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SENATE

MONDAY, June 2, 2003

The Senate met at 2 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Catherine Baker Knoll) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend KARL M. HECKERT, of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, Enola, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, thank You for this life that we enjoy and for this great nation and this Commonwealth in which we live. Those who are gathered in this room have been given the awesome responsibility to establish law and order and a decent life for those who live in our great Commonwealth. As You have commanded us to do, let us be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to become angry. We have promised with an oath to You that we will do our best to speak and serve with honesty and faithfulness in helping to build and preserve our great State.

Look with favor and blessing on our endeavors. Let us not disappoint You or our fellow citizens in what we do here. Grant, we pray Thee, that our voice and presence will represent even those who are numbered as the poorest and simplest among us. Grant us courage and wisdom in our actions. Hear these, O God, our sincere and simple prayers. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Heckert, who is the guest today of Senator Mowery.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding Session of May 13, 2003.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding Session, when, on motion of Senator BRIGHTBILL, and agreed to by voice vote, further reading was dispensed with and the Journal was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILL

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Common-

wealth, advising that the following Senate Bill had been approved and signed by the Governor:

SB 582.

NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE FAYETTE COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 21, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Stephanie Moore, 40 Red Barberry Drive, Etters 17319, York County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Fayette County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Reverend DewVaul W. Tracy, Jr., Lake Lynn, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD

May 23, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, The Honorable Thomas F. Goldsmith, 917 Hillside Avenue, Easton 18042, Northampton County, Twenty-fourth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, to serve until May 21, 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BEDFORD COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 27, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert W. Fleetwood, (Republican), 141 Spring Lane, Everett 15537, Bedford County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Bedford County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Miriam L. Henry, Hopewell, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE MCKEAN COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 27, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, B.J. Clark, 611 East Darby Road, Havertown 19083, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the McKean County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ruthann Saxman-Sauber, Bradford, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 28, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert Axelrod, (Democrat), 121 Ringneck Drive, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Delaware County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 28, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Edward T. Coleman, (Republican), 4310 School Lane, Brookhaven 19015, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Delaware County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 28, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michele W. Daly, LSW, (Democrat), 207 West Street, Media 19063, Delaware County, Ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Delaware County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

May 29, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert O. Toombs, P.O. Box 301, Mansfield 16933, Tioga County, Twenty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ralph H. Meyer, South Waverly, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LEBANON COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 29, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Maria Dissinger, (Democrat), 1233 Walnut Street, Lebanon 17042, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lebanon County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LEBANON COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 29, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Ellie Salahub, (Democrat), 2374 West Oak Street, Lebanon 17042, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lebanon County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 29, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Reverend Canon Charles H. Morris, (Republican), 1318 Howard Avenue, Pottsville 17901, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Schuylkill County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

May 30, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Wendell F. Holland, 219 Curwen Road, Bryn Mawr 19010, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2008, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Aaron Wilson, Jr., Chester, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

CORRECTIONS TO NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE STATE HORSE RACING COMMISSION

May 21, 2003

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

Please note the nomination dated May 12, 2003, for the appointment of F. Eugene Dixon, Jr., 665 Thomas Road, Lafayette Hill 19444, Montgomery County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Horse Racing Commission, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not

longer than six months beyond that period, vice Cuyler H. Walker, Esq., serves at the pleasure of the Governor, should be corrected to read:

F. Eugene Dixon, Jr., 665 Thomas Road, Lafayette Hill 19444, Montgomery County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Horse Racing Commission, to serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Cuyler H. Walker, Esq., resigned.

MEMBER OF THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

May 21, 2003

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

Please note the nomination dated April 17, 2003, for the appointment of Mark Minicche, (Democrat), 121 East Grove Street, Dunmore 18512, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lackawanna County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kimberly M. Klee-Rodrigues, Scranton, resigned, should be corrected to read:

Mark Micciche, (Democrat), 121 East Grove Street, Dunmore 18512, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lackawanna County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kimberly M. Klee-Rodrigues, Scranton, resigned.

CORRECTION TO NOMINATION LAID ON THE TABLE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows and laid on the table:

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

May 21, 2003

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

Please note the nomination dated April 21, 2003, for the appointment of Glenn C. Bronson, Esquire, 7013 Brentwood Road, Philadelphia 19151, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2004, vice The Honorable Sheldon C. Jelin, mandatory retirement, should be corrected to read:

Glenn B. Bronson, Esquire, 7013 Brentwood Road, Philadelphia 19151, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2004, vice The Honorable Sheldon C. Jelin, mandatory retirement.

HOUSE MESSAGES

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

May 16, 2003

HB 8 and 900 -- Committee on State Government.

HB 37, 46, 947, 1006, 1065, 1153 and 1157 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 113 and 217 -- Committee on Education.

HB 274 -- Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

HB 295, 767, 780, 1017 and **1105** -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

HB 365 -- Committee on Finance.

HB 782 -- Committee on Law and Justice.

HB 1092 -- Committee on Banking and Insurance.

May 21, 2003

HB 100 and 471 -- Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

HB 418 -- Committee on Education.

HB 485 and 898 -- Committee on Judiciary.

HB 506 -- Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

HB 514 and 656 -- Committee on Game and Fisheries.

HB 545 and 655 -- Committee on Finance.

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HB 51 -- Committee on Local Government.

HB 318 -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 349 -- Committee on Urban Affairs and Housing.

HB 564 -- Committee on Education.

HB 651 -- Committee on Transportation.

HB 674 -- Committee on Labor and Industry.

HB 895 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

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HB 68 -- Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

HB 165 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

HB 197 -- Committee on Finance.

HB 851 -- Committee on Transportation.

HOUSE RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the House of Representatives presented to the Senate the following resolution for concurrence, which was referred to the committee indicated:

May 23, 2002

HR 256 -- Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

May 16, 2003

Senators RAFFERTY, DENT, COSTA, LOGAN, RHOADES, ORIE, MUSTO, KUKOVICH, WONDERLING, BOSCOLA, WAUGH and D. WHITE presented to the Chair SB 681, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for exemptions from and special provisions relating to taxation.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators M. WHITE, JUBELIRER, THOMPSON, LEMMOND, COSTA, RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, TARTAGLIONE, MUSTO, WAUGH, BOSCOLA, RHOADES, ORIE, C. WILLIAMS, CORMAN and O'PAKE presented to the Chair SB 692, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 26, 1997 (P.L.508, No.55), known as the Institutions of Purely Public Charity Act, further providing for criteria for institutions of purely public charity and for unfair competition with small businesses.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators LOGAN, TARTAGLIONE, ORIE, KUKOVICH, COSTA, MELLOW, MADIGAN, STACK, ERICKSON, MUSTO, KITCHEN, WONDERLING and THOMPSON presented to the Chair SB 734, entitled:

An Act amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for supplemental public transportation assistance funding.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators ORIE, LOGAN, WAUGH, HELFRICK, LAVALLE, M. WHITE, MUSTO, MOWERY, KITCHEN, KUKOVICH, GREENLEAF, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, ERICKSON, D. WHITE, RHOADES, SCHWARTZ, KASUNIC, WONDERLING, BOSCOLA and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SB 758, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, providing for evidence and filing of injuries caused by employment-related psychological conditions.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 16, 2003.

Senators THOMPSON, KUKOVICH, RAFFERTY, WONDERLING, EARLL, KITCHEN, MUSTO, PILEGGI, ORIE, D. WHITE, DENT, WAUGH, PUNT, WAGNER, LOGAN, C. WILLIAMS, ERICKSON and CORMAN presented to the Chair SB 760, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for conviction and point schedules, for speed timing devices and for State and local powers.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 16, 2003.

Senator FERLO presented to the Chair SB 761, entitled:

An Act providing for riverboat gaming in cities of the second class; establishing the Pennsylvania Gaming Commission, Gaming Commission Fund and the Riverboat and Hotel Gaming Fund; levying a tax; and imposing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators DENT, ARMSTRONG, COSTA, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, PUNT, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, ORIE, RHOADES, WONDERLING, KASUNIC and STACK presented to the Chair SB 762, entitled:

An Act amending the act of October 6, 1998 (P.L.705, No.92), known as the Keystone Opportunity Zone and Keystone Opportunity Expansion Zone Act, further providing for keystone opportunity zones, for keystone opportunity expansion zones, for keystone opportunity improvement zones and for review.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators PICCOLA, EARLL, D. WHITE, ROBBINS, JUBELIRER, BRIGHTBILL, WAUGH, ERICKSON, ORIE, WAGNER, MUSTO, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, M. WHITE, PUNT, MELLOW, HELFRICK, A. WILLIAMS, CORMAN, RHOADES, PILEGGI, ARMSTRONG, RAFFERTY, FERLO, LEMMOND, COSTA, O'PAKE, MOWERY, WENGER, FUMO, THOMPSON, TOMLINSON, MADIGAN, DENT, WONDERLING, GREENLEAF, CONTI, STACK, KASUNIC, SCARNATI and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SB 763, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 16, 2003.

Senators C. WILLIAMS, MELLOW, O'PAKE, COSTA, EARLL, KUKOVICH, BOSCOLA, STACK, MUSTO, SCHWARTZ and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 764, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, May 16, 2003.

May 19, 2003

Senators C. WILLIAMS, MUSTO, O'PAKE, COSTA, KITCHEN, BOSCOLA, STACK, WOZNIAK, SCHWARTZ, RAFFERTY, A. WILLIAMS and RHOADES presented to the Chair SB 765, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for exclusions from sales and use tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 19, 2003.

Senators D. WHITE, KITCHEN, KUKOVICH, STOUT, MOWERY, ERICKSON, PILEGGI, SCHWARTZ, DENT, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, LAVALLE, ORIE, HUGHES, O'PAKE, WONDERLING, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, WAUGH, CONTI, KASUNIC and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SB 766, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 29, 1996 (P.L.46, No.15), known as the Hepatitis B Prevention Act, providing for catch-up program.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, May 19, 2003.

Senators GREENLEAF, KUKOVICH, KITCHEN, MUSTO, BOSCOLA, ORIE and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 767**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for standing and parking prohibitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 19, 2003.

Senators CORMAN, RAFFERTY, FUMO, WONDERLING, O'PAKE, DENT, BOSCOLA, ERICKSON, KITCHEN, EARLL, MUSTO, GREENLEAF, COSTA, HELFRICK, PILEGGI, SCHWARTZ, ROBBINS, TARTAGLIONE, WAUGH, WAGNER, D. WHITE, ARMSTRONG, STACK, ORIE and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SB 768, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 10, 1968 (P.L.1158, No.365), entitled "An act creating and establishing the Legislative Data Processing Committee: providing for its membership; prescribing its powers, functions and duties; and making an appropriation," directing the committee to provide limited public access to statutes in computer information systems.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 19, 2003.

Senators CORMAN, MOWERY, KUKOVICH, D. WHITE, WAGNER, ERICKSON, BOSCOLA, RAFFERTY, KITCHEN, WAUGH, COSTA, STOUT, MUSTO, RHOADES and KASUNIC presented to the Chair SB 769, entitled:

An Act providing for immunization against the influenza virus for elderly persons.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, May 19, 2003.

May 21, 2003

Senators LAVALLE, KUKOVICH, KITCHEN, WAGNER, MUSTO, COSTA, LOGAN, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, BOSCOLA, A. WILLIAMS, C. WILLIAMS, STOUT, FERLO, O'PAKE, WOZNIAK and STACK presented to the Chair SB 721, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 5, 1936 (2nd Sp.Sess., 1937 P.L.2897, No.1), known as the Unemployment Compensation Law, further providing for compensation rates.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 21, 2003.

Senators PILEGGI, ERICKSON, COSTA, GREENLEAF, THOMPSON, A. WILLIAMS, RHOADES, MOWERY, RAFFERTY, KITCHEN, MUSTO, ORIE, BOSCOLA, LEMMOND, WONDERLING, TARTAGLIONE and MELLOW presented to the Chair SB 735, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, May 21, 2003.

Senators STOUT, KUKOVICH, LOGAN, ORIE, WOZNIAK, COSTA, A. WILLIAMS, ERICKSON, RHOADES, FERLO, MOWERY, RAFFERTY, KITCHEN, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, BOSCOLA, MUSTO, WAGNER, WAUGH, WONDERLING and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SB 736, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Transportation to establish a pilot program for funding of repairs, replacement, relocation or removal of local road at-grade crossings of railroad rights-of-way; establishing the Local Road Rail Crossing Project Assessment Committee; and making an appropriation.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 21, 2003.

Senators C. WILLIAMS, SCHWARTZ, FUMO, HUGHES, KUKOVICH, EARLL, TARTAGLIONE, KITCHEN, FERLO, BOSCOLA and CONTI presented to the Chair SB 737, entitled:

An Act to ensure equitable coverage of prescription contraceptive drugs and devices and the medical and counseling services necessary for their effective use.

Which was committed to the Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE, May 21, 2003.

Senators RAFFERTY, HELFRICK, D. WHITE, PUNT, WAUGH, M. WHITE, PICCOLA, ARMSTRONG, WENGER, WONDERLING and CORMAN presented to the Chair SB 738, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, further providing for definitions; and providing for school district options.

Which was committed to the Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRY, May 21, 2003.

May 27, 2003

Senators LOGAN, ORIE, LAVALLE, COSTA, KASUNIC, WOZNIAK, A. WILLIAMS, WAGNER and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 717, entitled:

An Act providing for prohibition of levy or collection of tax on homestead property, for the Homestead Property Tax Elimination Fund, for imposition of sales and use tax, for increase in personal income tax and for realty transfer tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 27, 2003.

Senators LOGAN, ORIE, LAVALLE, COSTA, KASUNIC, MUSTO, WOZNIAK, A. WILLIAMS, WAGNER and FERLO presented to the Chair SB 718, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for uniformity of taxation.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 27, 2003.

May 29, 2003

Senators PILEGGI, D. WHITE, MOWERY, EARLL, WENGER, LOGAN, ROBBINS, DENT, LEMMOND, WONDERLING, CORMAN, WAGNER, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, KUKOVICH, COSTA, SCHWARTZ, ERICKSON, STOUT, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, ORIE, KASUNIC and STACK presented to the Chair SB 739, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for veteran plates and placard.

Which was committed to the Committee or TRANSPORTATION, May 29, 2003.

Senators WAGNER, COSTA and ORIE presented to the Chair SB 741, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for attendance at schools for the performing arts.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, May 29, 2003.

Senators WAGNER, LOGAN, FERLO, STOUT, ORIE and COSTA presented to the Chair SB 742, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, May 29, 2003.

Senator WAGNER presented to the Chair SB 743, entitled: An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, excluding child restraint seats from the sales and use tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 29, 2003.

Senators WAGNER, LOGAN, COSTA, MUSTO, STOUT, KITCHEN, O'PAKE, WAUGH, ERICKSON, ORIE, C. WILLIAMS, M. WHITE and KASUNIC presented to the Chair SB 744, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 29, 2003.

Senators WAGNER, KITCHEN, KUKOVICH, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, LOGAN, O'PAKE, MUSTO, MELLOW, SCHWARTZ, STOUT, FUMO, BOSCOLA, RHOADES, C. WILLIAMS, KASUNIC and STACK presented to the Chair SB 745, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a Kids First registration plate.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 29, 2003.

RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

May 16, 2003

Senators MUSTO, KUKOVICH, BOSCOLA, LAVALLE, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, O'PAKE, STOUT, SCHWARTZ, RAFFERTY, WAGNER, MELLOW, SCARNATI, ERICKSON, COSTA, CONTI, MOWERY, LOGAN, RHOADES, LEMMOND, WOZNIAK, EARLL, M. WHITE, KASUNIC, STACK and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair SR 98, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution urging the Congress of the United States to increase the annual Federal capitalization grant to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to better address the tremendous needs across the United States and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 16, 2003.

Senators ROBBINS, O'PAKE, BRIGHTBILL, M. WHITE, DENT, WOZNIAK, SCARNATI, THOMPSON, FUMO, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, SCHWARTZ, ARMSTRONG, WONDERLING, LAVALLE, CONTI, STACK, MOWERY, MUSTO, STOUT, TOMLINSON, PUNT, C. WILLIAMS, RHOADES, CORMAN, BOSCOLA, LEMMOND, WENGER, KITCHEN, LOGAN, HELFRICK, COSTA, WAGNER, TARTAGLIONE and KASUNIC presented to the Chair SR 99, entitled:

A Resolution declaring the week of July 14 through 20, 2003, as "Slovak Heritage Week" in Pennsylvania.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, May 16, 2003.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

2001-02 VIOLENCE AND WEAPONS POSSESSION IN PENNSYLVANIA'S SCHOOLS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Department of Education
333 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17126-0333

May 16, 2003

Dear Honorable Member of the General Assembly:

Attached is the 2001-2002 Violence and Weapons Possession in Pennsylvania's Schools report.

This reports [sic] presents data submitted to the Department of Education by each school district, intermediate unit, area vocational-technical school, and charter school as required by 24 P.S. 13-1303-A of the Public School Code. In addition to this printed summary, the entire report can be found on the Safe Schools website at www.safeschools.state.pa.us.

For the third consecutive year, we have seen a reduction in both firearm and overall weapons possession incidents.

Should you have any questions about the report or need additional information regarding these statistics, please contact the Office of Safe Schools at (717) 783-3755.

Sincerely,

VICKI L. PHILLIPS Secretary of Education

The PRESIDENT. This report will be filed in the Library.

RESOLUTION OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

STATE OF ARIZONA Jan Brewer Secretary of State

1700 West Washington Street, 7th Floor Phoenix, Arizona 85007-2888

April 18, 2003

Senate President State Capitol P.O. Box 202020 Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17120-2020

Dear Senate President:

The Forty-sixth Legislature of the State of Arizona, First Regular Session, has passed Senate Concurrent Resolution 1022 and filed it in the Office of the Secretary of State April 2, 2003. The language in this memorial stipulates that we transmit a copy to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Administrator of General Services in Washington D.C., each member of Congress from the State of Arizona and the Secretaries of State and presiding officers of both houses of the legislatures of each state in the Union.

Enclosed a copy of SCR1022.

Sincerely yours,

JANICE K. BREWER Secretary of State State of Arizona Senate Forty-sixth Legislature First Regular Session 2003

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1022

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RESCINDING ALL OF THIS STATE'S PREVIOUS CALLS FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Arizona, acting with the best of intentions, has in the past applied to the Congress of the United States by memorial or resolution in accordance with article V, Constitution of the United States, for one or more constitutional conventions for the purpose of amending the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS, over the course of time, the will of the people of the State of Arizona has changed with regards to Arizona's previous calls for a constitutional convention to amend the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS, certain persons or states have called for a constitutional convention on issues that may be directly in opposition to the will of the people of this state; and

WHEREAS, the people of this state do not want their previous applications for a constitutional convention to be aggregated with those calls for a convention from other states; and

WHEREAS, former Justice of the United States Supreme Court Warren E. Burger, former Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court Arthur J. Goldberg and many other leading constitutional scholars are in general agreement that a convention, notwithstanding whatever limitation might be placed on it by the call for a convention, may propose sweeping constitutional changes or, by virtue of the authority of a constitutional convention, redraft the Constitution of the United States creating an imminent peril to the well established rights of citizens and to the duties of various levels of government; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States,, has been amended many times in the history of this nation and may be amended many more times without the need to resort to a constitutional convention, and has been interpreted for more than two hundred years and found to be a sound document that protects the lives and liberties of citizens; and

WHEREAS, there is no need for, and in fact that is great danger in, a new constitution or in opening the Constitution of the United States to radical changes, the adoption of which could create legal chaos in this nation and begin the process of another two centuries of litigation over its meaning and interpretation; and

WHEREAS, changes or amendments that may be needed in the present Constitution of the United States may be proposed and enacted without resorting to a constitutional convention by using the process provided in the Constitution and previously used throughout the history of this nation.

Therefore Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of Representatives concurring,

- 1. That the Legislature of the State of Arizona hereby repeals, rescinds, cancels, renders null and void and supersedes any and all existing applications to the Congress of the United States for a constitutional convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States for any purpose, whether limited or general.
- 2. That the Legislature of the State of Arizona urges the legislature of each and every state that has applied to Congress for either a general or limited constitutional convention to repeal and rescind their applications.
- 3. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Administrator of General Services in Washington, D.C., each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona and the Secretaries of State and

presiding officers of both houses of the legislatures of each state in the Union

APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

Senator Dominic F. Pileggi as a member of the State Planning Board.

Senator Jack Wagner as a member of the Pennsylvania Veterans' Memorial Commission.

Senator Robert C. Wonderling as a member of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator HELFRICK, from the Committee on Game and Fisheries, reported the following bills:

SB 586 (Pr. No. 896) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for license costs and fees.

HB 235 (Pr. No. 264)

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the age of holders of falconry permits and for disabled person permits.

HB 331 (Pr. No. 377)

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for disabled persons permits for bow and arrow or crossbow.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Brightbill.

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask for a legislative leave for Senator Corman.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brightbill requests a legislative leave for Senator Corman. Without objection, the leave will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator PIPPY remains on military leave pursuant to Senate Rule XXI(3).

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION WEEKLY ADJOURNMENT

Senator BRIGHTBILL offered the following resolution, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, June 2, 2003

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate adjourns this week, it reconvene on Monday, June 9.

2003, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RÉSOLVED, That when the House of Representatives adjourns this week, it reconvene on Monday, June 9, 2003, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

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Armstrong	_		
Boscola	Jubelirer	Piccola	Wagner
Brightbill	Kasunic	Pileggi	Waugh
Conti	Kitchen	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kukovich	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Rhoades	White, Mary Jo
Dent	Lemmond	Robbins	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Scarnati	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Schwartz	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fumo	Mowery	Stout	
Greenleaf	Musto	Tartaglione	
Helfrick	O'Pake	Thompson	

NAY-0

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

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

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS GUESTS OF SENATOR CHARLES W. DENT PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lehigh, Senator Dent.

Senator DENT. Madam President, it is my pleasure to introduce two friends of mine, Margaret and Peter Hilgert, who joined us here today from the Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Hospital. I would like the Senate to give the Hilgerts its usual warm welcome.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Dent please rise so the Senate may give you a warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR MIKE WAUGH PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from York, Senator Waugh.

Senator WAUGH. Madam President, I am honored today to have two guests in the gallery from York County, both who serve the public in different capacities. First of all, most importantly, the Honorable Margret Hormel, who is the mayor of the borough of Hanover and is here visiting today. Accompanying her is the executive director of my district office in York, Nadine Hubner. Please give them a round of applause for being with us today.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Waugh please rise so we can give you a warm welcome.

(Applause.)

GUEST OF SENATOR ROBERT C. WONDERLING PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Montgomery, Senator Wonderling.

Senator WONDERLING. Madam President, I rise to introduce a young intern who will be working with me this summer, Heather Compton, who is facing her senior year at Shippensburg, a political science major. She has had previous intern experience in State government in Harrisburg. I ask that the Senate recognize Heather today.

The PRESIDENT. Would Senator Wonderling's guest please rise.

(Applause.)

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Brightbill.

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, at this time I ask for a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus, which will begin immediately.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Berks, Senator O'Pake.

Senator O'PAKE. Madam President, I ask all Democrats to report immediately to our caucus room.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of Republican and Democratic caucuses to begin immediately, without objection, the Senate will stand in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

CALENDAR

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 44 (Pr. No. 858) - The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Millennium Neighborhood Church, Inc., certain lands situate in Susquehanna Township, Dauphin County.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Corman has returned, and his legislative leave is cancelled.

And the question recurring, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

Armstrong	Hughes	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Jubelirer	Piccola	Wagner
Brightbill	Kasunic	Pileggi	Waugh
Conti	Kitchen	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kukovich	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Rhoades	White, Mary Jo
Dent	Lemmond	Robbins	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Scarnati	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Schwartz	Wonderling
Ferio	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fumo	Mowery	Stout	
Greenleaf	Musto	Tartaglione	
Helfrick	O'Pake	Thompson	

NAY-0

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

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

BILLS AMENDED

SB 133 (Pr. No. 859) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for definitions, for revocation of habitual offenders' licenses and for requirements for driving under influence offenders; providing for violations of ignition interlock system provisions; further providing for occupational limited license and for penalties for driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances; and making repeals.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? Senator ORIE offered the following amendment No. A1153:

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1548.1), page 5, line 26, by striking out "PARAGRAPH" and inserting: subsection

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Orie.

Senator ORIE. Madam President, this would merely be a technical amendment, striking out the word "paragraph" and inserting "subsection."

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

SB 498 (Pr. No. 721) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, establishing parent involvement programs in certain school districts.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? Senator RHOADES offered the following amendment No. A1154:

Amend Title, page 1, line 6, by striking out "in certain" and inserting: and policies in

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 528), page 3, line 17, by striking out "<u>includes</u>" and inserting: <u>has established</u>

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 528), page 3, line 21, by striking out "subject to subsection (a)"

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 528), page 4, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting: later than June 30, 2004.

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 528), page 4, line 9, by striking out "subject to this section"

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Senator Rhoades.

Senator RHOADES. Madam President, all this does is extends the date to June 30, 2004, instead of 2003, so we are adding a year to the date of compliance on this.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 503 (Pr. No. 722) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for technical assistance provided by the Department of Education; further providing for powers and duties of the intermediate unit board of directors; and providing for academic improvement programs.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

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

On the question,

Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49			
Armstrong Boscola Brightbill Conti Corman Costa Dent Earll Erickson Ferlo Fumo Greenleaf	Hughes Jubelirer Kasunic Kitchen Kukovich LaValle Lemmond Logan Madigan Mellow Mowery Musto	Orie Piccola Pileggi Punt Rafferty Rhoades Robbins Scarnati Schwartz Stack Stout Tartaglione	Tomlinson Wagner Waugh Wenger White, Donald White, Mary Jo Williams, Anthony H. Williams, Constance Wonderling Wozniak
Helfrick	O'Pake	Thompson	

NAY-0

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 508 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 596 (Pr. No. 658) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, establishing criteria and authority for school districts to include character education in curriculum planning and the Character Education Grant Program.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-42

Armstrong Boscola Brightbill Conti Costa Dent Earll Erickson Ferlo Fumo	Helfrick Hughes Jubelirer Kasunic Kitchen Kukovich LaValle Lemmond Logan Madigan	Mowery Musto O'Pake Pileggi Punt Rhoades Scarnati Schwartz Stack Stout	Thompson Tomlinson Wagner Wenger White, Donald Williams, Anthony H. Williams, Constance Wonderling Wozniak
Fumo	Madigan	Stout	
Greenleaf	Mellow	Tartaglione	

NAY-7

Corman	Piccola	Robbins	White, Mary Jo
Orie	Rafferty	Waugh	

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 623 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL AMENDED

SB 673 (Pr. No. 818) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 26, 1992 (P.L.322, No.64), known as the Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Act, further providing for definitions, for the Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Program and for funding.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? Senator WAUGH offered the following amendment No. A1144:

Amend Title, page 1, line 6, by inserting after "Commonwealth,"": amending the title; and

Amend Bill, page 1, lines 11 through 13, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 1. The title of the act of June 26, 1992 (P.L.322, No.64), known as the Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Act, is amended to read:

AN ACT

Providing for Commonwealth support for the Agriculture Education Loan Forgiveness Program for <u>certain</u> Pennsylvania residents who graduate from institutions of higher education and who apply their degrees in [agriculture to] family [farms] <u>farm operations</u>, the <u>practice of veterinary medicine or teaching an agriculture curriculum</u> within this Commonwealth.

Section 2. Sections 2, 3 and 5 of the act are amended to read:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 2), page 3, line 30, by inserting brackets before and after "Is in" and inserting immediately thereafter: <u>Has commenced</u>

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 3), page 5, line 24, by inserting brackets before and after "Payments" and inserting immediately thereafter: <u>Awards</u>

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 5), page 5, line 29, by striking out "grants" and inserting: awards

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On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from York, Senator Waugh.

Senator WAUGH. Madam President, this is a technical amendment in nature. It really does not change the intent of the bill, but merely clears up some language.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate agree to the amendment?

It was agreed to.

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

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE AS AMENDED OVER IN ORDER

SB 10 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 7 (Pr. No. 806) - The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, defining "best price"; and further providing for prescription drug programs generally, for reimbursement, for the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract Needs Enhancement Tier, for amount of rebate and for excessive pharmaceutical price inflation discount.

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

SB 32 (Pr. No. 24) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 23, 1982 (P.L.597, No.170), known as the Wild Resource Conservation Act, further providing for limitation on General Fund money.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 95 and SB 230 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 252 (Pr. No. 856) - The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for home energy assistance to certain persons through payment of matching funds to the hardship funds of certain home energy providers and for powers and duties of the Department of Public Welfare.

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

SB 255 (Pr. No. 261) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act relating to alternative fuels; establishing the Alternative Fuels Incentive Grant Fund; authorizing grants to promote the use of alternative fuels; providing for annual report; imposing duties on the Department of Environmental Protection and the Environmental Quality

Board; allocating funds collected from the utilities gross receipts tax; making an appropriation; and making a repeal.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 265 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 386 (Pr. No. 737) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act prohibiting price gouging; and imposing penalties.

Considered the second time and agreed to,
Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third
consideration.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 432 (Pr. No. 852) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 9, 1990 (P.L.340, No.78), known as the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act, further providing for definitions, for local government immunity and for powers and duties of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency; establishing a Statewide integrated wireless E-911 State plan; establishing a Wireless E-911 Emergency Services Fund and disbursements therefrom; further providing for collection of an E-911 surcharge from wireless customers and for annual reporting; establishing a wireless E-911 Emergency Services Advisory Committee; and providing for rules and regulations.

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

SB 521 (Pr. No. 857) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for assessment and commitment of sexually violent delinquent children and young adults.

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

SB 720 (Pr. No. 840) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, further defining "maximum annual income"; and further providing for the prescription assistance program generally, for the mail order system, for the Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly Needs Enhancement Tier, for amount of rebate aid and for excessive pharmaceutical price inflation discount.

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

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 36, ADOPTED

Senator BRIGHTBILL, without objection, called up from page 4 of the Calendar, Senate Resolution No. 36, entitled:

A Resolution declaring July 27, 2003, as "Korean War Veterans Armistice Day" in Pennsylvania and urging all government agencies and citizens to fly the American flag at half-staff on July 27, 2003, in honor of those Americans who fought and died in service to the United States in the Korean War.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mercer, Senator Robbins.

Senator ROBBINS. Madam President, "Congress faces as grave a task as any Congress in the history of our Republic. The actions [Congress] take[s] will be watched by the whole world. These actions will measure the ability of a free people, acting through their chosen representatives and their free institutions, to meet a deadly challenge to their way of life. We can meet this challenge foolishly or wisely. We can meet it timidly or bravely, shamefully or honorably."

Although these words apply to today's war on terrorism, they were spoken by President Truman in his 1951 State of the Union Address, as the U.S. escalated its involvement in the Korean War. Before the Korean War began, our nation had just emerged as a victor from a war that pitted the forces of democracy against fascism. And while our forces decisively won that battle, a new war loomed on the horizon. Communist aggression and expansion continually grew after the end of World War II, and on June 25, 1950, Communist forces from the north invaded South Korea. Just 5 years after the Second World War, America was again called upon to defend the spirit of democracy. And who answered this call? Our veterans, over 5.7 million, including 350,000 Pennsylvanians. These brave men and women embraced their patriotic duty. They left their families, homes, and everything that was dear to them to fight a war of freedom halfway around the world. They risked their lives to make the world a better place, a better place for democracy, their loved ones, and for millions of Koreans who wanted so desperately to embrace freedom. President Truman understood what was at stake. He said, the principles for which we are fighting in Korea are right and just. They are the foundations of collective security and of the future of free nations. Korea is not only a country undergoing the torment of aggression, it is also a symbol. It stands for right and justice in the world against oppression and slavery. The free world must always stand for these principles, and we will stand with the free world.

The truth is, some things are just plain worth fighting for. This fight, however, was not waged without loss, as over 2,000 Pennsylvanians made the ultimate sacrifice. Although the Korean War is sometimes called the forgotten war, we must never forget those who landed at Inchon, those who fought at Changjin

Reservoir, those who fought at Heartbreak Ridge, those who were airdropped into Sunch'on, and those who liberated Seoul.

We will never forget the service of our countrymen, we will never forget their sacrifice, and in remembrance of all of those who served during that war, I feel it is appropriate that the Senate declares Sunday, July 27, 2003, the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the armistice, as "Korean War Veterans Armistice Day" in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Madam President.

The PRESIDENT. Thank you, Senator Robbins, for your comments declaring Sunday, July 27, 2003, as the "Korean War Veterans Armistice Day."

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators RHOADES, O'PAKE, WOZNIAK and MELLOW, by unanimous consent, offered Senate Resolution No. 103, entitled:

A Resolution urging the National Football League to recognize the Pottsville Maroons as the National Football League Champions of 1925.

On the question, Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Schuylkill, Senator Rhoades.

Senator RHOADES. Madam President, 78 years ago the Frankford section of Philadelphia opposed the Pottsville Maroons playing a December exhibition game against the Notre Dame "Four Horsemen and Seven Mules," which was a Notre Dame All-Star Team. And this was after the Frankford Yellow Jackets were defeated by Pottsville and eventually were declared league champions, because they also defeated the Chicago Cardinals in early December of 1925.

The Pottsville league's best team was to play Notre Dame, but Frankford opposed any other team playing at its home field, which was Shibe Park. Pottsville played and won. They beat Notre Dame 9-7, and they were declared world champions, but because of Frankford's protest, the NFL levied a severe penalty of \$500, which was big money in those days, and removed the title of world champions from the Maroons.

As I noted, today we have all kinds of playoffs, but they did not hold them in 1925. During their season, the Maroons beat Chicago 21-7, and the Notre Dame All-Stars 9-7. Pottsville, in turn, had that title taken from them.

Today there has been an effort, and I would like to compliment and thank the Governor for the initiative he has taken. He met with the NFL owners, along with Mayor John D.W. Reiley of Pottsville, asking them to reconsider that decision. It is interesting to note that Art Rooney has said his team, which we all know as the Pittsburgh Steelers, can trace their roots through Frankford's Shibe Park, after a deal in the

1940s after the fabled Phil-Pitt Steagles team was split, and owner Rooney formally withdrew any protest Frankford had against Pottsville playing the game with Notre Dame, which would remove the protest and make them eligible to receive and share in this championship. I also note that the Philadelphia City Councilman from the 10th district, Brian J. O'Neill, has introduced a resolution that says that the Frankford section of Philadelphia is joining a crusade to win back the 1925 NFL championship for the Pottsville Maroons.

What my resolution does, in essence, is have a history of this and call upon us to offer our support to the Governor in his efforts and acknowledge him for his efforts, and I also urge the NFL to recognize the right of the Pottsville Maroons of Schuylkill County to be named the National Football League Champions of 1925. I would appreciate the Senate's concurrence, and I also ask that the Chair leave the resolution open for anyone who would care to sign on.

Thank you.

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

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

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Brightbill.

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I request a brief recess for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, which will begin immediately. We should return to the floor in about 5 minutes, and I do not think there will be any more major votes.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brightbill has called a 5-minute recess for a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations. Without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following nominations made by His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read by the Clerk as follows:

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 4, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert J. Wetzel, 404 Victor Drive,

Uniontown 15401, Fayette County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

May 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Syed R. Ali-Zaidi, Ph.D., 509 Ridgeway Road, Apartment 6, Shippenville 16254, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

May 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Virginia Lancaster McGarvey, 6750 Station Road, Erie 16510, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 21, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard L. Orwig, Esquire, 404 Lynne Avenue, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Paul Wabby, 50 Bryn Mawr Avenue, Pottsville 17901, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

April 1, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Christopher Booth, 8115 Accomoc Road, Wyncote 19905, Philadelphia County, Fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Lincoln University, to serve until August 31, 2006, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable Clarence C. Morrison, Harrisburg, declined appointment.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, J. Ralph Lovette, P.O. Box 811, Glen Road, Lock Haven 17745, Clinton County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Nelson Sears, 102 Bentley Lane, Lancaster 17603, Lancaster County, Thirteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Millersville University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE PLANNING BOARD

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Dr. Robert J. Dillman, One College Circle, East Stroudsburg 18301, Monroe County, Eighteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Planning Board, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Judith Lynch, Erie, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SCOTLAND SCHOOL FOR VETERANS' CHILDREN

March 11, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John Mason, Jr., 3285 Muirfield Drive, Chambersburg 17201, Franklin County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Scotland School for Veterans' Children, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SELINSGROVE CENTER

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Laurie A. Goss, R.R. 1, Box 180, Beaver Springs 17812, Snyder County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Selinsgrove Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Irvin A. Sigafoos, Shamokin Dam, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SELINSGROVE CENTER

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Sandra Mengel, R.R. 2, Box 12, Mt. Pleasant Mills 17853, Snyder County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Selinsgrove Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Stanley R. Saylor, Beaver Springs, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH-LANGUAGE AND HEARING

April 1, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Karen Goltz Stein, 357 Ann Circle, Indiana 15701, Indiana County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Examiners in Speech-Language and Hearing, to serve for a term of three years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Rose Blecker, Camp Hill, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WERNERSVILLE STATE HOSPITAL

May 8, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Redith F. Snoberger, 133 Hillside Street, Lebanon 17042, Berks County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Wernersville State Hospital, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BEAVER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 28, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jill Marsilio Colonna, (Democrat), 113 Meadow Drive, Beaver Falls 15010, Beaver County, Forty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Beaver County

Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jesse Gindhart, (Democrat), 328 West Ridge Street, Lansford 18232, Carbon County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Carbon County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2004, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Pearl H. Dugan, Jim Thorpe, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE CLEARFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 22, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jane E. Elling, (Republican), 197 East Main Street, R.R. 2 Box 22, Mahaffey 15757, Clearfield County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Clearfield County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Mark Micciche, (Democrat), 121 East Grove Street, Dunmore 18512, Lackawanna County, Twenty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lackawanna County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kimberly M. Klee-Rodrigues, Scranton, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LEHIGH COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Siobhan "Sam" Bennett, (Democrat), 25 South 15th Street, Allentown 18102, Lehigh County, Sixteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Lehigh County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Wallace C. Worth, Jr., Zionsville, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE PHILADELPHIA COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Allener Rogers, (Democrat), 4519 Larchwood Avenue, Philadelphia 19143, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Philadelphia County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2004, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Nolan, Philadelphia, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William H. Ehman, (Democrat), 401 West 6th Avenue, Derry 15627, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Westmoreland County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert J. Bulger, Greensburg, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 21, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Tay R. Waltenbaugh, (Democrat), R.R. 1, Box 325, Rocky Mountain Road, New Stanton 15672, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Westmoreland County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

Senator ROBBINS. Madam President, I request that the nominations just read by the Clerk be laid on the table.

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

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Senator ROBBINS, that the Senate do now resolve itself into Executive Session for the purpose of considering certain nominations made by the Governor.

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM TABLE

Senator ROBBINS. Madam President, I call from the table certain nominations and ask for their consideration.

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 4, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Robert J. Wetzel, 404 Victor Drive, Uniontown 15401, Fayette County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of California University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

May 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Syed R. Ali-Zaidi, Ph.D., 509 Ridgeway Road, Apartment 6, Shippenville 16254, Clarion County, Twenty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Clarion University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

May 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Virginia Lancaster McGarvey, 6750 Station Road, Erie 16510, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION

April 21, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Richard L. Orwig, Esquire, 404 Lynne Avenue, Wyomissing 19610, Berks County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Kutztown University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SELINSGROVE CENTER

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN SPEECH- LANGUAGE AND HEARING

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BEAVER COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 28, 2003

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE CLEARFIELD COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 22, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Jane E. Elling, (Republican), 197 East Main Street, R.R. 2 Box 22, Mahaffey 15757, Clearfield County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Clearfield County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LACKAWANNA COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE LEHIGH COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

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EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE PHILADELPHIA COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Allener Rogers, (Democrat), 4519 Larchwood Avenue, Philadelphia 19143, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Philadelphia County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2004, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice James Nolan, Philadelphia, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 17, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, William H. Ehman, (Democrat), 401 West 6th Avenue, Derry 15627, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Westmoreland County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Robert J. Bulger, Greensburg, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE WESTMORELAND COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

April 21, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Tay R. Waltenbaugh, (Democrat), R.R. 1, Box 325, Rocky Mountain Road, New Stanton 15672, Westmoreland County, Thirty-ninth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Westmoreland County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

On the question,

Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

YEA-49

Armstrong	Hughes	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Jubelirer	Piccola	Wagner
Brightbill	Kasunic	Pileggi	Waugh
Conti	Kitchen	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kukovich	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Rhoades	White, Mary Jo
Dent	Lemmond	Robbins	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Scarnati	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Schwartz	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fumo	Mowery	Stout	
Greenleaf	Musto	Tartaglione	
Helfrick	O'Pake	Thompson	

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Governor be informed accordingly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

Senator ROBBINS. Madam President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolutions, which were read, considered, and adopted by voice vote:

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Don Horst and to Mr. and Mrs. Newton G. Helm by Senator Armstrong.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Robert J. Kopecek by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Christopher P. Mellon, Jason A. Marquis, Christian L. Hill, Andrew J. Lavin, William C. Dewey and to Allan Fortnum by Senator Conti.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Edna Ruth Best by Senator Dent.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dan Moore, Jenna Morasca and to the Jefferson Hills Lions Club by Senator Jubelirer on behalf of Senator Pippy.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Armstrong World Industries of Beaver Falls by Senator LaValle.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Butters, Justin J. Yaw and to the Hepburn Township Volunteer Fire Company by Senator Madigan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Reverend William B. Blake, Helen Cordelli, Catherine Revels and to Nicodemo Rinaldis by Senator Mellow.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Nevin Funk, Florence Weber and to Elizabeth Whitcomb by Senator Mowery.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Irene Dennis by Senator Musto.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the members of the Gouglersville Fire Company by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Teresa Altmar by Senator Orie.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Jesse O. Thomas by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to James Aaron Golab by Senator Rhoades.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Hopkins by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gregory Brisco by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. John R. Rumbaugh by Senator D. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Glenn Schwartz, Bryn Mawr Fire Company, Bryn Mawr College, Pen & Ink of Haverford High School and to Reflections and Smudge of Haverford Township Middle School by Senator C. Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to New Life Youth and Family Services of Harleysville by Senator Wonderling. Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher by Senator Wozniak.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following resolutions, which were read, considered, and adopted by voice vote:

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late James V. Meadows II by Senator Jubelirer.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Reverend Edith Hazel Weeks by Senator Kitchen.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator RAFFERTY. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now proceed to consideration of all bills reported from committee for the first time at today's Session.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 586, HB 235 and HB 331.

And said bills having been considered for the first time, Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for second consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SCRANTON STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

June 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Nina Tinari, 6401 Church Road, Philadelphia 19151, Philadelphia County, Seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Scranton State School for the Deaf, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Barbara Purdy, Sweet Valley, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WARREN STATE HOSPITAL

June 2, 2003

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Michelle W. Singer, 128 North Craig Street, Pittsburgh 15213, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Warren State Hospital, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2005, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice David B. Acker, Coudersport, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

CORRECTION TO NOMINATION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communication in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

MEMBER OF THE DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

June 2, 2003

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

Please note the nomination dated May 28, 2003, for the appointment of Robert Axelrod, (Democrat), 121 Ringneck Drive, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Delaware County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement, should be corrected to read:

Robert Axelrod, (Democrat), 121 Ringneck Drive, Harrisburg 17112, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the <u>Dauphin</u> County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2005, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 2, 2003

Senators WENGER, ROBBINS, D. WHITE, WOZNIAK, ORIE, MUSTO, KUKOVICH, WAUGH, LOGAN, O'PAKE, COSTA, MADIGAN, ERICKSON, PICCOLA, PUNT, LEMMOND, TARTAGLIONE, SCARNATI, C. WILLIAMS, MOWERY, RHOADES, KITCHEN, GREENLEAF, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, FERLO, ARMSTRONG, TOMLINSON, KASUNIC and WONDERLING presented to the Chair SB 746, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for exclusions from the sales and use tax.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 2, 2003.

Senators KUKOVICH, ORIE, LAVALLE, PUNT, COSTA, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE, LOGAN, BOSCOLA, WAGNER, MUSTO and KASUNIC presented to the Chair SB 759, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, further providing for the disposition of certain funds.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, June 2, 2003.

Senators STOUT, KITCHEN, LOGAN, KUKOVICH, MUSTO, WOZNIAK, LAVALLE, D. WHITE, TARTAGLIONE, MELLOW, O'PAKE and MOWERY presented to the Chair SB 770, entitled:

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for time for awarding contract; providing for claims for concealed or unknown conditions; further providing for retainage, for government agency's progress payment obligations, for penalty and attorney fees, for applicability and for substantial/final payment under contract; providing for mediation; further providing for arbitration; and providing for role of architect or engineer.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 2, 2003.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcements were read by the Secretary of the Senate:

	SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA	
	COMMITTEE MEETINGS	
	TUESDAY, JUNE 3, 2003	
9:30 A.M.	COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (public hearing on Governor Rendell's Economic Stimulus Package)	Room 8E-A East Wing
10:00 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 60 and 748)	Room 461 Main Capitol
11:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to consider Senate Bills No. 26, 54, 672 and 733; and House Bill No. 1006)	Room 8E-B East Wing
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINA- TIONS (to consider certain executive nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
	MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2003	

ADJOURNMENT

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (public

hearing on Senate Bill No. 181)

Room 461

Main Capitol

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lebanon, Senator Brightbill.

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Tuesday, June 3, 2003, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

1:00 P.M.

The Senate adjourned at 5:55 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.