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The House convened at 11 a.m., e.d.t.

# THE SPEAKER (JOANNA E. McCLINTON) PRESIDING

# **PRAYER**

HON. ROBERT E. MERSKI, member of the House of Representatives, offered the following prayer:

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Please bow your heads.

In this time and in any time, our deepest hope, our most tender prayer, is that we learn to listen. May we listen to one another in openness and mercy. May we listen to nature, plants, and animals in wonder and respect. May we listen to our own hearts in love and forgiveness. May we listen to God in quietness and awe.

And in this listening, which is boundless in its beauty, may we find the wisdom to cooperate with a healing spirit, a divine spirit, who beckons us into peace and community and creativity. We do not ask for a perfect world, O God, but we do ask for a better world. We ask for deep listening.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

The SPEAKER. Colleagues, we have some very special guests here. We have some very special guests here. If you could take your seats so we can introduce them. Colleagues, if I can have your attention, we would like to introduce our guests. If you will take your seats. The Chair is waiting for the members in this body to take their seats. Thank you, colleagues.

# **GUESTS INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. To the left of the Speaker's rostrum, we are so excited this morning to have several students from Villanova University; the law school being my alma mater and the undergrad being the leader's alma mater, along with the law school. We have Jason Abiuso, Lupitta Mendez, and Masseba Dukuly, who is from the 191st District. Villanova, of course, is located in Representative Vitali's district in Radnor – or it might be Borowski now; let me not go away from these notes – and they are here participating in the AICUP (Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Pennsylvania) Day on the Hill.

Accompanying them are Hally Ammons – who I was just in her class recently with the leader – and Alycia DiNardo. Villanova contingency, please stand. Let us go, Wildcats.

Also seated to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, our colleague from Montgomery County, Representative Sanchez, has brought Abington Township Manager Richard Manfredi, along with Abington Assistant Township Manager Ashley McIlvaine. They are both here visiting the Capitol today. Please stand, and thank you for your hard work back home.

Representative Ciresi has, visiting the Capitol today, seated to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, Adam Alberico. He is a firefighter from the Royersford Fire Department. We appreciate your service greatly. Please stand. Thank you so much for being here.

Representative Malagari has, seated to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, Meg Currie Teoh, the director of volunteer and community engagement at Manna on Main Street, which is an anti-hunger agency in the North Penn region of Montgomery County. Meg is here visiting the Capitol as a member of the Hunger Action Coalition. We are so grateful for your work. Please stand, Meg.

The gentlemen from Philadelphia, Representatives Khan and Bellmon, have brought students from Chestnut Hill College, who are also here with the AICUP Advocacy Day. They are joined by Dr. Jeffrey Carroll, associate professor of political science and chair of the Center for Data & Society. Representative Bellmon also has Chloe Youngblood here today, who is an intern in his office. Chestnut Hill, please stand. Thank you for being here.

In the gallery, we have some very special guests. Representative Takac has Veronica Zelner, who is an intern in his legislative district office. She is shadowing him in the Capitol today. She is a student at the Pennsylvania State University, University Park campus, and she is studying political science. Veronica, thank you for your hard work at Penn State.

Representative Carol Hill-Evans has a constituent from York here today, Edward Ritter, who is shadowing Representative Hill-Evans today. Thank you for being here.

Also in the gallery, Representative Gaydos, from Allegheny County, has the Moon Area Girls Soccer Team and their "National Coach of the Year." He is the most winningest girls soccer coach in the history of Pennsylvania soccer, Bill Pfeifer, who led the Moon Area Girls Soccer Team to their third-in-a-row State title in November. Please stand, soccer team, and the most winningest coach. Congratulations.

Also from Allegheny County, Representative Venkat has Carson Hawk, an intern in his legislative district office, who is a senior at the University of Pittsburgh and is studying both political science and economics. Carson, please stand. We are so glad you are here today.

Representative Smith, from Jefferson and Indiana Counties, has a student here who is here with his parents. We welcome this morning Dysen Gould and his parents, D.J. and Kendra Gould. Dysen is a student at Punxsutawney Area High School, and he is a part of the Punxsutawney Rotary Club. We are so glad to have you and your family here. Please stand. Welcome to the Capitol.

The gentleman from Montgomery County, the floor leader, Representative Bradford, has interns from his legislative district office here in the gallery. Please stand as I say your name: Olivia Lawlor, Allie Donofrio, Paige Tomanocy, and Andrew Smith. Please stand. We are so glad to have you in Harrisburg.

In the back of the House, we have some very special guests. Our colleagues, Representative – there are two of them in Delaware County – Representatives Gina Curry and Heather Boyd have brought the Sikh body from Delaware County and the tristate area. They are here to celebrate the holy Sikh holiday of Vaisakhi, which is traditionally held on April 13 and sometimes April 14. Vaisakhi celebrates the new year and the spring harvest festival. Would the Sikh body please stand. We are so glad to have you here.

Also in the back of the House, Representative Tom Jones has some constituents here from Elizabethtown High School. The bowling team is on the floor, and they recently won the Pennsylvania State High School Bowling Championship just a few weeks ago, on March 16, 2024. Elizabethtown champs, please stand. Congratulations.

Also in the rear of the House, our colleagues from Allegheny County, Representatives Frankel and Kinkead, have Dr. Jennie Sweet-Cushman, the State and local government professor, and her class from Chatham University. They are also participating in the AICUP Day on the Hill. Chatham students and professor, please stand. We are so glad to have you today.

Also in the back of the House, our colleague from Philadelphia County, Representative Krawjewski, has brought leaders that – I know some of them because I have worked with them as his neighbor in West Philly – from the Paul Robeson House & Museum. We are thrilled to welcome the executive director, Janice Sykes-Ross, and the former executive director, Vernoca Michael. For generations these leaders have preserved the house right in West Philly where the legendary athlete, artist, and civil rights champion, Paul Robeson, spent his last decade in West Philadelphia. Thank you all for being here. Please stand. Welcome.

We have a group that just arrived to the gallery. Representative Smith has, also present, the junior and senior students from Commodore, Pennsylvania, who attend the Purchase Line High School, and they are all in the teen and law class, and they are visiting and touring the Capitol today. Students from Purchase Line, please stand. We are so glad to have you.

Also in the gallery, our colleague from Westmoreland, Representative Davanzo, has brought Alex Novickoff. He is the assistant director of the Central Westmoreland CTC (career and technical center) program. Thank you for being here, Director.

# JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the approval of the Journal of Monday, April 8, 2024, will be postponed until printed.

# LEAVES OF ABSENCE

The SPEAKER. Are there requests for leaves of absence?

The Chair recognizes the majority chair, who indicates there are none.

The Chair recognizes the minority chair, who indicates there are none.

# MASTER ROLL CALL

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

The following roll call was recorded:

# PRESENT-201

Abney	Flick	Kuzma	Rigby
Armanini	Flood	Labs	Roae
Banta	Frankel	Lawrence	Rossi
Barton	Freeman	Leadbeter	Rowe
Bellmon	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rozzi
Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Gallagher	Madden	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gaydos	Madsen	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gergely	Major	Sanchez
Bonner	Gillen	Mako	Sappey
Borowicz	Giral	Malagari	Schemel
Borowski	Gleim	Maloney	Scheuren
Boyd	Green	Marcell	Schlegel
Boyle	Gregory	Markosek	Schlossberg
Bradford	Greiner	Marshall	Schmitt
Brennan	Grove	Matzie	Schweyer
Briggs	Guenst	Mayes	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guzman	McAndrew	Scott
Brown, M.	Haddock	McNeill	Shusterman
Bullock	Hamm	Mehaffie	Siegel
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Smith
Burns	Harkins	Mercuri	Smith-Wade-El
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Cabell	Heffley	Metzgar	Staats
Causer	Hogan	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Cephas	Hohenstein	Miller, B.	Steele
Cerrato	Howard	Miller, D.	Stehr
Ciresi	Irvin	Moul	Stender
Conklin	Isaacson	Mullins	Struzzi
Cook	James	Munroe	Sturla
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mustello	Takac
Curry	Jones, T.	Neilson	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Topper
D'Orsie	Kail	Nelson, N.	Twardzik
Daley	Kaufer	O'Mara	Venkat
Davanzo	Kauffman	O'Neal	Vitali
Davis	Kazeem	Oberlander	Warner
Dawkins	Keefer	Ortitay	Warren
Deasy	Kenyatta	Otten	Watro
Delloso	Kephart	Owlett	Waxman
Delozier	Khan	Parker	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Pashinski	Wentling
Donahue	Kinkead	Pickett	White
Dunbar	Kinsey	Pielli	Williams, C.
Ecker	Klunk	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kosierowski	Powell	Young
Evans	Krajewski	Probst	Zimmerman
Fee	Krueger	Prokopiak	
Fiedler	Krupa	Rabb	McClinton,
Fink	Kulik	Rader	Speaker
Fleming	Kutz	Rapp	I
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ADDITIONS-0

NOT VOTING-0

EXCUSED-1

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The SPEAKER. Two hundred and one members having voted on the master roll call, a quorum is present.

# BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES, CONSIDERED FIRST TIME, AND TABLED

HB 1169, PN 2875 (Amended)

By Rep. EVANS

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in powers and duties of the Department of General Services and its departmental administrative and advisory boards and commissions, providing for water bottle filling stations.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

HB 1943, PN 2877 (Amended)

By Rep. VITALI

An Act amending Title 58 (Oil and Gas) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in development, providing for downhole operation chemical disclosure.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY.

# RESOLUTIONS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

HR 28, PN 2876 (Amended)

By Rep. EVANS

A Resolution directing the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a cost analysis study of an early retirement proposal for members of the State Employees' Retirement System and the Public School Employees' Retirement System.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

HR 262, PN 2283

By Rep. EVANS

A Resolution urging the President and the Congress of the United States to reexamine United States foreign policy toward Ethiopia.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

HR 374, PN 2864

By Rep. EVANS

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 6 through 12, 2024, as "Week of the Young Child" in Pennsylvania.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

HR 376, PN 2866

By Rep. EVANS Com

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2024 as "National Poetry Month" in Pennsylvania.

STATE GOVERNMENT.

# **DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the majority caucus chair for a caucus announcement, the gentleman, Representative Schlossberg.

Mr. SCHLOSSBERG. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

House Democrats will caucus at 12:30. We will be prepared to return to the floor at 1:30.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Representative Dunbar, for a caucus announcement.

Mr. DUNBAR. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Republicans will also caucus at 12:30. Republicans will caucus at 12:30.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna County for a committee announcement.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately upon recess in the majority caucus room; that is an Appropriations Committee meeting immediately upon the break.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Appropriations Committee will meet immediately upon recess in the majority caucus room.

# **RECESS**

The SPEAKER. The House stands in recess until 1:30 p.m., unless sooner recalled by the Speaker.

#### AFTER RECESS

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

# **BILLS REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

HB 491, PN 2790

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act providing for energy efficiency and conservation plans with inclusion of mechanical insulation.

APPROPRIATIONS.

HB 1518, PN 2873

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands and improvements situate in the 47th Ward of the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, to New Freedom Theatre, Inc.; authorizing the release of Project 70 restrictions on certain land owned by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission in Overfield Township, Wyoming County; authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and

convey to the City of Philadelphia a right-of-way easement situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, in exchange for improvements to Benjamin Rush State Park and monetary consideration to the Commonwealth to be used toward the acquisition and conveyance of a tract of land to be added to French Creek State Park; authorizing the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of portions of State park lands in exchange for certain lands situate in New Vernon Township, Mercer County, from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to the Department of Transportation for anticipated highway improvement projects; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Agriculture and the Governor, to grant and convey to Joshua R. Snyder a certain tract of land located in Windsor Township, Berks County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands and improvements situate in Haverford Township, Delaware County, to Carelink Community Support Services of PA, Inc.; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Governor, to grant and convey to The Roland Curtin Foundation for the Preservation of Eagle Furnace, certain lands, buildings and improvements, situate in Boggs Township, Centre County, and further authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to transfer to The Roland Curtin Foundation for the Preservation of Eagle Furnace its buildings located on adjacent property leased from the United States Department of the Armv.

APPROPRIATIONS.

#### HB 1798, PN 2221

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8345, on that portion of U.S. Route 22 over Howells Run in Cambria Township, Cambria County, as the Michael G. Tsikalas Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8344, carrying U.S. Route 22 over Pennsylvania Route 160, also known as New Germany Road, in Cambria Township, Cambria County, as the Charles J. Vizzini Memorial Bridge; and making a repeal.

APPROPRIATIONS.

# SB 37, PN 1458

By Rep. HARRIS

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for learners' permits and for examination of applicant for driver's license; in rules of the road in general, further providing for prohibiting text-based communications and providing for prohibiting use of interactive mobile device; in miscellaneous provisions relating to serious traffic offenses, further providing for the offense of homicide by vehicle and for the offense of aggravated assault by vehicle; in enforcement, providing for data collection and reporting relating to traffic stops; and imposing penalties.

APPROPRIATIONS.

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

**HB 1862, PN 2878** (Amended)

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, further providing for acquisition of water and sewer utilities and for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

**HB 1863, PN 2879** (Amended)

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, further providing for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

HB 1864, PN 2880 (Amended)

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, further providing for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

**HB 1865, PN 2881** (Amended)

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 66 (Public Utilities) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rates and distribution systems, further providing for valuation of acquired water and wastewater systems.

CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES.

# BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

HB 2143, PN 2765

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in computer offenses, providing for liability for Internet publishers and distributors of material harmful to minors; and making an editorial change.

Reported from Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES with request that it be rereferred to Committee on JUDICIARY.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the bill will be so rereferred.

# BILL REPORTED AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

HB 2149, PN 2773

By Rep. MATZIE

An Act amending Title 68 (Real and Personal Property) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in creation, alteration and termination of planned communities, further providing for amendment of declaration; and, in management of planned community, further providing for executive board members and officers, for bylaws, for meetings, for voting and proxies, for association records and for complaints filed with Bureau of Consumer Protection.

Reported from Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES with request that it be rereferred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the bill will be so rereferred.

Colleagues, if I may have your attention, we do have a very important guest that we would like to recognize. Colleagues, if I can have your attention, we do have an important guest we would like to recognize. The House will come to order.

# **GUEST INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. Colleagues, our colleague from Philadelphia County, the chair of Transportation, Representative Neilson, has a special guest here. I do appreciate your attention. This afternoon the House welcomes, seated to the left of the Speaker's rostrum, Mrs. Eileen Miller. She is here to bring awareness to distracted driving. Sadly, 13 years ago her 21-year-old son was killed by a distracted driver. She and her husband have been advocating against distracted driving ever since. I think we can welcome her very warmly to the hall of the House this afternoon. Please stand.

#### **CALENDAR**

#### RESOLUTION

Mr. BENNINGHOFF called up HR 328, PN 2639, entitled:

A Resolution designating March 19, 2024, as "The Pennsylvania State University IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon (THON) Day" in Pennsylvania and congratulating THON for raising nearly \$17 million for the Four Diamonds Fund at Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital to help fight pediatric cancer.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the chair of Transportation, the gentleman from Centre, Representative Benninghoff.

Mr. BENNINGHOFF. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Along with me are several of our colleagues. As you know, Penn State Main Campus and all the other branch campuses work very, very hard each year raising money through the dance marathon for Four Diamonds. I have asked our colleagues – Jesse Topper, if you are here as well – and our friends, Paul Takac and Kristin Marcell, as well as Senator Cris Dush, we had asked the members to join us to see exactly what goes on.

As the narrator said a little bit earlier, this year these wonderful students across Penn State and across all the campuses in our State raised over \$17 million. This is an all-time record. These individuals I think will tell you being visitors to that — although Kristin had been a dancer there a couple years ago, she said. We did get to see Jesse and the Senator dance a little bit. That was worth filming.

But more importantly, we have thousands of students that participate in this. In order to raise this kind of money, 16,500 student volunteers putting in over 4 million hours of dedicated time to put together a dance marathon of 46 hours with continuous movement. These students have to keep moving, only being able to take bathroom breaks. They have coaches. They have people enthusiastically giving them emotional support as well.

And I think it is important, and I think my colleagues here would tell you, that they also learned about what happens with these dollars. This is not only helping in cancer research for the young people. Many of you may or may not know, but every year that goes by, we have over 500 children in the State of Pennsylvania alone diagnosed with cancer. So by Thursday, another family will hear those same words: "Your daughter or your son has cancer."

Since its inception in 1977, THON has raised over \$200 million. This money also helps to provide medical assistance, emotional support, and for many of these families – sometimes they are driving 100 to 150 to 200 miles to get to Hershey for treatment, staying overnight if possible or necessary – it provides some gas reimbursement, a little bit of food assistance. It provides some support for the other siblings in the family. The impact of a child's diagnosis is not just that child, but the entire family, and there is a tremendous amount of strain.

I am truly grateful for the members of our chamber here for supporting March 19 – while we may be a couple of days past that – and recognizing the Pennsylvania State University as one of the largest philanthropic-type organizations, and probably the biggest event across this country that raises money. The 19th was designated to be "THON Day" here in Pennsylvania, and I want to thank my colleagues here, Paul Takac, Representative Kristin Marcell, Jesse Topper, and Senator Dush, for taking the time out of their day on a Saturday to come up and see this tremendous work.

And the official number, Madam Speaker, based on the theme – THON 2024 was "Treasure Every Adventure." And I will tell you, for the parents, they treasure every moment their children have. And to see the joy on some of these young children who – many are still in treatment when they are here visiting – their eyes light up when they get to see those numbers being held up high later on of \$16,955,683.63.

I want to give a last shout-out to one of my high schools, Mifflin County; small community, but very big in heart. They spent a weekend as well raising moneys to contribute for children they do not know, and sadly, for children yet to be diagnosed, but because they cared, it was a caring spirit, what I believe most Pennsylvanians carry.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# REMARKS SUBMITTED FOR THE RECORD

The SPEAKER. And on that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Bucks County, Representative Marcell.

Mrs. MARCELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I wanted to thank the gentleman from Centre County, my colleague, Representative Benninghoff, for sponsoring this resolution with me and for his kind words and for walking us through THON with him. As a former THON dancer, I could not be happier to vote on this today.

I would like to request to include my full remarks in the record so that we can move along with all of the votes for today.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

Mrs. MARCELL submitted the following remarks for the Legislative Journal:

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

It is for the kids. That is why THON exists. It is the largest studentrun philanthropy in the world, committed to enhancing the lives of children and families impacted by childhood cancer. Each year more than 16,500 student volunteers participate in the year-long fundraising efforts to benefit their sole beneficiary, Four Diamonds at Penn State Health Children's Hospital.

I am proud to share that the students at Penn State raised almost \$18 million in this year's THON, and have raised almost over \$200 million since its inception.

The good gentleman from Centre County and I have our unique relationships with THON, as do so many other Pennsylvania families. We appreciated being able to share this experience with several other legislators in February so they could see firsthand the Penn State students giving back to their community and supporting the THON mission to provide emotional and financial support, spread awareness, and ensure funding for critical research – all in pursuit of a cure.

The resolution Representative Benninghoff and I sponsored is to recognize all the effort and incredible fundraising done by those who are a part of THON. I can say from firsthand experience, once you are part of THON, it stays with you forever. I was very fortunate to have the opportunity to participate while I was at Penn State, and I will always remember the energy and commitment from my fellow students while we danced for 2 days.

Standing on your feet for that long may seem challenging, but when you think about all the things the kids who are fighting for their lives and the families who are by their sides go through, there is no comparison. I would highly encourage anyone who is not familiar with THON to learn about it, experience it, support it.

The mission stops only when we find a cure.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Abney	Flood	Labs	Rigby
Armanini	Frankel	Lawrence	Roae
Banta	Freeman	Leadbeter	Rossi
Barton	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rowe
Bellmon	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Rozzi
Benham	Gallagher	Madden	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Gaydos	Madsen	Salisbury
Bernstine	Gergely	Major	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Gillen	Mako	Sanchez
Bonner	Giral	Malagari	Sappey
Borowicz	Gleim	Maloney	Schemel
Borowski	Green	Marcell	Scheuren
Boyd	Gregory	Markosek	Schlegel
Boyle	Greiner	Marshall	Schlossberg
Bradford	Grove	Matzie	Schmitt
Brennan	Guenst	Mayes	Schweyer
Briggs	Guzman	McAndrew	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Haddock	McNeill	Scott
Brown, M.	Hamm	Mehaffie	Shusterman
Bullock	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Siegel
Burgos	Harkins	Mercuri	Smith
Burns	Harris	Merski	Smith-Wade-El
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Cabell	Hogan	Mihalek	Staats
Causer	Hohenstein	Miller, B.	Stambaugh
Cephas	Howard	Miller, D.	Steele

Cerrato	Irvin	Moul	Stehr
Ciresi	Isaacson	Mullins	Stender
Conklin	James	Munroe	Struzzi
Cook	Jones, M.	Mustello	Sturla
Cooper	Jones, T.	Neilson	Takac
Curry	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Tomlinson
Cutler	Kail	Nelson, N.	Topper
D'Orsie	Kaufer	O'Mara	Twardzik
Daley	Kauffman	O'Neal	Venkat
Davanzo	Kazeem	Oberlander	Vitali
Davis	Keefer	Ortitay	Warner
Dawkins	Kenyatta	Otten	Warren
Deasy	Kephart	Owlett	Watro
Delloso	Khan	Parker	Waxman
Delozier	Kim	Pashinski	Webster
Diamond	Kinkead	Pickett	Wentling
Donahue	Kinsey	Pielli	White
Dunbar	Klunk	Pisciottano	Williams, C.
Ecker	Kosierowski	Powell	Williams, D.
Emrick	Krajewski	Probst	Young
Evans	Krueger	Prokopiak	Zimmerman
Fee	Krupa	Rabb	
Fiedler	Kulik	Rader	McClinton,
Fleming	Kutz	Rapp	Speaker
Flick	Kuzma		

NAYS-1

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#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-1

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

# **GUEST INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The Chair would like the attention of the members for one guest who has just arrived. From Delaware County, we are so excited to have, seated in the gallery, a student from Neumann University, a junior who is majoring in biology. Please welcome a young lady I have known her entire life, as we do attend the same church, Sahdahya Addy. Please stand. Thank you for being here for AICUP Day from Neumann University. Welcome.

# RESOLUTION

### Ms. KINKEAD called up **HR 269**, **PN 2394**, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to establish a bipartisan task force to study any consolidated or unconsolidated State statutes in the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, Judicial Code, Sentencing Code or elsewhere under which a term of imprisonment and other collateral consequences may be imposed in order to identify redundant, overlapping and inconsistent offenses, improper grading and gaps in criminal liability, out-of-date, antiquated, offensive or unenforceable language and to make recommendations to the General Assembly.

On the question, Will the House adopt the resolution?

Mr. KRAJEWSKI offered the following amendment No. A03911:

Amend Resolution, page 4, line 16, by inserting after "Delinquency,"

the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, the gentleman from Philadelphia, Representative Krajewski.

Mr. KRAJEWSKI. Good afternoon. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My amendment is very simple. It merely adds the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing to the commission set forth in HR 269, and I would ask members for a "yes" vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the gentlelady from Allegheny County, Representative Kinkead.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This is an agreed-to amendment, and I would ask for your support.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

# YEAS-102

Abney	Evans	Krajewski	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Frankel	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Freeman	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyd	Friel	Malagari	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Markosek	Schlossberg
Bradford	Gergely	Matzie	Schweyer
Brennan	Giral	Mayes	Scott
Briggs	Green	McAndrew	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Guenst	McNeill	Siegel
Bullock	Guzman	Merski	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Haddock	Miller, D.	Solomon
Burns	Hanbidge	Mullins	Steele
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Cephas	Harris	Neilson	Takac
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Ciresi	Howard	O'Mara	Vitali
Conklin	Isaacson	Otten	Warren
Curry	Kazeem	Parker	Waxman
Daley	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Webster
Davis	Khan	Pielli	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kim	Pisciottano	Young
Deasy	Kinkead	Powell	
Delloso	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Donahue	Kosierowski	Prokopiak	Speaker

### NAYS-99

Armanini	Gaydos	Leadbeter	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Major	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Mako	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Maloney	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Marcell	Schlegel

Brown, M.	Heffley	Marshall	Schmitt
Cabell	Hogan	Mehaffie	Scialabba
Causer	Irvin	Mentzer	Smith
Cook	James	Mercuri	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stender
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
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Fee	Krupa	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Kutz	Pickett	White
Flick	Kuzma	Rader	Williams, C.
Flood	Labs	Rapp	Zimmerman
Fritz	Lawrence	Rigby	

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 adopt the resolution as amended?

Mrs. **MARCELL** offered the following amendment No. **A03824**:

Amend Resolution, page 3, line 20, by striking out "therefore be it" and inserting

and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly should be knowledgeable about the procedure and process of handling of cases involving retail theft under 18 Pa.C.S. § 3929 across this Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, A review of the handling of retail theft cases in this Commonwealth is necessary to determine if these cases are being adequately handled under Pennsylvania law and if changes are needed; therefore be it

Amend Resolution, page 5, by inserting between lines 13 and 14 RESOLVED, That the General Assembly direct the task force and advisory committee to conduct a thorough and comprehensive study on the investigation, prosecution and sentencing of violations of 18 Pa.C.S. § 3929 to:

- (1) Ascertain all cases in the Commonwealth from 2018 to 2023 that included an alleged violation of 18 Pa.C.S. § 3929.
- (2) Identify how many retail theft offenses were later withdrawn or dismissed, including at what procedural stage the case was withdrawn or dismissed.
- (3) Determine the sentence received for defendants convicted under 18 Pa.C.S. § 3929 between 2018 and 2023.
- (4) Outline the sentencing guidelines for all of the charges in the cases for defendants who were originally charged with retail theft between 2018 and 2023.
- (5) For an individual charged with retail theft between 2018 and 2023, determine if that individual was subsequently rearrested for retail theft, including an act, conspiracy or solicitation to commit retail theft, within the last five years.
- (6) For individuals sentenced to probation or granted parole following a conviction for retail theft, determine if any individuals subsequently violated the terms of supervision for any reason in the last five years following sentencing or parole; and be it further

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, the gentlelady from Bucks County, Representative Marcell.

Mrs. MARCELL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This amendment directs the task force to conduct a comprehensive study on the investigation, prosecution, and sentencing of retail theft cases in all counties since 2018. The goal of this amendment will establish that District Attorney Krasner has failed to exercise and fulfill his duties as a prosecutor by refusing, for years, to prosecute retail theft in accordance with our laws. Instead of charging retail theft as a misdemeanor of the first degree, which carries a maximum possible penalty of 5 years' incarceration, D.A. Krasner has instituted a policy that required his prosecutors to charge retail theft as a summary offense, which is the equivalent of a traffic ticket.

In 2022 the city of Philadelphia reported a 52-percent increase in retail thefts from 2021. Last year there was a 27-percent increase in retail theft in the city of Philadelphia. These significant increases can largely be attributed to his decriminalization policy.

In response to this substantial increase and the resulting loss of business – because we have many businesses now refusing to operate in the city of Philadelphia – the district attorney has recently revised his retail theft policy, stating, "Our new policy will take that distraction away by not referring to a particular dollar amount." This statement is essentially an acknowledgement that his decriminalization policy was disastrous and ineffective. Unfortunately, this policy provision came 6 years too late.

I urge my colleagues to please support this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the gentlelady from Allegheny, Representative Kinkead.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My resolution charges the Joint State Government Commission with setting up a committee to review an incredible amount of data in our Crimes Code, in our Sentencing Code, in our Judicial Code. We actually had to amend this in order to give them more time to do this.

While I appreciate the gentlelady's intention, the reality is, this is not related to what we are actually trying to do with this resolution, and I would ask for a "no" vote. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

# YEAS-100

Armanini	Fritz	Lawrence	Rigby
Banta	Gaydos	Leadbeter	Roae
Barton	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Benninghoff	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Bernstine	Gregory	Major	Ryncavage
Bonner	Greiner	Mako	Schemel
Borowicz	Grove	Maloney	Scheuren
Brown, M.	Hamm	Marcell	Schlegel
Burns	Heffley	Marshall	Schmitt

Cabell	Hogan	Mehaffie	Scialabba
Causer	Irvin	Mentzer	Smith
Cook	James	Mercuri	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stender
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Struzzi
Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Tomlinson
Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Klunk	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Krupa	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Kutz	Pickett	White
Flick	Kuzma	Rader	Williams, C.
Flood	Labs	Rapp	Zimmerman

### NAYS-101

Abney	Fiedler	Krueger	Rozzi
Bellmon	Fleming	Kulik	Salisbury
Benham	Frankel	Madden	Samuelson
Bizzarro	Freeman	Madsen	Sanchez
Borowski	Friel	Malagari	Sappey
Boyd	Gallagher	Markosek	Schlossberg
Boyle	Gergely	Matzie	Schweyer
Bradford	Giral	Mayes	Scott
Brennan	Green	McAndrew	Shusterman
Briggs	Guenst	McNeill	Siegel
Brown, A.	Guzman	Merski	Smith-Wade-El
Bullock	Haddock	Miller, D.	Solomon
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Cephas	Harris	Neilson	Takac
Cerrato	Hohenstein	Nelson, N.	Venkat
Ciresi	Howard	O'Mara	Vitali
Conklin	Isaacson	Otten	Warren
Curry	Kazeem	Parker	Waxman
Daley	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Webster
Davis	Khan	Pielli	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kim	Pisciottano	Young
Deasy	Kinkead	Powell	
Delloso	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Donahue	Kosierowski	Prokopiak	Speaker
Evans	Krajewski	Rabb	

#### NOT VOTING-0

# EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

Ms. **BROWN** offered the following amendment No. **A03832:** 

Amend Resolution, page 3, by inserting between lines 16 and 17 WHEREAS, In addition to our State statutes, the Pennsylvania Code is full of a large number of out-of-date, unenforceable, duplicative and unnecessarily burdensome regulations that the General Assembly and State agencies should be aware of that may need to be resolved; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, State agencies administer an overwhelming number of permits and authorizations that the General Assembly should be aware of, including 800 permits from the Department of Environmental Protection alone, many of which are out-

of-date, rarely used, duplicative and unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, Having unnecessary, duplicative and burdensome regulations and permits causes Pennsylvanians to suffer and makes this Commonwealth less inviting for businesses and professionals; and

Amend Resolution, page 5, line 16, by striking out the period after "resolution" and inserting

; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the General Assembly direct the task force to establish a bipartisan working group to study the Pennsylvania Code and permits issued by State agencies in order to identify any redundant, overlapping, inconsistent, out-of-date, antiquated, unenforceable or unnecessarily burdensome regulations and permits and to make recommendations to the General Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the working group consist of two members of the Senate, one appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate, two members of the House of Representatives, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and one appointed by the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives and one representative of the Independent Regulatory Review Commission appointed by the chairperson of the Independent Regulatory Review Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the working group shall:

- (1) study the existing Pennsylvania Code;
- (2) study the existing permits issued by State agencies;
- (3) identify any redundant, overlapping, inconsistent, out-of-date, antiquated, unenforceable or unnecessarily burdensome regulations and permits; and

(4) make recommendations to the General Assembly and State agencies regarding updating and remedying these defects; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the working group report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly within one year of the adoption of this resolution.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Lawrence, Representative Brown.

Ms. BROWN. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

My amendment would expand the scope of the resolution to include consideration of burdensome, out-of-date, and duplicative regulations and permits, in addition to consideration of the Crimes Code. It is clear that the Pennsylvania Code is full of too many regulations, many of which have been in place for decades, and they rarely are used and have provisions which are out of date.

In addition, our State agencies have an immense number of permits that they oversee, including 800 from the Department of Environmental Protection alone. As we continuously hear from businesses and working professionals that the regulatory permitting and licensing climate in Pennsylvania prevents investment and stops people from relocating to our State, it is important to get a sense of where we can safely streamline and create efficiencies in our processes. My amendment would create a bipartisan and bicameral working group to analyze these concerns and report back to the General Assembly.

I would ask all members to support this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the gentlelady from Allegheny, Representative Kinkead.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Once again, while I appreciate this amendment, the reality is that this is already a cumbersome task for the commission that we are putting together, and I would ask for a "no" vote. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-99

Armanini	Gaydos	Leadbeter	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Major	Ryncavage
Bernstine	Greiner	Mako	Schemel
Bonner	Grove	Maloney	Scheuren
Borowicz	Hamm	Marcell	Schlegel
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Delozier	Kaufer	Mustello	Tomlinson
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Emrick	Klunk	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Krupa	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Kutz	Pickett	White
Flick	Kuzma	Rader	Williams, C.
Flood	Labs	Rapp	Zimmerman
Fritz	Lawrence	Rigby	

#### NAYS-102

Abney	Evans	Krajewski	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Frankel	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Freeman	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyd	Friel	Malagari	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Markosek	Schlossberg
Bradford	Gergely	Matzie	Schweyer
Brennan	Giral	Mayes	Scott
Briggs	Green	McAndrew	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Guenst	McNeill	Siegel
Bullock	Guzman	Merski	Smith-Wade-El
Burgos	Haddock	Miller, D.	Solomon
Burns	Hanbidge	Mullins	Steele
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Curry	Kazeem	Parker	Waxman
Daley	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Webster
Davis	Khan	Pielli	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kim	Pisciottano	Young
Deasy	Kinkead	Powell	
Delloso	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Donahue	Kosierowski	Prokopiak	Speaker

# NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

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

The SPEAKER. Representative Krajewski also offers amendment A03926. It is the Chair's understanding that that amendment is withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

# **PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRIES**

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the floor leader, the gentleman from Lancaster, Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you very much, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry, if I may?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order, and he may proceed.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you. In the paperwork prior to coming to the floor, we had two additional amendments – 3943 and 3944, I believe – that they were marked "late-filed." And my question, Madam Speaker, is, does rule 21, that states that amendments shall be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk by 1 p.m. the last legislative day preceding the scheduled date of second consideration, is it the Chair's position – and that was reflected on that document – that this requirement under rule 21 also applies to amendments filed to simple resolutions, even though they do not come up for second consideration similar to bills and/or joint resolutions?

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman for his parliamentary inquiry.

For the information of the members, rule 21(b) provides a time frame for the consideration of bills, resolutions, and amendments in such a way that allows for members and the public to have sufficient time to review the bills and the amendments prior to a vote. Rule 21(b) provides, "Members shall be notified of bills and resolutions scheduled to be voted...prior to the close of business at 4:30 P.M. of the second legislative day prior to the date of second consideration...all amendments shall be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk by 1:00 P.M. of the last legislative day preceding the scheduled date of second consideration...." In accordance with our House rules, any amendments filed to resolutions after 1 o'clock p.m. of the last legislative day preceding the scheduled date of second consideration are untimely and will be ruled out of order.

Mr. CUTLER. One further clarification and parliamentary inquiry, if I may, Madam Speaker?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman is in order and may proceed. Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Just so that the members understand, then, I want to be certain that the notice and timeline requirements also apply, that you just read from rule 21(b), to resolutions as well?

The SPEAKER. For the information of the members, the answer is ves.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

The question recurs, will the House agree to the resolution, HR 269, PN 2882?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the gentlelady from Allegheny County, Representative Kinkead.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I would ask for your support of this resolution. The reality is that when we introduced the Crimes Code, Sentencing Code, Judicial Code, they did not have nearly the number of crimes included in them, and we need to ensure that our sentencing is consistent, that the crimes that are there are still enforceable.

If anybody is unaware, in Pennsylvania it is unlawful for someone to practice fortune-telling for profit. I am not necessarily sure that needs to be a crime anymore. On the other end of things, when we talk about human trafficking, it has been an incredible, you know, issue that our legislature has taken up, but it is only a misdemeanor if you traffic in infants.

So it is important for us to review our Crimes Code, to take this time to look at the different codes, the different crimes that exist in Pennsylvania and make sure they are enforceable, that they are consistent, that the sentencing grading is consistent in order to make them make sense for Pennsylvania as a whole, and so I would ask for your support on this resolution. Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

#### YEAS-102

Abney	Evans	Krajewski	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Frankel	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Freeman	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyd	Friel	Malagari	Sappey
Boyle	Gallagher	Markosek	Schlossberg
Bradford	Gergely	Matzie	Schweyer
Brennan	Giral	Mayes	Scott
Briggs	Green	McAndrew	Shusterman
Brown, A.	Guenst	McNeill	Siegel
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Daley	Kenyatta	Pashinski	Webster
Davis	Khan	Pielli	Williams, D.
Dawkins	Kim	Pisciottano	Young
Deasy	Kinkead	Powell	•
Delloso	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
Donahue	Kosierowski	Prokopiak	Speaker

#### NAYS-99

Armanini	Gaydos	Leadbeter	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Major	Ryncavage
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Cook	James	Mercuri	Staats
Cooper	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stambaugh
Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stender
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Struzzi
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Diamond	Kauffman	Nelson, E.	Topper
Dunbar	Keefer	O'Neal	Twardzik
Ecker	Kephart	Oberlander	Warner
Emrick	Klunk	Ortitay	Watro
Fee	Krupa	Owlett	Wentling
Fink	Kutz	Pickett	White
Flick	Kuzma	Rader	Williams, C.
Flood	Labs	Rapp	Zimmerman
Fritz	Lawrence	Rigby	

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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

# BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 816**, **PN 2732**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of the road in general, providing for removal of vehicles in a city of the first class.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration? Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 2055**, **PN 2651**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 22, 1931 (P.L.594, No.203), referred to as the Township State Highway Law, adding a route in Dauphin County.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration? Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **SB 1111**, **PN 1429**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in sentencing, further providing for definitions and for sexual offenses and tier system.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration? Bill was agreed to.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1512**, **PN 2786**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 40 (Insurance) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in regulation of insurers and related persons generally, providing for telemedicine.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

# Ms. SAPPEY offered the following amendment No. A03906:

Amend Bill, page 4, line 5, by striking out "designated"
Amend Bill, page 5, line 11, by inserting after "service"

appropriately

Amend Bill, page 5, line 17, by striking out "the" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 5, line 25, by inserting after "service" appropriately

Amend Bill, page 6, line 1, by inserting after "<u>is</u>" <u>appropriately</u>

Amend Bill, page 6, line 18, by striking out "existing"

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment and the bill, the gentlelady from Chester County, Representative Sappey.

Ms. SAPPEY. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This is a technical amendment and I would ask the members to vote in favor. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the maker of the amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

Abney	Flick	Kuzma	Rigby
Armanini	Flood	Labs	Roae
Banta	Frankel	Lawrence	Rossi
Barton	Freeman	Leadbeter	Rowe
Bellmon	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rozzi
Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Gallagher	Madden	Salisbury
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Brown, A.	Guzman	McAndrew	Scott
Brown, M.	Haddock	McNeill	Shusterman
Bullock	Hamm	Mehaffie	Siegel
Burgos	Hanbidge	Mentzer	Smith
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Cabell	Heffley	Metzgar	Staats
Causer	Hogan	Mihalek	Stambaugh
Cephas	Hohenstein	Miller, B.	Steele
Cerrato	Howard	Miller, D.	Stehr
Ciresi	Irvin	Moul	Stender
Conklin	Isaacson	Mullins	Struzzi
Cook	James	Munroe	Sturla
Cooper	Jones, M.	Mustello	Takac
Curry	Jones, T.	Neilson	Tomlinson
Cutler	Jozwiak	Nelson, E.	Topper
D'Orsie	Kail	Nelson, N.	Twardzik
Daley	Kaufer	O'Mara	Venkat
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Delozier	Khan	Parker	Webster
Diamond	Kim	Pashinski	Wentling
Donahue	Kinkead	Pickett	White
Dunbar	Kinsey	Pielli	Williams, C.
Ecker	Klunk	Pisciottano	Williams, D.
Emrick	Kosierowski	Powell	Young
Evans	Krajewski	Probst	Zimmerman
Fee	Krueger	Prokopiak	
Fiedler	Krupa	Rabb	McClinton,
Fink	Kulik	Rader	Speaker
Fleming	Kutz	Rapp	

#### NOT VOTING-0

# EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 second consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1573**, **PN 2753**, entitled:

An Act providing for the redevelopment of historic and older buildings; and establishing the Historic and Older Building Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program and the Historic and Older Building Redevelopment Fund.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **B. MILLER** offered the following amendment No. **A03831:** 

Amend Bill, page 8, line 20, by striking out "3%" and inserting 1%
Amend Bill, page 8, line 23, by striking out "3%" and inserting

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, the gentleman from Lancaster, Representative Brett Miller.

Mr. B. MILLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

HB 1573 establishes the Historic and Older Building Redevelopment Assistance Grant Program and establishes a 2-year pilot program, which would be administered by DCED (Department of Community and Economic Development), to issue grants for the redevelopment, rehabilitation, or enhancement of historic and older buildings across the Commonwealth. The bill provides for reimbursement of administrative expenses, and it caps at 3 percent the amount of the fund DCED may assess for administrative costs associated with running the program.

My amendment would change the capped amount for administrative expenses from 3 percent to 1 percent, which, put into actual numbers, would reduce the amount from \$750,000 to \$250,000, thus allowing more money to be put to use preserving historic buildings. It is important to note that DCED has stated that they will need to hire two new full-time employees to administer this program. Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars to fund two employees for 2 years is excessive and not in line with reasonable wage projections.

In addition, my amendment brings the assessment percentage for administrative expenses in line with multiple programs already established and in use in the Commonwealth. For example, the Keystone Communities fund allocates .7 percent for administrative expenses, and the Main Street Matters program, a program under the auspices of the Governor, allocates 1.1 percent to administrative fees. Several other programs that are similar in scope and size have minimal or no administrative costs because much of the administrative duties are borne by the Center for Local Government Services.

Capping the administrative costs associated with this grant program at 1 percent will bring the cost directly in line with all other similarly established programs and will ensure that the maximum amount of funds allocated will be put to use in rehabilitating the historic structures throughout the Commonwealth. I ask for an affirmative vote on amendment A03831. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Venango, Representative James.

Mr. JAMES. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I want to add my support for this particular amendment with just a few extra comments.

The good gentleman from Lancaster County outlined several reasons why the administrative expenses currently listed in HB 1573 at 3 percent should be capped at 1 percent. Two main

reasons. Number one, the fee as drafted currently is excessive. Number two, the administrative costs envisioned in the current bill are out of line when compared with the administrative costs of other comparable programs.

And I want to reiterate the example that he gave. In the original thinking of this bill, an amount of \$25 million was being considered as the asking amount to establish the 2-year pilot program. If you do the quick math, 3 percent of that is \$750,000. Last year DCED had 337 employees, and the average wage was \$85,000. So the new jobs are — well, everybody here might want to apply for one.

Let me also add two other things. The Main Street Matters, which is one of Governor Shapiro's programs, has a \$25 million budget and has capped its administrative costs at 1.1 percent. PA Innovation has a \$20 million budget and it has zero percent administrative costs.

So, Madam Speaker, as you can see, of these comparable programs, the administrative fees range from zero percent to 1.1 percent. Capping the program's administrative fee at 1 percent would be in line with all the comparable personnel expenses in Governor Shapiro's Main Street Matters program. I urge a "yes" vote to amendment 03831. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, the gentleman from Montgomery County, Representative Ciresi. Mr. CIRESI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank my colleagues for getting up and supporting the idea of the bill, but I would ask that you vote against the amendment. DCED has said that they have to hire at least two full-time staffers; there would probably be more than that because this is a new bill and nothing has been administered yet. Usually these programs can be anywhere between 3 and 5 percent. So 3 percent is what the administration has asked for, DCED has asked for, and PHMC (Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission) has also asked for.

So I would ask that you vote against this amendment.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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# NOT VOTING-0

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Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

# Mr. **B. MILLER** offered the following amendment No. **A03867:**

Amend Bill, page 8, by inserting between lines 25 and 26 (d) Transfer to General Fund.—Any money in the fund that is unexpended, unencumbered or uncommitted two years after the effective date of this section shall be transferred to the General Fund.

Amend Bill, page 9, line 4, by inserting after "of" the grant making authority under

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, Representative Brett Miller.

Mr. B. MILLER. Thank you. I rise to offer amendment A03867, which would ensure that any money remaining in the fund at the end of the 2-year pilot program would be transferred back to the General Fund.

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And I appreciate the member working with me on this as an agreed-to amendment, and I ask the members for an affirmative vote. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill, Representative Ciresi.

Mr. CIRESI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I want to thank the gentleman for offering this, and yes, this is an agreed-to amendment.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Armanini	Flood	Labs	Roae
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#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 second consideration as amended?

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1593**, **PN 2103**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 19, 1990 (P.L.1372, No.212), known as the Early Intervention Services System Act, further providing for title of the act; in general provisions, further providing for legislative findings for early intervention, for definitions, for State interagency agreement, for other duties of State agencies and for council; in Statewide system for provision of early intervention services, further providing for requirements, for program regulations and standards, for administration by Department of Public Welfare, for administration by Department of Education and for child identification, assessment and tracking system; in miscellaneous provisions, further providing for effective date; and making editorial changes.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mrs. **BULLOCK** offered the following amendment No. **A03751:** 

Amend Bill, page 24, line 1, by inserting a bracket before "INFANTS,"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 1, by inserting after "TODDLERS" leligible infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 24, line 1, by inserting a bracket before "ARE" Amend Bill, page 24, line 2, by striking out the bracket before "HANDICAPPED"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 2, by striking out "DISABLED" and inserting

have a disability or developmental delay

Amend Bill, page 24, line 5, by inserting a bracket before "INFANTS,"  $\,$ 

Amend Bill, page 24, line 5, by inserting after "TODDLERS" ] eligible infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 24, line 5, by inserting a bracket before "ARE" Amend Bill, page 24, line 6, by striking out the bracket before "HANDICAPPED"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 6, by striking out " $\underline{\mbox{DISABLED}}\mbox{"}$  and inserting

have a disability or developmental delay

Amend Bill, page 24, line 7, by striking out "<u>DISABLED</u>" Amend Bill, page 24, line 8, by inserting after "INDIVIDUALS" who have a disability or developmental delay

Amend Bill, page 24, line 15, by striking out "[HANDICAPPED] ELIGIBLE INFANTS, TODDLERS" and inserting

[handicapped infants, toddlers] eligible infants and

toddlers

Amend Bill, page 24, line 18, by inserting a bracket before "INFANTS,"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 19, by inserting after "TODDLERS" infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 24, line 21, by inserting a bracket before "ARE"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 21, by striking out the bracket before "HANDICAPPED"

Amend Bill, page 24, line 21, by striking out "DISABLED" and inserting

have a disability or developmental delay

Amend Bill, page 25, line 30, by inserting after "THE" eligible

Amend Bill, page 26, line 12, by inserting a bracket before "INFANTS,"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 12, by inserting after "TODDLERS" ] infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 26, line 20, by inserting a bracket before "INFANTS,"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 20, by inserting after "TODDLERS" ] Eligible infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 26, line 21, by striking out the bracket before "ELIGIBLE"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 21, by striking out the bracket after "ELIGIBLE"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 24, by striking out "NONDISABLED"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 24, by inserting after "CHILDREN" who are not disabled

Amend Bill, page 26, line 24, by inserting after "EACH" <u>eligible</u>

Amend Bill, page 26, line 25, by striking out the bracket before "ELIGIBLE"

Amend Bill, page 26, line 25, by striking out the bracket after "ELIGIBLE"

Amend Bill, page 29, line 22, by inserting a bracket before "CHILDREN"

Amend Bill, page 29, line 22, by inserting after "INCLUSIVE" ] infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 30, line 19, by striking out "WOMAN AFTER SHE" and inserting

parent after the parent

Amend Bill, page 36, line 22, by striking out "ELIGIBLE" where it occurs the second time

Amend Bill, page 38, line 22, by inserting a bracket before "CHILDREN"

Amend Bill, page 38, line 23, by inserting after "INCLUSIVE" l eligible infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 38, line 25, by inserting a bracket before "CHILDREN"

Amend Bill, page 38, line 26, by inserting after "BEGINNERS" ] eligible young children

Amend Bill, page 39, line 30, by inserting a bracket before "MENTAL" where it occurs the second time

Amend Bill, page 39, line 30, by inserting after

"RETARDATION"

developmental services

Amend Bill, page 40, line 4, by inserting a bracket before "CHILDREN"

Amend Bill, page 40, line 5, by inserting after "INCLUSIVE" l eligible infants and toddlers

Amend Bill, page 41, line 7, by inserting a bracket before "HANDICAPPED"

Amend Bill, page 41, line 7, by inserting after "HANDICAPPED"

] eligible

Amend Bill, page 42, line 12, by striking out "MOTHERS" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 42, line 13, by inserting after "ARE"

Amend Bill, page 42, line 13, by inserting after "FOR"

, or diagnosed as having

Amend Bill, page 42, line 13, by striking out "AND" and inserting

, if the children are

Amend Bill, page 43, line 11, by inserting a bracket before "MENTAL"

Amend Bill, page 43, line 11, by inserting after "RETARDATION"

developmental services

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentlelady from Allegheny for a summary of the amendment, Representative Kinkead.

Ms. KINKEAD. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

This amendment is quite simple. It adds more equitable language, updates definitions, and removes the codified effective date.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

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Cutler	Jones, T.	Mihalek	Stehr
D'Orsie	Jozwiak	Miller, B.	Stender
Davanzo	Kail	Moul	Struzzi
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Fritz	Lawrence		

#### NOT VOTING-1

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### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 second consideration as amended?

#### Mr. **GROVE** offered the following amendment No. **A03825:**

Amend Bill, page 44, line 6, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 2. Upon the enactment of an appropriation by the General Assembly that includes sufficient money for the purpose of expanding the child identification, assessment and tracking system established under section 305 of the act, the Secretary of Human Services shall transmit notice of the enactment to the Legislative Reference Bureau for publication in the next available issue of the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

- Section 3. This act shall take effect as follows:
- (1) The amendment of section 305 of the act shall take effect 30 days following publication of the notice under section 2 of this act.
- (2) The remainder of this act shall take effect immediately.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the chair of Appropriations, the gentleman from York, Representative Grove.

Mr. GROVE. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

I rise today to ask members to support amendment A03825. This amendment would delay the implementation of this legislation until funding has been appropriated to support the associated increase in funding necessitated by the bill.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

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Less than the majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the negative and the amendment was not agreed to.

On the question recurring,

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1598**, **PN 2791**, entitled:

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 providing for definitions and for unlawful acts or practices and exclusions.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

The SPEAKER. It is the Chair's understanding that Representative Napoleon Nelson is withdrawing amendment A03830. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Ms. KLUNK offered the following amendment No. A03861:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 7, by inserting after "exclusions" and providing for child sexual abuse material generated by artificial intelligence

Amend Bill, page 4, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting

Section 3. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

Section 9.5. Child Sexual Abuse Material Generated by

Artificial Intelligence.—It shall not be a defense for an offense relating to child pornography or child sexual abuse material that the creation of the child pornography or child sexual abuse material was generated through artificial intelligence. In addition to the existing authority granted to the Attorney General or a district attorney, the Attorney General or a district attorney shall prosecute an offense relating to child pornography or child sexual abuse material that was generated through artificial intelligence in accordance with the laws of this Commonwealth.

Section 4. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, the gentlelady from York, Representative Klunk.

Ms. KLUNK. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Today I rise for support of my amendment, which would clarify once and for all that child sexual abuse material which is generated by artificial intelligence is illegal. As a former member of the Child Porn Task Force here in Pennsylvania, I cannot tell you how disgusting and gruesome it is that these cases exist here in Pennsylvania.

With this rise in generative artificial intelligence that can produce these images, we must ensure that those who produce such images and use such images cannot claim that their images were not illegal because they do no show actual child sexual abuse. These images are still harmful to our children.

First, these AI-generated images contribute to the overall availability of such images here in our society, and that is bad. Second, the proliferation of these images would normalize these types of images among a segment of the population, and that can lead to additional child sexual abuse here in this Commonwealth. Finally, we have to make sure that the ambiguity about the photograph authenticity of images is not a get-out-of-jail-free card here in Pennsylvania.

I ask for your support of this important amendment and that we can ensure that childhood sexual abuse material that is generated by artificial intelligence is illegal here in Pennsylvania. We must stop this, Madam Speaker. Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentlelady.

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

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Evans	Krajewski	Probst	Zimmerman
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Fiedler	Krupa	Rabb	McClinton,
Fink	Kulik	Rader	Speaker
Fleming	Kutz	Rapp	-

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#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 second consideration as amended?

Mr. PIELLI offered the following amendment No. A03863:

Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by inserting after "and,"

must be displayed in the first instance when the content is presented to the consumer,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the bill and the amendment, the gentleman from Chester County, Representative Pielli.

Mr. PIELLI. Thank you, Madam Chair.

I ask you to support amendment 03863, simply stating – inserting a line that the content must be displayed to the first instant when – excuse me, the notice "must be displayed in the first instance when the content is presented to the consumer." Thank you.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Armanini	Flood	Labs	Roae
Banta	Frankel	Lawrence	Rossi
Barton	Freeman	Leadbeter	Rowe
Bellmon	Friel	Mackenzie, M.	Rozzi
Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
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Briggs	Guenst	Mayes	Scialabba
Brown, A.	Guzman	McAndrew	Scott
Brown, M.	Haddock	McNeill	Shusterman
Bullock	Hamm	Mehaffie	Siegel
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# EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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

#### **GUEST INTRODUCED**

The SPEAKER. The House will come to order. The House will come to order. The Chair has another special guest to acknowledge this afternoon.

Colleagues, seated to the left of Speaker's rostrum, it is an honor to welcome, all the way from Delaware County, Her Honor, Magisterial District Judge Tammi L. Forbes, who was first elected in 2019, took office in 2020, and has been actively involved with the Delaware County Magisterial District Judges Association and the Special Court Judges Association of Pennsylvania. She has been the Secretary in Delaware County and is the president-elect. Please join me in welcoming Her Honor, Judge Tammi Forbes, to the floor of the House.

# **CONSIDERATION OF HB 1598 CONTINUED**

On the question recurring,

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

The House will briefly be at ease.

The House will come to order.

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The House proceeded to second consideration of **HB 1834**, **PN 2414**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 19, 2018 (P.L.229, No.36), known as the Employment First Act, further providing for Employment First Oversight Commission.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

# Mr. **DAWKINS** offered the following amendment No. **A03515:**

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 20 through 22; page 2, lines 1 through 5; by striking out "Within 90 days of the effective" in line 20, all of lines 21 and 22 on page 1 and all of lines 1 through 5 on page 2 and inserting

The following apply to the executive director of the commission:

(1) Within 90 days of the effective date of this paragraph, the commission shall prepare a list of three qualified candidates for executive director. The following apply:

(i) The commission shall present the list to the Governor, who shall give due consideration to the list and shall select the executive director.

(ii) The following individuals are not eligible to serve as executive director:

(A) A current member of the commission.

(B) An individual who served as a member of the commission within one year of the selection of executive director.

(2) Compensation for the executive director shall be set by the executive board established under section 204 of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929.

(3) The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

(4) A vacancy in the position of executive director shall be filled in accordance with paragraph (1).

Amend Bill, page 2, line 6, by striking out "(1)" and inserting

Amend Bill, page 2, line 10, by striking out "(2)" and inserting (6)

Amend Bill, page 3, by inserting between lines 7 and 8

(7) The commission shall, on an annual basis or as otherwise prescribed by the Governor, report to the Governor on the performance of the executive director, in the form and manner prescribed by the Governor.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

#### AMENDMENT WITHDRAWN

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, the majority chair of Labor and Industry, on that amendment. It is the Chair's understanding that that amendment is withdrawn. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the bill on second consideration?

Mr. **DAWKINS** offered the following amendment No. **A03942**:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 21, by striking out "commission shall elect" and inserting

Governor shall appoint

Amend Bill, page 1, line 22; page 2, line 1; by striking out " $\underline{\text{for a}}$   $\underline{\text{term of six}}$ " in line 22 on page 1 and " $\underline{\text{years}}$ " in line 1 on page 2 and inserting

at the pleasure of the Governor

Amend Bill, page 2, lines 3 and 4, by striking out "The executive director may serve no more than two terms."

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the maker of the amendment, Representative Dawkins.

Mr. DAWKINS. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Amendment 03942 clarifies the process for appointing the executive director. I ask the members for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Madam Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Will the House agree to the amendment?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lancaster, the floor leader, Representative Cutler.

Mr. CUTLER. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I would like to give a little bit of a history on this bill and then my concerns with the amendment, because I have been involved with this process for some time. The good lady from Lebanon County sponsored the first bill, the "I Want to Work" bill; myself and the good gentleman, the prime sponsor of this bill, did "I Want to Work" 2.0; and now we have this third version where we were working together.

Unfortunately, the good gentleman's amendment raises some concerns for me, which I would like to briefly share. Most importantly, it gives the Governor direct oversight and makes this employee an employee at-will. And we have seen that time and time again in a variety of other settings — such as the Office of Open Records — where having an at-will employee does not allow them to give the level of advice that they do. And in fact, during the Office of Open Records debate, that particular case ended up in court, and ultimately, it was held that the individual was in fact appointed for a term.

The current system that we have is designed to encourage hiring of disabled individuals in the administration and look for opportunities there. That means they must give advice, and sometimes constructive criticism, to the administration.

Unfortunately, I was not involved in the drafting of this amendment as we worked through this particular case and those issues were not addressed, and therefore, I will not be supporting this amendment, despite both the commission and the Governor understandably supporting such a change, because it would directly benefit the administration.

So for those reasons, Madam Speaker, I will be a "no" on the amendment.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Abney	Evans	Krajewski	Rabb
Bellmon	Fiedler	Krueger	Rozzi
Benham	Fleming	Kulik	Salisbury
Bizzarro	Frankel	Madden	Samuelson
Borowski	Freeman	Madsen	Sanchez
Boyd	Friel	Malagari	Sappey
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Deasy	Kinkead	Powell	
Delloso	Kinsey	Probst	McClinton,
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Armanini	Gaydos	Leadbeter	Roae
Banta	Gillen	Mackenzie, M.	Rossi
Barton	Gleim	Mackenzie, R.	Rowe
Benninghoff	Gregory	Major	Ryncavage
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The majority having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendment was agreed to.

On the question,

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

Bill as amended was agreed to.

The SPEAKER. The bill as amended will be reprinted.

# SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR A

#### BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 491**, **PN 2790**, entitled:

An Act providing for energy efficiency and conservation plans with inclusion of mechanical insulation.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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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#### EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (ROBERT F. MATZIE) PRESIDING

The House proceeded to third consideration of **HB 1518**, **PN 2873**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands and improvements situate in the 47th Ward of the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, to New Freedom Theatre, Inc.; authorizing the release of Project 70 restrictions on certain land owned by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission in Overfield Township, Wyoming County; authorizing the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the City of Philadelphia a right-of-way easement situate in the City of Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, in exchange for improvements to Benjamin Rush State Park and monetary consideration to the Commonwealth to be used toward the acquisition and conveyance of a tract of land to be added to French Creek State Park; authorizing the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of portions of State park lands in exchange for certain lands situate in New Vernon Township, Mercer County, from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to the Department of Transportation for anticipated highway improvement projects; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Agriculture and the Governor, to grant and convey to Joshua R. Snyder a certain tract of land located in Windsor Township, Berks County; authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey certain lands and improvements situate in Haverford Township, Delaware County, to Carelink Community Support Services of PA, Inc.; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and the Governor, to grant and convey to The Roland Curtin Foundation for the Preservation of Eagle Furnace, certain lands, buildings and improvements, situate in Boggs Township, Centre County, and further authorizing the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to transfer to The Roland Curtin Foundation for the Preservation of Eagle Furnace its buildings located on adjacent property leased from the United States Department of the Army.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Centre County, Representative Takac.

Mr. TAKAC. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise today in support of HB 1518. Included in this legislation is the transfer of the Eagle Iron Works and Curtin Village in Centre County from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission to the Roland Curtin Foundation.

Founded in 1810 by Irish immigrant Roland Curtin, Sr., the Eagle Iron Works for over 100 years would serve as the hub of a thriving 19th-century iron production industry in central Pennsylvania as part of the famed Juniata Iron District. In the early 1800s, nearly half of all the iron produced in Pennsylvania, and as much as 20 percent in the entire nation, came from this small five-county area in central Pennsylvania. For over 100 years, four successive generations of Curtins served as ironmaster, overseeing this 900-acre, self-sufficient iron plantation community, which, at its peak in the mid-19th century, employed and supported as many as 200 industrial and agricultural laborers and their families.

During and after the Civil War, from 1861 to 1867, Roland Curtin's son, Andrew Gregg Curtin, served as the Governor of Pennsylvania. A personal friend and ally of President Abraham Lincoln, Governor Curtin was instrumental in the establishment of the Gettysburg National Cemetery. After leaving office, Andrew Gregg Curtin was appointed by President Ulysses S. Grant to serve as the United States Ambassador to Russia, and was later elected to the United States House of Representatives, serving from 1881 to 1887.

Following the closure of the Eagle Iron Works in 1922, the Curtin Mansion continued to be occupied until 1951. In 1974 the restored mansion and blast furnace complex were opened to the public for tours under the direction of the nonprofit Roland Curtin Foundation. Since that time, the foundation has welcomed thousands of visitors and hosted countless educational events. This transfer will allow the foundation an even greater opportunity to invest in additional restoration work and to expand programming, especially as we approach the 250th anniversary of the founding of our nation.

The Eagle Iron Works and Curtin Village, including the mansion, offer a unique and invaluable opportunity to learn about this important time in our history and the vital role of ironmaking in the growth of our Commonwealth and our country. Please join me in supporting HB 1518 as well as saluting the passion, expertise, and hard work of organizations such as the Roland Curtin Foundation in preserving, protecting, and promoting our shared history and heritage.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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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Kerwin

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 1798**, **PN 2221**, entitled:

An Act designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8345, on that portion of U.S. Route 22 over Howells Run in Cambria Township, Cambria County, as the Michael G. Tsikalas Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8344, carrying U.S. Route 22 over Pennsylvania Route 160, also known as New Germany Road, in Cambria Township, Cambria County, as the Charles J. Vizzini Memorial Bridge; and making a repeal.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

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

The following roll call was recorded:

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Barton	Freeman	Leadbeter	Rowe
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Benham	Fritz	Mackenzie, R.	Ryncavage
Benninghoff	Gallagher	Madden	Salisbury
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Emrick	Kosierowski	Powell	Young
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Fee	Krueger	Prokopiak	
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# EXCUSED-1

Kerwin

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 **SB 37**, **PN 1458**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in general provisions, further providing for definitions; in licensing of drivers, further providing for learners' permits and for examination of applicant for driver's license; in rules of the road in general, further providing for prohibiting text-based communications and providing for prohibiting use of interactive mobile device; in miscellaneous provisions relating to serious traffic offenses, further providing for the offense of homicide by vehicle and for the offense of aggravated assault by vehicle; in enforcement, providing for data collection and reporting relating to traffic stops; and imposing penalties.

On the question,

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

(Bill analysis was read.)

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

The question is, shall the bill pass finally?

On that question, the Chair recognizes the majority chairman of the Transportation Committee, the gentleman from Philadelphia, Representative Neilson.

Mr. NEILSON. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I urge the members to support SB 37. This bill makes it a primary offense to use an interactive mobile device while driving. It also requires the State Police and certain local police departments to additionally collect data during traffic stops.

This bill has been developed over many years in a bipartisan manner. It was strongly passed by the Senate in a bipartisan manner, the House Transportation – bipartisan, strongly.

During this process, the bill has been amended multiple times to address the concerns expressed by both sides of the aisle. It includes numerous exemptions for hands-free devices, hands-free accessories, and emergencies. It also does not apply to a driver if they are pulled off the side of the road in a safe, stationary position.

Since 2012 it has been a primary offense in Pennsylvania to text while driving. While the law has improved safety, it is severely limited. Drivers are still permitted to use the exact same device while driving to make phone calls, browse the Internet, play games, post on social media, take photos, record and watch videos – the list goes on and on.

Mr. Speaker, there were more crashes in Pennsylvania caused by distracted driving than drunk driving. We must take a stronger action against distracted driving. Twenty-six States, including every State bordering Pennsylvania, have taken this step. It is Pennsylvania's turn. Drivers need to put down the phone and keep their eyes on the road.

This bill is appropriately named "Paul Miller's Law." Today before session, the Speaker introduced Paul's mother, Eileen, who is sitting up on the rostrum. He was the 21-year-old son of Eileen and Paul. On July 5, 2010, a distracted driver lost control of his vehicle and slammed head-on into Paul, Jr.'s, car, killing him and injuring several others in another vehicle. This tragedy was preventable.

Ever since that tragedy 14 years ago, Eileen and Paul have tirelessly advocated for this bill so that no one needs to feel the pain of losing a child to distracted driving. Many of you have met the Millers over the years, and Eileen, as I said, is here with us today. Right before coming to the floor, she said something to me that I would like to share with you, and it is about distracted driving: It does not discriminate. The loved one lost could be yours.

I ask for an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman from Carbon County, Representative Heffley.

Mr. HEFFLEY. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I rise to oppose this bill in its current format. Yesterday we had an amendment that could have taken this to a secondary offense. Texting – just to note – texting while driving right now in the State of Pennsylvania, since 2012, is a primary offense. Texting while driving, since 2012, in the State of Pennsylvania is a primary offense.

What this bill is going to do— I do not believe it is going to make our roads safer or prevent accidents, or I would vote for it. I worked many, many years in the logistics industry and conducted many safety meetings. I had to go to accidents, accidents of my friends that were killed in accidents, and do the

re-creation on those scenes and investigate those scenes. I am all about transportation safety. I drive many miles, as we all do, on the roads.

What this bill is going to do is, it is going to really put the onus on those folks that maybe have an older vehicle and cannot afford a newer vehicle. So maybe you are on your way to pick up your son or daughter at practice and you had the voice activated but you got to hold the button on your phone and say, "Call Johnny" or "Call Susie. Tell them I'm running a little bit late. Wait there. I'm on my way." Now you are going to get pulled over if a cop sees you doing that. It does not mean you crossed the yellow line.

If you are driving erratically, if you are pulled over, you deserve to be fined for having a handheld device or any other distracted device in your vehicle. And then some of the problematic language – and now we are going to put the onus on law enforcement officers to guess at the ethnicity, perceived, of the individuals driving. I do not think that is what our Commonwealth is about.

I think, I think we should be working on public safety and making sure that citizens – whether you can afford a brand-new vehicle or an older vehicle, if you can safely operate that vehicle and call your son or daughter on a handheld device, you should not be getting pulled over and fined. We can prove if you are in an accident and you were texting; the evidence is there. Look, the government, Google, everybody tracks everything you do on your phone. They will know if you were on your phone, and you could be fined with a secondary offense. That would have made this bill a lot better.

I would respectfully ask for a "no" vote on this bill. I think it is something we should address, but I do not think this bill in its current format is going to make our highways any safer.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery County, Representative Malagari.

Mr. MALAGARI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of SB 37. This bill actually came to the House when it was Representative Brown's bill, and I supported it then. I support it now.

We need to make sure that we take the phones out of people's hands while they are driving on the roadways. We need to make sure that — one, it is not just texting that we are trying to prevent. We are trying to prevent people from watching movies while they are driving. We are trying to prevent them from scrolling Facebook while they are driving. We are trying to prevent them from checking their e-mails or responding to anything else that is on their smartphone device.

It is important to use hands-free technology in order to drive and communicate while at the same time. So I ask my colleagues for an affirmative vote. Let us save lives and let us make sure that we can get this across the finish line.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman from Somerset, Representative Metzgar.

Mr. METZGAR. You know, one of the most dangerous things that we do every day is drive. And tragedy often chases those dangerous drives that we do, and no life should be lost unnecessarily. But one of the challenges that we have as legislators, all sitting in this House, is that statutory construction

is hard. It is very difficult to make a law that is general, which is what we are supposed to do. We are supposed to make a law that fits almost every position and every purpose.

One of the things that this bill does is this bill talks about technology. And one of the things that has happened to this society over the past 30, 40 years has been our rapid advance of technology. Things that — microprocessing has advanced at a speed that most of us could have never imagined. Fifteen years ago, if I said the word "Bluetooth," most of you would not know what I was talking about, and you certainly would not have that technology in your hands. That technology is continually changing. It changes every day for us, and it will continue to do so because we are that advanced society, and that is something to be very proud of.

And while we want to make sure that no one dies – that is our number one priority – we already have laws in place that protect us from this behavior. Title 75, section 3714, is "Careless driving." Careless driving fits texting and driving. Careless driving fits Facebook and driving. Careless driving is a catchall for whether you are eating a hot dog, reading the newspaper, and steering with your knee, or you are texting and driving. We have that statute at our fingertips now. We have the tools to enforce this now. Law enforcement has the tools to enforce this now. Additionally, we even have Title 75, section 3736, which is "Reckless driving." So if you are even more egregious in your behavior, we have a statute for that.

Our job as legislators is to make laws that are applicable for all kinds of behaviors, not specific behaviors – particularly whenever it is technology – and so this bill, number one, creates work for us in the future when it no longer works; number two, it creates problems for enforcement because it is very difficult to determine what you are doing on that phone; and number three, I think it probably impinges on our civil liberties to some extent.

However, we need to make sure that people are safe on the roadways, but we have the tools to do that now. And even though in tragic circumstances we want to have that pinpoint-accurate bill that fixes the 1 tragedy or 10 tragedies or 100 tragedies that are very specific to a very specific behavior, but that is not how we are supposed to legislate. That is not how we are supposed to write laws here, and we already have those tools available; law enforcement has them available. And for that reason I am going to be a "no." Thank you.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman and recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Representative Mullins.

Mr. MULLINS. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

I stand here today as a legislator who has fought long and hard for this lifesaving measure. And I also stand here as a dad, a father of young children, wishing I could protect them from every danger in this world, unable to imagine what it would be like to get that call from a State trooper after the fatal accident that killed their child.

I must thank the bill's sponsor, Senator Rosemary Brown, for never giving up session after session; Representative Ed Neilson and key staff members; Secretary Mike Carroll, who fought so long and hard for this bill as a House member; law enforcement, who worked with us to get to a good compromise; and the Legislative Black Caucus, whose members worked in truly good faith to make the bill better and ensure accountability in the enforcement of this law.

Finally, I must thank Eileen and her husband, Paul Miller: residents of Scranton; constituents who are claimed by Representatives Donahue, Kosierowski, Haddock, and myself; parents who know what it is like to get that phone call. As you heard, Paul and Eileen lost their son, Paul, in 2010 to a distracted driver. But their pain does not end there.

Before serving in the House, I was a Senate staffer, and the boss was on the Senate floor, so I had to take a meeting, as staff members often have to. And I met the Millers, who came in to advocate for not just one, but two causes: distracted driving and ALS (amyotrophic lateral sclerosis) funding. I could not imagine the pain and the heartbreak of dealing with not just the loss of your child, but also the devastating diagnosis of Lou Gehrig's disease. A little over 10 years later I would be on the phone with Eileen, sharing with her symptoms that my dad was showing just before he was diagnosed with ALS. Support from them is something I will always be grateful for.

There will be some who say that drivers are going to break the law anyway. I would ask you two questions: Could not that argument be made about any law we pass? and if so, what are we doing as lawmakers? And would you be at peace and comfortable explaining that as your reason for a "no" vote to the parents of a child this measure might have saved?

I will share a confession from years ago, before Bluetooth and speakerphones, driving to meet my family. I was a young driver at the Jersey Shore. I knew that once I crossed the Delaware River, I had to hang up because of New Jersey's hands-free law. Now, maybe I am just the compliant type, but I know that State's well-known deterrent kept me focused, and perhaps kept me from harming anyone else.

I hope someday we look back – and I hope it is soon – in disbelief that there was once a time we could hold our phones while driving and that the law allowed it, the same way we look back on a time when you could drink and drive, when you could smoke in a restaurant or on this House floor. I would ask you to join me in supporting this bill as an elected official whose duty it is to protect the health and safety of the people we serve, but also as a mom or a dad or family member who never wants to get that call. I would urge your support. Thank you.

# THE SPEAKER (JOANNA E. McCLINTON) PRESIDING

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

On that question, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from the Lehigh, Representative Schlossberg, on final passage of SB 37.

Mr. SCHLOSSBERG. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, in listening to this law, the arguments for or against it, I am reminded of a very different period of my career. My first job as an elected official was to serve as a member of Allentown City Council. And it was in 2010, when this issue had first become prominent, that I was reintroduced to a dear friend of mine who I had known when I was a senior in college when she was a freshman. She is from, I believe, Lancaster County. Her name is Jacy Good. In fact, I think some of my colleagues might remember her from her previous advocacy in the building.

Jacy was a college classmate of mine -3 years younger - and was driving home with her parents from her college graduation when a teenage driver ran a red light, causing a truck to swerve and causing that truck to swerve into her parent's car. The driver was on the phone. The last thing that the person who was on the

phone with the driver heard was the driver cursing, and when the truck hit Jacy's family's car, it killed her parents instantly. Jacy survived, barely, and has since become a national advocate against the scourge of driving while you are on your phone.

Moved by this, as a member of Allentown City Council, I introduced a handheld ban, which was, unfortunately, later – and I understand the legal argument, certainly – struck down by the courts for violating the uniformity clause. That being said, I still took it as a win, because our job as public policymakers is to do more than just make laws. It is to use our stations and our offices for good.

At around the same time the law was just coming into effect, I was getting married. I remember being at the Lehigh Valley Mall with my wife, and we were doing our gift registry, and I walked into an AT&T and I said, "I am sorry, just out of curiosity, do you have any Bluetooths right now for sale?" And he said, "Nope. Ever since Allentown enacted that ban, all of our Bluetooths have gone." And I remember that as being a real defining moment for my career as an elected official because it was a reminder that laws are good not just for the sake of laws, but because they can change behavior.

Our job here is to push society forward. As the gentleman from Lackawanna so eloquently said, there is no doubt that this law will not stop every distracted driver. I would argue there is also no doubt that this law will stop some, will change behavior, and will save lives.

Whenever I think about using my phone while driving, a little piece in my head remembers Jacy's story, and I cannot imagine the pain of one of the best of days of your life literally turning into the worst. I firmly believe that we can use our stations here to make sure that no one else – or at least as few people as possible – endure the loss that Jacy and her family did. And it is for those reasons I ask the members to join me and my colleagues in voting "yes." Thank you.

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks 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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Frankel	Marcell	Ryncavage
Freeman	Markosek	Salisbury
Friel	Marshall	Samuelson
Fritz	Matzie	Sanchez
Gallagher	Mayes	Sappey
Gergely	McAndrew	Schlegel
Giral	McNeill	Schlossberg
Guenst	Mehaffie	Schmitt
Guzman	Mentzer	Schweyer
Haddock	Mercuri	Scott
Hanbidge	Merski	Shusterman
Harkins	Mihalek	Siegel
Harris	Miller, B.	Smith-Wade-El
Hogan	Miller, D.	Solomon
Hohenstein	Mullins	Steele
Howard	Munroe	Struzzi
Isaacson	Neilson	Sturla
James	Nelson, N.	Takac
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Daley	Kazeem	O'Neal	Venkat
Davis	Kenyatta	Oberlander	Warren
Dawkins	Kim	Ortitay	Waxman
Deasy	Kinkead	Otten	Webster
Delloso	Kinsey	Parker	White
Delozier	Kosierowski	Pashinski	Williams, C.
Donahue	Krueger	Pielli	Williams, D.
Ecker	Kulik	Pisciottano	Young
Emrick	Kutz	Probst	
Evans	Labs	Prokopiak	McClinton,
Fee	Madden	Rader	Speaker
Fiedler	Madsen		•

Armanini	Gaydos	Krajewski	Rigby
Banta	Gillen	Krupa	Roae
Barton	Gleim	Kuzma	Rossi
Benninghoff	Green	Lawrence	Rowe
Bernstine	Gregory	Leadbeter	Schemel
Bonner	Greiner	Mackenzie, M.	Scheuren
Borowicz	Grove	Mackenzie, R.	Scialabba
Brown, M.	Hamm	Major	Smith
Cabell	Heffley	Mako	Staats
Causer	Irvin	Maloney	Stambaugh
Cook	Jones, M.	Metzgar	Stehr
Cooper	Jones, T.	Moul	Stender
Cutler	Jozwiak	Mustello	Topper
D'Orsie	Kail	Nelson, E.	Twardzik
Davanzo	Kauffman	Owlett	Vitali
Diamond	Keefer	Pickett	Warner
Dunbar	Kephart	Powell	Watro
Fink	Khan	Rabb	Wentling
Flick	Klunk	Rapp	Zimmerman
Flood			

#### NOT VOTING-0

#### EXCUSED-1

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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.

# **CALENDAR CONTINUED**

# RESOLUTION

Mr. KRAWJEWSKI called up HR 331, PN 2659, entitled:

A Resolution designating April 9, 2024, as "Paul Robeson Day" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the resolution?

The SPEAKER. On that question, the Chair recognizes the maker of the resolution, the gentleman from Philadelphia County, Representative Krajewski.

Mr. KRAWJEWSKI. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, today, April 9, would mark the 126th birthday of Paul Robeson, a man who was a titan in this country: a civil rights leader, a labor leader, and someone that we

should all hope to emulate in everyday life. However, out of respect for his legacy and his birthday, I will be withdrawing my resolution, HR 331.

However, I want to say, at a time when the threat of fascism feels realer than ever, when workers, Black and Brown people, immigrants, LBGTQ folks, and marginalized communities across the world are suffering from oppression, we could all learn from the values of humility, compassion, empathy, and solidarity espoused by Paul Robeson.

Thank you. I will be withdrawing HR 331.

# RESOLUTION PASSED OVER

The SPEAKER. While the gentleman has indicated he will withdraw the resolution, that is not an option, as it is on the calendar. However, the resolution will be over for the day.

# HOUSE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 379** By Representatives FLOOD, KENYATTA, BRIGGS, McNEILL, FEE, HOHENSTEIN, SCHLOSSBERG, KINSEY, STENDER and CONKLIN

A Resolution designating the month of July 2024 as "Disability Pride Month" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES, April 9, 2024.

**No. 380** By Representatives MARKOSEK, SANCHEZ, KHAN, HILL-EVANS, MARSHALL, SCHLOSSBERG, HADDOCK, CONKLIN, KINSEY and D. WILLIAMS

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 15 through 19, 2024, as "National Work Zone Awareness Week" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION, April 9, 2024.

**No. 381** By Representatives HANBIDGE, McNEILL, PROBST, SANCHEZ, GREINER, M. MACKENZIE, SAPPEY, KHAN, MADDEN, VENKAT, HILL-EVANS, CERRATO, GUENST, GREEN, HOWARD, BELLMON, CONKLIN, KINSEY and D. WILLIAMS

A Resolution recognizing the month of April 2024 as "National Volunteer Month" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, April 9, 2024.

**No. 382** By Representatives ORTITAY, KAZEEM, MARCELL, JAMES, PICKETT, KHAN, VENKAT, GUENST, STAATS, SCHMITT, CONKLIN and KINSEY

A Resolution recognizing the week of April 7 through 13, 2024, as "National Library Week" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on EDUCATION, April 9, 2024.

No. 383 By Representatives HOHENSTEIN, KHAN, BOYD, FREEMAN, HARRIS, KAZEEM, KRAJEWSKI, MALAGARI, WAXMAN, HILL-EVANS, PROBST, RABB, VENKAT, McNEILL, SCHLOSSBERG, SANCHEZ, MAYES, HADDOCK, SOLOMON, D. WILLIAMS, OTTEN, KENYATTA, SHUSTERMAN, SMITH-WADE-EL, ABNEY, GIRAL, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, ROZZI, KINSEY, CURRY, CERRATO, DALEY and KIM

A Resolution designating the month of April 2024 as "Arab American Heritage Month" in Pennsylvania.

Referred to Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, April 9, 2024.

# HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

**No. 2179** By Representatives HADDOCK, SAMUELSON, HILL-EVANS, SANCHEZ, DONAHUE, T. DAVIS, SCHLOSSBERG, CERRATO, CIRESI and DELLOSO

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, in personal income tax, further providing for classes of income.

Referred to Committee on FINANCE, April 9, 2024.

**No. 2197** By Representatives JOZWIAK, JAMES, ROWE, ZIMMERMAN, GILLEN, KAUFFMAN and SMITH

An Act repealing the act of October 4, 1978 (P.L.876, No.169), referred to as the Pennsylvania Crime Commission Act.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2024.

No. 2198 By Representatives KRUEGER, BRENNAN, PROBST, MALAGARI, KHAN, GIRAL, GUENST, BURGOS, BOYD, WARREN, KINSEY, CEPEDA-FREYTIZ, KEEFER, SANCHEZ, HOWARD, HARKINS, McNEILL, HANBIDGE, MUNROE, T. DAVIS, FREEMAN, SCHWEYER, ROZZI, STURLA, BOROWSKI, BURNS, RABB, SCHLOSSBERG, WEBSTER, NEILSON, PARKER, HILL-EVANS, D. MILLER, DELLOSO, D. WILLIAMS, FLEMING, CERRATO, SHUSTERMAN, KENYATTA and PASHINSKI

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in rules of evidence, further providing for subpoena of records and for rights of patients.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2024.

**No. 2199** By Representatives ORTITAY, BENHAM, COOK, M. JONES, GILLEN and DALEY

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, in judicial administration, further providing for surcharge and fee and providing for investigation and prosecution of Internet crimes against children; and establishing the Internet Crimes Against Children Restricted Account.

Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY, April 9, 2024.

**No. 2200** By Representatives BURNS, VENKAT, GIRAL, DONAHUE, GUENST, ABNEY, SCHLOSSBERG, ROZZI, T. DAVIS and MARCELL

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, providing for criminal history background checks.

Referred to Committee on PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, April 9, 2024.

**No. 2201** By Representatives JOZWIAK, MARCELL, HAMM, RADER, JAMES, KAUFFMAN, BURGOS and ZIMMERMAN

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency management services, providing for emergency response payment; and imposing penalties.

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE, April 9, 2024.

No. 2210 By Representatives A. BROWN, GIRAL, HILL-EVANS, BURGOS, PROBST and CERRATO

An Act amending Titles 35 (Health and Safety) and 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for adult use cannabis; regulating the personal use and possession of cannabis; establishing the Cannabis Regulatory Control Board; providing for powers and duties of the Cannabis Regulatory Control Board; establishing the Cannabis Business Development Fund; providing for social and economic equity, for regulation of cannabis business establishments, for enforcement and immunities, for laboratory testing, for advertising, marketing, packaging and labeling and for preparation, destruction and regulation of cannabis and cannabis-infused edible and nonedible products; imposing a sales tax and excise tax on cannabis and cannabis-infused edible and nonedible products; establishing the Cannabis Regulation Fund; providing for cannabis clean slate and for miscellaneous provisions; imposing penalties; consolidating provisions relating to medical marijuana; transferring certain powers and duties of the Department of Health to the Cannabis Regulatory Control Board; in driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs, further providing for driving under influence of alcohol or controlled substance and for authorized use not a defense; and making repeals.

Referred to Committee on HEALTH, April 9, 2024.

# SENATE BILL FOR CONCURRENCE

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

SB 1101, PN 1427

Referred to Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, April 9, 2024.

# SENATE MESSAGE

# RECESS RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, presented the following extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate April 8, 2024

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, April 29, 2024, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene the week of Monday, April 15, 2024, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the House of Representatives recesses the week of April 15, 2024, it reconvene the week of Monday, April 29, 2024, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate? Resolution was concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

#### SENATE MESSAGE

# HOUSE BILL CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The clerk of the Senate, being introduced, returned **HB 1295**, **PN 1597**, with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

# ANNOUNCEMENT BY MR. KAIL

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from Beaver County rise? And the House will come to order. The House will come to order. The gentleman from Beaver County is recognized.

Mr. KAIL. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

Madam Speaker, I rise to say happy birthday to my daughter, Cleopatra. She is turning 6 today. I love you, sweetheart, and I hope to see you soon.

# **BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER**

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

# HB 1295, PN 1597

An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, further providing for hearing examiners.

### SB 45, PN 927

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

# SB 55, PN 1169

An Act amending Titles 23 (Domestic Relations) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child custody, further providing for definitions, for award of custody, for factors to consider when awarding custody, for consideration of criminal conviction, for guardian ad litem for child, for counsel for child and for award of counsel fees, costs and expenses; and, in Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, providing for child abuse and domestic abuse education and training program for judges and court personnel.

Whereupon, the Speaker, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

The SPEAKER. The House will briefly be at ease.

# THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE (RYAN A. BIZZARRO) PRESIDING

# **BILLS RECOMMITTED**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The majority leader moves that the following bills be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations:

HB 816; HB 1512; HB 1573; HB 1593;

HB 1598; HB 1834;

HB 2055; and

SB 1111.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

# **BILLS REMOVED FROM TABLE**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The majority leader moves that the following bills be removed from the tabled calendar and placed on the active calendar:

HB 1730:

HB 1799;

HB 1853;

HB 2119; and

SB 709.

On the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

Motion was agreed to.

# BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PASSED OVER

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

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is in receipt of a motion by the gentleman from Allegheny County, Representative McAndrew, that the House will now adjourn until Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 11 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 3:19 p.m., e.d.t., the House adjourned.