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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House convened at 1 p.m., e.s.t.

**THE SPEAKER (MATTHEW J. RYAN)
PRESIDING**

PRAYER

REV. JAMES J. FERGUSON, Chaplain of the House of Representatives and pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

O God, who by Thy providence did lead our forefathers to this good land wherein they did find liberty and freedom to worship Thee, we beseech Thee ever to guide our Nation and this Commonwealth in the way of truth and peace, so that we may never fail in the blessing which Thou hast promised to those who love mercy, seek justice, and humbly walk with our God, who art the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by members and visitors.)

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, February 14, 1996, will be postponed until printed. The Chair hears no objection.

JOURNALS APPROVED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the Journals for Friday, June 16, and Monday, June 19, 1995, will be approved. The Chair hears no objection. The Journals will be approved.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 85, PN 3176 (Amended) By Rep. GANNON

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the possession of weapons on school property.

JUDICIARY.

HB 1031, PN 3178 (Amended) By Rep. STAIRS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for sabbatical leaves and for rights during a leave of absence.

EDUCATION.

HB 2348, PN 3035 By Rep. GANNON

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for retail theft.

JUDICIARY.

HB 2379, PN 3177 (Amended) By Rep. GANNON

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for credit card fraud; defining the offense of unlawful device-making equipment; and providing penalties.

JUDICIARY.

HB 2402, PN 3126 By Rep. GANNON

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for scope of chapter relating to limitation of time.

JUDICIARY.

SB 708, PN 1803 (Amended) By Rep. STAIRS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30, No. 14), entitled "Public School Code of 1949," further providing for granting of tenure to professional employees, for causes for termination of professional contracts and for rating of professional employees.

EDUCATION.

SB 808, PN 1802 (Amended) By Rep. CIVERA

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P. L. 306, No. 84), entitled "Board of Vehicles Act," further providing for definitions, for composition and powers of board, for licensing, for franchises and for administration.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take leaves of absence and recognizes the majority whip, who requests leave for the lady from Allegheny County, Mrs. FARMER, for the week, and the gentleman from McKean, Mr. JADLOWIEC, who requests leave for today's session. Without objection, leaves will be granted.

It is the understanding of the Chair there is no request for leave from the Democratic Caucus.

MOTION INSISTING UPON NONCONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE AMENDMENTS

Mr. GANNON moved that the House insist upon its nonconcurrency in Senate amendments to House amendments to SB 432, PN 1615, and that a committee of conference on the part of the House be appointed.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as a committee of conference on the part of the House on SB 432, PN 1615:
Messrs. GANNON, CHADWICK and BLAUM.
Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader, Mr. Perzel.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1031 and SB 708 be removed from the table.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Perzel.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1031 and SB 708 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. There are a number of guests on the floor — not on the floor but on the side of the chamber — that the Chair would like to recognize.

The Chair recognizes Dr. Satya B. Verma, who is the 100th president of the Pennsylvania Optometric Association. With him is Asha Verma and Deb Sohn. They are the guests of the

gentleman from Montgomery County, Mr. Gladeck, and are seated to the left of the Speaker. Would the guests please rise.

Here today as the guest of the gentleman, Mr. Staback, is Mr. Bob Fasching of Lackawanna County. Bob is with the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission; has been a waterways conservation officer for the past 28 years. Would the gentleman please rise. Put your hand up higher; there we go.

Also with us today, as the guests of the Democratic floor leader, Mr. DeWeese, and Representatives Daley, Roberts, and Shaner, is a group from St. Mary's Boy Scout Troop 620, Westmoreland-Fayette Council, Old Trails District, with their scoutmaster, Chuck Coldren, assistant scoutmasters David Braum and Chris Cooley, and chartered organization representative Ed Yankovich. This group is seated in the rear of the House. Would they kindly stand up for a moment to be recognized. The Chair welcomes the gentlemen to the floor.

The House is especially pleased today to welcome to the floor the majority leader of the Senate of New Jersey, Senator John Bennett, here today as the guest of Representatives Snyder and Lescovitz. With the Senator is Mr. Lorne Phelps, a legislative aide to Senator Bennett, and Mr. Alan Sokolow, with the Council of State Governments. I suspect this is where this friendship developed. The group is over here to the left of the Speaker. Welcome to Pennsylvania, Senator and entourage.

COMMUNICATION

LOBBYIST LIST PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of a list of lobbyists who have registered under the Lobbying Registration and Regulation Act, which the clerk will file.

The following communication was submitted:

The General Assembly of Pennsylvania
Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

March 1, 1996

To the Honorable, the Senate
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

In compliance with Act No. 712 of the 1961 Session and Act No. 212 of the 1976 Session of the General Assembly titled the "Lobbying Registration and Regulation Act," we herewith jointly present a list containing the names and addresses of the persons who have registered from February 1, 1996 through February 29, 1996 inclusive, for the 180th Session of the General Assembly. This list also contains the names and addresses of the organizations represented by these registrants.

Respectfully submitted:
Mark R. Corrigan, Secretary
Senate of Pennsylvania

Ted Mazia, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

(For list, see Appendix.)

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Do the Republican or Democratic floor leaders have any further business in regular session at this time?

Hearing none, the Chair declares the regular session in recess to the call of the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

The time of recess having expired, the House was called to order.

MASTER ROLL CALL

The SPEAKER. The Chair is about to take the master roll call. Members will proceed to vote.

(Members proceeded to vote.)

The SPEAKER. Have all the members had a look at this board? Mr. DeWeese, have you taken a look at this board?

Mr. DeWEESE. Mr. Speaker, the board looks like your voucher tally.

The SPEAKER. Those things happen; I told you. The clerk will record the vote.

The following roll call was recorded:

PRESENT—201

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Fairchild	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Sheehan
Bebko-Jones	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Gamble	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	Melio	Staback
Bishop	George	Merry	Stairs
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Steelman
Boscola	Gladeck	Micozzie	Steil
Boyes	Godshall	Mihalich	Stern
Brown	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Browne	Gruitza	Mundy	Stish
Bunt	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nyce	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Carone	Haste	Oliver	Thomas
Cawley	Hennessey	Perzel	Figure
Chadwick	Herman	Pesci	Travaglio
Civera	Hershey	Petrarca	Trello
Clark	Hess	Petrone	Trich
Clymer	Horsey	Pettit	True
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, M.	Itkin	Pistella	Vance
Colafiglia	James	Pitts	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Platts	Veon
Conti	Josephs	Preston	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Ramos	Walko
Corpora	Keller	Raymond	Washington

Corrigan	Kenney	Readshaw	Waugh
Cowell	King	Reber	Williams
Coy	Kirkland	Reinard	Wogan
Curry	Krebs	Rieger	Wozniak
Daley	Kukovich	Roberts	Wright, D. R.
DeLuca	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Laughlin	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dent	Lawless	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dermody	Lederer	Rooney	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Leh	Rublely	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lescovitz	Rudy	
Donatucci	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
Druce	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
Durham	Lucyk	Sather	

ADDITIONS—0

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—2

Farmer Jadlowiec

LEAVES ADDED—1

Steil

The SPEAKER. For the information of the House, the clerk advises the Chair that the printout appears to be accurate; the numbers are accurate, despite the pyrotechnical display that you are all enjoying here this afternoon. We would hope that we can bring that to a halt, though, by tomorrow.

ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS OF SPONSORS

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of additions and deletions for sponsorships of bills, which the clerk will file.

(Copy of list is on file with the Journal clerk.)

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader. Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be removed from the table:

- SB 808;
- HB 2348;
- HB 2379;
- HB 2402; and
- HB 85.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

SB 808;
HB 2348;
HB 2379;
HB 2402; and
HB 85.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

GUEST INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today, as a guest of the gentleman, Mr. Strittmatter, and other members of the Lancaster County delegation, Jeremy DeBord, a student in the Hempfield School District in Lancaster County. He is seated in the rear of the House by the public address system. Maybe he is the guy doing this. Are you? Please stand up. There you are. Thank you.

APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Pitts, for the purpose of making an announcement of a committee meeting.

Mr. PITTS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to call a meeting of the House Appropriations Committee immediately upon the break in the conference room in the rear, at the Appropriations area. Thank you.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 1532, PN 1805 By Rep. MICOZZIE

An Act providing for certain health insurance policies to cover the cost of formulas necessary for the treatment of phenylketonuria and related disorders.

INSURANCE.

HB 1977, PN 3180 (Amended) By Rep. MICOZZIE

An Act providing for certain health insurance benefits to aid the health and well-being of mother and child following the birth of a child; and prohibiting certain practices by insurers.

INSURANCE.

GUESTS INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to welcome to the hall of the House today, as guests of Representative Jim Lynch, Dave, Edie, Matthew, and Dave Whipple, here today, as I said, as the guests of Jim Lynch, Representative Jim Lynch. Dave is a guest page. Would the Whipple family please rise.

STATE GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman, Mr. Clymer, rise?

Mr. CLYMER. Mr. Speaker, to make an announcement of a committee meeting.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is recognized.

Mr. CLYMER. Mr. Speaker, at the break of these proceedings, the State Government Committee will be meeting in room 39; that is the State Government Committee will be meeting in room 39. Please, everyone, attend. We have a few bills. It will not take that long, but we need your attendance. Thank you.

BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1977 be removed from the table.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1977 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

CALENDAR**BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1601, PN 2898**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 2, 1945 (P.L.382, No.164), known as the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, further providing for membership of the governing body.

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

BILL RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.
Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1601 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2205, PN 2789**, entitled:

An Act establishing a grant program for volunteer fire companies; and making an appropriation by referendum.

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

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. O'BRIEN. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 2205, PN 2789, be recommitted to the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Kukovich.

Mr. KUKOVICH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to object to HB 2205 being recommitted.

This is a bill that was worked out in bipartisan fashion to help volunteer fire departments all over the Commonwealth. I thought we were going to get a vote on it 3 weeks—

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman yield.

Is the gentleman, Mr. O'Brien, on the floor right now?

Mr. Kukovich, the gentleman, Mr. O'Brien, apparently has stepped off the floor. I wonder if we could have this go over.

BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER. Without objection, HB 2205 will be over temporarily.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Fargo, for the purpose of calling a Republican caucus.

Members, may we please have your attention.

Mr. FARGO. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The Republican members will caucus immediately upon the call of the recess. We will plan to come back at 3:30 for further votes.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. Does the gentleman, Mr. Cohen, desire recognition? The gentleman is recognized.

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, there will be an immediate meeting of the Democratic Caucus upon the recess.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. Do the Republican or Democratic leaders have any further business prior to the recess? Any further announcements, correction of the record?

Hearing none, this House will stand in recess until 3:30, unless sooner recalled by the Chair.

AFTER RECESS

The time of recess having expired, the House was called to order.

**HOUSE BILLS
INTRODUCED AND REFERRED**

No. 2406 By Representatives O'BRIEN, HENNESSEY, COY, J. TAYLOR, TRELLO and MELIO

An Act amending the act of May 2, 1945 (P.L.382, No.164), known as the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, further defining "health center"; and further providing for the purposes and powers of authorities in relation to same.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2407 By Representatives MELIO, SHANER, CORRIGAN, BOSCOLA, TRELLO and GIGLIOTTI

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for the form of ballot labels on voting machines.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2408 By Representatives SAYLOR, MASLAND, MERRY, FARGO, MILLER, DEMPSEY, BARD, RUBLEY, NICKOL, L. I. COHEN, SATHER, FEESE, STABACK, HALUSKA, CLARK, ROBINSON, COWELL, E. Z. TAYLOR, B. SMITH, DeLUCA, PETTIT, YOUNGBLOOD, ITKIN, STEELMAN, EGOLF, PLATTS, COLAIZZO and LEDERER

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for attainment of full age.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

No. 2409 By Representatives SAYLOR, GODSHALL, GORDNER, FARGO, TIGUE, B. SMITH, E. Z. TAYLOR, PETTIT, BROWNE, BATTISTO, L. I. COHEN, MERRY and STEELMAN

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for restraint systems.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

No. 2410 By Representatives LEH, LEVDANSKY, E. Z. TAYLOR, LYNCH, MCGILL, PETTIT, BROWN, SCHRODER, FICHTER, HERSHEY, LAWLESS and STISH

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for payment of salaries in case of sickness, injury or death; and making editorial changes.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 16, 1996.

No. 2411 By Representatives BOSCOLA, MASLAND, HANNA, WAUGH, MERRY, ROONEY, KUKOVICH, LEVDANSKY, YEWIC, MELIO, HORSEY, EVANS, BROWNE, FAJT, CARONE and PISTELLA

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for primaries.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2412 By Representatives MCGEEHAN, BROWNE, STAIRS, FARGO, STISH, STERN, SAYLOR, COY, LYNCH, KIRKLAND, BOSCOLA, WALKO, ZUG, HALUSKA, CLARK, DEMPSEY, BELARDI, KELLER, BUTKOVITZ, HENNESSEY, EVANS, TIGUE, BATTISTO, LEDERER, TANGRETTI, DIGIROLAMO, ITKIN, TULLI, STEELMAN, O'BRIEN, J. TAYLOR, DENT, WOGAN, STETLER, RAMOS, JAMES and CAPPABIANCA

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, authorizing school districts of the first class to impose dress codes and require students to wear standard dress or uniforms.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, February 16, 1996.

No. 2413 By Representatives WOZNIAK, THOMAS, FICHTER, BOSCOLA, JOSEPHS, KUKOVICH, CURRY, ITKIN, MANDERINO, M. COHEN, WALKO, VAN HORNE, STURLA, GEIST, TRAVAGLIO, MERRY, TANGRETTI, DERMODY, BATTISTO, STABACK, BELFANTI, LAUGHLIN, COLAIZZO, TRELLO, RAYMOND, COY, HALUSKA, JAROLIN, CORRIGAN, DeLUCA, YOUNGBLOOD, SERAFINI, STEELMAN, WASHINGTON, BROWNE and ROONEY

An Act establishing the Community Redevelopment and Remediation Loan Program for making grants and loans to local sponsors for the acquisition, alteration, construction, expansion, rehabilitation, remediation or improvement of industrial sites; further providing for the powers and duties of the Department of Commerce and the Secretary of Commerce; and making repeals.

Referred to Committee on COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2414 By Representatives KAISER, BELARDI, TRELLO, BELFANTI, COLAIZZO, VAN HORNE, TIGUE, MERRY, PRESTON and M. COHEN

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for permit for movement during course of manufacture.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 16, 1996.

No. 2415 By Representatives WOGAN, DEMPSEY, BELARDI, BROWNE, HERSHEY, E. Z. TAYLOR, NICKOL, SATHER, HALUSKA, VAN HORNE, FICHTER, MCGEEHAN, HARHART, J. TAYLOR, OLASZ, BATTISTO, DeLUCA, O'BRIEN, DIGIROLAMO, KENNEY, CIVERA, TRELLO, LEDERER, BOSCOLA, CORNELL and SAINATO

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for bonds and fines for transient vendors.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, February 16, 1996.

No. 2416 By Representatives WASHINGTON, JAMES, KIRKLAND, MYERS, MANDERINO, JOSEPHS, WILLIAMS, BEBKO-JONES, OLIVER, RIEGER, READSHAW, MARKOSEK, TRELLO, PRESTON, STABACK, LEDERER, JAROLIN, DeLUCA, GIGLIOTTI, OLASZ, LYNCH, STISH, HERSHEY, WALKO, TRUE, ROEBUCK, J. TAYLOR, RUBLEY, FAJT, SHANER, TIGUE, RAMOS, YOUNGBLOOD and M. COHEN

An Act declaring buildings and parts of buildings in cities of the first class used for purposes of illegal use and sale of narcotics to be nuisances and providing a method for their abatement; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS, February 16, 1996.

No. 2417 By Representatives DeLUCA, THOMAS, FARGO, READSHAW, SATHER, COLAIZZO, MERRY, TRELLO, SHANER, HALUSKA, FAIRCHILD, OLASZ, DALEY, NICKOL, STABACK, WOGAN, TIGUE, CAPPABIANCA and MELIO

An Act amending the act of May 2, 1945 (P.L.382, No.164), known as the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, further providing for water and sewer service to tenants.

Referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2418 By Representatives DeLUCA, ITKIN, SHANER, GIGLIOTTI, MAITLAND, BEBKO-JONES, MERRY, COY, STISH, TRUE, YOUNGBLOOD, E. Z. TAYLOR, STABACK, BROWNE, WASHINGTON, JAMES and TRELLO

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

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

No. 2419 By Representatives DeLUCA, GIGLIOTTI, FAJT, TRELLO, WALKO, PRESTON, DERMODY, VAN HORNE, BATTISTO, CALTAGIRONE, MICHLOVIC, LESCOVITZ, COLAFELLA, COLAIZZO, WOZNIAK, ITKIN, D. R. WRIGHT, GEORGE, MUNDY, PESCI, YEWIC, MIHALICH, RAMOS, WASHINGTON, JOSEPHS, ROEBUCK, ROBINSON and MELIO

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for information on prospective child-care personnel.

Referred to Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, February 16, 1996.

No. 2420 By Representatives J. TAYLOR, WILLIAMS, MANDERINO, GEIST, BUTKOVITZ, BELARDI, LAUGHLIN, DEMPSEY, MELIO, CURRY, BEBKO-JONES, STEELMAN, KUKOVICH, WALKO, M. COHEN, MARKOSEK, CORRIGAN, BAKER, RUBLEY, WOGAN, STEIL, BARD, BOSCOLA, DRUCE, BROWNE, GIGLIOTTI, MERRY, THOMAS, L. I. COHEN, GLADECK, MCGILL, ROEBUCK, RAMOS, PISTELLA, STURLA, CAPPABIANCA, CORNELL, TIGUE, GANNON, STETLER, ADOLPH, HANNA, HORSEY, SCRIMENTI, BISHOP, VAN HORNE, KIRKLAND, TRICH, JAMES, ITKIN, WASHINGTON, ROBINSON, YOUNGBLOOD, EVANS, MCGEEHAN, DALEY, DONATUCCI, KELLER, OLIVER, PETRONE, JOSEPHS, COY, PRESTON, GEORGE, MICHLOVIC, MAYERNIK, READSHAW, TRELLO, COLAFELLA, COLAIZZO, DeLUCA, LESCOVITZ, DERMODY, MYERS, TANGRETTI, PETRARCA, SAINATO, TRAVAGLIO, VEON, RAYMOND, CIVERA, O'BRIEN, MICOZZIE, FICHTER, HENNESSEY, FLICK, ROONEY, D. W. SNYDER, RIEGER, GRUPPO, BUNT, ARGALL, CHADWICK, CLYMER, LUCYK and CORPORA

An Act amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for public transportation supplemental assistance funding; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 16, 1996.

No. 2421 By Representatives J. TAYLOR, WILLIAMS, MANDERINO, GEIST, BUTKOVITZ, BELARDI, LAUGHLIN, DEMPSEY, MELIO, CURRY, BEBKO-JONES, STEELMAN, KUKOVICH, WALKO, M. COHEN, MARKOSEK, CORRIGAN, BAKER, RUBLEY, WOGAN, STEIL, BARD, BOSCOLA, DRUCE, KENNEY, GIGLIOTTI, MERRY, THOMAS, L. I. COHEN, GLADECK, MCGILL, ROEBUCK, RAMOS, PISTELLA, STURLA, CAPPABIANCA, CORNELL, TIGUE, GANNON, STETLER, ADOLPH, HANNA, HORSEY, SCRIMENTI, BISHOP, VAN HORNE, KIRKLAND, TRICH, JAMES, ITKIN, WASHINGTON, ROBINSON, YOUNGBLOOD, EVANS, MCGEEHAN, DALEY, DONATUCCI, KELLER, OLIVER, PETRONE, JOSEPHS, COY, PRESTON, GEORGE,

MICHLOVIC, MAYERNIK, READSHAW, TRELLO, COLAFELLA, COLAIZZO, DeLUCA, LESCOVITZ, DERMODY, MYERS, TANGRETTI, PETRARCA, SAINATO, TRAVAGLIO, VEON, RAYMOND, CIVERA, O'BRIEN, MICOZZIE, FICHTER, HENNESSEY, FLICK, ROONEY, RIEGER, GRUPPO, BUNT, CLYMER and CORPORA

A Supplement to the act of (P.L. , No.), entitled "An act providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 1995-1996," itemizing transportation assistance projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of Transportation, together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of Transportation; stating the estimated useful life of the projects; authorizing certain waivers; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 16, 1996.

No. 2422 By Representatives LAWLESS, KENNEY, COLAIZZO, TIGUE, O'BRIEN, ADOLPH, MICOZZIE, CLYMER, WOZNIAK, CIVERA, LLOYD, CORPORA, JAROLIN, DeLUCA, MICHLOVIC, COLAFELLA and TRELLO

An Act amending Title 5 (Athletics and Sports) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for HIV-related testing for boxers.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, February 16, 1996.

No. 2423 By Representatives TIGUE, CAWLEY, CAPPABIANCA, STABACK, MUNDY, JAROLIN, MAITLAND, ROBINSON, COY, MARKOSEK, HALUSKA, HERSHEY, TRELLO, READSHAW, ITKIN, STEIL, LEH, GODSHALL, CARONE, FAJT, SCRIMENTI, LAUGHLIN, BELFANTI, E. Z. TAYLOR, SHANER, COLAIZZO, FARMER, MELIO, VAN HORNE, MCGEEHAN, THOMAS, KAISER, CORRIGAN, FLICK, DeLUCA, McCALL, ADOLPH, HENNESSEY, BROWNE, MERRY, LEVDANSKY, YOUNGBLOOD, STEELMAN, L. I. COHEN, STETLER and SURRA

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, repealing the passenger car rental tax.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, February 16, 1996.

No. 2424 By Representatives RUDY, JOSEPHS, BEBKO-JONES, MUNDY, BELARDI, LLOYD, MANDERINO, VEON, SANTONI, TRELLO, LEDERER, SHANER, GORDNER, TANGRETTI, McCALL, BELFANTI, BOSCOLA, CORRIGAN, MARKOSEK, STABACK, LEVDANSKY, STURLA, STETLER, CURRY, LUCYK, THOMAS, ITKIN and M. COHEN

An Act establishing the Pennsylvania Commission for Women; and providing for its powers and duties.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2425 By Representative PERZEL

An Act to enhance community and economic development in this Commonwealth by restructuring certain administrative functions and entities; changing the name of the Department of Commerce to the Department of Economic and Community Development; transferring functions of the Department of Community Affairs into the Department of Economic and Community Development and other agencies; establishing the Center for Local Government Services and the Local Government Advisory Committee; conferring powers and duties on the Legislative Reference Bureau; and making repeals.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, February 16, 1996.

No. 2426 By Representatives ZUG, GANNON, GEIST, FARGO, SATHER, WAUGH, B. SMITH, BROWNE, GORDNER, MERRY, TRELLO, SANTONI, DiGIROLAMO, DeLUCA, McGEEHAN, BAKER, LYNCH, WALKO, KENNEY, L. I. COHEN, STISH, BATTISTO, YOUNGBLOOD, TRUE, RUBLEY, DALEY, E. Z. TAYLOR, STABACK, CLARK, ROONEY, ALLEN, STERN, FLICK, RAYMOND, RAMOS, CAPPABIANCA, JAMES, MELIO, BOSCOLA, EGOLF and SERAFINI

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for child victims and witnesses.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 22, 1996.

No. 2427 By Representatives ROBERTS, CAWLEY, DALEY, CORPORA, TIGUE, TRICH, YEWIC, BOSCOLA, STEELMAN, HANNA, MICHLOVIC, MAYERNIK and MARKOSEK

An Act prohibiting termination and discipline of an employee for failing to report to work during a state of emergency; and providing penalties.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, February 26, 1996.

No. 2428 By Representatives KREBS, HANNA, FARGO, FLICK, STISH, ZUG, DeLUCA and MERRY

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for causes for suspension, for the order of suspension and for the reinstatement of professional employees.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 28, 1996.

No. 2429 By Representatives VEON, STURLA, MELIO, SCRIMENTI, GEORGE, MARKOSEK, THOMAS, WALKO, STABACK, RIEGER, L. I. COHEN, CARN, JOSEPHS, CAPPABIANCA, PESCI, TRELLO, SHANER, COY, BELFANTI, BATTISTO, VAN HORNE, DeLUCA, COLAFELLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, YOUNGBLOOD, ITKIN, RUDY, RAMOS and M. COHEN

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for technology education in public school districts; creating the Technology Education Fund; and making repeals.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 28, 1996.

No. 2430 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, KUKOVICH, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, SURRA, STEELMAN, LAUGHLIN, LEVDANSKY, THOMAS and RAMOS

An Act requiring certain employers to establish safety committees for purposes of workplace injury prevention; prescribing powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry; and making a repeal.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

No. 2431 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, KUKOVICH, LEVDANSKY, SURRA, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, STEELMAN, LAUGHLIN, RAMOS and THOMAS

An Act amending the act of May 18, 1937 (P.L.654, No.174), entitled, as amended, "An act to provide for the safety and to protect the health and morals of persons while employed; prescribing certain regulations and restrictions concerning places where persons are employed, and the equipment, apparatus, materials, devices and machinery used therein; prescribing certain powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry relative to the enforcement of this act; and fixing penalties," providing for minimum indoor air quality and ventilation regulations; providing for inspections; and further providing for penalties and their disposition.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

No. 2432 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, KUKOVICH, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, STEELMAN, LAUGHLIN, RAMOS and THOMAS

An Act providing employees with the right to refuse exposure to hazardous conditions; providing remedies; and conferring powers and duties upon the Department of Labor and Industry.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

No. 2433 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, KUKOVICH, LEVDANSKY, SURRA, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, STEELMAN, LAUGHLIN, RAMOS and THOMAS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, adding provisions relating to workplace safety and dangerous business practices; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

No. 2434 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, KUKOVICH, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, STEELMAN, LAUGHLIN, THOMAS and RAMOS

An Act relating to occupational health clinics; providing for the Secretary of Labor and Industry to make grants to public and nonprofit organizations to facilitate the development of occupational health clinics, for qualifications for grants, for the Secretary of Labor and Industry to make grants to auxiliary occupational health clinics, for the collection of data concerning occupational illnesses and injuries and for surveillance of hazards in health emergencies; establishing the Occupational Health Clinic Advisory Committee; and making an appropriation.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

No. 2435 By Representatives VEON, BELFANTI, STURLA, LAUGHLIN, LEVDANSKY, SURRA, GEORGE, CALTAGIRONE, ROBINSON, GIGLIOTTI, PESCI, DeWEESE, TRELLO, JAROLIN, PISTELLA, BELARDI, MELIO, YOUNGBLOOD, SHANER, STEELMAN, KUKOVICH, THOMAS and RAMOS

An Act amending the act of October 5, 1984 (P.L.734, No.159), known as the Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act, further providing for notice.

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, March 8, 1996.

HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

No. 288 By Representative WALKO

A Resolution urging the Governor to immediately raise the eligibility criteria for the Low-Income Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) Crisis Program and to report to the House of Representatives on potential utility shutoffs.

Referred to Committee on RULES, February 16, 1996.

No. 292 By Representative KUKOVICH

A Resolution urging the Secretary of Transportation to investigate the shortage of salt for highway use in Westmoreland County during the winter storm of March 7, 1996.

Referred to Committee on RULES, March 8, 1996.

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following bills for concurrence:

SB 216, PN 1764

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, February 16, 1996.

SB 563, PN 587

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

SB 708, PN 1771

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 16, 1996.

SB 801, PN 1748

Referred to Committee on LABOR RELATIONS, February 16, 1996.

SB 856, PN 1765

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

SB 1083, PN 1766

Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, February 16, 1996.

SB 1171, PN 1368

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

SB 1172, PN 1369

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

SB 1251, PN 1767

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, February 16, 1996.

SB 1322, PN 1769

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, February 16, 1996.

SB 1352, PN 1772

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, February 16, 1996.

SB 1371, PN 1733

Referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE AND RURAL AFFAIRS, February 16, 1996.

BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 166, PN 140 By Rep. PITTS

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to sell and convey to Robert Boguski and Rita Boguski certain land situate in the Township of Canaan, Wayne County.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 256, PN 2802 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for grading of criminal conspiracy and for aggravated assault.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1031, PN 3178 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for sabbatical leaves and for rights during a leave of absence.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1834, PN 3181 (Amended) By Rep. PITTS

An Act providing for the establishment of charter schools; providing for powers and duties of the Secretary of Education and the State Board of Education; providing for payments to charter schools; and requiring certain reports and recommendations.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1903, PN 2359 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for false identification to law enforcement authorities.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2021, PN 3182 (Amended) By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for taking money and property by gift, for creation of a capital reserve fund, for the operating reserve fund, for billing and collecting by the county treasurer, for functions of the controller, for custody of documents, for books of fiscal affairs, for settlement of accounts, for audit of accounts, for claims against a county, for reports to commissioners, for fees of witnesses and jurors, for receipts and accounts of money due a county, for preparation of proposed annual budget, for amending budgets, for levies, for tax rates, for appropriations, for filing the budget, for notice and for the preparation of uniform forms; and providing for refusal to submit to examination and for the procedure for approval.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2091, PN 2889 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for reciprocity agreements.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2118, PN 3053 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for criminal mischief.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2340, PN 2988 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for drug-free school zones.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 708, PN 1803 By Rep. PITTS

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P. L. 30, No. 14), entitled "Public School Code of 1949," further providing for granting of tenure to professional employees, for causes for termination of professional contracts and for rating of professional employees.

APPROPRIATIONS.

CALENDAR CONTINUED

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

BILL PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER. The Chair turns to page 1 of today's calendar. SB 654. Without objection, this bill is over.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1415, PN 2807**, entitled:

An Act requiring reimbursement by insurers for certain services performed by a hospital emergency facility.

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

The SPEAKER. The Chair has a notation that the gentleman, Mr. Veon – Mr. Edmiston, will you listen – the Chair has a notation that the gentleman, Mr. Veon, might have an amendment, but the amendment was filed late, beyond the time.

Does the gentleman, Mr. Veon, care to suspend the rules to offer the amendment; otherwise, the Chair is going to continue to move. No? The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

YEAS-199

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Fairchild	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Schuler
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Scrimenti
Bard	Feese	Marsico	Semmel
Barley	Fichter	Masland	Serafini
Battisto	Feagle	Mayernik	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Flick	McCall	Sheehan
Belardi	Gamble	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	Melio	Staback
Bishop	George	Merry	Stairs
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Steelman
Boscola	Gladeck	Micozzie	Steil
Boyes	Godshall	Mihalich	Stern
Brown	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Browne	Gruitza	Mundy	Stish
Bunt	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nyce	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Haste	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Carone	Hennessey	Oliver	Thomas
Cawley	Herman	Perzel	Tigue
Chadwick	Hershey	Pesci	Travaglio
Civera	Hess	Petrarca	Trello
Clark	Horsely	Petrone	Trich
Clymer	Hutchinson	Pettit	True
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Phillips	Tulli
Cohen, M.	James	Pistella	Vance
Colafella	Jarolin	Pitts	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Josephs	Platts	Veon
Conti	Kaiser	Preston	Vitali
Cornell	Keller	Ramos	Walko
Corpora	Kenney	Raymond	Washington
Corrigan	King	Readshaw	Waugh
Cowell	Kirkland	Reber	Williams
Coy	Krebs	Reinard	Wogan
Curry	Kukovich	Rieger	Wozniak
Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wright, D. R.
DeLuca	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Lawless	Roebuck	Yeweic
Dent	Lederer	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dermoddy	Leh	Rooney	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Rubley	Zug
DiGirolamo	Levdansky	Rudy	
Donatucci	Lloyd	Sainato	Ryan,
Druce	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
Durham			

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-2

Hasay Smith, B.

EXCUSED-2

Farmer Jadlowiec

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman, Mr. Chadwick, come to the desk.

The Chair at this time asks the gentleman, Mr. Chadwick, to preside temporarily.

**THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
(J. SCOT CHADWICK) PRESIDING**

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1845, PN 3116**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.345, No.48), entitled "An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities; providing for hearing examiners in the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs; providing additional powers to the Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs; and further providing for civil penalties and license suspension," providing for creation and appointment, for disciplinary proceedings and hearings and for prior rules and regulations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?
Bill was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

YEAS-200

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Saylor
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Schroder
Argall	Fairchild	Major	Schuler
Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Scrimenti
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Semmel
Bard	Feese	Marsico	Serafini
Barley	Fichter	Masland	Shaner
Battisto	Feagle	Mayernik	Sheehan
Bebko-Jones	Flick	McCall	Smith, B.
Belardi	Gamble	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Snyder, D. W.
Birmelin	Geist	Merry	Staback
Bishop	George	Michlovic	Stairs
Blaum	Gigliotti	Micozzie	Steelman
Boscola	Gladeck	Mihalich	Steil
Boyes	Godshall	Miller	Stern
Brown	Gordner	Mundy	Stetler
Browne	Gruitza	Myers	Stish
Bunt	Gruppo	Nailor	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Habay	Nickol	Sturla

Buxton	Haluska	Nyce	Surra
Caltagirone	Hanna	O'Brien	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Carone	Haste	Perzel	Thomas
Cawley	Hennessey	Pesci	Tigue
Chadwick	Herman	Petrarca	Travaglio
Civera	Hershey	Petrone	Trello
Clark	Hess	Pettit	Trich
Clymer	Horsey	Phillips	True
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Pistella	Tulli
Cohen, M.	Itkin	Pitts	Vance
Colafiglia	James	Platts	Van Horne
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Veon
Conti	Josephs	Ramos	Vitali
Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Walko
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Washington
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Waugh
Cowell	King	Reinard	Williams
Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Wogan
Curry	Krebs	Roberts	Wozniak
Daley	Kukovich	Robinson	Wright, D. R.
DeLuca	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Laughlin	Rohrer	Yewcic
Dent	Lawless	Rooney	Youngblood
Dermody	Lederer	Rublely	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Leh	Rudy	Zug
DiGirolamo	Lescovitz	Sainato	
Donatucci	Levdansky	Santoni	Ryan,
Druce	Lloyd	Sather	Speaker
Durham	Lucyk		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-1

McGill

EXCUSED-2

Farmer Jadlowiec

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the majority leader, who requests a leave for the balance of today's session for the gentleman from Bucks County, Mr. STEIL. The Chair hears no objection.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of HB 2013, PN 2502, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for wheel chairs and electrical mobility devices.

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

Mr. GEORGE offered the following amendment No. A0544:

Amend Title, page 1, line 3, by removing the period after "devices" and inserting

and for handicapped plate and placard.

Amend Sec. 2, page 2, line 6, by striking out "Section 1302(8) of Title 75 is" and inserting

Sections 1302(8) and 1338(c) of Title 75 are

Amend Sec. 2, page 2, by inserting between lines 13 and 14 § 1338. Handicapped plate and placard.

(c) Physician's statement.-

(1) Any person applying for a special plate or parking placard for handicapped persons must present a statement, certified by a physician licensed to practice in this Commonwealth or in a contiguous state, that the handicapped person is handicapped as provided in subsection (a). A copy of the physician's certification may be displayed on the dashboard and shall serve as a temporary handicapped parking placard until a permanent placard is received from the department, but in no case for more than 45 days after the date of the physician's certification.

(2) Any person applying for a renewal of registration of a special plate for handicapped persons must comply with this subsection. Once a handicapped person has been duly certified by a physician as being handicapped, as provided in subsection (a), the applicant need not submit a certification for subsequent renewals of registration for a special plate for handicapped persons. A person who was issued a handicapped plate under this section and no longer qualifies for one shall not be charged a replacement fee for a regular registration plate upon payment of the regular registration fee.

(3) In lieu of a physician's statement, a person applying for a special plate or parking placard may present a statement from a police officer certifying that the person does not have full use of a leg, or both legs, or is blind.

(4) The department shall phase out existing handicapped placards as soon as practicable and issue a new series to persons who comply with this section.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Clearfield County, Mr. George.

Mr. GEORGE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer amendment A0544.

This amendment is designed to help handicapped motorists across the Commonwealth gain access to public places while waiting for the Department of Transportation to process their applications for a handicapped parking placard. Under this amendment, PennDOT will provide to the licensed physicians a certification form that can be displayed and used in lieu of a handicapped placard or a plate. The physician's certification form will be good for 45 days only or until the actual placard arrives, whichever comes first.

There have been and continue to be many instances when handicapped individuals cannot make use of special handicapped parking spaces because they are waiting for PennDOT to provide them with the proper materials. Instead of risking a stiff fine, these legitimately handicapped or injured people are left with few options when traveling to the stores or the malls, churches, and other public places. My amendment will help to rectify this situation by allowing licensed physicians who sign the normal and

existing applications, as is today, to provide the temporary relief to these individuals.

I ask for an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lycoming County, Mr. Dempsey.

Mr. DEMPSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this amendment.

There is a method in place now for temporary handicapped plates. In discussing this amendment with PennDOT, their feeling is that this is not a needed amendment, so I would ask for a negative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman, Mr. George, wish to be recognized for the second time?

Mr. GEORGE. Yes, I do, but I will wait.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin County, Mr. Coy.

Mr. COY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just a moment of support for the amendment.

I can think of numerous times where individuals have come to district offices that I operate, and for one reason or another, the handicap that brought about the need for the application, for the placard, came about rather quickly; in other words, maybe a fall or something like that which might be a really quick situation where the person needs the placard. Not all handicaps come about over a long period of time or can be anticipated. Therefore, the idea that Representative George has I think helps to cut down on the bureaucracy that we have in place.

I think by having PennDOT establish a form and provide physicians and others who face firsthand the circumstance is a good idea. You know what we are faced with. A person comes into the district office and they need it badly, and then we have to go through the bureaucracy and make phone call after phone call to make sure that they get it back, and probably the best you can do is a couple days or a week anyhow.

This is a way to make the whole thing happen easier. It still requires the signature of the physician.

I think it is a well-thought-out idea. I commend Representative George for it, and I encourage an affirmative vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. George, for the second time.

Mr. GEORGE. I thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I am a little confused as to why a colleague from the rural area such as I come from would rise to insist that the system that is in place now is the system that is workable.

I look to my right. I see an individual now on crutches. Hopefully he will be off the crutches before 45 days.

I wonder how Mr. Dempsey, whether he uses some special consignment or delivery, can get away with the 3 or 4 days that it takes for his office to send it in to Harrisburg, the 6 or 7 days for it to be gone over, the 4 or 5 more days to come back. Pretty soon you have 2 or 3 weeks.

We are not doing anything more than what PennDOT did during the flood when they took these emergency places into the districts and said, you can get your licenses from A to Z; you can get the people who need these handicapped placards taken care of immediately, because they could be stamped right there.

It is beyond my comprehension to believe that anyone would want to vote against this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the lady, Ms. Boscola.

Ms. BOSCOLA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I support Representative George's amendment.

Personally, I have a brother who was in a diving accident and is a quadriplegic at this time. It took us forever to get a handicapped placard, which is very inconvenient, because we needed a van that had a lift on it in order to transport him. Without that handicapped placard, it was very, very difficult. It took four people in order to get him in and out of a car, at one point, for months.

I just think it would be very reasonable if everybody here thought about supporting this amendment. It is a very good amendment. Thank you.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-199

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Fairchild	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Schuler
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Scrimenti
Bard	Feese	Marsico	Semmel
Barley	Fichter	Masland	Serafini
Battisto	Fleagle	Mayernik	Shaner
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Belardi	Gamble	McGeehan	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gannon	McGill	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Geist	Melio	Snyder, D. W.
Bishop	George	Merry	Staback
Blaum	Gigliotti	Michlovic	Stairs
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Boyes	Godshall	Mihalich	Stern
Brown	Gordner	Miller	Stetler
Browne	Gruitza	Mundy	Stish
Bunt	Gruppo	Myers	Strittmatter
Butkovitz	Habay	Nailor	Sturla
Buxton	Haluska	Nickol	Surra
Caltagirone	Hanna	Nyce	Tangretti
Cappabianca	Harhart	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Carn	Haste	Olasz	Taylor, J.
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Coy	Krebs	Reinard	Wogan
Curry	Kukovich	Rieger	Wozniak
Daley	LaGrotta	Roberts	Wright, D. R.
DeLuca	Laughlin	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	Lawless	Roebuck	Yewcic
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DeWeese	Lescovitz	Rublely	Zug
DiGiolamo	Levdansky	Rudy	

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Druce	Lucyk	Santoni	Speaker
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NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-1

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EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

RULES SUSPENDED

Mr. DEMPSEY. Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair apologizes to the gentleman. The Chair understands the gentleman introduced an amendment late. Does the gentleman intend to offer it?

Mr. DEMPSEY. Yes, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to ask for a suspension of the rules to introduce amendment No. A6223.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Dempsey, moves that the rules be temporarily suspended so that he can offer amendment A6223.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-191

Adolph	Durham	Lucyk	Sather
Allen	Egolf	Major	Saylor
Argall	Evans	Manderino	Schroder
Armstrong	Fairchild	Markosek	Schuler
Baker	Fajt	Marsico	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Masland	Semmel
Barley	Feese	Mayernik	Serafini
Battisto	Fichter	McCall	Shaner
Bebko-Jones	Fleagle	McGeehan	Sheehan
Belardi	Flick	McGill	Smith, B.
Belfanti	Gamble	Melio	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Gannon	Merry	Snyder, D. W.
Bishop	Geist	Michlovic	Staback
Blaum	George	Micozzie	Stairs
Boscola	Gigliotti	Mihalich	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck	Miller	Stetler
Brown	Godshall	Mundy	Stish
Browne	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Butkowitz	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Habay	Nyce	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Carn	Haste	Oliver	Thomas

Cawley	Hennessey	Perzel	Travaglio
Chadwick	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Hershey	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Hess	Petrone	True
Clymer	Horsey	Pettit	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Hutchinson	Phillips	Vance
Cohen, M.	Itkin	Pistella	Van Horne
Colafella	James	Pitts	Veon
Colaizzo	Jarolin	Preston	Vitali
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Cornell	Kaiser	Raymond	Washington
Corpora	Keller	Readshaw	Waugh
Corrigan	Kenney	Reber	Williams
Cowell	King	Reinard	Wogan
Coy	Kirkland	Rieger	Wozniak
Curry	Kukovich	Roberts	Wright, D. R.
Daley	LaGrotta	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	Laughlin	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dempsey	Lawless	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dent	Lederer	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dermody	Leh	Rubleby	Zug
DeWeese	Lescovitz	Rudy	
DiGirolamo	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
Druce			

NAYS-8

Carone	Krebs	Maitland	Steelman
Hanna	Lynch	Platts	Tigue

NOT VOTING-1

Hasay

EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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A majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

Mr. DEMPSEY offered the following amendment No. A6223:

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 6, by striking out "definition of" and inserting

definitions of "pedestrian" and

Amend Sec. 1, page 1, line 7, by striking out "is" and inserting are

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 102), page 1, by inserting between lines 15 and 16

"Pedestrian." A natural person afoot or a natural person with a disability who requires the use of a self-propelled wheel chair, an electrical mobility device or a motorized pedalcycle designed for the exclusive use of a person with disabilities.

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 102), page 2, line 3, by striking out "self-propelled wheel chairs or" and inserting a self-propelled wheel chair, an

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 102), page 2, line 4, by striking out “devices for the disabled” and inserting

device or a motorized pedalcycle designed for the exclusive use of a person with disabilities

Amend Sec. 2 (Sec. 1302), page 2, lines 10 through 12, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

[(8) Any self-propelled invalid wheel chair or invalid motorized pedalcycle.]

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lycoming County, Mr. Dempsey.

Mr. DEMPSEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my bill, HB 2013, removes the definition of “motorized wheelchair” from the definition of a vehicle in the Motor Vehicle Code, but by doing that, we have to give it some designation. So amendment 6223 now designates a motorized wheelchair with the same responsibility as a pedestrian has. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny County, Mr. Itkin.

Mr. ITKIN. Mr. Speaker, I have a copy of the amendment in front of me, and I have no objection to the amendment. I am just concerned that the members on the floor all do not have copies. I know that it is being distributed right now. Could we just postpone the vote until members are provided a copy?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman. The House will be at ease for a moment.

On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Somerset County, Mr. Lloyd.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the sponsor of the amendment would consent to interrogation.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has indicated he is willing to stand for interrogation. You are in order and may proceed.

Mr. LLOYD. Mr. Speaker, my question has to do with lines 21 through 24 of the amendment.

Under the current law, a self-propelled wheelchair or a motorized pedalcycle is exempt from registration. Under this amendment, that exemption is being repealed? Am I understanding that correctly?

Mr. DEMPSEY. It is now being labeled as “pedestrian” and not a “vehicle,” so it would not need registration.

Mr. LLOYD. So that because of the change up higher on the page in the definition of “vehicle”— And, Mr. Speaker, your position is that designating these as “pedestrians” does not have any effect anyplace else in the code with regard to some other kind of offense — jaywalking or whatever it might be.

Mr. DEMPSEY. That is correct; that is correct. Yes; I would say yes.

Mr. LLOYD. So that the effect of your amendment is that anytime a pedestrian would be guilty of violating the code, someone on a self-propelled wheelchair would also be guilty of violating the code.

Mr. DEMPSEY. That is correct; that is correct.

Mr. LLOYD. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—200

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Saylor
Argall	Fairchild	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Schuler
Baker	Fargo	Markosek	Scrimenti
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This bill has been considered on three different days and agreed to and is now on final passage.

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the bill passed finally.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

CONSIDERATION OF HB 2205 CONTINUED

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the motion?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion that HB 2205, PN 2789, be recommitted to the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Kukovich.

Mr. KUKOVICH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I would like to oppose recommitting the bill to the Rules Committee. We did have this scheduled for a vote 3 weeks ago when we broke for the appropriations hearings. It was scheduled originally for a vote today. As I look at the sponsorship, there is a large number of members, both Republican and Democrat, who have cosponsored this bill; there are about 29 Republican sponsors on Representative O'Brien's bill—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend?

For the gentleman's information, the motion was to recommit it to the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, not to Rules.

Mr. KUKOVICH. Thank you.

I would oppose any motion to recommit to any committee.

There are very few opportunities that we have in this chamber to accomplish this kind of policy. It is very important now, because fire departments across the Commonwealth are seeing their budgets stretched very thin, especially in light of the emergencies we have had over the winter.

Again, as I look at the various bills, the one I had introduced back in October and the bill that Representative O'Brien introduced a month later to provide some relief in grants, small grants from the State, I see widespread support. It is crucial that we try to do this now before the budget debate actually begins so we can try to provide funding in the very next fiscal year when the money is needed the most.

So I would ask for members to vote against recommitment. I am not even suggesting that we vote the bill on final passage today, although I would like to do that. My fear is that once this bill is taken off the table, we will tend to lose control of it. It will be buried in a committee until after a budget is passed, and we will lose that opportunity.

I understand, and I think the prime sponsor of the bill is very well intentioned; he is trying to negotiate with the administration, trying to work something out. I am suggesting that by keeping the bill on the calendar rather than recommitting it, we will be in a much stronger position to negotiate. We will be able to build up more support from fire departments across the Commonwealth and try to get something done in a timely way as soon as possible.

I would ask the members to vote against recommitment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. O'Brien.

Mr. O'BRIEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

For the information of the ladies and gentlemen of the House, as pointed out by Mr. Kukovich, I am the prime sponsor of this piece of legislation, and again for the information of the members of the House, this bill is being recommitted to the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee, of which I am the chairman. It is not my intention to bury this legislation, but since its appearance on the floor of the House, there have been very substantive amendments that have been proposed that change the original intent significantly, and I am concerned about the chances of final passage and enactment into law of this piece of legislation.

The main intent of this legislation is to provide financial assistance to the volunteer fire and emergency service units throughout the Commonwealth. It is my intention, by recommitment, to work through these various issues and bring before the House a bill that will get that aid to those units.

I would ask the members to support me on the recommitment motion. Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westmoreland County, Mr. Tangretti.

Mr. TANGRETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, my intention was to rise to support Mr. Kukovich's position to vote against the recommitment motion, because like just about every member in this hall, we need to provide and believe that we need to provide the help for our volunteer fire companies.

But I wondered if I could just ask Mr. O'Brien just a few brief questions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. O'Brien, indicates that he will consent to interrogation. The gentleman is in order and may proceed.

Mr. TANGRETTI. Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the chairman of the Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee would inform the House of his timing with respect to when he would like to bring this back to the floor.

Mr. O'BRIEN. Well, I cannot give you a definite time. There are eight substantive amendments here, and it is my intention to review the content of each of those amendments and work through the committee process as soon as possible.

Mr. TANGRETTI. There is not a way you could quantify for the House then, is there?

Mr. O'BRIEN. I hope to have a bill that we can vote on before the enactment of a budget this June.

Mr. TANGRETTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On the motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On the motion, the gentleman is in order.

Mr. TANGRETTI. I, like Representative Kukovich, although I respect and admire Mr. O'Brien very much in his efforts and as chairman of that committee, I am concerned that we are going to lose the momentum on this.

I have been talking to my fire departments about this; they are excited about it. Just by coincidence, yesterday at the Forbes Road Volunteer Fire Department, I attended a spaghetti dinner for \$5 a ticket, my wife and I; a week's worth of preparation; members of the auxiliary of that fire department working from about 6 o'clock in the morning until 8 o'clock last night for the purposes of raising money for one payment for their truck that is due of about \$3,000; a \$210,000 piece of equipment. Maybe a few years ago that would

have been adequate for the cost of vehicles, but anymore, it just is not enough.

And I appreciate Mr. O'Brien's concerns about the amendments, but I am really concerned that we are going to lose the opportunity and the momentum with respect to this. I think we ought to do it now. Let us deal with these amendments; let us deal with the bill; let us get on with it. These people need our help and they need it now, and I would ask that we not recommit this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. O'Brien, for the second time.

Mr. O'BRIEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

My fear is that if we leave this bill out of the control of the House, that we lose control of the negotiations on this bill. The Fire Commissioner, Dave Smith, has been traveling along with my staff person, Rick O'Leary, to every county in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and with that, they have issued a questionnaire, and in that questionnaire one of the questions involves, what do they need in the way of services? We have various responses from virtually every county in the Commonwealth, and it is for those purposes that we want to recommit this bill.

It is my intention not to lose control of this bill by sending it over to the Senate. I want to maintain control of this bill and these issues so that we have a product that we can bring before this House that will represent a resolution to the many issues that are brought forth in this questionnaire. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Kukovich.

Mr. KUKOVICH. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I understand the prime sponsor's concern about losing control. However, we do not lose control by keeping the bill on the calendar. Who loses control are volunteer fire departments and the people.

Mr. O'Brien has done a lot of work in trying to come up with some compromise amendments. I think for the most part, they are all agreed to; I think he has done a good job. I would suggest if further negotiations are needed because of the Governor's Office, that is fine. Let us maybe table the bill. We can keep it on the calendar. I am not saying we vote it today; I am saying we do not recommit it. If we do that, I am suggesting, no matter how well intentioned Mr. O'Brien is, if the administration feels that this money — and quite frankly, it is a drop in the bucket compared to the overall budget but is almost a lifeline to a number of volunteer fire companies out there — if we recommit this, the odds go up dramatically that that lifeline to volunteer fire companies is cut off.

I am suggesting, let us keep this bill alive. Let us allow Mr. O'Brien and the House to negotiate with the Governor. Let us keep the bill available for a vote, either on the calendar or on the tabled bill calendar. Let us vote against recommitment. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the motion?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-107

Adolph	Fairchild	Leh	Saylor
Allen	Fargo	Lynch	Schroder
Argall	Feese	Maitland	Schuler
Armstrong	Fichter	Major	Semmel
Baker	Fleagle	Manderino	Serafini
Bard	Flick	Marsico	Sheehan
Barley	Gannon	Masland	Smith, B.
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Civera	Hennessey	O'Brien	Thomas
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Cohen, L. I.	Hershey	Pettit	Tulli
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Dempsey	Keller	Raymond	Wright, M. N.
Dent	Kenney	Reber	Zimmerman
DiGirolamo	King	Reinard	Zug
Donatucci	Krebs	Rieger	
Druce	Lawless	Rohrer	Ryan,
Durham	Lederer	Rubley	Speaker
Egolf			

NAYS-91

Battisto	DeWeese	Markosek	Scrimenti
Bebko-Jones	Evans	Mayernik	Shaner
Belardi	Fajt	McCall	Staback
Belfanti	Gamble	Melio	Steelman
Bishop	George	Michlovic	Stetler
Blaum	Gigliotti	Mihalich	Sturla
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Cappabianca	Hanna	Oliver	Travaglio
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Cawley	James	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Jarolin	Petrone	Van Horne
Cohen, M.	Josephs	Preston	Veon
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NOT VOTING-2

Pistella	Ramos
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EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

BILL ON CONCURRENCE
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS AS AMENDED

The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to the following **HB 406, PN 3162**, as further amended by the House Rules Committee:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P. L. 177, No. 175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, providing for additional duties of the Department of Corrections in relation to prison inmate medical needs, for seasonal farm labor and for a study of pharmacy prices; further providing for the duties of the Department of General Services relating to certain contracts for modular facilities; and making repeals.

On the question,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended by the Rules Committee?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Tioga County, Mr. Baker.

Mr. BAKER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is my understanding that this is an agreed-to amendment. It merely removes language in the bill. Actually, the amendment cleans up the bill because—

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend.
Mr. BAKER. Sure.

RULES SUSPENDED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. For the gentleman to proceed in the manner he intends, he must make a motion to suspend the rules.

Mr. BAKER. Mr. Speaker, I would like to make that motion to suspend the rules for consideration of this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman have the amendment number?

Mr. BAKER. A0625.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Baker, moves that the rules of the House be temporarily suspended so that he may offer amendment A0625 to HB 406.

The motion is only debatable by the leaders.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-191

Adolph	Durham	Lloyd	Sather
Allen	Egolf	Lucyk	Saylor
Argall	Evans	Major	Schroder
Armstrong	Fairchild	Markosek	Schuler
Baker	Fajt	Marsico	Scrimenti
Bard	Fargo	Masland	Semmel
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Bishop	Geist	Michlovic	Staback
Blaum	George	Micozzie	Stairs
Boscola	Gigliotti	Miller	Stern
Boyes	Gladeck		Stetler

Brown	Godshall	Mundy	Stish
Browne	Gordner	Myers	Strittmatter
Bunt	Gruitza	Nailor	Sturla
Butkovitz	Gruppo	Nickol	Surra
Buxton	Habay	Nyce	Tangretti
Caltagirone	Haluska	O'Brien	Taylor, E. Z.
Cappabianca	Harhart	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Carn	Hasay	Oliver	Thomas
Cawley	Haste	Perzel	Travaglio
Chadwick	Hennessey	Pesci	Trello
Civera	Herman	Petrarca	Trich
Clark	Hershey	Petrone	True
Clymer	Hess	Pettit	Tulli
Cohen, L. I.	Horsey	Phillips	Vance
Cohen, M.	Hutchinson	Pistella	Van Horne
Colaella	Itkin	Pitts	Veon
Colaizzo	James	Preston	Vitali
Conti	Jarolin	Ramos	Walko
Cornell	Josephs	Raymond	Washington
Corpora	Kaiser	Readshaw	Waugh
Corrigan	Keller	Reber	Williams
Cowell	Kenney	Reinard	Wogan
Coy	King	Rieger	Wozniak
Curry	Kirkland	Roberts	Wright, D. R.
Daley	Kukovich	Robinson	Wright, M. N.
DeLuca	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Yewcic
Dempsey	Laughlin	Rohrer	Youngblood
Dent	Lawless	Rooney	Zimmerman
Dermody	Lederer	Rublely	Zug
DeWeese	Leh	Rudy	
DiGirolamo	Lescovitz	Sainato	Ryan,
Donatucci	Levdansky	Santoni	Speaker
Druce			

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Carone	Krebs	Maitland	Steelman
Hanna	Lynch	Platts	Tigue

NOT VOTING-1

Mihalich

EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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A majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

On the question recurring,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended by the Rules Committee?

Mr. **BAKER** offered the following amendment No. **A0625**:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 1714), page 3, line 1, by striking out "1714" and inserting

1715

Amend Bill, page 5, lines 18 through 30; pages 6 through 8, lines 1 through 30; page 9, lines 1 through 14, by striking out all of said lines on said pages

Amend Sec. 5, page 9, line 15, by striking out "5" and inserting
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Amend Sec. 6, page 9, line 23, by striking out "6" and inserting
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Amend Sec. 7, page 9, line 30; page 10, lines 1 through 5, by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting Section 5. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

The **SPEAKER** pro tempore. On the amendment, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Tioga, Mr. Baker.

Mr. **BAKER**. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, this amendment removes language in HB 406. Actually, HB 272 was recently signed by the Governor; it is Act 10, and this language is removing the superfluous language in HB 406.

On the question recurring,
Will the House agree to the amendment?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-198

Adolph	Durham	Lloyd	Santoni
Allen	Egolf	Lucyk	Sather
Argall	Evans	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Maitland	Schroder
Baker	Fajt	Major	Schuler
Bard	Fargo	Manderino	Scriminti
Barley	Feese	Markosek	Semmel
Battisto	Fichter	Marsico	Serafini
Bebko-Jones	Fleagle	Masland	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	Mayernik	Sheehan
Belfanti	Gamble	McCall	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	George	Melio	Staback
Boscola	Gigliotti	Merry	Stairs
Boyes	Gladeck	Michlovic	Steelman
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Bunt	Gruitza	Mundy	Stish
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Carone	Hasay	Olasz	Taylor, J.
Cawley	Haste	Oliver	Thomas
Chadwick	Hennessey	Perzel	Tigue
Civera	Herman	Pesci	Trello
Clark	Hershey	Petrarca	Trich
Clymer	Hess	Petrone	True
Cohen, L. I.	Horsey	Pettit	Tulli
Cohen, M.	Hutchinson	Phillips	Vance
Colaella	Itkin	Pistella	Van Horne
Colaizzo	James	Pitts	Veon
Conti	Jarolin	Platts	Vitali
Cornell	Josephs	Preston	Walko
Corpora	Kaiser	Ramos	Washington
Corrigan	Keller	Raymond	Waugh
Cowell	Kenney	Readshaw	Williams
Coy	King	Reber	Wogan
Curry	Kirkland	Reinard	Wozniak
Daley	Krebs	Rieger	Wright, D. R.
DeLuca	Kukovich	Roberts	Wright, M. N.
Dempsey	LaGrotta	Robinson	Yewcic
Dent	Laughlin	Roebuck	Youngblood
Dermody	Lawless	Rohrer	Zimmerman
DeWeese	Lederer	Rooney	Zug
DiGirolamo	Leh	Rublely	

Donatucci	Lescovitz	Rudy	Ryan,
Druce	Levdansky	Sainato	Speaker

YEAS-198

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-2

Mihalich	Travaglio
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EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On concurrence, the Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Belfanti.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I only have one question that I would like to ask the drafter of HB 406, Representative Baker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Baker, indicates that he is willing to stand for interrogation. The gentleman, Mr. Belfanti, is in order and may proceed.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, on page 5 of the legislation, lines 10 through 16 which speak to the issue of single prime contractors for modular units which may be installed at a Department of Corrections or juvenile facility, concerning those lines, Mr. Speaker, am I to understand that the single prime contractor would be putting together prefabricated modular units as opposed to modular units that would require electrical or plumbing work be done on the site?

Mr. Speaker, do you understand my question?

Mr. BAKER. Would you repeat that question, please?

Mr. BELFANTI. Mr. Speaker, there are certain modular units that come prefabricated completely where the electrical wiring and the plumbing are simply coupled together when you put together the various units that comprise the modular facility. However, there are other modular units which require extensive wiring or plumbing onsite to be performed by a licensed or certified plumber or electrician. So the types of units that you are talking about in this legislation I would assume are those that are fully prefabricated modular housing units. Would that be correct?

Mr. BAKER. That is correct.

Mr. BELFANTI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

If that is the case, we have no objections to this legislation.

On the question recurring,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments as amended?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

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Allen	Egolf	Lucyk	Sather
Argall	Evans	Lynch	Saylor
Armstrong	Fairchild	Maitland	Schroder
Baker	Fajt	Major	Schuler
Bard	Fargo	Manderino	Scrimenti
Barley	Feese	Markosek	Semmel
Battisto	Fichter	Marsico	Serafini
Bebko-Jones	Fleagle	Masland	Shaner
Belardi	Flick	Mayernik	Sheehan
Belfanti	Gamble	McCall	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Gannon	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Geist	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Blaum	George	Melio	Staback
Boscola	Gigliotti	Merry	Stairs
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Clymer	Hess	Petrone	True
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Donatucci	Lescovitz	Rudy	Ryan,
Druce	Levdansky	Sainato	Speaker

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-2

Mihalich	Taylor, J.
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EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments as amended were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The majority leader calls an immediate meeting of the Rules Committee at the majority leader's desk.

**BILL ON CONCURRENCE
REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

SB 712, PN 1747 By Rep. BARLEY

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the renaming of the Department of Military Affairs; providing for the issuance of certificates relating to release or discharge and for the use or recycling of office supplies and materials.

RULES.

**RESOLUTION REPORTED
FROM COMMITTEE**

HR 263, PN 2932 By Rep. BARLEY

A Resolution calling for the advancement of the Irish peace process.

RULES.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35

Mr. M. N. WRIGHT called up **HR 294, PN 3179**, entitled:

A Resolution commemorating March 10, 1996, as the 315th Anniversary of Charter Day, the day that King Charles II gave William Penn the charter for Penn's Woods.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucks County, Mr. Wright.

Mr. M. N. WRIGHT. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

On behalf of Representative Corrigan and myself, I would like to remind everybody of our history in Pennsylvania.

On March 4, 1681, King Charles II gave a land grant to William Penn. We celebrate that every year now, and it is called Charter Day in Pennsylvania.

Yesterday across the State of Pennsylvania was the official Charter Day for this year. On all of our historical sites, there was an honoring of the chartering of Pennsylvania, which at that time was called Penn's Woods, and I wish everybody to help pass this resolution honoring that. Thank you.

On the question recurring,
Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS-200

Adolph	Egolf	Lynch	Sather
Allen	Evans	Maitland	Saylor
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Armstrong	Fajt	Manderino	Schuler
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DiGirolamo	Lescovitz	Rudy	
Donatucci	Levdansky	Sainato	Ryan,
Druce	Lloyd	Santoni	Speaker
Durham	Lucyk		

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-3

Farmer	Jadlowiec	Steil
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was adopted.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR C

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The following bills, having been called up, were considered for the second time and agreed to, and ordered transcribed for third consideration:

HB 1834, PN 3137; HB 256, PN 2802; HB 1903, PN 2359; HB 2118, PN 3053; HB 2340, PN 2988; HB 2021, PN 3092; HB 166, PN 140; and HB 2091, PN 2889.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. There will be no further votes today. The Chair will remain open for several minutes to clean up some housekeeping matters.

COMMUNICATION FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Speaker acknowledges receipt of the Annual Report of the Attorney General, submitted to the General Assembly pursuant to the Sovereign Immunity Act.

The following communication was submitted:

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Office of Attorney General
Harrisburg, PA 17120

February 27, 1996

Honorable Matthew J. Ryan
Speaker
House of Representatives
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to Section 3(a) of the Act of September 28, 1978, P.L. 788, No. 152 (the Sovereign Immunity Act), the Office of Attorney General is required to report annually to the General Assembly regarding the institution and disposition of tort claims against the Commonwealth.

In response to that requirement, we are pleased to submit the enclosed annual report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1995.

Sincerely yours,
Thomas W. Corbett, Jr.
Attorney General

TWCjr/LJR/bjm
Enclosure

(Copy of report is on file with the Journal clerk.)

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 2217, PN 3186 (Amended) By Rep. CLYMER

An Act amending the act of October 27, 1955 (P.L.744, No.222), known as the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act, providing for unlawful

discriminatory practices relating to harassment and sexual harassment; defining "advertisement" and "advertiser"; providing for certain forms of advertisement; prohibiting certain public agencies and public utilities from discriminating or according preferential treatment with respect to employment, education and contracting; and providing for limitations and for the use of common language for official acts.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1977 and HB 2217 be removed from the table.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1977 and HB 2217 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM GOVERNOR

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILLS

The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House communications in writing from the office of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following House bills had been approved and signed by the Governor:

HB 272, HB 569, HB 908, HB 2009, and HB 2079.

BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be removed from the table:

HB 466;
HB 2201;
HB 2336;
HB 2393; and
SB 577.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

BILLS RECOMMITTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. PERZEL. Mr. Speaker, I move that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 466;
HB 2201;
HB 2336;
HB 2393; and
SB 577.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to.

ACTUARIAL NOTES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair acknowledges receipt of the following actuarial notes from the Public Employee Retirement Commission: actuarial note for HB 1666, PN 1987; actuarial note for HB 1668, PN 1989; and actuarial note for HB 1130, PN 2805.

(Copies of actuarial notes are on file with the Journal clerk.)

**THE SPEAKER (MATTHEW J. RYAN)
PRESIDING****VOTE CORRECTIONS**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Luzerne County, Mr. Blaum, for the purpose of correcting the record.

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
Just to correct the record.

On amendment 0237 to HB 2271, my switch did not function. I would like to be recorded in the affirmative.

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Travaglio, who advises the Chair that his switch malfunctioned on HB 406, amendment 0625. He voted in the affirmative, and it did not register. The remarks of the gentleman will be spread upon the record.

PETITION REFERRED

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to Article VI, section 4, of the Pennsylvania Constitution, I am referring a petition for impeachment to the House Judiciary Committee. The committee is authorized to make a preliminary inquiry into this matter and may, if warranted, report their findings to the House.

APPLICATION REFERRED

The SPEAKER. The Chair acknowledges receipt of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency's application for funds provided through the Drug Control and System Improvement Formula Grant Program. Pursuant to Title 42, United States Code Annotated, section 3753, I am referring this application to the House Judiciary Committee for its review.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the remaining resolutions on today's calendar will be passed over. The Chair hears no objection.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Does the Republican floor leader have any further business? Does the gentleman, Mr. Barley, have any further business? Does the gentleman, Mr. DeWeese, have any further business? Are there any further announcements, reports of committee, corrections of the record?

Hearing none, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh County, Mr. Browne.

Mr. BROWNE. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Tuesday, March 12, 1996, at 11:05 a.m., e.s.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?
Motion was agreed to, and at 4:45 p.m., e.s.t., the House adjourned.