Court said that all forms of education deserve support, all forms of education. It did not say only public education, it said all forms of education. And so, in my opinion, Mr. President, this legislation embraces the spirit of the Commonwealth Court ruling because what this legislation does is it invests more money, more money into the educational system of this Commonwealth, \$100 million of more resources to empower parents, to empower families, to support the educational opportunities throughout this Commonwealth, regardless of whether they are public or private. We are not taking one dollar away from public education. We are enhancing investment in education. That is what we are doing in this legislation. So, let us be crystal clear when we talk about the Commonwealth Court ruling, because not only did the Commonwealth Court ruling refuse to delineate between public and private education, it also indicated that our failings, as they see it, are the responsibility of the General Assembly and the Governor to address, and that is what we are doing in this legislation. We are, in a bipartisan fashion, addressing education of all forms in this Commonwealth. Let us not forget that. Let us pass this test. Let us pass this legislation to the House of Representatives. Let us send it on its voyage to the House of Representatives. Let us find out what the House of Representatives really thinks about this legislation and what they think about their Governor and their Majority of the same party reconciling the differences on this legislation. So let us invest in education. Let us stop talking about public and private; it is education. Because you know what? To our kids, they do not know whether they are in a public or a private setting, and they do not really care. What they care about is having an opportunity, and what we care about is empowering parents to give them that opportunity. Vote "yes," and pass this legislation.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Mr. President, you know, all of us are here because we want to do good things for the people of Pennsylvania, for all the people of Pennsylvania. And I think we have a duty to do something about children who are trapped in low-performing schools. It is our duty. It is an injustice for us. Most of us do not have children in low-performing schools or grandchildren in low-performing schools, to then say to those who cannot get out and do not have the ability to get out: you must stay, because of your ZIP Code, in that low-performing school. I know all of us, Republican and Democrat, every Member in this room, we want to position the future generations in Pennsylvania for success. This is our chance to do that. And despite the historic investments we have made in the past few years in education, our system has not produced the results needed to position all of our kids for success.

Pennsylvania's public schools received \$4,318 more per student than the national average in 2021. We have spent nearly, on average, \$21,000 per student using local, State, and Federal dollars. Per student revenue has increased more than 43 percent since 2012-2013, and State aid for public schools has grown by more than 50 percent in that same time period, and while public schools, collectively--while we did all that--held \$7.2 billion in reserves in 2021-2022. And, just to be clear, these scholarships do not take a penny out of property taxes. These are funded with State dollars. So, continuing to throw money at a problem is not a solution. Continuing to fund something that is not working, to continue putting more money into schools that are still failing does not make a bit of sense to me. It is a dereliction of our duty as legislators not to work together and not to provide all of our students with the best opportunity possible. The best opportunity to obtain a skill, to get a degree, and to secure a job so they can support a family someday, and we can do that by removing--helping these kids get out of institutions that are not going to do any of that for them. Nearly 77 percent of Pennsylvanians agree that every child should have access to the best schools regardless of their location and arbitrary boundaries that force vulnerable children into underperforming schools. We should be working together to evolve our education system and develop the necessary skilled workforce to make our State more competitive. And we have a real chance in this next year to come together and put together a 21st century education program, one of the best in the country; we can do that.

I would like to thank my colleague Senator Judy Ward for her work on this and for championing these lifeline scholarships-which I am not supposed to be calling them anymore-legislation to help Pennsylvania students. Her legislation has served as a framework and the base for the Pennsylvania Award for Success Program, which will allow the students in the lowest 15 percent of the schools--based on math and reading scores--the opportunity for a scholarship and to get out. Again, we are Republicans and Democrats, and this is not a Republican or Democrat issue. It is a Pennsylvania issue. It is about positioning Pennsylvania's children in the lowest-achieving schools to succeed by removing the barriers that trap them in those schools. With support from Governor Shapiro, we can once again, and we have right now, an opportunity to do something historic and first of its kind. So let

us work together. Let us get this across the finish line. It is for the sake of these children. It is all about the children. So, I appreciate it, and please vote "yes." Thank you.

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

Senator A.H. WILLIAMS. Mr. President, this is a complex and confusing moment for me. I am a registered Democrat who is proud to be a Democrat. My mother is a retired public school teacher and administrator who lives on a modest pension from that public school system in Philadelphia County. I have countless aunts and uncles who are principals and educators in the Philadelphia public school system. My oldest sister went to Girls' High most of her career, and I went to a public school for almost 9 years and then went off to a private school. Intersection between those of us who believe in the value of public education, those of us who understand why it was created, because we did not have a system in this country that made it possible for everyone to rise to their values, so we created a system that we call public education. Rightfully so. The conflict for me, though, is that the creation of that system is not consistent with what it does today.

I am a person who went through a pretty tough primary a few months ago, and this issue, in particular, was hung around my neck consistently by people who thought that I should not hold public office in the Democratic primary. I won that primary 60 to 40, 60 to 40. And so, for those who will say, Tony Williams is against public education, look at my voting record, look at my history, look at my values. But I am sick and tired of having to defend myself and my record on this issue when I have done everything possible to correct the failing schools that are in my district where I live every single day that I grew up in. I am no longer going to talk about a system. I am not quite sure when we start talking about children and parents. How about that? That is why we are here. Not because a teacher has to get "X" amount of dollars or a system needs "X" amount of dollars. That is all valued, there is no doubt about it, we do not pay teachers enough money. But we sure as heck do not talk about parents in the same way, and those children in those buildings who are not being served, that some of those teachers will never go into in the same way.

So, it was my job for the last 20 years to come to Harrisburg to make a claim on behalf of those parents who have been overlooked by the government--not Democrat, not Republican, but by the government--and put them in a corner and said to them 20 years ago, you know what? We are going to go to Harrisburg and fight for more money, and more money is going to come, and more money is going to fix your school, and your children will be uplifted, and you know what? I live in one of those neighborhoods. I happen to be a State Senator. I had two parents who made sure that we were educated. I also have three of my best friends who are dead and two are in prison. And it is because of the conditions that they were required to be forced to attend every single day and graduate not being able to read. I am not here to blame a teacher, a principal, hell, not even a system. I am here to say, though, that there are children drowning in this moment. Does anybody ever think that you do not connect the dots between the population in prison of almost 90 percent African Americans when we are 11 percent of the population? Do you think we all just grow up as criminals? No, you make bad decisions because you have no other means. You have no other way to get through life. And I really, really do not understand how people can come and suggest that they understand the mother who was in my office, literally last week, crying because her child had to go to a building that is called a public school that the zero number in terms of efficiency in math and the assault records in that building; they cannot wait, she cannot wait anymore for us to debate about funding. The court case was right: disproportionate manner on spending. I am fully embracing, hopefully, an outcome that will result in a level playing field for how we should fund public education, especially those who do not receive it. But guess what? In the States that have taken on that fight, they are still fighting about the formula. Another 20 years, another family who knows that their child will not be well served by that system.

And frankly, with all due respect, the proof of the product is: the majority of teachers in Philadelphia do not live in Philadelphia. Do not send their children to public schools in Philadelphia because they understand, they are concerned about their children, and we are simply talking about modest-income children. I come here and people brag about their position on systemic racism, or poverty, and a variety of other things that are unfair, certainly. The question for me is, I do not really care about a press conference. I do not really care about the picket lines. I do not really care about the placards or patting each other on the back because, look what we just did. You know what I care about? I care about the results of those people we are supposed to be fighting for.

The hypocrisy in this building is stinking up the experience of all Pennsylvanians. It is wrong. It is wrong to talk about the past of vouchers. I understand the past of vouchers in the South, how ugly it was and how racist it was. But I also understand how powerful the G.I. Bill was--which was a voucher--which allowed a man called Hardy Williams--who was my father, who was truly in poverty--work his way through a public school that worked, that cared about him, that got him into a private college, but he could not afford to go to law school. He served his country, came back, and got a G.I. Bill and went to the University of Penn Law School when they had quotas. Do not tell me about the history of this country with vouchers. Do not lecture to me about my children. If you choose to look away and bow to organized interests, I understand. But what I will not be patient with anymore are excuses. Boogeyman arguments. Are we not afraid of what is going to happen in terms of privatized education? I do not know. But I know that mom who lives at 52nd and Market is not taking her child out of that public school because she is worried about privatizing education. She is taking her child out of that school because it is not working, and she wants it to work for her children.

The Philadelphia public schools have literally lost hundreds of thousands of people. The first wave were people of Irish, Polish, Italian descent who could afford to move to the suburbs because they wanted a different way of life for their children; they had the money. And then they created magnet schools for the people who had a little bit more money because they wanted to keep them in Philadelphia. Philadelphia public school system--not only Philadelphia--but the Philadelphia public school system, about 85 percent of their population are Black and Brown children. Of that population, about 90 percent are in poverty, and there is not one neighborhood high school that meets the average level of proficiency. That means they do not meet 50 percent of the proficiency number. Not one; not one. And I will tell you this: anyone who lives in Philadelphia who makes the decision and holds public office, they make their decision about where they are going to

send their child. And by the way, the boundaries--which I do not know why we have them--which require people with modest income to live in a certain place because they cannot afford another place, require their kids to go to a certain school, guess what? Those of us who have means, who are elected, send our kids to private schools, parochial schools, and magnet schools because we are concerned about our children, and we should be. I just resent the fact that we make an argument about fixing the system is all about money.

I talk to teachers every single day that I beg to stay in a certain building because they are wonderful people. They are laying it on the line, but they are tired. And by the way, they are not just tired because they are not getting paid enough, they are tired because we made a mess of this system. That means certain teachers are treated certain ways, and other teachers are treated a different way. Innovation is not necessarily a reprise. And by the way, when the bell rings at about 2:30 p.m. in the afternoon, if you stay too long, somebody is walking down the hallway saying what is wrong with you? That is what they are tired of.

Now, be clear, this commentary, these comments tonight are not to suggest that we should not fund public education, because I know there will be people, the moment I am finished, who will run out of this room and say: see, I told you who he is. You are a liar, and you have not listened to me ever since I have spoken, but I have said it every multiple time. Josh Shapiro says I am going to raise taxes for public education despite the fact that some of my friends on the other side of the aisle might not; I will, and I will make sure that we get as much money as possible. But what I am not going to do is wait for that possible moment to happen and go back and look at the eyes of that mother who was in my office last week and tell her: hold on, we are coming; we have not gotten there yet. And by the way, it is not just Philadelphia: rural Pennsylvania and--a dirty little secret--parts of the suburbs where certain people are relegated to have that, and they all are tired. They are starting to lift their heads up and say there has got to be a better way. There is no boogeyman, and there is no right way. I am not here to say charter school, magnet school, public school voucher is going to be a panacea, because it is not. It is a collage of options that should be best served to your child that should not be ankled or shackled to the fact that you do not make enough money to make those choices. That is all tonight is about. It is not about dismantling public education. It is not about walking away from, you know, funding public education. It is about allowing a household to make a decision based upon dignity, responsibility, oh, and by the way, engaged parenting.

I wish I could say that this conversation is going to end on a wonderful note, but I know it is not. A reporter called me the other day and asked me about my views on it. I said, let us stop arguing about it. You know what? Pass the bill and attach a provision. Every school district that wants a voucher gets one; those that do not, do not. Because I know what would happen in Philadelphia. If you put that on the ballot in Philadelphia, it would pass overwhelmingly. Some places it would not because they do not need it. But what are we scared of? We are scared of what everybody keeps talking about: taking these children and giving them a voucher takes money away from public education. I want you to examine that statement. The only way a building loses money is when a child leaves the building. A child leaves the building because they no longer want to be in that building or a mom does

not want them to be in that building. Why do they not want them to be in that building? Well, it can be a variety of reasons: it does not fit their educational experience, it is not safe, it is not propelling, it is not challenging, whatever it may be. But the only way money leaves that building is when a child leaves that building. And so, basically, what we are saying is, you know what? We are going to prop the system up on children who cannot leave the system, who do not have the means to leave the system.

And by the way, I mentioned to you the level of poverty in the Philadelphia public school system. Be very clear, if those children left, yes, the system would collapse; not because of a voucher, not because of a charter school, but because a parent is concerned about the income of their child and the building that they are sending their child to-guess what-does not work. Interesting things, when people keep talking about private schools, private schools only exist to the extent that there is a demand to send their child there. If there is no demand, there is no private school, there is no Catholic school, there is no charter school. There is demand-that is what people are concerned about-that the demand will walk out the door, and guess what? The dollar signs will follow. And I will close.

I do not think anybody really understands how many charter schools in Philadelphia are started by former public school teachers and administrators. The majority of charter schools in Philadelphia are driven by those folks who work in the system, who know it best, and have said they have to make a different decision because they do not believe in what that system is doing--the system they do not believe in, not the colleagues, not the principal, but the system.

Dr. King made an extraordinary comment because he was an extraordinary man. One of those extraordinary comments is: the ultimate measure of a man or a woman is not where he or she stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where she stands at times of challenge and controversy. This is such a moment. If you can search your heart and tell me, Tony, the things you said about that mother and her children are not true, then I will accept your argument and vote "no." But just like Dr. King said, it is not comfortable to examine our institutions and measure them and that they are not measuring up. It is uncomfortable to admit that we are failing a population of children. It is uncomfortable to admit that when people talk about systemic racism, and part of it is because how and where they were educated and the system that is failing them. No secrets in this building, no secrets in my neighborhood. And by the way, when this is voted, there will not be one person knocking on my door from a neighborhood and a family that is challenged economically that wants a better life for their children, who will walk into my office and say I am not going to vote for you anymore, not support you anymore, because you did this for this bill. What they will do is what they did in the last primary: support me and support this fight as they have for the last 20 years. I just hope we stop dividing it over artificial arguments of you are either for public education or against it. I am for both, and I can be both, and I am proud to be both. And the rhetoric that sometimes is engaged in this area is very, very, very, very frustrating because it is not reflective of the people, the human beings, the hope and promise of their lives which is being trampled because they are not prepared to confront life, and we are not doing very good by preparing them.

Mr. President, I thank you for the opportunity to express my frustration, concern, passion, but, most importantly, hopefully people will understand all of that, wrapped up into how I expressed myself, is only a humble plea that tonight we do something on behalf of those thousands of parents who cannot afford to do it themselves, who do not have a political lobby up here running around the building, who are scared to death about what is going to happen to their child tomorrow and cannot worry about a lawsuit that is going to take another 20 years. They need help, and they need it now. For those reasons, I am supporting this 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:

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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 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.

SENATE AT EASE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, may we be at ease and can I ask the Members of the Republican Caucus to come around the podium, please.

The PRESIDENT. The Senate will briefly be at ease. [The Senate was at ease.]

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

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

MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

June 27, 2023

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall the nomination dated January 26, 2023, of Debra L. Bogen, M.D., 1043 Lancaster Avenue, Pittsburgh 15218, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Appalachian States Low-level Radioactive Waste Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice Michael Wolf, Enola, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

NOMINATION RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, I move that the nomination just read by the Clerk be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

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

The PRESIDENT. The nomination will be returned to the Governor.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator BARTOLOTTA, 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

June 9, 2023

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, Frank Buzydlowski (Public Member), 1025 Bingham Street, Philadelphia 19115, Philadelphia County, Fifth 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 Libby White, Penn Valley, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

January 26, 2023

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 Negrin, 423 Walnut Street, Apartment C2, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Appalachian States Low-

level Radioactive Waste Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice E. Christopher Abruzzo, Hershey, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

June 9, 2023

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 Trace, 13348 Calvin Street, Meadville 16335, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Rachel Berger, 5435 Dunmoyle Street, Pittsburgh 15217, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Harry Hamilton, Wilkes-Barre, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Paul DiLorenzo, 710 Stradone Road, Bala Cynwyd 19004, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Abbie Newman, Rydal, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Philip Falvo, 152 Ashford Way, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-forth [sic] Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve

for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Diana Bucco, Pittsburgh, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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 Lyons, 35 Center Street, Harveys Lake 18618, Luzerne County, Twentieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carole Gravagno, Wayne, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Brian Moreland, 219 Limberline Drive, Greensburg 15601, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth 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 John McCarrin, West Chester, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CRANE OPERATORS

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elizabeth Bailey (Public Member), 19 Paper Mill Road, Newtown Square 19073, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Crane Operators, to serve until December 8, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Jason Giurintano, Camp Hill, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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, Katherine H. Christiano, 704 South Waterloo Road, Devon 19333, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education,

to serve until October 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Barker, McKean, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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, Ernest Hadrick III, 2222 Carol Lane, Norristown 19401, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2028, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kirk Hallett, Camp Hill, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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 D. Wilson, 4120 Alison Avenue, Erie 16506, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jamie Bracey-Green, Philadelphia, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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 Chomko, 104 Whitetail Drive, Scranton 18504, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, to serve until June 8, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Kukuchka, Tunkhannock, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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, Gregory Furlong, P.O. Box 361, 50 Broad Street, Summerville 15864, Jefferson County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, 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 William Harris, Johnstown, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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 Ruggeri (Public Member), 905 Copeland School Road, West Chester 19380, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, to serve until March 18, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Scott Custead, Hollidaysburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Dorsey, 248 Bowdoin Avenue, Swarthmore 19081, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Philip Zimmerman, Lancaster, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Hayley Haldeman, 928 Washington Road, Pittsburgh 15228, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Nancy Moses Bloom, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Lewis, 141 South Highland Drive, Jenkins Township 18640, Luzerne County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Malley, 1455 Crestview Drive, Apollo 15613, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kenneth Turner, Ellwood City, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Masich, 135 Wilmar Drive, Pittsburgh 15238, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Caleb Pifer, 204 West 41st Street, Erie 16508, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Savakinus, Carbondale, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Randall Spackman, 1256 Thornbury Road, West Chester 19382, Chester County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Schuyler, Lancaster, deceased.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Ken Weinstein, 712 West Mounty Airy Drive, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Frederick Powell, Mechanicsburg, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

June 9, 2023

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, Dina Klavon, 46 South 15th Street, Pittsburgh 15203, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Bryan Strawser, 224 Linden Avenue, Marysville 17053, Perry County, Thirty-forth [sic] Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy,

to serve until October 9, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 12, 2023

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 Abella, 121 Edgewood Road, Ardmore 19003, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Paul Joseph Valigorsky, DuBois, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 12, 2023

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 Kutz, 782 Lily Lake Road, North Abington Township 18414, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Ronald Domen, Hummelstown, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 9, 2023

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 Six, 145 Brookdale Circle, McMurray 15317, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Nirmal Joshi, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

May 31, 2023

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, Anthony C. Clements, 420 East Willow

Street, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

June 9, 2023

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, Colby Hunsberger, 9485 Olean Trail, Fairmount City 16224, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

June 9, 2023

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, David Hoffman (Public Member), 808 Harvey Road, Wallingford 19086, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 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 Margaret Matisko, Wilkes-Barre, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

June 9, 2023

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, Sara King, 21810 Vista Drive, Saegertown 16433, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

June 9, 2023

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, Jena Shovlin, 2915 North Second Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carolyn Gatty, Mifflinburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

June 9, 2023

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 Oline, 263 Tareyton Drive, Langhorne 19047, Bucks County, Sixth 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 Frank Tursi, Erie, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Geraldine Grzybek, 2715 Thoroughbred Court, Apartment 1013, Allison Park 15101, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Lisa MacKell, 617 Golf Club Road, Newtown Square 19073, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2025, and until the successor is appointed

and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Brandie McClinton, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Ruby, 85 Sichi Hill Road, Eighty Four 15330, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Marybeth Lehman, Indiana, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Krista Wolfe, 385 South Middlesex Road, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-forth [sic] Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

June 12, 2023

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, Christopher Seda, 120 Millwyck Road, Lititz 17543, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Michael Paris, New Oxford, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Kudlawiec, 5022 Pioneer

Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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, Lisa Peterson, 839 Alleghenyville Road, Mohnton 19540, Berks County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve until October 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice David Pennoni, Havertown, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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, Jason Snyder, 12 South Main Street, Jacobus 17407, York County, Twenty-eighth 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 Elizabeth Catania, Woodlyn, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

June 12, 2023

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 McAleer, 1413 Drake Drive, Erie 16505, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anne Rubin, 212 Linden Drive, Elkins Park 19027, Montgomery County, Fourth 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

June 9, 2023

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, Guy Saxton, 3051 Green Pond Road, Easton 18045, Northampton County, Eighteenth 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 Edward Seebeck, Warren, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

June 9, 2023

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 Ausherman, 940 Dewberry Court, Chambersburg 17201, Franklin County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

June 9, 2023

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 Behun, 112 Greenhedge Drive, Lancaster 17603, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Christian Jordal, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

June 9, 2023

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, Farida Boyer, 113 Hilldale Road, Lansdowne 19050, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Joy Corby, Lititz, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

June 14, 2023

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, Lisa Butler, 2704 Neonlight Drive, York 17402, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

June 12, 2023

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, Patrick Murphy, 112 Chestnut Valley Drive, Doylestown 18901, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS AND SALESPERSONS

June 9, 2023

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 Limongelli, 1233 Laurel Run Road, Bear Creek Township 18702, Luzerne County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, 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 Frank Snyder, Reynoldsville, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

The PRESIDENT. The nominations will be laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Senator BARTOLOTTA,

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 BARTOLOTTA. 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

June 9, 2023

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, Frank Buzydlowski (Public Member), 1025 Bingham Street, Philadelphia 19115, Philadelphia County, Fifth 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 Libby White, Penn Valley, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE APPALACHIAN STATES LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE COMMISSION

January 26, 2023

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 Negrin, 423 Walnut Street, Apartment C2, Harrisburg 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Appalachian States Lowlevel Radioactive Waste Commission, to serve at the pleasure of the Governor, vice E. Christopher Abruzzo, Hershey, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

June 9, 2023

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 Trace, 13348 Calvin Street, Meadville 16335, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Auctioneer Examiners, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Rachel Berger, 5435 Dunmoyle Street, Pittsburgh 15217, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Harry Hamilton, Wilkes-Barre, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Paul DiLorenzo, 710 Stradone Road, Bala Cynwyd 19004, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Abbie Newman, Rydal, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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, Philip Falvo, 152 Ashford Way, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-forth [sic] Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Diana Bucco, Pittsburgh, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

June 8, 2023

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 Lyons, 35 Center Street, Harveys Lake 18618, Luzerne County, Twentieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Children's Trust Fund Board, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carole Gravagno, Wayne, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Brian Moreland, 219 Limberline Drive, Greensburg 15601, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth 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 John McCarrin, West Chester, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CRANE OPERATORS

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Elizabeth Bailey (Public Member), 19 Paper Mill Road, Newtown Square 19073, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Crane Operators, to serve until December 8, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Jason Giurintano, Camp Hill, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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, Katherine H. Christiano, 704 South Waterloo Road, Devon 19333, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Barker, McKean, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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, Ernest Hadrick III, 2222 Carol Lane, Norristown 19401, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2028, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kirk Hallett, Camp Hill, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 15, 2023

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 D. Wilson, 4120 Alison Avenue, Erie 16506, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Education, to serve until October 1, 2023, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Jamie Bracey-Green, Philadelphia, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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 Chomko, 104 Whitetail Drive, Scranton 18504, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, to serve until June 8, 2025, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Thomas Kukuchka, Tunkhannock, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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, Gregory Furlong, P.O. Box 361, 50 Broad Street, Summerville 15864, Jefferson County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, 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 William Harris, Johnstown, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL DIRECTORS

June 9, 2023

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 Ruggeri (Public Member), 905 Copeland School Road, West Chester 19380, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Funeral Directors, to serve until March 18, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Scott Custead, Hollidaysburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Dorsey, 248 Bowdoin Avenue, Swarthmore 19081, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Philip Zimmerman, Lancaster, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Hayley Haldeman, 928 Washington Road, Pittsburgh 15228, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Nancy Moses Bloom, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Lewis, 141 South Highland Drive, Jenkins Township 18640, Luzerne County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Malley, 1455 Crestview Drive, Apollo 15613, Westmoreland County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kenneth Turner, Ellwood City, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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 Masich, 135 Wilmar Drive, Pittsburgh 15238, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Caleb Pifer, 204 West 41st Street, Erie 16508, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to

serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert Savakinus, Carbondale, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Randall Spackman, 1256 Thornbury Road, West Chester 19382, Chester County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice David Schuyler, Lancaster, deceased.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION

June 7, 2023

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, Ken Weinstein, 712 West Mounty Airy Drive, Philadelphia 19119, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, to serve until January 19, 2027, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Frederick Powell, Mechanicsburg, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

June 9, 2023

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, Dina Klavon, 46 South 15th Street, Pittsburgh 15203, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Landscape Architects, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Bryan Strawser, 224 Linden Avenue,

Marysville 17053, Perry County, Thirty-forth [sic] Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Massage Therapy, to serve until October 9, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 12, 2023

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 Abella, 121 Edgewood Road, Ardmore 19003, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Paul Joseph Valigorsky, DuBois, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 12, 2023

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 Kutz, 782 Lily Lake Road, North Abington Township 18414, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Ronald Domen, Hummelstown, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF MEDICINE

June 9, 2023

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 Six, 145 Brookdale Circle, McMurray 15317, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Nirmal Joshi, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMISSION

May 31, 2023

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, Anthony C. Clements, 420 East Willow Street, Elizabethtown 17022, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF NURSING

June 9, 2023

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, Colby Hunsberger, 9485 Olean Trail, Fairmount City 16224, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

June 9, 2023

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, David Hoffman (Public Member), 808 Harvey Road, Wallingford 19086, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 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 Margaret Matisko, Wilkes-Barre, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

June 9, 2023

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, Sara King, 21810 Vista Drive, Saegertown 16433, Crawford County, Fiftieth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY EDUCATION AND LICENSURE

June 9, 2023

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, Jena Shovlin, 2915 North Second Street, Harrisburg 17110, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy Education and Licensure, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, vice Carolyn Gatty, Mifflinburg, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

June 9, 2023

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 Oline, 263 Tareyton Drive, Langhorne 19047, Bucks County, Sixth 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 Frank Tursi, Erie, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Geraldine Grzybek, 2715 Thoroughbred Court, Apartment 1013, Allison Park 15101, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Lisa MacKell, 617 Golf Club Road, Newtown Square 19073, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2025, and until the successor is appointed

and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Brandie McClinton, Pittsburgh, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Craig Ruby, 85 Sichi Hill Road, Eighty Four 15330, Washington County, Forty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Marybeth Lehman, Indiana, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

June 9, 2023

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, Krista Wolfe, 385 South Middlesex Road, Carlisle 17015, Cumberland County, Thirty-forth[sic] Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Physical Therapy, to serve until October 2, 2026, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PODIATRY

June 12, 2023

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, Christopher Seda, 120 Millwyck Road, Lititz 17543, Lancaster County, Thirty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, 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 Michael Paris, New Oxford, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Kudlawiec, 5022 Pioneer

Court, Murrysville 15668, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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, Lisa Peterson, 839 Alleghenyville Road, Mohnton 19540, Berks County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Registration Board for Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Geologists, to serve until October 1, 2024, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice David Pennoni, Havertown, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REGISTRATION BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, LAND SURVEYORS AND GEOLOGISTS

June 9, 2023

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, Jason Snyder, 12 South Main Street, Jacobus 17407, York County, Twenty-eighth 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 Elizabeth Catania, Woodlyn, resigned.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

June 12, 2023

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 McAleer, 1413 Drake Drive, Erie 16505, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

June 13, 2023

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Anne Rubin, 212 Linden Drive, Elkins Park 19027, Montgomery County, Fourth 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

June 9, 2023

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, Guy Saxton, 3051 Green Pond Road, Easton 18045, Northampton County, Eighteenth 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 Edward Seebeck, Warren, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS

June 9, 2023

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 Ausherman, 940 Dewberry Court, Chambersburg 17201, Franklin County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers, 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.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

June 9, 2023

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 Behun, 112 Greenhedge Drive, Lancaster 17603, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Christian Jordal, Philadelphia, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF SOCIAL WORKERS, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS AND PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS

June 9, 2023

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, Farida Boyer, 113 Hilldale Road, Lansdowne 19050, Delaware County, Twenty-sixth Senatorial District, for appointment 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, vice Joy Corby, Lititz, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

June 14, 2023

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, Lisa Butler, 2704 Neonlight Drive, York 17402, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY AND AUDIOLOGY

June 12, 2023

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, Patrick Murphy, 112 Chestnut Valley Drive, Doylestown 18901, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, to serve for a term of three years, and until the successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

JOSH SHAPIRO Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DEALERS AND SALESPERSONS

June 9, 2023

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 Limongelli, 1233 Laurel Run Road, Bear Creek Township 18702, Luzerne County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons, 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 Frank Snyder, Reynoldsville, whose term expired.

JOSH SHAPIRO 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-50

Argall	Culver	Langerholc	Santarsiero
Aument	Dillon	Laughlin	Saval
Baker	DiSanto	Martin	Schwank
Bartolotta	Dush	Mastriano	Stefano
Boscola	Farry	Miller	Street
Brewster	Flynn	Muth	Tartaglione
Brooks	Fontana	Pennycuick	Vogel
Brown	Gebhard	Phillips-Hill	Ward, Judy
Cappelletti	Haywood	Pittman	Ward, Kim
Coleman	Hughes	Regan	Williams, Anthony H.
Collett	Hutchinson	Robinson	Williams, Lindsey
Comitta	Kane	Rothman	Yaw
Costa	Kearney		

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator BARTOLOTTA. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator YAW, from the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy, reported the following bill:

SB 382 (Pr. No. 992) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of November 26, 1978 (P.L.1375, No.325), known as the Dam Safety and Encroachments Act, further providing for definitions and for projects affecting submerged lands of the Commonwealth.

BILL ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator BARTOLOTTA. 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:

SB 382.

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

FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2023

Off the Floor APPROPRIATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 773; and House Bills No. 611, 613, 1100, Rules Committee Conference Room

1300 and 1461)

Off the Floor RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS Rules Committee (to consider certain Executive Nominations)

Conference Room

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator TARTAGLIONE. Mr. President, I offer these following remarks to be put on the record.

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

(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator TARTAGLIONE:)

Mr. President, I rise because today marks 6,199 days since this Commonwealth's legislature last passed an increase in our minimum wage. Pennsylvania's workers have always had a reputation for being gritty and tough, Mr. President. I mean, look at everyone's favorite orange mascot, Gritty. I like to think he is named for the quality I most respect about the workers of my city and my State. But just because our workers are known for their grit and toughness does not mean they do not deserve to make a living wage. In fact, I think it means the opposite.

Our workers deserve better, Mr. President. Our workers deserve a livable wage for the work they do, especially, oftentimes, workers in our neighboring States are earning more money, sometimes even twice as much for the same work. But, Mr. President, raising the minimum wage is not just about fairness and leveling the playing field across State lines, it also makes economic sense. A higher minimum wage will boost local economies by injecting more money into the hands of low-wage workers. Mr. President, when these workers have more disposable income, they are more likely to spend it on goods and services within their com-

It is important to note, Mr. President, that public support for raising the minimum wage is strong. Polls consistently show that a vast majority of Americans, including Pennsylvanians, are in favor of increasing our poverty-level minimum wage. We have seen, across the nation more than half of all States, and even more cities and municipalities, raise their wages, just like all of our Commonwealth's neighbors. Mr. President, we cannot allow Pennsylvania to not lag behind our peers around the nation. We should embrace the national trend towards a higher minimum wage and become a leader for workers' rights, especially ensuring those tough and gritty Pennsylvania workers earn a livable wage.

That is why I introduced Senate Bill No. 12, because I recognized the need to support our lowest earners. Pennsylvania's workers deserve better. Pennsylvania's workers deserve \$15 an hour. Pennsylvania's workers deserve Senate Bill No. 12.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Pittman.

Senator PITTMAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Friday, June 30, 2023, at 12 m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tem-

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 8:20 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.