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No. 2

**SENATE**

TUESDAY, January 20, 2004

The Senate met at 2 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

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

**PRAYER**

The Chaplain, Reverend TIMOTHY L. CRAVEN, of Mellingers Evangelical Lutheran Church, Stevens, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we know that in the final day of judgment as we stand outside the hallowed halls of heaven itself, Your kingdom built on pillars, far greater than the ones which support this revered building, built not of stone but of spirit, we will not stand there as Republican or Democrat, man or woman, rich or poor, young or old, farmer or factory worker, we will stand before Almighty God as naked as the day we were born, waiting to be born again, subjecting ourselves to the heavenly legislators and the angel chorus and judged not by what we might accomplish this day by way of personal gain or ideological advance, but judged instead based on how compassionately and wisely we have served those we had a chance to help.

Today we remember the challenge and example of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., who taught us to remember the teachings of the Bible, which tell us in government to remember the poor and needy as we decide how we are going to use the resources God has given us.

Our kind and gracious Heavenly Father, provider of every blessing, guide, protect, and comfort the women and men of this august body today and everyday, that those elected and chosen for this most noble calling might know Your presence and blessings and might joyfully and courageously lead and serve the people of this great Commonwealth with the memory of the great heritage of our people given to us by our parents and grandparents, with an eye toward tomorrow, as we educate our children and, importantly, with respect and brotherhood toward one another. We ask and thank all this in the name of the Lord, Creator, Savior, and Sustainer of us all. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Craven, who is the guest today of Senator Wenger.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blair, Senator Jubelirer.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Madam President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Mary Jo White.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Jubelirer requests a legislative leave for Senator Mary Jo White. Without objection, that leave will be granted.

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

Senator O'PAKE. Madam President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Stout and Senator Tartaglione.

The PRESIDENT. Senator O'Pake requests legislative leaves for Senator Stout and Senator Tartaglione. Without objection, those leaves will be granted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE CANCELLED**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blair, Senator Jubelirer.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Madam President, I hereby move that the Senate remove Senator John Pippy from military leave.

Madam President, there are many occasions when we honor Members of the Senate for the work they do on behalf of their constituents and the communities they represent. It is not too often we have the opportunity to commend a Member for outstanding serving to our nation. Certainly, Pennsylvania history is filled with stories of individuals who have gone from military service to a distinguished political career. Civil War commander and Pennsylvania Governor, John Frederick Hartranft, whose statue is on the plaza outside of the Capitol, is one prime example. Far fewer have interrupted political careers for active duty.

Madam President, today we are pleased to welcome back for this Session Senator John Pippy, who for nearly a year has been better known as Captain John Pippy, with 8 months of strenuous service in Kuwait and Iraq. Each Member of this body contributes unique perspectives and individual experience, but John Pippy now brings a most exceptional outlook to Senate service. John and the 63 soldiers in the 332nd Engineering Company have given us a lesson in dedication and duty, doing their part in the post-war rebuilding effort, which has proved more challenging and more dangerous than anticipated. We are indeed grateful for the men and women, those from Pennsylvania and those from

other States, who suspended their careers, who separated from families and friends, and who put their lives at risk to help America carry out this necessary and consequential mission. They have sacrificed much. They have served with distinction, and they deserve our thanks and our respect.

I want to acknowledge, too, the people in the 37th Senatorial District who elected John Pippy with the understanding that they would not have his services for some time. In his absence, we heard from community leaders and constituents in his district as they shared their questions and concerns, their views and priorities with us. But we also heard consistent appreciation for the job John was doing as a leader of one unit of an incredible team defending freedom and, yes, advancing democracy.

So today, Madam President, we offer a warm welcome back to Senator John Pippy. We express our deep gratitude for his service and leadership, thank God for his safe return, and look forward to his participation in this important legislative year, with our full Senate complement restored. It is indeed a great honor to ask, Madam President, that you now remove Senator John Pippy from military leave and welcome him back, as we all do, to the Senate of Pennsylvania. Welcome back, Senator.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, Senator John Pippy will be removed from military leave.

**JOURNAL APPROVED**

The PRESIDENT. A quorum of the Senate being present, the Clerk will read the Journal of the preceding Session of January 6, 2004.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the preceding Session.

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and that the Journal be approved.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

**YEA-50**

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

**NAY-0**

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journal is approved.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR**

**JOINT SESSION**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
Office of the Governor  
Harrisburg

January 12, 2004

The Honorable Robert C. Jubelirer  
President Pro Tempore  
Senate of Pennsylvania  
292 Main Capitol Building  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

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

If it meets with the approval of the General Assembly, I would like to address the members in Joint Session on Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at a time convenient to the General Assembly.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
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 COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGH EDUCATION

January 6, 2004

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 A. Christofer, 1049 Rose Avenue, New Castle 16101, Lawrence County, Forty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Gary B. Rose, Sharon, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF TRUSTEES OF  
SLIPPERY ROCK UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA  
OF THE STATE SYSTEM OF HIGH EDUCATION

January 6, 2004

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 S. Taylor, Esquire, P.O. Box 1010, Doylestown 18901, Bucks County, Tenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Rex A. Martin, Mercer, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

ADJUTANT GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 9, 2004

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, Brigadier General Jessica L. Wright, R.D. 2, Box 469, Annville, 17003, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Major General William B. Lynch, Grantville, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE BEAVER COUNTY  
BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

January 13, 2004

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, Eppers, 17319, York County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Beaver County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2004, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Allen Andrascik, Beaver Falls, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE FAYETTE COUNTY  
BOARD OF ASSISTANCE

January 13, 2004

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, Nicole Carter, 301 Chestnut Street, Apartment 1213, Harrisburg, 17101, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Fayette County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2006, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Reverend DewVaul W. Tracy, Jr., Lake Lynn, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
SOMERSET COUNTY

January 15, 2004

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, David Flower, Esquire, 126 Chauncey's Woods Road, Somerset 15501, Somerset County, Thirty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Somerset County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2006, vice The Honorable Kim R. Gibson, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

RECALL COMMUNICATIONS  
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:

ADJUTANT GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA

January 9, 2004

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated November 24, 2003, for the appointment of Brigadier General Jessica L. Wright, R.D. 2, Box 469, Annville, 17003, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, as Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Major General William B. Lynch, Grantville, resigning.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS

January 9, 2004

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated October 14, 2003, for the appointment of Ken Snyder, (Public Member), 390 Shelbourne Lane, Phoenixville 19460, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, 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 James N. Papoutsis, Chambersburg, whose term expired.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

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 HUNTINGDON COUNTY  
BOARD OF ASSISTANCE**

January 9, 2004

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

Please note the nomination dated November 10, 2003, for the appointment of Beverly J. Gusler, (Republican), P.O. Box 35, James Creek 16657, Huntingdon County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Huntingdon County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2003, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ann H. Hohman, Huntingdon, whose term expired, should be corrected to read:

Beverly J. Gusler, (Republican), P.O. Box 35, James Creek 16657, Huntingdon County, Thirtieth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Huntingdon County Board of Assistance, to serve until December 31, 2006, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Ann H. Hohman, Huntingdon, whose term expired.

**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:

January 9, 2004

Senators GREENLEAF, MOWERY, TOMLINSON, WONDERLING, KITCHEN and WOZNIAK presented to the Chair **SB 1000**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for compensation laws allowed to the General Assembly.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 9, 2004.

January 12, 2004

Senators GORDNER, WAUGH, ROBBINS, LOGAN, ORIE, STACK, RHOADES, COSTA, RAFFERTY, KITCHEN, WONDERLING, TOMLINSON and CORMAN presented to the Chair **SB 995**, 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, January 12, 2004.

Senators GORDNER, ORIE, COSTA, RAFFERTY, KITCHEN, STACK and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 996**, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for probable cause arrests in domestic violence cases; and providing for electronic monitoring programs relating to protection from abuse.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 12, 2004.

Senators GORDNER, MOWERY, COSTA, LEMMOND, KITCHEN, RAFFERTY and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SB 998**, entitled:

An Act providing for approval by the Attorney General of the transfer, restructuring or conversion of nonprofit hospitals.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, January 12, 2004.

Senators HUGHES, MELLOW, WAGNER, ERICKSON, COSTA, FERLO, RAFFERTY, C. WILLIAMS, A. WILLIAMS, LOGAN, STACK, KUKOVICH, MUSTO, SCHWARTZ, KITCHEN, TARTAGLIONE and FUMO presented to the Chair **SB 999**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Pennsylvania Public School Construction Authority and the Pennsylvania Public School Construction Task Force; providing for their powers and duties; establishing the Public School Construction Reserve Fund, the Public School Building and Facility Adequacy Grant Program, a direct grant program and an interest subsidy program; and authorizing the issuance of bonds.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, January 12, 2004.

January 20, 2004

Senators JUBELIRER, CONTI, KUKOVICH, PICCOLA, M. WHITE, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, WENGER, MOWERY, DENT, EARLL, C. WILLIAMS, LEMMOND, SCHWARTZ and THOMPSON presented to the Chair **SB 1001**, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, changing and adding provisions relating to the selection of justices and judges.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, January 20, 2004.

Senators TOMLINSON, ERICKSON, PUNT, BOSCOLA, CONTI, GREENLEAF, COSTA, KUKOVICH, SCHWARTZ, WONDERLING, RAFFERTY and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1002**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on AGING AND YOUTH, January 20, 2004.

Senator BRIGHTBILL presented to the Chair **SB 1003**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 62 (Procurement) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further defining "small business" for purposes of provisions relating to small and disadvantaged businesses.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, January 20, 2004.

### RESOLUTION INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

January 15, 2004

Senators PILEGGI, EARLL, STOUT, FERLO, COSTA, O'PAKE, STACK, KUKOVICH, ORIE, LOGAN, ROBBINS, WENGER, WAGNER, PICCOLA, MELLOW, ERICKSON, MUSTO, PUNT, LEMMOND, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, TARTAGLIONE, GORDNER, CORMAN, KITCHEN, FUMO, ARMSTRONG, THOMPSON, C. WILLIAMS, BRIGHTBILL and TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SR 191**, entitled:

A Resolution declaring the week of January 25 through January 31, 2004, as "Catholic Schools Week" in this Commonwealth.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, January 15, 2004.

### APPOINTMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce the Majority Leader has made the following appointment:

Donald C. Bluedorn, Esquire, as a member of the Statewide Water Resources Advisory Committee.

### DISCHARGE PETITIONS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate the following communications, which were read by the Clerk as follows:

January 20, 2004

#### A PETITION

To place before the Senate the nomination of Ken Snyder as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners.

TO: The Presiding Officer of the Senate:

WE, The undersigned members of the Senate, pursuant to section 8 (b) of Article IV of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, do hereby request that you place the nomination of Ken Snyder, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania, as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, before the entire Senate body for a vote, the nomination not having been voted upon within 15 legislative days:

Robert C. Jubelirer  
David J. Brightbill  
Jeffrey E. Piccola  
Noah W. Wenger  
Robert D. Robbins

January 20, 2004

#### A PETITION

To place before the Senate the nomination of Joseph Gallagher, D.O., as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

TO: The Presiding Officer of the Senate:

WE, The undersigned members of the Senate, pursuant to section 8 (b) of Article IV of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, do hereby request that you place the nomination of Joseph Gallagher, D.O., Wayne, Pennsylvania, as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, before the entire Senate body for a vote, the nomination not having been voted upon within 15 legislative days.

Robert C. Jubelirer  
David J. Brightbill  
Jeffrey E. Piccola  
Noah W. Wenger  
Robert D. Robbins

January 20, 2004

#### A PETITION

To place before the Senate the nomination of The Honorable Dan Frankel as a member of the Commonwealth Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh.

TO: The Presiding Officer of the Senate:

WE, The undersigned members of the Senate, pursuant to section 8 (b) of Article IV of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, do hereby request that you place the nomination of The Honorable Dan Frankel, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as a member of the Commonwealth Trustees of the University of Pittsburgh, before the entire Senate Body for a vote, the nomination not having been voted upon within 15 legislative days.

Robert C. Jubelirer  
David J. Brightbill  
Jeffrey E. Piccola  
Noah W. Wenger  
Robert D. Robbins

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

### RECESS

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, for the information of the Members, I ask for a brief recess for purposes of a Republican caucus, but before we begin caucus, we would like to have a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations in the Rules room to the rear of the Chamber. After caucus, there will be a short meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations. We will come back and have a few items of business before we adjourn for the day.

So at this point, Madam President, I request a recess of the Senate, and we should return in about an hour or two.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brightbill requests a recess for the purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, a Republican caucus, and then a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Madam President, upon the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations, I request that the Democratic Members report to our caucus room at the rear of the Chamber.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Mellow requests that at the conclusion of the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations the Democratic Members of the Senate meet in their caucus room.

Without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

### AFTER RECESS

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

### BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator BRIGHTBILL, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following bills:

#### SB 877 (Pr. No. 1344) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act prohibiting employment of certain individuals as law enforcement officers; requiring suspension of law enforcement officers charged with certain crimes; and establishing dismissal procedures for law enforcement officers convicted of certain crimes.

#### HB 500 (Pr. No. 3185) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act providing for a residential neighborhood enhancement program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development; and making an allocation of appropriated funds.

Senator THOMPSON, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the following bills:

#### SB 815 (Pr. No. 1361) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.789, No.285), known as The Insurance Department Act of 1921, providing for policyholder collateral, for deductible reimbursements and for other policyholder obligations.

#### HB 1206 (Pr. No. 3182) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, providing for certain applicability.

#### HB 1634 (Pr. No. 3183) (Amended)

An Act providing for the capital budget for the fiscal year 2003-2004, itemizing public improvement projects, furniture and equipment projects, transportation assistance projects, redevelopment assistance capital projects, flood control projects, Keystone Recreation, Park and Conservation Fund projects, Environmental Stewardship Fund projects, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission projects, The State Stores Fund current revenue projects, public highway projects, Motor License Fund projects, Manufacturer's Fund projects and State forestry bridge projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Community and Economic

Development, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, Pennsylvania Game Commission and the Department of Transportation, together with their estimated financial costs; authorizing the incurring of debt without the approval of the electors for the purpose of financing the projects to be constructed or acquired or assisted by the Department of General Services, the Department of Community and Economic Development, the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Department of Environmental Protection, the Department of Transportation, the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission or the Pennsylvania Game Commission; stating the estimated useful life of the projects; making appropriations; and making repeals.

#### HB 1654 (Pr. No. 3184) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act providing for funding for an education and training program for municipal inspectors; establishing the Municipal Inspector Training Account; providing for expenditures from the account; and making repeals.

Senator LEMMOND, from the Committee on State Government, reported the following bill:

#### HB 900 (Pr. No. 3186) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of July 15, 1976 (P.L.1036, No.208), known as the Volunteer Fire Company, Ambulance Service and Rescue Squad Assistance Act, authorizing the incurrence of additional debt for loans for assistance to volunteer fire companies, ambulance services and rescue squads; making a repeal; and making editorial changes.

### RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator BRIGHTBILL, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following resolution:

#### SR 191 (Pr. No. 1356)

A Resolution declaring the week of January 25 through January 31, 2004, as "Catholic Schools Week" in this Commonwealth.

The PRESIDENT. The resolution will be placed on the Calendar.

### CALENDAR

#### THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 709, SB 799, HB 1189 and HB 1785 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

#### SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

#### BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 514 (Pr. No. 1792) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for the offense of littering.

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

**SB 954 (Pr. No. 1260)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for early termination of rental agreement.

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

**HB 1927 (Pr. No. 2519)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the penalty for a felony violation of the second degree.

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

**LEGISLATIVE LEAVES**

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask for legislative leaves for Senator Conti and Senator Robbins.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brightbill requests legislative leaves for Senator Conti and Senator Robbins. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS  
 SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1**

**SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS**

**SB 877 (Pr. No. 1344)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act prohibiting employment of certain individuals as law enforcement officers; requiring suspension of law enforcement officers charged with certain crimes; and establishing dismissal procedures for law enforcement officers convicted of certain crimes.

On the question,  
 Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 877?

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 877.

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

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chester, Senator Thompson.

Senator THOMPSON. Madam President, I would like to offer the following comments for the record.

*(The following prepared statement was made a part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Chester, Senator THOMPSON:)*

Madam President, today I ask my colleagues to concur on House amendments to Senate Bill No. 877. Enactment of this measure will set proper standards for the dismissal of Pennsylvania State Police Troopers who are convicted of a felony or a more serious misdemeanor. Under current statutes, a State Police Trooper can stay on duty after he or she is convicted of a crime because of a quirk in the law. That is unacceptable.

The inherent trust that we have in the State Police is shaken by this oversight. Just the implication that those entrusted to enforce the law can be above the law is inappropriate and merits this needed change. Simply, my bill creates parity between State Police Troopers and local police officers. The standards set by Senate Bill No. 877 parallel those governing disciplinary guidelines for municipal police.

This bill before us today is the result of several months of negotiations and a lot of work on the part of many people. In particular, I would like to thank the Pennsylvania State Troopers Association for its help in crafting this bill.

Finally, I want to point out while this bill targets the bad State troopers, it also benefits the good troopers serving in our communities and patrolling our highways. This measure is intended to rebuild public confidence in our State Police. The vast majority of our troopers are honorable men and women. They deserve our praise and thanks. My legislation ensures the removal of the very small number of bad apples whose actions erode the public's confidence in this fine organization and stain the reputation of their peers.

Madam President, I ask for a "yes" vote on concurrence to Senate Bill No. 877.

And the question recurring,  
 Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

**YEA-50**

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

**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 inform the House of Representatives accordingly.

**BILL REREPORTED FROM COMMITTEE AS  
AMENDED ON SECOND CONSIDERATION**

**HB 500 (Pr. No. 3185)** -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for a residential neighborhood enhancement program to be administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development; and making an allocation of appropriated funds.

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

**REPORT FROM COMMITTEE ON  
RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

Senator BRIGHTBILL, 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:

**ATTORNEY GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA**

December 15, 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 Gerald J. Pappert, 1877 Meadow Ridge Drive, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Attorney General of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2005, vice The Honorable D. Michael Fisher, Pittsburgh, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF COSMETOLOGY**

December 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, Dianna J. Orndorff, 278 Frogtown Road, Hanover 17331, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology, 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 Janet P. Thomas, Benton, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE**

Senator BRIGHTBILL. 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.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR  
REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON RULES  
AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

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

**ADJUTANT GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA**

January 9, 2004

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated November 24, 2003, for the appointment of Brigadier General Jessica L. Wright, R.D. 2, Box 469, Annville, 17003, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, as Adjutant General of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Major General William B. Lynch, Grantville, resigning.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF BARBER EXAMINERS**

January 9, 2004

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

In accordance with the power and authority vested in me as Governor of the Commonwealth, I do hereby recall my nomination dated October 14, 2003, for the appointment of Ken Snyder, (Public Member), 390 Shelbourne Lane, Phoenixville 19460, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Board of Barber Examiners, 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 James N. Papoutsis, Chambersburg, whose term expired.

I respectfully request the return to me of the official message of nomination on the premises.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR**

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the nominations just read by the Clerk be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

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

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



**EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Senator BRIGHTBILL,  
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 THE TABLE**

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY**

December 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, Dianna J. Orndorff, 278 Frogtown Road, Hanover 17331, York County, Twenty-eighth Senatorial District, 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 Janet P. Thomas, Benton, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**

October 6, 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, Joseph Gallagher, Jr., D.O., 323 Warren Road, Wayne 19087, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice John F. Callahan, D.O., Pittston, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

**COMMONWEALTH TRUSTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH OF THE COMMONWEALTH SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

October 6, 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 Dan Frankel, 5329 Fair Oaks Street, Pittsburgh 15217, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a Commonwealth Trustee of the University of Pittsburgh of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education, to serve until October 5, 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Samuel A. McCullough, Wyomissing, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

On the question,  
Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

**YEA-50**

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

**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.

**NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE**

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I call from the table a certain nomination and ask for its consideration.

The Clerk read the nomination as follows:

**ATTORNEY GENERAL OF PENNSYLVANIA**

December 15, 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 Gerald J. Pappert, 1877 Meadow Ridge Drive, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Attorney General of Pennsylvania, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2005, vice The Honorable D. Michael Fisher, Pittsburgh, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

On the question,  
Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination?

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

## YEA-50

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

## NAY-0

A constitutional two-thirds 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 BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS  
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 Joseph D. Reeves by Senator Armstrong.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Miriam Wagner by Senator Brightbill.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mary Ann Watts by Senators Brightbill and O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lynn Amatore, Julio Guridy, Trans-Bridge Lines, Inc., of Bethlehem, and to Skip Link of Coopersburg by Senators Dent, Wonderling, and Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Brandon Scott Harter by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Alfred Joseph Fluehr by Senator Hughes.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Altoona Symphony Orchestra by Senator Jubelirer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc., of Philadelphia, by Senator Kitchen.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Felicia Blinkhorn by Senator Kukovich.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to David W. Barbieri by Senator Logan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Unangst, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hetler, Colby S. Martin and to Matthew Keller by Senator Madigan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Matthew C. Jones and to Liberty Fire Company, No. 5, of Reading, by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to James Roble, Jr., by Senator Orie.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haschak by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Katie Trachok, Carl Vogt, James E. Jeffrey, Brent William Biseda, Andrew McGlachlan Fiddner, Dean Karns and to the Upper St. Clair High School Varsity Boys' Soccer Team by Senator Pippy.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to William J. Schoellkopf by Senator Rhoades.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Stephen Geiger by Senators Rhoades and Dent.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael Joseph Ross by Senator Robbins.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lugene Inzana and to Edith Galluzzi by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. George H. Good by Senator D. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Russell J. Benner by Senator Wonderling.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCartney, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Keiper, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson E. Flack and to Ryan Phillip Sayers by Senator Wozniak.

**BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION**

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

The motion was agreed to.

The bills were as follows:

**HB 900 and HB 1634.**

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 PENNSYLVANIA ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT FINANCING AUTHORITY**

January 20, 2004

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, Helen M. Billak, 800 Larchmont

Road, Pittsburgh 15243, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, to serve for a term of four years and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Kenneth E. Davis, Gladwyne, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE  
HARNESS RACING COMMISSION

January 20, 2004

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, Henry Faragalli, Jr., 4008 Darby Road, Bryn Mawr 19010, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Harness 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 George Patterson, Camp Hill, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY

January 20, 2004

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, Alan Hertzberg, Esquire, 1516 Whitewood Drive, Pittsburgh 15220, Allegheny County, Forty-second Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2006, vice The Honorable Max Baer, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,  
PERRY/JUNIATA COUNTIES

January 20, 2004

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, Kathy A. Morrow, Esquire, 409 Mountain Road, Millerstown 17062, Perry County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Perry/Juniata Counties, to serve until the first Monday of January 2006, vice The Honorable Keith B. Quigley, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD  
OF PODIATRY

January 20, 2004

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 G. Stuemple, D.P.M., 36 East Church Street, Lock Haven 17745, Clinton County, Thirty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Podiatry, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Barbara Davis, D.P.M., Palmerton, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL  
Governor

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2004

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| 9:00 A.M. | AGING AND YOUTH (informational hearing on Medicare Prescription Drug Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, and PACE) | Room 8E-A<br>East Wing |
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2004

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| 1:00 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Public Utility Commission) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2004

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| 9:00 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of General Services) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 10:30 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Budget Secretary) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 1:00 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 2:30 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - State System of Higher Education) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2004

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| 9:00 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Labor and Industry) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 10:30 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Banking) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 1:00 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Insurance Dept.) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 2:30 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Community and Economic Development) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2004

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| 9:00 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of State) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 10:30 A.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Corrections) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 1:00 P.M. | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Public School Employees Retirement System) | Senate Maj.<br>Caucus Rm. |
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| 2:30 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - State Related Universities)             | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| <u>THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2004</u> |  |                        |
| 9:00 A.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Judiciary)                              | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 10:30 A.M.                         | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Aging)                         | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 1:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs) | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 2:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Environmental Protection)      | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| <u>MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2004</u>       |  |                        |
| 1:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Public Welfare)                | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| <u>TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2004</u>      |  |                        |
| 9:00 A.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Transportation)                | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 1:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Education)                     | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| <u>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2004</u>    |  |                        |
| 9:00 A.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Game Commission)                        | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 10:30 A.M.                         | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - State Police)                           | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 1:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Revenue)                       | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 2:30 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Governor's Office/Executive Offices)    | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| <u>THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2004</u>     |  |                        |
| 9:00 A.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Fish and Boat Commission)               | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 10:30 A.M.                         | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Health)                        | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 1:00 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - State Employees Retirement System)      | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |
| 2:30 P.M.                          | APPROPRIATIONS (Budget Hearing - Dept. of Agriculture)                   | Senate Maj. Caucus Rm. |

### ADJOURNMENT

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Wednesday, January 21, 2004, at 12:30 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate adjourned at 4:35 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.