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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

# THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (MATTHEW E. BAKER) PRESIDING

## **PRAYER**

REV. DR. WILLIAM STICKLEY, Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray:

Most gracious God, we come before You today in recognition that You alone are the source of all wisdom, all power; that You are the source and the goal of life itself. The members of this Assembly are the elected Representatives of this Commonwealth. Share with them a measure of Your wisdom, that the legislation they propose and the decisions they make will be of benefit not only to the well-to-do and powerful, but will reach out and serve most especially the chronically poor and the politically disenfranchised among us.

Remind these legislators at all times that they are the keepers of the public trust, the stewards of the public good, and as such they are to be the voice of the voiceless and the strength of those who have none of their own.

Guide the men and the women of this chamber in their every deliberation. And especially on this day, with immigration so much at the forefront of the national and local political agenda, open our hearts and our minds. Enable us all to move beyond the emotion of the moment, to see with new eyes the faces of the people and the issues of this day.

All these things we pray in Your most holy name. Amen.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

### JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Wednesday, April 26, 2006, will be postponed until printed.

# HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 2636** By Representatives ROBERTS, LEH, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN, SIPTROTH, STERN and TIGUE

An Act amending the act of May 22, 1933 (P.L.853, No.155), known as The General County Assessment Law, further providing for valuation of property.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2637** By Representatives DeLUCA, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, DeWEESE, FRANKEL, GRUCELA, JAMES, JOSEPHS, LaGROTTA, MELIO, MUNDY, PALLONE, PARKER, SHAPIRO, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act providing for the regulation of service contracts and for the powers and duties of the Insurance Commissioner.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, April 27, 2006.

No. 2638 By Representatives PETRI, BAKER, BARRAR, BEYER, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, CIVERA, CLYMER, FAIRCHILD, FRANKEL, GEIST, GINGRICH, GODSHALL. GOODMAN. GRELL. HARHART. HENNESSEY, HERSHEY, HESS, HUTCHINSON, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, KILLION, LEACH, LEDERER, MACKERETH. MANN, MARKOSEK, MARSICO. McILHATTAN, MUSTIO, O'NEILL, PALLONE, PAYNE, PETRARCA, PICKETT, REICHLEY, ROSS, RUBLEY, SCAVELLO, STERN, R. STEVENSON, E. Z. TAYLOR, J. TAYLOR, WALKO, YUDICHAK, SEMMEL, HARRIS, YOUNGBLOOD, SIPTROTH, TURZAI and HARPER

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for a long-term care tax credit.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 27, 2006.

No. 2639 By Representatives ROSS, BEBKO-JONES, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CAPPELLI, COHEN, CRAHALLA, DELUCA, FABRIZIO, GEIST, GINGRICH, GOODMAN, HERSHEY, HESS, JAMES, KOTIK, MARKOSEK, MILLARD, PALLONE, PARKER, PYLE, STERN, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, YOUNGBLOOD and WANSACZ

An Act amending the act of September 26, 1951 (P.L.1539, No.389), known as The Clinical Laboratory Act, providing for glomerular filtration rate testing.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2640** By Representatives HARHAI, BEBKO-JONES, BEYER, CALTAGIRONE, CRAHALLA, GEORGE, GRUCELA, LEACH, MARKOSEK, PALLONE, PETRARCA, RUBLEY, SAINATO, SIPTROTH, TANGRETTI, THOMAS and TIGUE

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for extraordinary growth supplements.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 27, 2006.

No. 2641 By Representatives WANSACZ, BELFANTI, CALTAGIRONE, GEORGE, BEBKO-JONES, BENNINGHOFF, BEYER, CAPPELLI, FABRIZIO, FREEMAN, GERGELY, GRUCELA, JAMES, KILLION, LEACH, MACKERETH, PALLONE, PISTELLA, SAINATO, SIPTROTH, SOLOBAY, STABACK, THOMAS, WATERS and YUDICHAK

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, further providing for medical assistance payments.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, April 27, 2006.

No. 2642 By Representatives ROEBUCK, BEYER, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, DeWEESE, FRANKEL, GRUCELA, HANNA, HERSHEY, JAMES, JOSEPHS, KOTIK, LEACH, LEDERER, MANN, McGEEHAN, MUNDY, SIPTROTH, STURLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, TIGUE, WALKO, YUDICHAK, YOUNGBLOOD, HARPER and PARKER

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 powers and duties of the board.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2643** By Representatives WHEATLEY, CALTAGIRONE, DERMODY, FRANKEL, JOSEPHS, KIRKLAND, PISTELLA, TANGRETTI, TIGUE, SIPTROTH, PARKER and JAMES

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further defining "hazardous routes" for purposes of pupil transportation.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2644** By Representatives STURLA, TRUE, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HICKERNELL, JOSEPHS, MANN, MUNDY, MYERS, PALLONE, SIPTROTH, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for investigation of reports of suspected child abuse by county agencies.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2645** By Representatives STURLA, TRUE, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HICKERNELL, JOSEPHS, MANN, MUNDY, MYERS, PALLONE, SIPTROTH, STABACK, TANGRETTI, TIGUE and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in provisions relating to child abuse of students in public and private schools, for reports of suspected child abuse by school employees, for duties of administrators and school employees, for investigation of such reports, for responsibilities of county agencies, for information in Statewide central register and for other related provisions.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2646** By Representatives STURLA, TRUE, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HICKERNELL, JOSEPHS, MANN, MUNDY, MYERS, PALLONE, SIPTROTH, STABACK, TANGRETTI and YOUNGBLOOD

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for release of information in confidential reports and for investigation of reports of suspected child abuse by county agencies.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

**No. 2647** By Representatives STURLA, TRUE, BISHOP, CALTAGIRONE, GERGELY, GOODMAN, HICKERNELL, JOSEPHS, MANN, MUNDY, MYERS, PALLONE, SIPTROTH, STABACK, TANGRETTI, YOUNGBLOOD and WANSACZ

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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

No. 2648 By Representatives TURZAI, BAKER, BALDWIN, BOYD, CALTAGIRONE, CAUSER, CLYMER, CRAHALLA, CREIGHTON, DENLINGER, GABIG, GILLESPIE, GINGRICH, HUTCHINSON, KAUFFMAN, MARSICO, McILHATTAN, METCALFE, R. MILLER, NAILOR, PETRARCA, REED, REICHLEY, ROHRER, ROSS, RUBLEY, SCHRODER, STERN, R. STEVENSON, T. STEVENSON, TANGRETTI, TRUE, WILT, HARRIS, PISTELLA, E. Z. TAYLOR, DALLY and PYLE

An Act amending Title 4 (Amusements) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, deleting provisions relating to supplier licenses.

Referred to Committee on TOURISM AND RECREATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, April 27, 2006.

# SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 214, PN 206

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

SB 1069, PN 1714

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 27, 2006.

## **BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE**

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move the following bills be taken from the table: HB 2627 and SB 999.

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

#### 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 2627, PN 3958; and SB 999, PN 1327.

## **BILLS RECOMMITTED**

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move the following bills be recommitted to the Appropriations Committee: HB 2627 and SB 999.

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

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Are there requests for leaves of absence? The Chair recognizes the majority whip, who moves for a leave of absence for the day for the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. GANNON. Without objection, the leave of absence is granted.

The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the day for the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. ROEBUCK; the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Mr. EVANS; and for the week, the gentlelady from Erie County, Ms. BEBKO-JONES; the

gentleman for the day from Philadelphia County, Mr. CRUZ; and the gentleman for the day from Philadelphia County, Mr. RIEGER. Without objection, the leaves of absence are granted.

# BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

**HB 2542, PN 4003** (Amended)

By Rep. HASAY

An Act amending Title 13 (Commercial Code) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in secured transactions, for effectiveness of actions prior to amendment and for continued effectiveness of financing statements.

COMMERCE.

#### **BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE**

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 2542 be removed from the table.

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

## **BILL RECOMMITTED**

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 2542 be recommitted to the Appropriations Committee.

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

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to leaves of absence and recognizes the minority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the gentleman, Mr. STETLER. Without objection, the leave of absence is granted.

## **GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair welcomes Gary Birks and Greg Albright, who are the guests of Representative Julie Harhart, and they are located to the left of the Speaker. Please rise and be recognized.

# MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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#### PRESENT-195

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Scavello
Bastian	George	McGill	Schroder
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Siptroth
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Good	Micozzie	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Petrone	Turzai
Crahalla	James	Phillips	Veon
Creighton	Josephs	Pickett	Vitali
Curry	Kauffman	Pistella	Walko
Daley	Keller, M.	Preston	Wansacz
Dally	Keller, W.	Pyle	Waters
Dally DeLuca		•	Watson
	Kenney Killion	Quigley	
Denlinger	Kirkland	Ramaley	Wheatley
Dermody		Rapp	Williams
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	
Fairchild	Maher	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker

#### ADDITIONS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones Evans, D. Rieger Stetler Cruz Gannon Roebuck

## LEAVES ADDED-13

Bishop	James	Manderino	Sabatina
Civera	Keller, W.	Myers	Waters
Cohen	Maher	Oliver	Youngblood
Fairchild			-

# CUMBERLAND VALLEY CHEERLEADING SQUADS PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair at this time recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Grell, for a citation presentation.

Members, please kindly take your seats. Members, please take your seats. Staff, please be seated.

The gentleman may proceed when he is ready.

Mr. GRELL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Thank you for this opportunity.

The residents of the Cumberland Valley School District know that they have a lot to cheer about, and today we recognize a very large group of young ladies who know how to do the cheering. I am pleased to honor not one, not two, not three, not four, but five cheerleading squads from the Cumberland Valley School District, all of whom captured State championships this year.

Joining me at the rostrum today are two coaches – Kristi Shaffner, the varsity coach; Michele Sauve, the junior varsity coach – and some cheerleaders who are also coaches: Katie Sokoloski, Carolyn White, Christine White, and Lindsay Wargo.

These girls represent the five groups that won State championships. They also have many other honors and distinctions, but for purposes of today, we are recognizing them for their State championships, and if we can greet these young ladies and congratulate them on their accomplishments. They are also in the back of the chamber and taking up, I believe, all of the gallery. So please join me in congratulating them.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and congratulates the ladies.

#### NIKKO LEITZEL PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair at this time would like to recognize the gentleman, Mr. Surra, for the presentation of two citations. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. SURRA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor and privilege today to be here to recognize a young man that I have watched from a young wrestler, in the early days, in the Junior Olympic Program, and as he has grown and wrestled for a very renowned, revered wrestling program, who this year joined the elite with over 500 wins as a team, and that is the Ridgway Elkers. We are very proud of them in this area, and we are very proud of Nikko Leitzel, who stands behind me today with his father, Jaime; a very strong wrestling family, who is coached by an assistant coach, his uncle, Rick, and head coach, Gary Gerber.

Nikko had an amazing record of 40 wins and no losses to stand at the top of the podium at Hershey as a 130-pound State wrestling champion in AA in Pennsylvania. So without further ado, the Pennsylvania House of Representatives is always pleased to recognize the outstanding achievements realized by the youth of this nation in a spirit of personal sacrifice, commitment to a common goal and unity of purpose. Whereas, Nikko Leitzel, a student at Ridgway Area High School, is being honored upon capturing the 2005-2006 PIAA State Class AA Individual Wrestling Championship at 130 pounds. A superb athlete, Nikko truly deserves recognition and praise for using his exceptional ability with diligence and for his tenacious pursuit of athletic excellence.

Now therefore, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania extends hearty congratulations to Nikko Leitzel upon his most noteworthy achievements; acknowledges his investment of skill and effort in competing on a level which demands perfection; offers best wishes for continued success in all future endeavors.

Nikko is a junior, and hopefully we can have him again next year. So I would appreciate your giving Nikko and his father, Jaime, a big round of applause.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# ELK COUNTY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Surra, has a second citation presentation and may proceed.

Mr. SURRA. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

And I am honored doubly today, and this school represents my alma mater. And you talk about a team that captured and excited the entire region, it was the Elk County Catholic Crusaders in their quest for their first and hopefully not their last State championship. They have traditionally been a very, very powerful program and have continued to dominate District IX from A, AA, AAA, and AAAA championships, although in the post season they play in the AA. This year they had a tremendous run, ending up with a 33-and-0 unblemished record and beating the Golden Lancers from Bishop Hannan, 71-61.

Coach Straub has been very, very close with his teams, and they have been to the western semis eight times, and on two occasions they were to the western finals and lost to the teams that went on to be State champions, but this year Coach Straub put it all together with a fine group of young men and they brought home the gold, making the entire area proud.

And I just want to quickly mention, behind me here we have Coach Straub, and I want to mention all the members of the team, and if you want to stand when I mention your name: Dan Scutella; Kyle Mahoney; Kevin Genevro, behind me; Brad Meholic; Andy Olson; Jesse Bosnik; behind me, Jim Higgins; Ray Jablonski; Josh Salter; Matt Fritz; J. D. Detsch; Kiel Nissel; Tony Lecker; and E. J. Crowe. We have a lot of juniors, and hopefully they will be back again next year.

But if the gentlemen in the back could please rise, the rest of the team, and if you would join me in welcoming them all to Harrisburg today with a big, big round of applause, the Elk County Catholic High School Class A Champions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair congratulates the team and thanks the gentleman.

## PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair at this time recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Semmel, for citation presentations. The gentleman, Mr. Semmel, is joined by Representatives Reichley, Harhart, and Mann, and the gentleman, Mr. Semmel, may proceed when he is ready.

Mr. SEMMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It gives me great pleasure to present the Parkland High School Lady Trojans.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman suspend.

The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. SEMMEL. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It gives me great pleasure to introduce the Parkland High School Lady Trojans, who won their first Lehigh Valley Conference Championship this year. It made history by becoming the first District XI AAAA basketball team, boys or girls, to win a PIAA State title. Parkland, 31 and 3, fell behind early in three of its previous four State playoff games. However, after a nail-biting overtime victory over Oakland Catholic, 49 to 47, they went on to defeat Council Rock North in the State finals at Hershey Park Giant Center, 54 to 40. I think the media aptly indicated this team was a team of destiny with the motto, "We are never going to die."

Joining me are the senior captains behind me: Ashley Zuber; Laura Baranek; and their coach, Patti Heffner. And now briefly as part of the citation, we again commend them as the first District XI Class AAAA boys or girls basketball team to win a PIAA State class quad title.

The team members, we have indicated, head coach Patti Heffner and assistant coaches Ed Neidermeier, Megan Carmosky, Jay Kichline, Eric Gopen, and Maureen Welsh. The team is comprised of Ashley Zuber, Amanda Wolf, Hannah Tizio, Ashley Yencho, Amy Heffner, Taylor, Casey Meredith Decker, Hoffman, Morgan Erin Anthony, Paloma Newton-Russell, Laura Baranek, Lianna Herring, and Ashleigh Williams. Also providing that essential support were the superintendent, Dr. Louise Donohue; Richard Sniscak, principal; Michael Dobil, athletic director; Jamie Scalise, trainer; and Tom Olson, scorekeeper. Congratulations, ladies.

Would the remaining team members stand in the back.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair congratulates the team and thanks the gentleman.

# PARKLAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM PRESENTED

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman, Mr. Reichley, when he is ready, may proceed. He has a citation presentation.

Members, would you kindly take your seats.

Mr. REICHLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

It is with very understandable and justifiable pride that I am joined today by my colleagues Representative Semmel, Representative Harhart, and Representative Mann in that we have brought to you the Parkland High School Girls Swimming and Diving Team, which won the Girls Class AA Team Rankings State Swimming and Diving Championships this past year. Now, the four of us obviously were just here representing the girls basketball team, which won their championship as well at the State level. I have the unique situation of being able to represent the school district who won the boys AA championship from Emmaus and now the girls AA championship from Parkland.

We are joined up here today as well by the team captains, Dana Gimbor, Dana Reis, Linzi Wotring, along with coach Erik Posegay. And just to let the members know of the

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outstanding accomplishments of the Parkland Girls Swimming and Diving Team, in the finals they accumulated a total of 246 points, and the following swim team and diving members reached personal achievement levels: Lauren Ely was a gold medalist in both the 200-meter free relay and the 400 free relay; Meghan Lewis was a gold medalist in the 200 medley relay, the 200 free relay, the 400 free relay; Jaime Malandra was a gold medalist in the 200 free relay, the 400 free relay, a silver medalist in the 200 free, and a bronze medalist in the 500 free; Chay Malvasio was a silver medalist in 1-meter diving competition; Kayla Posocco was a gold medalist in the 200 medley relay; and Katelyn Stephens, the daughter of an old friend of mine from the Allentown Police Department, Jim Stephens, was a gold medalist in the 200 medley relay, the 200 relay, the 400 free relay; and Caitlin Zajko was a gold medalist in the 200 medley relay.

If the team would stand and be recognized by the entire House so we can all congratulate them. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair congratulates the team and thanks the gentleman.

#### **GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Please welcome as guests of Representative Mario Scavello the fourth grade choir from Notre Dame Elementary School, located in the 176th Legislative District. This talented group gave a fine performance in the Main Capitol Rotunda today. Along with the choir, please welcome Notre Dame Elementary School principal Sister Mary Alice Kane, Sister Saint Williams, music teacher Susan Wilkens, fourth grade teachers Candise Cordero and Diane Quintiliani, and parents of the students. All guests are seated in the gallery. Please rise and be recognized.

#### **CALENDAR**

## **RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Mrs. TAYLOR called up HR 606, PN 3609, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 6 through 12, 2006, as "Nurses Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

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Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Scavello
Bastian	George	McGill	Schroder
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Siptroth
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, B.

Birmelin	Good	Micozzie	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Petrone	Turzai
Crahalla	James	Phillips	Veon
Creighton	Josephs	Pickett	Vitali
Curry	Kauffman	Pistella	Walko
Daley	Keller, M.	Preston	Wansacz
Dally	Keller, W.	Pyle	Waters
DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Watson
Denlinger	Killion	Ramaley	Wheatley
Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Williams
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	
Fairchild	Maher	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker
Fichter			

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#### NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

# EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Rieger	Stetler
Cruz	Gannon	Roebuck	

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

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## Mr. ARGALL called up HR 680, PN 3786, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 27 through June 4, 2006, as "Pennsylvania Hiking Week."

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather

Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
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Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Siptroth
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Good	Micozzie	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Petrone	Turzai
Crahalla	James	Phillips	Veon
Creighton	Josephs	Pickett	Vitali
Curry	Kauffman	Pistella	Walko
Daley	Keller, M.	Preston	Wansacz
Dally	Keller, W.	Pyle	Waters
DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Watson
Denlinger	Killion	Ramaley	Wheatley
Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Williams
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	245
Fairchild	Maher	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker
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## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones Evans, D. Rieger Stetler Cruz Gannon Roebuck

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

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## Mr. MARSICO called up HR 706, PN 3887, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing April 28, 2006, as "Arbor Day"; promoting public participation in the celebration; and further recognizing the value of trees to our environment.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-195

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Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Scavello
Bastian	George	McGill	Schroder
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
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Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
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Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
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DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Watson
Denlinger	Killion	Ramaley	Wheatley
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DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	-
Fairchild	Maher	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker
Fichter		-	-

## NAYS-0

# NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones Evans, D. Rieger Stetler Cruz Gannon Roebuck

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

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## Mr. BELARDI called up HR 707, PN 3888, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 12, 2006, as "Barrier Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Scavello
Bastian	George	McGill	Schroder
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Siptroth
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, B.
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Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
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Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Petrone	Turzai
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Creighton	Josephs	Pickett	Vitali
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DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Watson
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Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Williams
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
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Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Youngblood
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Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
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Fairchild	Maher Maitland	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker

#### NAYS-0

# NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones Evans, D. Rieger Stetler Cruz Gannon Roebuck

Fichter

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

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# Mr. HERMAN called up HR 731, PN 3951, entitled:

A Resolution designating May 12, 2006, as "Fibromyalgia Awareness Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-195

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sabatina
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Sainato
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Samuelson
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Santoni
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Sather
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Saylor
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Scavello
Bastian	George	McGill	Schroder
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Semmel
Belfanti	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gillespie	McNaughton	Shapiro
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Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Miller, S.	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mundy	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Mustio	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Myers	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	Nailor	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hennessey	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Herman	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Hershey	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Petri	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Petrone	Turzai
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Creighton	Josephs	Pickett	Vitali
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Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Williams
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Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	D 1
Fairchild	Maher	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maitland	Ruffing	Speaker
Fichter			

NAYS-0

NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-7

Bebko-Jones Evans, D. Rieger Stetler Cruz Gannon Roebuck

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

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair returns to leaves of absence, and the minority whip requests a leave of absence for the gentleman, Mr. MYERS, for the remainder of the day. Without objection, the leave of absence is granted.

#### **RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Mr. WOJNAROSKI called up HR 737, PN 3968, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 22 through 26, 2006, as "Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-194

Adolph	Fichter	Maitland	Sabatina
Allen	Fleagle	Major	Sainato
Argall	Flick	Manderino	Samuelson
Armstrong	Forcier	Mann	Santoni
Baker	Frankel	Markosek	Sather
Baldwin	Freeman	Marsico	Saylor
Barrar	Gabig	McCall	Scavello
Bastian	Geist	McGeehan	Schroder
Belardi	George	McGill	Semmel
Belfanti	Gerber	McIlhattan	Shaner
Benninghoff	Gergely	McIlhinney	Shapiro
Beyer	Gillespie	McNaughton	Siptroth
Biancucci	Gingrich	Melio	Smith, B.
Birmelin	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, S. H.
Bishop	Good	Micozzie	Solobay
Blackwell	Goodman	Millard	Sonney
Blaum	Grell	Miller, R.	Staback
Boyd	Grucela	Miller, S.	Stairs
Bunt	Gruitza	Mundy	Steil
Buxton	Haluska	Mustio	Stern
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Cappelli	Harhai	Nickol	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harhart	O'Brien	Sturla
Causer	Harper	Oliver	Surra
Cawley	Harris	O'Neill	Tangretti
Civera	Hasay	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Hennessey	Parker	Taylor, J.
Cohen	Herman	Payne	Thomas
Cornell	Hershey	Petrarca	Tigue
Corrigan	Hess	Petri	True
Costa	Hickernell	Petrone	Turzai
Crahalla	Hutchinson	Phillips	Veon
Creighton	James	Pickett	Vitali
Curry	Josephs	Pistella	Walko
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Dally	Keller, M.	Pyle	Waters
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Denlinger	Kenney	Ramaley	Wheatley
Dermody	Killion	Rapp	Williams

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Donatucci	Leach	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Lederer	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Leh	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Lescovitz	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Levdansky	Ross	
Fairchild	Mackereth	Rubley	Perzel,
Feese	Maher	Ruffing	Speaker

#### NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-8

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Myers	Roebuck
Cruz	Gannon	Rieger	Stetler

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

#### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

## **RESOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 35**

Mr. VITALI called up HR 741, PN 3988, entitled:

A Resolution urging the President and Congress of the United States to take immediate action in assisting with the peacekeeping mission and efforts to resolve the conflict in the Darfur region of Sudan.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, is recognized.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

This resolution concerns the humanitarian crisis now taking place in Darfur. Mr. Speaker, what this resolution does is it urges the President of the United States and Congress to provide immediate assistance to the African Union currently in charge of protecting the citizens of that region. It also urges the United States to encourage, as soon as possible, a peacekeeping force of the United Nations, because the African Union is wholly inadequate to do this job. It also urges the President of the United States to send more humanitarian aid to this troubled region and also urges the United States to push for a finalization of this peacekeeping process.

Mr. Speaker, the United Nations has called Darfur the worst humanitarian crisis in the world today. The United States government has called the situation in Darfur genocide. Mr. Speaker, Darfur is a region in the western part of Sudan, about the size of Texas, and since about 2003 it is estimated that between 100,000 and 400,000 people have died as the result of either genocide or enforced starvation.

Mr. Speaker, right now, right now, Mr. Speaker, there are an estimated 3.5 million people on life support. Let me say that again, Mr. Speaker, because this is the worst situation happening in the world today. There are 3.5 million people

currently on life support. Mr. Speaker, if this life support system – which is teetering on the brink of collapse – fails, it is estimated that 100,000 people per month could die. I will repeat that. One hundred thousand people per month could die.

Mr. Speaker, you have a very serious situation transpiring. You have the government of Sudan, which essentially has contracted with an Arab militia known as Janjawid, who are systematically raping, murdering, mutilating the non-Arab population of the Darfur region.

Mr. Speaker, this situation has recently been made worse, Mr. Speaker. Just this past Friday the United Nations announced that they must cut food supplies to this starving region from 2,100 calories per month, which is considered the subsistence level, to 1,050 calories. Mr. Speaker, you have a situation where people day by day are dying, being raped, being mutilated, and are starving to death.

Mr. Speaker, the government of the United States must do more, and that is why I ask for your support of this resolution. Thank you.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Argall, the majority whip, who requests a leave of absence for the gentleman, Mr. CIVERA, from Delaware County. Without objection, the leave of absence is granted.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF HR 741 CONTINUED**

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

The following roll call was recorded:

## YEAS-193

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sainato
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Samuelson
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Santoni
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Sather
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Saylor
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Scavello
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Schroder
Bastian	George	McGill	Semmel
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Shaner
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Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Smith, B.
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Good	Micozzie	Solobay
Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Sonney
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Cohen	Herman	Payne	Thomas
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DeWeese	Kirkland	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	Kotik	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	LaGrotta	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Leach	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Lederer	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Leh	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Lescovitz	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Levdansky	Ross	
Fairchild	Mackereth	Rubley	
Feese	Maher	Ruffing	Perzel,
Fichter	Maitland	Sabatina	Speaker

#### NAYS-0

#### NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-9

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Myers	Roebuck
Civera	Gannon	Rieger	Stetler
Cruz			

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

# THE SPEAKER (JOHN M. PERZEL) PRESIDING

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Mr. HASAY called up HR 742, PN 3989, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of May 2006 as "Community Action Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The following roll call was recorded:

Adolph	Fleagle	Major	Sainato
Allen	Flick	Manderino	Samuelson
Argall	Forcier	Mann	Santoni
Armstrong	Frankel	Markosek	Sather
Baker	Freeman	Marsico	Saylor
Baldwin	Gabig	McCall	Scavello
Barrar	Geist	McGeehan	Schroder
Bastian	George	McGill	Semmel
Belardi	Gerber	McIlhattan	Shaner
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Beyer	Gingrich	Melio	Smith, B.
Biancucci	Godshall	Metcalfe	Smith, S. H.
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Bishop	Goodman	Millard	Sonney
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Cappelli	Harhart	O'Brien	Sturla
Casorio	Harper	Oliver	Surra
Causer	Harris	O'Neill	Tangretti
Cawley	Hasay	Pallone	Taylor, E. Z.
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Cohen	Herman	Payne	Thomas
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Corrigan	Hess	Petri	True
Costa	Hickernell	Petrone	Turzai
Crahalla	Hutchinson	Phillips	Veon
Creighton	James	Pickett	Vitali
Curry	Josephs	Pistella	Walko
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Dally	Keller, M.	Pyle	Waters
DeLuca	Keller, W.	Quigley	Watson
Denlinger	Kenney	Ramaley	Wheatley
Dermody	Killion	Rapp	Williams
DeWeese	Kirkland	Raymond	Wilt
DiGirolamo	Kotik	Readshaw	Wojnaroski
Diven	LaGrotta	Reed	Wright
Donatucci	Leach	Reichley	Yewcic
Eachus	Lederer	Roberts	Youngblood
Ellis	Leh	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Lescovitz	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Levdansky	Ross	C
Fairchild	Mackereth	Rubley	
Feese	Maher	Ruffing	Perzel,
Fichter	Maitland	Sabatina	Speaker
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## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-9

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Myers	Roebuck
Civera	Gannon	Rieger	Stetler
Cruz		-	

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

## MISS PENNSYLVANIA 2005 PRESENTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair at this time would like to introduce a very special guest with us today, Miss Pennsylvania 2005, Nicole Brewer. Ms. Brewer, would you please stand and be recognized.

Accompanying Ms. Brewer are Brad Smith, State coordinator for Big Brothers and Big Sisters; and Denise McCann, president of Big Brothers Big Sisters. Mr. Smith and Ms. McCann, would you please stand to be recognized by the House.

Miss Pennsylvania 2005, Nicole Brewer.

Ms. BREWER. Good afternoon.

For the past 10 months, it has been my great honor to represent Big Brothers Big Sisters, first and foremost as their statewide recruitment chairperson across the State and now most recently in this legislation process for a \$5 million grant to institute school-based mentoring across Pennsylvania.

The one thing I have learned in the past 10 months as being Miss Pennsylvania is that as Nicole Brewer, I could only do so much, but as Miss Pennsylvania, with this title, I have been

afforded so many opportunities to do so much more. I have used this title to really stress the importance of not only having a mentor in our lives but also being that mentor. While I am a spokesperson and somewhat of a figurehead for Big Brothers Big Sisters, I want you all to know that I stand here today first and foremost as a person, someone who knows this program inside and out, a volunteer who has been personally benefited from the programs offered and someone who has seen the results firsthand.

I began my Big Brothers Big Sisters work about 3 years ago, not as Miss Pennsylvania, not even as a pageant contestant, but as Nicole Brewer. I have a Little Sister in the program. Her name is Kendra, and when I first met Kendra, she was painfully shy. In fact, if she uttered two words, I was more than surprised. She had trouble making friends. She did not like school. Overall she was just very self-conscious. In the past 3 years of being her Big Sister and her mentor, I have seen such a stride in the progression that she has made personally and through our relationship. She now loves school. She has a solid group of friends, and to be quite honest, I cannot get her to stop talking. She will not shut up. So those two words that she barely uttered have now become full-flowing conversations between her and me, but to think that I played a small part in this transition, in this personal growth on behalf of Kendra, is amazing. To think that anyone could change someone's life and effect change in that way is truly remarkable.

The results of Littles in the program are not uncommon. Kendra's case is no longer just an isolated one. These statistics speak for themselves, and I know you have heard them a thousand times, so I will not waste time on that, but I am here to tell you that I have learned that even the world's best nonprofit, the world's best mission cannot survive without adequate funding. That is why we are here today. We are actually proposing a \$5 million grant for school-based mentoring across the State of Pennsylvania. What I have learned of that, the school-based mentoring initiative is the most cost-effective way to touch as many youths as we can in an amount of time that we have.

Five million dollars may seem like a lofty request to some of you, but as I end here and as I challenge you to make this decision, I want you to think about that person in your life, that mentor that you had, maybe someone who shaped who you are today, and then I want you to think about where you would be without them; what would your world be like if you did not have a mentor. So please consider that while making your decision, whether to support Big Brothers Big Sisters, and please vote your support for our kids.

Thank you so much.

## ISRAELI DELEGATION INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. The Chair is pleased to introduce three very special guests with us here today. Through the U.S. State Department program for elected officials, they come all the way from Israel, so it is especially important that we make them feel extremely welcomed. These three women are committee directors for the Israeli Knesset, and we are pleased that they have taken the time to visit us here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Ladies, if you would please stand when I call your name. Ms. Dalit Azulay is the director of the Knesset Committee on the status of women; Ms. Hana Freidin is the director of the Knesset State Comptroller Committee; and Ms. Judith Gidali is the director of Education, Culture, and Sports Committee.

I speak on behalf of the Pennsylvania General Assembly when I say welcome to Pennsylvania and welcome to the General Assembly. I hope you enjoy your time here.

#### APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Feese, for the purpose of an announcement.

Mr. FEESE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, at the declaration of recess, there will be an immediate meeting of the House Appropriations Committee in the Appropriations conference room.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. There will be an immediate House Appropriations Committee meeting at the recess in the conference room.

## STATEMENT BY MR. FLICK

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

Mr. FLICK. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Under unanimous consent, I would like to thank those of my colleagues who came to the Keystone State Games awards reception this morning. We had with us from throughout the Commonwealth 10 young men and women who excelled not only in sports but in scholastics and in community involvement, and we also recognize the Kelly Cup award winner and the Outstanding Sports Leader Award.

I would like to submit for the record the names of these award recipients and background information concerning each of them, if I might.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman. The gentleman's remarks will be spread across the record.

#### REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

Mr. FLICK submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

#### LAUREL HIGHLANDS - MEGAN LAMENS

Our first award recipient is a volleyball player who was 17 years old at the time of competition and is currently a senior at Berlin Brothers Valley High School.

In the 2005 games no individual stats were kept in volleyball, so this young lady's individual accomplishments are undocumented. Her team went undefeated in the 18-and-under female division of pool play, the only team to do so. In the playoffs the team won two close games to take the quarterfinal match and then won two lopsided games to take the semifinal match. The team won the first game of the championship match but then dropped a close second game and then lost the overtime tie-breaking third game to come away with the silver medal. For her noteworthy play, she was selected the Outstanding Female Athlete in Volleyball. Her teammates nominated her team captain, and as such, this young woman took it upon herself to motivate teammates and mentally stabilize the team in tough times.

In 2003 she led her 16-and-under team to an undefeated record and the gold medal.

In ninth grade this young lady played varsity volleyball and lettered. In 10th grade her team won the EC Championship. She was Honorable Mention All-State, 1st team All-District, 1st team All-County, and District 5 and county MVP (most valuable player). In 11th grade her team again won the EC Championship, and she was 1st team All-District, 1st team All-County, and 2d team All-State. In her senior year, after the 2005 games, she led her team to its third conference title, was 1st team All-District and All-County, a member of the Somerset County All-Stars, and was an All-State selection. For her high school career, she had the most kills, 1,120, and led the team in kills and blocks for 3 consecutive years. As an added treat, at the 2005 Juniata summer camp, she had the opportunity to play with the Penn State team. She is currently playing on a traveling Junior Olympic team that is second out of 75 teams in the Ohio Valley region.

This young woman is on the High Honor Roll and is a member of the National Honor Society, a member of the National Honor Roll, Who's Who Among American High School Students, and president of Teens Against Tobacco Use. She assists her school district in Head Start, is a member of her church's youth group, and a lector. As a write-in candidate, she won the title of governor at Keystone Girls State, representing Somerset County American Legion Auxiliary. Besides being captain of the volleyball team, she is also captain of the track team. In the 2005 PIAA Championships, she placed seventh in the long jump. In both the 2004 and 2005 district meets, she won the javelin and triple jump. This past year she was homecoming queen, a member of SHO, French Club, Sign Language Club, and SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions). She is a mentor-tutor for a mute child in kindergarten with sign language. She is a member of the student council and a cast member in the school musical, "Hello Dolly." This young lady will head to Juniata College in the fall and continue playing volleyball.

The Laurel Highlands Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Schellsburg, Megan Lamens.

# AT LARGE – ANDREW STEFFEN

Our second award recipient is a soccer player who was 17 years old at the time of competition and is currently a senior at Red Land High School.

In the 2005 games this young man scored at least one goal in each game except one and put two in the net in the scholastic male gold medal game for a 2-0 victory. His consistent and notable performance earned him the Outstanding Male Athlete in Soccer Award. He is known for playing with a great desire at both ends of the field. He gives his coach much credit for bringing the athletes together as a team.

This was this young man's first year of participation in the games.

In the 2004 high school soccer season, he was on the Mid-Penn Conference All-Star Team as a forward-midfielder, tied for the scoring lead, was a Big 11 Honorable Mention, and the offensive MVP on his high school team. He was a select player in the Central Pennsylvania Youth Soccer League from 1994 through 2002. He won Indoor and Outdoor State Cups as a member of the Red Land Soccer Club Piranhas. He missed the 2003 high school soccer season with a broken arm. Since the 2005 games he made the Big 11 Patriot-News 3d team and the Mid-Penn Commonwealth Division 2d team. He was named the offensive MVP and received the Scholar Athlete Award at his high school. He played on the West Shore Stealth Premier Team. He has been recruited to play soccer at Juniata College.

This young man is on the Distinguished Honor Roll, a member of the National Honor Society, and ranks 62 in a class of 362 through his junior year. As an eighth grader on the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth testing, he scored with highest distinction in the verbal testing. He is on the school newspaper staff and has won scholastic writing awards for 2 years and earned the Student Athlete Award for

3 years. He is an orchestra cellist, a Latin Club member, and elected class treasurer for the fourth straight year. He has participated in The Student in Government Seminar at Harrisburg Area Community College from 2003 to present. He works as a trainer for a youth soccer club and soccer camps. He has participated in MS (multiple sclerosis) walks and cancer fundraisers. He is active as a youth in his church administration and elected a youth elder. He has performed mission work in West Virginia, Massachusetts, and Texas and in July of this year will go on a mission trip to Chicago. He also competes in rugby and is a fullback on the undefeated league champions West Shore Rugby Team.

An At Large Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Lewisberry, Andrew "Drew" Steffen.

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## LEHIGH VALLEY - JESSICA WERLEY

Our next award recipient is a field hockey player who was 17 years old at the time of competition and is currently a senior at Emmaus High School.

In the 2005 games this young woman led her scholastic team to an undefeated pool play record with the team scoring 10 goals and giving up but 1 and winning the gold medal games with a 3-1 victory. She was a very versatile participant playing offense, midfield, and defense, or wherever she was needed. For her overall play and versatility to play nearly all positions, she was selected the Outstanding Athlete in Field Hockey.

In the 2005 winter games, her team won a silver medal, and in the summer and winter games of '02, '03, and '04, her teams won three bronze medals

This young lady was a Futures participant from 2002 through 2006. She was 1st team All-State in both '04 and '05, Regional All-American in '05, and 1st team All-American in '05. She played in the Canadian-American Tour in '05; Junior Olympics '04; National Indoor Tournament '02 through '06, with a gold medal in '02; National Hockey Festival '02 through '05; and the National Futures Tournament '03 through '06, with gold medals in '04 and '05. Her high school team was PIAA AAA State runner-up in 2002 and State champions in both 2004 and 2005. In the '05 season she scored 30 goals, had 21 assists, and was named the MVP of that State champion team. She has been awarded a full scholarship to play field hockey at Iowa University.

This young woman is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, volunteers her time at a local soup kitchen, and coaches a team in the Little Kids Hockey League.

The Lehigh Valley Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Allentown, Jessica Werley.

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#### NITTANY - EMILY RIDDLE

Our next award recipient is a golfer who was 15 years old at the time of the competition and is currently a sophomore at Elk County Catholic High School.

In the 2005 games this young woman won three gold medals in the team format scholastic female division. The team golf competition was new last year, and medals were awarded for each day's play – best ball, scramble, and stroke – and for overall score. She combined with her partner to shoot a 78 in opening day scramble event, a 75 in the best ball event on the second day, and wound up the tournament by firing an 80 on the last day's individual stroke play. Her most memorable shot was when she drove the green on the 285-yard dogleg, 16th hole, one of the most difficult on the Heritage Hills Course. For her sterling play, she was named the Outstanding Athlete in Team Golf.

This young lady was teamed with a 13-year-old who struggled much of the competition. She befriended the younger girl and helped her have an enjoyable experience. Several parents and competitors communicated to the sport leader that they were impressed with her as a golfer and young woman.

This was our winner's first year in the games.

This young woman was the first female to win a Penn York Junior Golf Tournament since it started 25 years ago. She did it in 2001 and has accomplished the feat three more times. She has won many Northeast Junior Golf Tour events. In 2004 she placed 3d at the Northeast Junior Golf Tour Championship and as a freshman in high school placed 2d at the PIAA district meet and placed 24th at the State meet. Since the 2005 games she placed second in the Girls Northeast Junior Golf Tour Championship Tournament. Since her school does not have a girls team, she plays golf on the boys team, which went undefeated, and she won the team MVP Award. At the District 9 golf tournament, she shot a 75 to win the girls title by 16 strokes. She followed that up with a PIAA State title, when she fired a 79 on the same course she played in the Keystone State Games.

This young woman had a 98.87 GPA (grade point average) for her freshman year. She received the National Educational Development Test Award; is a member of the high school drama, ski, and racquetball clubs, and in addition to the golf team, is a member of the softball team, which won their district title and advanced to State play last year. She is currently playing softball with hopes of the team advancing further this year.

The Nittany Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from St. Marys, Emily Riddle.

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#### DELAWARE VALLEY - MARY DEAN

Our next award recipient is a lacrosse player who was 16 years old at the time of competition and is currently a junior at Cheltenham High School.

In the 2005 games this young lady led her team to a gold medal, was chosen by her team as their outstanding player, and for her performance, she was selected the Outstanding Female Athlete in lacrosse. Her attitude is always a positive influence on her teammates.

In the 2004 games this young woman helped her team win a bronze medal.

In high school as a freshman, this young lady earned All-League Honorable Mention and as a sophomore 1st team All-League. At the Star Spangled Tournament, she was named to the All-Tournament Team. She scored her 100th career goal during her sophomore season. Even with her prolific scoring, her high school coach says she is probably a better passer than scorer. She plays with a Philadelphia area club team which competes in the Galaxy League composed of club teams from at least six States. She achieved a 2d team All-Galaxy League honor. She attended lacrosse official clinics and has recently been certified a youth lacrosse referee and plans to become more involved with youth in the area.

This young woman is involved with volunteer groups helping underprivileged children, AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) victims, and youth clubs. She ran a fundraiser and collected money for the U.S. Lacrosse Bridge Program, an organization that helps diversify the lacrosse program by funding programs in underprivileged areas, and she is hoping to establish the event as an annual fundraiser at her high school. She has baked pies for MANNA, an organization which helps AIDS victims. She worked at a summer camp called Lifeseeds as a lacrosse counselor. She also volunteers at Festivals by running games. She also plays field hockey and made 2d team All-League in both her sophomore and junior years.

The Delaware Valley Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Wyncote, Mary Dean.

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#### ALLEGHENY - ANNE OPASKA

The next award recipient is a swimmer who was 14 years old at the time of competition and is currently a homeschooled ninth grader.

In the 2005 games this young woman competed in the age 13-14 female division and took a gold medal in the 100 breast stroke and silver medals in the 50 free, 200 free, and 500 free. For her efforts, she was named the Outstanding Female Athlete in Swimming. She is known to be someone who cheers on other swimmers, congratulates a good performance, whether it is a teammate or the competition, and after her swimming performance went to bowling and cheered on senior bowlers.

This young lady has participated in the Keystone State Games for 8 years. She is the current KSG record holder in the 11-12 age division for both the 50 free and the 200 IM (individual medley), both set in 2003. In that year she also won the 100 IM and won a silver medal in the 100 backstroke.

In her sport she has made the AMS (Allegheny Mountain Swimming) All-Star Zone Team from 2003 through 2005. She has been on the AMS top 16 list for 6 years starting in 2000. She was a YMCA Pennsylvania State finalist from 2000 through 2004. She also coached a club team of younger swimmers. After the 2005 games she took some time off from swimming.

In early March of 2006, she won the 15-18 breaststroke championship at the Allegheny Mountain Age Group Championship Meet at Trees Pool on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh. She finished second in the 100 backstroke, with personal best times in both events. Her finish in the backstroke earned her an invite in mid-March to the U.S. Swimming Eastern Sectional Meet, southern division, at the U.S. Naval Academy, where competitors were from six States. She made the finals in the event. On March 30-April 1, she competed at the U.S. Swimming Eastern Zone Meet at the Nassau County Aquatic Center on Long Island. She was selected, cocaptain of the team and rung up her best times in the 200 backstroke, 1650 free, and 50 free.

Academically this young lady is an outstanding student in C-MITES (Carnegie Mellon Institute for Talented Elementary and Secondary Students) CalcuSolve class and won the National Science Olympiad at her school in 2000 and 2002. She finished in the top 5 percent in the country for the C-MITES explorer test. She scored 95 percent on the National Achievement Test administered to all eighth graders in the U.S.

The Allegheny Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Pittsburgh, Anne Opaska.

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BLUE MOUNTAIN – TOMMY MEYER

Our next Athletic Award of Honor recipient is a tennis player who was 15 years old at the time of competition and is currently a sophomore at Conrad Weiser High School.

This young man won the gold medal in the boys 18 singles when just 15 and teamed with his brother to win the boys 18 doubles. When the boys 16 doubles and open doubles were in jeopardy of not being held because of lack of teams, this young man and his brother stepped in to play and won gold in both competitions. His four gold medals are a Keystone State Games tennis record. In the 18-and-under final, he played a boy 2 years older than him, and it turned into one of the toughest matches he has ever played. The opponent took the first set, 6-7, in a close tiebreaker. He kept his composure and won the second set 6-2. After a 10-minute break from the heat, the two returned and battled to a 6-6 tie. There were no third set tiebreakers so a competitor had to win by two games. He fell behind 6-7 but regrouped and won the next three for a 9-7 set victory and the gold medal. For this truly outstanding performance, he was named the Outstanding Athlete in Tennis. He is always known to be upbeat and positive in his actions.

This was this fellow's first Keystone State Games.

In high school, as a freshman, he played the number one varsity position. He placed third in singles at the county competition and reached the PIAA district quarterfinals. With his partner he won first place in the district doubles, second in the county competition, and parlayed that into a second place at the PIAA State meet. For this he was selected the team MVP and named All-Berks County. He received a Certificate of Achievement from State Representative Sheila Miller and an Outstanding Athlete Achievement Award from Senator David J. Brightbill. In the current season he is 14-0 playing at the number one position and has led his team to 11 division match victories and one nonleague win. The county, district, and PIAA finals are upcoming.

In Middle States tennis play, he attained a final boys 14 ranking of seventh. He started 61st in boys 16, but after winning a boys 16 sectional tournament last fall, his ranking rose to 22d in December. In February he was honored with the Junior Middle States Sportsmanship Award for 2005 in the boys 14 singles division. Since the 2005 games he has continued playing USTA competition and won three boys 16, level 6 tournaments in the Middle State section. He plans to play Zonals in July on the team that represents Middle States in St. Louis.

In high school this young man attained the High Honor Roll, taking all honors courses and placed second at the Junior Envirothon in 2004. He participates in Junior Classical League, Conrad Weiser Algorithmics, Social Studies Club, Mock Trial, Symphonic Band, and was a member of the pit orchestra for the high school musical, played fifth chair flute with the Berks Junior County Band. With Junior Classical League, he participated in the Latin Festival and the State Convention held on the main campus of Penn State. His team in regional Mock Trial Competition won their head-to-head match. Outside school this young man has volunteered at the community library, helping out with the summer reading program. This summer, along with more tennis tournaments, he plans to volunteer at the Reading Hospital on a weekly basis and continue helping at the library.

The Blue Mountain Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Bernville, Tommy Meyer.

#### CAPITAL - COURTLYN MUMMERT

Our next award recipient is a synchronized swimmer who was 17 years old at the time of competition and is currently a senior at Central York High School.

This young woman won gold medals in solo, duet, and team. For this trifecta, she was named the Outstanding Athlete in Synchronized Swimming. She not only competed but volunteered to help the sport leader and volunteers conduct the competition.

This was this young lady's 10th year of competing in the games, and in the previous 9 years, she has garnered nine gold, five silver, and three bronze medals.

In 2005 she placed 14th at the U.S. Synchronized Swimming Age Group nationals. There are four Zone Finals in the U.S., and the top eight from each qualify for nationals. She finished seventh in two events at the East Senior Zone Finals. She has made the Zone Finals each year from 2001 through 2005.

At the end of her junior year, this young lady was at the top of her class, was a recipient of the Bausch & Lomb Honorary Service Award, served as National Honor Society vice president, and named Rotary Student of the Month. She plays violin in the school orchestra and is a member of the swim team as well as the club synchronized swimming team. In the community she was given the "Community that Cares" Service Award; and volunteers at the Catholic Harvest Food Pantry, for Easter Seals, at the York Hospital, the YWCA, and teaches Sunday school.

The Capital Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from York, Courtlyn Mummert.

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#### POCONO - TYLER AUSTIN

Our next award recipient is a baseball player who was 15 years old at the time of competition and is currently a sophomore at Tunkhannock High School.

In the 2005 games this young man pitched two innings the first day and had five strikeouts and gave up no hits. The next day in the first game, he was asked to pitch the whole game in which he had a perfect game going with two outs in the sixth inning before he issued a walk. In the bottom of the seventh, he allowed a bunt single for the opponents' only hit in a 4-0 victory for his team. In the second contest that day, the team was in a must-win situation to get to the gold medal game. In a late inning with the opponents filling the bases with no outs, he was brought in in relief. He struck out two and did not allow a run in the victory. His team went on to win the junior division gold medal. Totally this young man pitched 10 innings, giving up 1 hit and 1 walk, in compiling a 1-0 record and 2 perfect relief appearances. For this performance, he was selected as the best junior athlete in baseball and runner-up to the scholastic division winner for the Outstanding Athlete in Baseball Award. He is known as a "pick-me-up" kind of guy whether on the mound or encouraging a teammate.

In the 2004 games he pitched two innings in relief and picked up a victory. His team went 3-1 in pool play and tied for first, but as a result of the tiebreaker, his team played for fifth place.

This young man made the varsity baseball team as a freshman and was selected Honorable Mention All-League. During the season he pitched 1 shutout and struck out 11 batters. In another contest he struck out 13 batters in a losing effort. In the current season his high school team is struggling, but this young man has been a bright spot. He started a contest and went 6 1/3 innings in a 4-1 victory.

This young gentleman made the Honor Roll his freshman year and does community service by shoveling the driveways of several elderly neighbors. He is active in his church. He helped out as a junior counselor at a pediatric cardiology summer camp where one of his sisters attends. In the current school year, he competed on the varsity swim team.

The Pocono Region Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Tunkhannock, Tyler Austin.

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#### AT LARGE - TIFFANY GOOD

Our final Athletic Award of Honor recipient is an ice hockey player who was 17 years old at the time of competition and is currently a senior at the North American Hockey Academy and Saucon Valley High School.

This young lady led her team each game. In game 1 she scored five goals and had two assists in a team 10-6 victory. In game 2, with the team trailing 5-2 entering the final period, she sparked a comeback and dished the puck off for an assist on the winning goal with .6 seconds left in a 6-5 triumph, in which she contributed three goals and two assists. With the team not ready to settle for anything less than gold, in game 3 she scored two goals and had two assists in the team's 8-3 win. For her efforts, she was named the Outstanding Female Athlete in Ice Hockey. This young lady always has a balance of goals and assists which exhibits her talent and unselfishness.

This young lady has competed in the games for 6 years. In 1999 she played on the boys bantam team at age 11. She continued to play for the boys teams until the girls program was initiated in 2002. In 2003 she arrived late for the first game because she was at a Festival camp. Her team was losing when she took the ice, and she led the team to an OT victory by scoring a hat trick. The team went on to earn a silver medal.

While playing Tier 1 boys hockey, she made the PW (Pee Wee) Quebec team in 2001. While competing with the New Jersey Colonials

in the Atlantic District girls 16-and-under competition, she was the leading scorer for 3 straight years - 2003-2005; and the team qualified and participated in the national tournament each year. She participated in the USA Hockey National Festival Camp as only one of three girls from the Atlantic District, and she has had the honor of being chosen the past 3 years. This past season in Vermont, she received the Team Spirit Award and was the MVP in their spring tournament.

This young lady attends the North American Hockey Academy in Stowe, Vermont, for a 5-month period during the hockey season. The rest of the year she is a student at Saucon Valley High School. At Saucon Valley she has been a member of the student government and is on the honor roll.

An At Large Athletic Award of Honor winner, from Hellertown, Tiffany Good.

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## **OUTSTANDING SPORT LEADER AWARD**

Our next award is the Outstanding Sport Leader Award. This award was originated and designed to honor one of the leaders of a sport for their performance and dedication in their volunteer efforts on behalf of the Keystone State Games. Although the award is not named for a specific individual, it is intended to be a recognition of the untiring efforts of the founders and early leaders of the games and their steady devotion to establish the games as a viable multisport event within the Commonwealth. People like Joe Pitts, who as a State Representative led the efforts within State government to establish the games, which earned him the legacy of "Legislative Father of the Games"; Bud Lindholm, whose relentless drive accomplished much of the groundwork necessary to get the games under way and who lived long enough to see 2 years of the games; and former Governor Richard Thornburgh, without whose unwavering support and steadfast drive, the games would not have survived past the initial years.

After the 1985 games our current president-CEO, Owen Costello, and the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports established this award to honor the memory of these and other individuals for their tremendous achievements.

In making the selection each year, the committee looks at sport leaders who, during the entire year, advance the philosophy of the games, enhance participation among athletes, are present when the games needs them, are prompt in meeting commitments, provide growth to both their sport and the games, and who involve volunteers from all areas of the State. Each year there is always someone who goes beyond the expected to make their sport and the games successful.

# OUTSTANDING SPORT LEADER AWARD – JIM KARWOSKI

This gentleman graduated from Freedom Area High School in 1962 where he was an outstanding athlete in football and track and field. During his high school competition, he was the State Class A champion in both the shot-put and discus.

He attended West Virginia University on a football scholarship and also participated in track and field. He earned a degree in physical education and later returned for a master's degree in safety education and worked as a graduate assistant in the track and cross-country programs.

Starting in 1970 he spent 35 years in higher education at Penn State University Beaver Campus where he was an assistant professor of kinesiology. In addition to his teaching duties during the three-plus decades, he spent time as an assistant basketball coach, cross-country and track coach, and intramural director. In 1977 he became the head baseball coach and held the position for 24 years. He was also appointed athletic director in 1984 and held that position for 10 years.

During his 24-year tenure as baseball coach, he compiled a lifetime record of 717-378-9 (64.9 percent). He won 19 Commonwealth Campus Athlete Conference Championships and was named

Commonwealth Conference Coach of the Year 16 times. He was named Western Pennsylvania Collegiate Conference Coach of the Year four times, NJCAA District Coach of the Year four times, and Louisville Slugger Region 20 Coach of the Year five times. His teams made four appearances in the NJCAA Division 3 World Series.

He was a member of the United States Baseball Federation, NJCAA Coaches Association, and the American Baseball Coaches Association until his retirement from coaching in 1999.

In recognition of his contributions, he has received many accolades. In 1988 PSU presented him with the Robert J. Scannell Award for his outstanding coaching and teaching in the College of Exercise and Sports Science. The next year he received the Pennsylvania Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports C. "Bud" Lindholm Annual Award. In 1991 he was asked to serve on a 12-member Olympic selection committee for the Olympic baseball team trials in Homestead, Florida. He was elected to the Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame in 1988. In 2001 he was presented with the Excellence in Coaching Award by the Pennsylvania State Association for health, physical education, recreation, and dance. He retired from teaching at PS Beaver in 2004, and that same year he was inducted into the National Junior College Baseball Hall of Fame.

This gentleman served the Keystone State Games as a coach, regional sport coordinator, and sport leader from 1983 through 1997. After a 3-year hiatus, he returned as the baseball tournament leader. He is married and the father of two children.

Last year this man showed up on Monday, took the list of site coordinators for the five baseball fields to be used, called each one, and set up a time to meet each at their field. He then toured each field, met with the site coordinators, made the necessary arrangements, met with the officials' assignor, confirmed the umpiring assignments, and just kept going. During the competition he traveled between sites and communicated results back to the competition center. When some glitches in the officiating assignments occurred, he met with people and made phone calls to fix the situation. Based upon the level of participation, the quality of competition, and the professional manner in which the sport is conducted, baseball is considered one of the two most successful team sports in the Keystone State Games, and the involvement of this gentleman is a key reason baseball is there.

This year's selection is unique in that he is the first repeat winner. The recipient of the 2005 Outstanding Sport Leader Award, the leader of the sport of baseball, from Rochester, Jim Karwoski.

## KELLY CUP

The Kelly Cup is the highest award given by the Keystone State Games and we believe the most prestigious award given to an athlete in the State of Pennsylvania for performance in a multisport event. The award is named for the late Jack Kelly of Philadelphia, who was an Olympic medalist in rowing, briefly president of the United States Olympic Committee, and a dedicated leader in amateur sports in the Commonwealth, the nation, and internationally.

This award is given to an athlete who excels in their sport in the Keystone State Games, is a force within their sport, and is an active and positive role model in their community emulating the true principles of amateur athletics and the spirit of the Keystone State Games.

## KELLY CUP - CLAUS-PETER FOLGNER

This year's recipient is a gentleman who has spent 56 years in the sport of fencing and is currently retired from a career job but still active competing and teaching in his sport.

In 1949 Harry Truman was President of the United States, the Cold War was heating up, and Germany was slowly rising from the ashes of World War II. Against this backdrop this young man took up fencing for the first time. In 1953 he immigrated to the U.S.

He immediately went into the military service. He has competed internationally, first in Germany; then in France, 1951-52; Tokyo and Korea in 1955; in Hong Kong in 1956; and in the USA from 1953 to present. In 2004, at 72 years of age, he was the second oldest three-weapon fencer in the country. As late as 2004 this man was ranked in the top 15 in the world in all three weapons that constitute the sport – foil, epee, and saber.

During 2003 this man was diagnosed with esophageal cancer and had to have his esophagus removed. The doctors were amazed at his rapid recovery, estimated at 2 months faster than normal from a cancer that has a cure rate of less than 20 percent. His desire to "get back to" fencing was his main driving force in the fast recovery. He is known to fiercely compete against a younger fencer in one match and then coach the same person in their next match against another competitor.

Within a year after his surgery, he took first place in the Rob Roy Epee Tournament at the Renaissance Faire. In this one-touch tournament, he took top honors among 40 fencers from Lebanon, Philadelphia, York, and Washington, DC. In 2004 he competed in the summer nationals in the 60-plus veteran division and finished 5th in the saber, 11th in the foil, and 12th in the epee. Toward the end of the year, he traveled to Richmond, Virginia, and competed in the Northatlantic Cup, a national competition. He competed in the over-40 arena, which he said was much tougher than the over 60, where he normally fences.

In 2006 he still continues to fence, but at a more moderate frequency, but gives back to the sport by teaching at the Donald Heiter Community Center in Lewisburg and a driving force in the West Branch Fencers Club. His continued involvement in the sport is driven by his "unrelenting desire to bring the sport of fencing to everyone in which he comes in contact."

A couple of his famous responses are: When queried about facing younger opponents, "The young people can move just a little faster than me, but I can outthink them," and when asked how he feels, he might reply, "I'm still on the green side of the grass."

In the 2005 games he fenced all three weapons in five competitions and medaled twice. He has competed in the games for 5 years. In previous years he has medaled at least once each year, many times fencing against much younger opponents.

The 2005 Kelly Cup recipient, from Dornsife, Claus-Peter Folgner.

#### REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The gentlelady, Mrs. Taylor.

Mrs. TAYLOR. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

At the declaration of the recess, there will be a Republican caucus; Republican caucus immediately at the break.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

## **DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

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

Mr. GRUCELA. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Upon the declaration of the recess, the Democrats will caucus as well. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. Are there any further announcements?

## **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. This House is in recess until 3:30 p.m.

## **AFTER RECESS**

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

## BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HB 311, PN 3580

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, further defining "unfair methods of competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices."

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 382, PN 3527

By Rep. FEESE

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 powers and duties of the intermediate unit board of directors; providing for State reimbursement for mobile classroom facilities; and making editorial changes.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1503, PN 3733

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of fleeing or attempting to elude police officer.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1895, PN 2596

By Rep. FEESE

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for special tax provisions relating to land conservation.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1903, PN 2604

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in management of planned communities, for quorums; and providing for management of substantial planned communities.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2042, PN 3962

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending the act of June 22, 1937 (P.L.1987, No.394), known as The Clean Streams Law, further providing for penalties; and providing for limitation on certain actions.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2053, PN 2830

By Rep. FEESE

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

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2169, PN 3008

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, defining "governmental incident responder," "incident," "incident area," "incident clearance," "responder" and "response personnel"; further providing for accidents involving damage to attended vehicle or property; providing for vehicles involved in accidents and spilled cargo on freeway or limited access highway, for immediate custody and removal of vehicle constituting hazard, for road user duties approaching incidents, for avoidance of lane blockage and expedited removal of vehicles and for liability for authorized incident clearance functions; and establishing the Incident Management Committee and providing for its composition and duties.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2295, PN 3734

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a special registration plate for recipients of the Korean Defense Service Medal.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2328, PN 3624

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for fines; and providing for the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account and for adoption of guidelines for fines.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2437, PN 3506

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the amounts of part-time student assistance grants.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2441, PN 3510

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for application of part; and providing for electronic bidding by local government units.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2457, PN 3569

By Rep. FEESE

An Act redesignating the bridge carrying section A80 of the East Side Access Highway, SR 4034, over Fourmile Creek and the Wintergreen Gorge in Harborcreek Township, Erie County, as the Sergeant Donald S. Oaks Memorial Bridge.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 2467, PN 3716

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for sentence for murder and murder of unborn child; providing for the offense of criminal homicide of

law enforcement officer and for the offense of assault of law enforcement officer; imposing penalties; and prescribing sentences for offenses committed against law enforcement officer.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

## **HB 2468, PN 4006** (Amended)

By Rep. FEESE

An Act providing for the highway capital budget project itemization for the fiscal year 2005-2006.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

#### HB 2472, PN 3605

By Rep. FEESE

An Act establishing a farmers' market development grant program to develop or expand farmers' markets; conferring powers and duties on the Department of Agriculture; and providing for funding.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

#### HB 2542, PN 4003

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 13 (Commercial Code) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in secured transactions, for effectiveness of actions prior to amendment and for continued effectiveness of financing statements.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

## HB 2627, PN 3958

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending the act of October 6, 2005 (P.L.319, No.59), entitled, "An act amending the act of June 24, 1976 (P.L.424, No.101), entitled, as amended, 'An act providing for the payment of death benefits to the surviving spouse or children or parents of firefighters, ambulance service or rescue squad members, law enforcement officers or National Guard members killed in the performance of their duties,' further providing for death benefit eligibility and for definitions," further providing for retroactivity of death benefit eligibility.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

## SB 601, PN 1692

By Rep. FEESE

An Act relating to confidentiality of Social Security numbers; and making a related repeal.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

## SB 999, PN 1327

By Rep. FEESE

An Act reenacting and amending the act of October 8, 2004 (P.L.830, No.98), entitled "An act providing for effect of standards adopted by the Voting Standards Development Board in the 2004 general election," expanding the scope to include all elections in 2006 and 2007.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

## SB 1081, PN 1512

By Rep. FEESE

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for limitations and eligibility in educational assistance program.

APPROPRIATIONS.

#### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence. The Chair recognizes the minority whip, who moves for a leave of absence for the remainder of the day for the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. COHEN; the gentlelady from Philadelphia, Ms. BISHOP; the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. SABATINA; the gentleman Philadelphia, Mr. JAMES; the gentlelady from Philadelphia, Ms. MANDERINO; the gentlelady from Philadelphia, Ms. YOUNGBLOOD; the gentleman from Allegheny, MAHER; from and the gentleman Mr. FAIRCHILD. Without objection, all those leaves will be granted.

## **GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like to welcome to the hall of the House a group of fourth grade students from Covenant Christian Academy in Bethlehem. They are the guests today of Representative Steve Samuelson. They are in the balcony. Would those guests please rise and be recognized.

#### CALENDAR CONTINUED

## **BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2368**, **PN 3453**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for driving under influence of alcohol or controlled substance with a certain occupant; and further providing for prior offenses and for accelerated rehabilitative disposition.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Mr. WILT offered the following amendment No. A07447:

Amend Title, page 1, line 6, by striking out "AND" and inserting a comma

Amend Title, page 1, line 7, by removing the period after "DISPOSITION" and inserting

and for operation of all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles by persons under age sixteen.

Amend Bill, page 10, by inserting between lines 24 and 25

Section 3. Section 7725(b), (c) and (e) of Title 75 are amended and the section is amended by adding a subsection to read: § 7725. Operation by persons under age sixteen.

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(b) Operation of an ATV by persons under eight years of age.—No person under eight years of age shall operate [a snowmobile or] an ATV upon State-owned land.

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- (b.2) Operation of a snowmobile by persons under ten years of age.—No person under ten years of age shall operate a snowmobile upon State-owned land.
- (c) Snowmobile and ATV safety certification.—No person 8 to 15 years of age shall operate [a snowmobile or] an ATV <u>and no person</u> under 10 years of age shall operate a snowmobile in this

Commonwealth unless the person satisfies one of the following conditions:

- Is under the direct supervision of a certified snowmobile or ATV safety instructor during a safety training
- (2) Is on land owned or leased by a parent or legal guardian.
- (3) Has received safety training as prescribed by the department and has received the appropriate safety certificate issued by the department.
- (4) Holds an appropriate safety certificate issued under the authority of another state or Province of Canada and recognized by the department.
- Permitting unauthorized operation.-No owner of a (e) snowmobile or an ATV shall authorize or permit the operation thereof within this Commonwealth by any person under 16 years of age unless the person under 16 years of age is the holder of a valid and appropriate safety certificate, or except as authorized in subsections (b), (b.2) and (c).

Amend Sec. 3, page 10, line 25, by striking out "3" and inserting

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-185

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Adolph	Flick	Mann	Samuelson
Allen	Forcier	Markosek	Santoni
Argall	Frankel	Marsico	Sather
Armstrong	Freeman	McCall	Saylor
Baker	Gabig	McGeehan	Scavello
Baldwin	Geist	McGill	Schroder
Barrar	George	McIlhattan	Semmel
Bastian	Gerber	McIlhinney	Shaner
Belardi	Gergely	McNaughton	Shapiro
Belfanti	Gillespie	Melio	Siptroth
Benninghoff	Gingrich	Metcalfe	Smith, B.
Beyer	Godshall	Micozzie	Smith, S. H.
Biancucci	Good	Millard	Solobay
Birmelin	Goodman	Miller, R.	Sonney
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, S.	Staback
Blaum	Grucela	Mundy	Stairs
Boyd	Gruitza	Mustio	Steil
Bunt	Haluska	Nailor	Stern
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Stevenson, R.
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Stevenson, T.
Cappelli	Harhart	Oliver	Sturla
Casorio	Harper	O'Neill	Surra
Causer	Harris	Pallone	Tangretti
Cawley	Hasay	Parker	Taylor, E. Z.
Clymer	Hennessey	Payne	Taylor, J.
Cornell	Herman	Petrarca	Thomas
Corrigan	Hershey	Petri	Tigue
Costa	Hess	Petrone	True
Crahalla	Hickernell	Phillips	Turzai
Creighton	Hutchinson	Pickett	Veon
Curry	Josephs	Pistella	Vitali
Daley	Kauffman	Preston	Walko
Dally	Keller, M.	Pyle	Wansacz
DeLuca	Keller, W.	Quigley	Waters
Denlinger	Kenney	Ramaley	Watson
Dermody	Killion	Rapp	Wheatley
DeWeese	Kirkland	Raymond	Williams
DiGirolamo	Kotik	Readshaw	Wilt
Diven	LaGrotta	Reed	
Donatucci	LaGrotta Leach		Weight
		Reichley	Wright Yewcic
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Ellis	Leh	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Lescovitz	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Levdansky	Ross	
Feese	Mackereth	Rubley	
Fichter	Maitland	Ruffing	Perzel,
Fleagle	Major	Sainato	Speaker

#### NAYS-0

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-17

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Maher	Roebuck
Bishop	Fairchild	Manderino	Sabatina
Civera	Gannon	Myers	Stetler
Cohen	James	Rieger	Youngblood
Cruz		•	

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?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Vitali, please come to the rostrum.

(Conference held at Speaker's podium.)

The SPEAKER. It is the ruling of the Chair that the Vitali amendment 7457 is substantially similar to amendment 5072, which was defeated on the floor of this House on 12/13/05.

## RULING OF CHAIR APPEALED

The SPEAKER. On that ruling, Mr. Vitali.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I appeal the ruling of the Chair and would like to make argument on that.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The House has significant leeway in this regard, and let me explain by first giving a little background why this amendment is different than the previously referred-to amendment.

The issue generally is red light cameras and should public have access to three pieces of information basically: the total amount of fines imposed by red light cameras, the total number of tickets issued by red light cameras, and the amount of money, the cut, that goes to the manufacturer or vendor of these red light cameras.

What this amendment does or attempts to do is provide the public with this information. Now, it is true we have run this before and it was defeated, but this contains a significant difference. In this amendment the entity, which is the repository of this amendment, is now the Philadelphia city controller's office. That was not in the amendment that was defeated. It is a different concept here that running this through the city controller's office changes this amendment. The thinking behind the city controller's office was that it was an objective entity located in the city of Philadelphia where the parking violations would basically be issued.

Mr. Speaker, this is an amendment— This is a call. This appeal, you can choose to— You have the discretion here. The real question in voting on this is, do you want the public to have this information?

## PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. VITALI. So, Mr. Speaker, I am unclear, I am unclear whether an affirmative vote or a negative vote is what would allow this amendment to be considered.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair returns to leaves of absence. The gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. KELLER, requests a leave of absence for the remainder of the day. Without objection, that will be granted.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Blaum.

Mr. VITALI. I am sorry, Mr. Speaker. I had a parliamentary inquiry that I—

The SPEAKER. And we are going to take leaves of absence prior to the vote, Mr. Vitali. We are just taking leaves of absence.

#### HARRISBURG LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Capitol leave for Representative WHEATLEY and Representative THOMAS.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Mr. BLAUM. And leave for the rest of the day for the gentleman, Mr. WATERS.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, those leaves will be granted.

## **CONSIDERATION OF HB 2368 CONTINUED**

The SPEAKER. Those voting to sustain the ruling of the Chair will vote "aye."

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the

Those in favor of sustaining the Chair's decision shall vote "aye"; those opposed, "no."

On the question,

Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-159

Adolph	Flick	McCall	Sainato
Allen	Forcier	McGeehan	Santoni
Argall	Gabig	McGill	Sather

Armstrong	Geist	McIlhattan	Saylor
Baker	George	McIlhinney	Scavello
Baldwin	Gergely	McNaughton	Schroder
Barrar	Gillespie	Metcalfe	Semmel
Bastian	Gingrich	Micozzie	Shaner
Belfanti	Godshall	Millard	Siptroth
Benninghoff	Good	Miller, R.	Smith, B.
Beyer	Goodman	Miller, S.	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Grell	Mundy	Sonney
Blackwell	Grucela	Mustio	Staback
Blaum	Gruitza	Nailor	Stairs
Boyd	Haluska	Nickol	Steil
Bunt	Harhart	O'Brien	Stern
Buxton	Harper	Oliver	Stevenson, R.
Caltagirone	Harris	O'Neill	Stevenson, T.
Cappelli	Hasay	Parker	Sturla
Causer	Hennessey	Payne	Taylor, E. Z.
Cawley	Herman	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Clymer	Hershey	Petri	Thomas
Cornell	Hess	Petrone	Tigue
Corrigan	Hickernell	Phillips	True
Costa	Hutchinson	Pickett	Turzai
Crahalla	Kauffman	Pistella	Veon
Creighton	Keller, M.	Preston	Walko
Daley	Kenney	Pyle	Wansacz
Dally	Killion	Quigley	Watson
Denlinger	Kirkland	Rapp	Wheatley
Dermody	Kotik	Raymond	Williams
DeWeese	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wilt
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Donatucci	Lescovitz	Roberts	Yewcic
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Ellis	Maitland	Rooney	Zug
Evans, J.	Major	Ross	
Feese	Markosek	Rubley	Perzel,
Fichter	Marsico	Ruffing	Speaker
Fleagle			

# NAYS-24

Belardi	Frankel	Leach	Samuelson
Biancucci	Freeman	Levdansky	Shapiro
Casorio	Gerber	Mann	Solobay
Curry	Hanna	Melio	Surra
DeLuca	Harhai	Pallone	Tangretti
Fabrizio	Josephs	Ramaley	Vitali

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-19

Bebko-Jones	Evans, D.	Maher	Sabatina
Bishop	Fairchild	Manderino	Stetler
Civera	Gannon	Myers	Waters
Cohen	James	Rieger	Youngblood
Cruz	Keller, W.	Roebuck	Ç

The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the decision of the Chair stood as the judgment of the House.

On the question recurring,

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

Bill as amended 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.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-183

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Adolph	Flick	Mann	Sainato
Allen	Forcier Frankel	Markosek Marsico	Samuelson Santoni
Argall	Freeman	McCall	Sather
Armstrong Baker		McGeehan	
	Gabig		Saylor
Baldwin	Geist	McGill	Scavello
Barrar	George	McIlhattan	Schroder
Bastian	Gerber	McIlhinney	Semmel
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Belfanti	Gillespie	Melio	Shapiro
Benninghoff	Gingrich	Metcalfe	Siptroth
Beyer	Godshall	Micozzie	Smith, B.
Biancucci	Good	Millard	Smith, S. H.
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Blackwell	Grell	Miller, S.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Mundy	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mustio	Stairs
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Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Stevenson, R.
Cappelli	Harhart	Oliver	Stevenson, T.
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Causer	Harris	Pallone	Surra
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Clymer	Hennessey	Payne	Taylor, E. Z.
Cornell	Herman	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Corrigan	Hershey	Petri	Thomas
Costa	Hess	Petrone	Tigue
Crahalla	Hickernell	Phillips	True
Creighton	Hutchinson	Pickett	Turzai
Curry	Josephs	Pistella	Veon
Daley	Kauffman	Preston	Vitali
Dally	Keller, M.	Pyle	Walko
DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Wansacz
Denlinger	Killion	Ramaley	Watson
Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Wheatley
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Williams
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wilt
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wojnaroski
Donatucci	Lederer	Reichley	Wright
Eachus	Leh	Roberts	Yewcic
Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	
Feese	Maitland	Rubley	Perzel,
Fichter	Major	Ruffing	Speaker
Fleagle			

## NAYS-0

## NOT VOTING-0

## EXCUSED-19

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Bishop	Fairchild	Manderino	Stetler
Civera	Gannon	Myers	Waters
Cohen	James	Rieger	Youngblood
Cruz	Keller, W.	Roebuck	_

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.

# SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR B

#### **BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2328**, **PN 3624**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for fines; and providing for the Criminal Justice Enhancement Account and for adoption of guidelines for fines.

On the question,

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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Bastian	George Gerber		Semmel
		McIlhinney	
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Belfanti	Gillespie	Melio	Shapiro
Benninghoff	Gingrich	Metcalfe	Siptroth
Beyer	Godshall	Micozzie	Smith, B.
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Blaum	Grucela	Mundy	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mustio	Stairs
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Cappelli	Harhart	Oliver	Stevenson, T.
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Cawley	Hasay	Parker	Tangretti
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Corrigan	Hershey	Petri	Thomas
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Crahalla	Hickernell	Phillips	True
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DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wilt
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Civera	Gannon	Myers	Waters
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Cruz	Keller, W.	Roebuck	

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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2441**, **PN 3510**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for application of part; and providing for electronic bidding by local government units.

On the question,

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-183

Adolph	Flick	Mann	Sainato
Allen	Forcier	Markosek	Samuelson
Argall	Frankel	Marsico	Santoni
Armstrong	Freeman	McCall	Sather
Baker	Gabig	McGeehan	Saylor
Baldwin	Geist	McGill	Scavello
Barrar	George	McIlhattan	Schroder
Bastian	Gerber	McIlhinney	Semmel
Belardi	Gergely	McNaughton	Shaner
Belfanti	Gillespie	Melio	Shapiro
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Beyer	Godshall	Micozzie	Smith, B.
Biancucci	Good	Millard	Smith, S. H.
Birmelin	Goodman	Miller, R.	Solobay
Blackwell	Grell	Miller, S.	Sonney
Blaum	Grucela	Mundy	Staback
Boyd	Gruitza	Mustio	Stairs
Bunt	Haluska	Nailor	Steil
Buxton	Hanna	Nickol	Stern
Caltagirone	Harhai	O'Brien	Stevenson, R.

Cappelli	Harhart	Oliver	Stevenson, T.
Casorio	Harper	O'Neill	Sturla
Causer	Harris	Pallone	Surra
Cawley	Hasay	Parker	Tangretti
Clymer	Hennessey	Payne	Taylor, E. Z.
Cornell	Herman	Petrarca	Taylor, J.
Corrigan	Hershey	Petri	Thomas
Costa	Hess	Petrone	Tigue
Crahalla	Hickernell	Phillips	True
Creighton	Hutchinson	Pickett	Turzai
Curry	Josephs	Pistella	Veon
Daley	Kauffman	Preston	Vitali
Dally	Keller, M.	Pyle	Walko
DeLuca	Kenney	Quigley	Wansacz
Denlinger	Killion	Ramaley	Watson
Dermody	Kirkland	Rapp	Wheatley
DeWeese	Kotik	Raymond	Williams
DiGirolamo	LaGrotta	Readshaw	Wilt
Diven	Leach	Reed	Wojnaroski
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Ellis	Lescovitz	Rohrer	Yudichak
Evans, J.	Levdansky	Rooney	Zug
Fabrizio	Mackereth	Ross	
Feese	Maitland	Rubley	Perzel,
Fichter	Major	Ruffing	Speaker
Fleagle			

#### NAYS-0

#### NOT VOTING-0

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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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1503**, **PN 3733**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of fleeing or attempting to elude police officer.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on third consideration?

Mr. **SOLOBAY** offered the following amendment No. **A06890:** 

Amend Title, page 1, line 4, by removing the period after "OFFICER" and inserting

and for accidents involving damage to unattended vehicle or property.

Amend Sec. 1, page 2, lines 6 and 7, by striking out all of said lines and inserting

Section 1. Sections 3733(a) and 3745(b) of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended to read:

Amend Sec. 1, page 2, by inserting after line 30 § 3745. Accidents involving damage to unattended vehicle or property.

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(b) Penalty.–[A violation of this section is a summary offense, punishable by a fine of \$300 or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or both.] Any person violating this section commits a misdemeanor of the third degree, punishable by a fine of \$2,500 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

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

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The gentleman indicates he is withdrawing that amendment. The Chair thanks the gentleman. The amendment has been withdrawn.

Does the gentleman, Mr. Vitali, wish to offer his amendment?

Mr. VITALI. I am a little confused, Mr. Speaker. If this was identical to the amendment that was—

The SPEAKER. It would be out of order then if it is identical, Mr. Vitali.

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2169**, **PN 3008**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, defining "governmental incident responder," "incident," "incident area," "incident clearance," "responder" and "response personnel"; further providing for accidents involving damage to attended vehicle or property; providing for vehicles involved in accidents and spilled cargo on freeway or limited access highway, for immediate custody and removal of vehicle constituting hazard, for road user duties approaching incidents, for avoidance of lane blockage and expedited removal of vehicles and for liability for authorized incident clearance functions; and establishing the Incident Management Committee and providing for its composition and duties.

On the question,

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.

The following roll call was recorded:

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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.

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The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2457**, **PN 3569**, entitled:

An Act redesignating the bridge carrying section A80 of the East Side Access Highway, SR 4034, over Fourmile Creek and the Wintergreen Gorge in Harborcreek Township, Erie County, as the Sergeant Donald S. Oaks Memorial Bridge.

On the question,

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?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Erie, Mr. Sonney.

Mr. SONNEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask support for a bill honoring a Pennsylvania war veteran.

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker? Excuse me, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. S. SMITH. Given the substance of this bill, would you kindly ask for a little bit of order in the House, please.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The leader is correct. The gentleman has every right to be heard.

Mr. Sonney.

Mr. SONNEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today to ask for support for a bill honoring a Pennsylvania war veteran. Sgt. Donald S. Oaks was a true American patriot, an honorable man, and a son of Erie County. Donald served in the Army in Iraq and was killed in action on April 3, 2003. He was the first soldier from Erie County to be killed in action during the Iraqi conflict. Donald Oaks served his country with honor and valor.

Born on April 26, 1982, Donald graduated from Harborcreek High School in 2000. He joined the Army shortly thereafter and completed his basic training in October of 2000. He was stationed at Fort Sill in Oklahoma and was later posted at Fort Hood in Texas.

On January 17, 2003, Oaks was sent to Kuwait, and in March 2003 he was sent to Iraq where he served as the fire control officer specialist on a multilaunch rocket system. His unit was the top in its outfit. They fought in Iraq for 2 weeks on a fire mission before Oaks was killed by friendly fire on October 3, 2003. His unit received the Presidential Unit Citation.

Mr. Speaker, America is a strong country because we have people like Donald Oaks who are willing to lay their lives down on the altar of freedom to defend her. Our freedom is paid for through the blood of patriots like Donald. Donald died so that others might live in freedom.

HB 2457 would designate the bridge on the East Side Access Highway over Fourmile Creek and Wintergreen Gorge in Erie County as the Donald S. Oaks Memorial Bridge. Donald is buried in the Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery and eternally rests just a short distance from the bridge that would bear his name.

It is fitting that we should name this bridge just a short distance from Donald's final resting place in honor of the ultimate sacrifice he gave to his country. This bridge will serve as a constant reminder to future generations that freedom is not free. It comes with a hefty price. Donald paid that price so that future generations could live in peace. A bridge in his honor is the least that we can do.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues for a "yes" vote on this bill so we may honor not only the death but the life of Donald Oaks.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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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.

## HARRISBURG LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just to request a Capitol leave for the gentleman, Mr. PRESTON, and the gentleman, Mr. TANGRETTI.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, those leaves will be granted.

## **BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 2437**, **PN 3506**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the amounts of part-time student assistance grants.

On the question,

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?

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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.

# T. SGT. WILLIAM MEISER INTRODUCED

The SPEAKER. At this time the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Mr. Zug.

Mr. ZUG. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

If I may have a moment of personal privilege, please.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. ZUG. Mr. Speaker-

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is entitled to be heard. Please keep the noise levels down.

Mr. Zug.

Mr. ZUG. Mr. Speaker and ladies and gentlemen of the House, the idea of this legislation, which deals with the educational program for our National Guardsmen, came to me from an airman who came back from overseas. His name is Bill Meiser. He is a friend of mine. He is a technical sergeant, and he is down to the left of the Speaker. Bill, could you stand up, and I would ask the House to give him a warm welcome.

Bill is a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard's 201st Red Horse Squadron at Fort Indiantown Gap. He has served overseas twice, both in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom. Bill is a recipient of the Air Force Commendation Medal and Army Commendation Medal. He is also employed by the Derry Township School District.

Bill, thank you for attending today. Thank you, ladies and gentlemen of the House, for sharing your votes in support of this legislation for all our National Guardsmen.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The gentleman, Mr. Geist.

Mr. GEIST. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Before we run this bill, would it be appropriate to announce a committee meeting?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order.

Mr. GEIST. Thank you.

At the close today, the Transportation Committee will meet in the back of the House. We have one bill to move out for Representative Roberts. I would appreciate it if our members would be there right away at the break.

Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The Transportation Committee will meet at the close of today in the back of the House.

## BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of SB 1081, PN 1512, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for limitations and eligibility in educational assistance program.

On the question,

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.

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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 return the same to the Senate with the information that the House has passed the same without amendment.

## LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Mr. Blaum.

Mr. BLAUM. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Just to request a leave for the rest of the day for the gentleman, Mr. OLIVER.

## HARRISBURG LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

Mr. BLAUM. I request a Capitol leave for the lady, Ms. MUNDY.

The SPEAKER. Is there anybody left?

## **BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION**

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1895**, **PN 2596**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for special tax provisions relating to land conservation.

On the question,

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?

The Chair is under the impression that all the amendments have been withdrawn. Is that true? The Chair is seeing nobody disagree.

On the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass finally?

The SPEAKER. 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.

## APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Mr. FLEAGLE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I have a committee announcement.

The House Appropriations Committee will meet at 5 p.m.; House Appropriations Committee at 5 p.m. in the Appropriations conference room.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The House Appropriations Committee will meet at 5 p.m. in the conference room.

Are there any other further announcements?

There will be no further votes on the floor today.

The Chair is staying open until after the Appropriations meeting at 5 o'clock.

## **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. This House is in recess to the call of the Chair.

#### AFTER RECESS

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

# THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (MATTHEW E. BAKER) PRESIDING

#### BILL REMOVED FROM TABLE

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1729 be taken off the table.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

## **BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

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

HB 1729, PN 3853.

#### **BILL RECOMMITTED**

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

Mr. S. SMITH. Mr. Speaker, I move that HB 1729 be recommitted to the Appropriations Committee.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

# BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

SB 884, PN 1264

By Rep. FEESE

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for spending limitations on the State and for disposition of surplus funds.

APPROPRIATIONS.

## **RECESS**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This House stands in recess until the call of the Chair.

## **AFTER RECESS**

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

# THE SPEAKER (JOHN M. PERZEL) PRESIDING

# BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

# **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Kauffman.

Mr. KAUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now recess until Tuesday, May 2, 2006, at 11:15 a.m., e.d.t., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to, and at 11:14 a.m., e.d.t., Tuesday, May 2, 2006, the House recessed.