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SENATE

WEDNESDAY, April 14, 2004

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend FLOYD S. SOLLENBERGER, Jr., of Grace United Methodist Church, Millersburg, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

O God, we thank You that You are an eternal God, one who is with us through all the chances and changes in life, one who has established the beauty of nature and our universe, one who has given us life and placed something of the eternal in each of us, reminding us that we are important to You. We are grateful for this privilege, to be able to pause before we begin the matters of State and to focus on You, to take some of the focus off of ourselves, and to think of what You would want us to do in these matters of business.

We ask, O Lord, that You would guide each Senator. Help them to do the things that will be pleasing to You and in the best interest of their people. We thank You that these people have been elected to serve and to lead us. Their task, Lord, is tough because there is always someone who is going to be on the other side of an opinion, but we ask that You give them the wisdom and the skill to do what is best for the most. Lead them and guide them in all of their work. We ask Your blessings to be upon them now.

We thank You for the freedoms of our land, we thank You for our President, for our nation's leaders. Be with them, especially now at this time of fighting terrorism and the Iraq War. We ask for Your leadership, for Your direction, for Your guidance to be upon all. In the name of Christ, we ask it. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Sollenberger, who is the guest today of Senator Gordner.

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 April 13, 2004.

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.

HOUSE MESSAGES

SENATE BILLS RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate SB 751 and SB 752, with the information the House has passed the same with amendments in which the concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT. Pursuant to Senate Rule XIV, section 5, these bills will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY**

The SECRETARY. Consent has been given for the Committee on Labor and Industry to meet in the Rules room during today's Session to consider the nomination of Richard Block to the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator ERICKSON, from the Committee on Local Government, reported the following bills:

HB 60 (Pr. No. 3745) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of January 19, 1968 (1967 P.L.992, No.442), entitled, as amended, "An act authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the local government units thereof to preserve, acquire or hold land for open space uses," defining "municipal corporation"; further providing for property acquired in fee simple and for local taxing option; and making an editorial change.

HB 2190 (Pr. No. 3286)

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, further providing for sale of real property owned by township.

HB 2428 (Pr. No. 3421)

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331), known as The First Class Township Code, further providing for power of township commissioners relating to fire houses.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask for legislative leaves for Senator Corman and Senator Jubelirer.

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

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Madam President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Logan, Senator Schwartz, Senator Stout, and Senator Tartaglione, and temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Kitchen and Senator Kukovich.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Mellow requests legislative leaves for Senator Logan, Senator Schwartz, Senator Stout, and Senator Tartaglione, and temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Kitchen and Senator Kukovich. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR

**SENATE RESOLUTION No. 221
CALLED UP OUT OF ORDER, ADOPTED**

Senator BRIGHTBILL, without objection, called up from page 4 of the Calendar, as a Special Order of Business, **Senate Resolution No. 221**, entitled:

A Resolution recognizing May 6, 2004, as the "National Day of Prayer."

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-50

Armstrong	Hughes	Oric	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
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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.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN C.
RAFFERTY PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Madam President, I have the honor today to introduce to my colleagues in the Senate a young man who is a recipient of one of the Keystone State Game awards. John Kiely is a senior at Owen J. Roberts High School and is getting ready to enter college. He has been a member of the varsity swim team at Owen J. Roberts, the YMCA swim team, and has participated in district and State competitions. This is an indication of his desire for excellence and his commitment to the competitive and athletic spirit reflected in Owen J. Roberts' athletic programs.

John is supported today by his father, John, his mother, Christine, and his brother, Mark, as he attends the Keystone Game ceremony. He is an outstanding student, and many of us realize, when we read headlines about what is happening in the world and the reports on our young people, it is people like John Kiely who can put hope into the next generation, and we know that young individuals such as John, with him assuming his mantle of leadership in the future, that we will be in good hands.

So, Madam President, I ask, along with State Representative Tim Hennessey who is here as well honoring the Kiely family and John in particular, that the Members of the Senate join me in welcoming John and giving our warm acclamation to him and his family today in the Senate Chamber.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Rafferty and Representative Hennessey please rise so we can give you a round of applause.

(Applause.)

Senator RAFFERTY. Madam President, John is in the blue shirt, and the Chair met him earlier, and as I said, he is a real credit to Owen J. Roberts and his family.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN R.
GORDNER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Madam President, it is always terrific when we have our young people from our districts come to the Capitol and visit us to see how the legislative process works. This morning I have with me students, parents, and teachers from the Holy Family Catholic School in Berwick. They come on an annual basis, and we are glad to have them here today, so at this time I ask the students, parents, and teachers to please rise so that we can recognize the group from Holy Family Catholic School in Berwick.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests from Holy Family Catholic School please rise so we can give you a round of applause. (Applause.)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, the Members of the Committee on Labor and Industry are asked to report to the Rules room to the rear of the Chamber. While the floor activities are going on, we are going to have a meeting of the Committee on Labor and Industry. I think there is a short hearing to deal with a confirmation.

The PRESIDENT. Would all Members of the Committee on Labor and Industry please report to the Rules room for a committee meeting.

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JANE C.
ORIE PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator ORIE. Madam President, I would like to introduce my three shadows for the day who are in gallery watching democracy in action. They are all master's degree students at LaRoche College in Pittsburgh. Colleen Cochenour and Cesare Cardi are nurse practitioners, and John Gido is a management student. Would my three shadows rise, and I ask for a warm Senate welcome for them.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Orie from LaRoche College please rise so we can give you a round of applause.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR MICHAEL A.
O'PAKE PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator O'PAKE. Madam President, we are very proud in Berks County of our outstanding student athletes, and we have in the gallery today six of those outstanding high school seniors who have distinguished themselves and earned credits for their families, their schools, and their community. They started off today with a breakfast at the Reading YMCA.

Chad Henne is a senior at Wilson Senior High School. He was a Parade all-American, a U.S. Army all-American, all-State, and he is a quarterback. He will not be going to Penn State, as many had hoped, but he will be going to the University of Michigan, and first I would like you to recognize Chad Henne.

(Applause.)

The wide receiver from Wilson Senior High School whose outstanding football career included being named Lancaster-Lebanon first team wide receiver, he is undecided on college, weighing several offers, is Jim Geosits.

(Applause.)

From Reading High School, heavily recruited all-State, U.S. Army all-American, will be attending the University of Miami on a football scholarship, James Bryant.

(Applause.)

Also from Reading High School, an outstanding member who played offense and defense, he was Lancaster-Lebanon defensive lineman of the year, is undecided on college as we speak, but we are honored to have Nate Luigard and his mother, Deb, who works in my Reading office.

(Applause.)

Our wrestling team did very well. We have a national wrestling champion as well as a Pennsylvania champion from Reading High School. Also, his brother had an outstanding wrestling career, he was in the PIAA State tournament, and I would like the Chair to recognize the two wrestlers, Charles Griffin and Joe

Ortiz, and their coach, Kriss Bellanca, from Reading High School.

Madam President we are very proud and grateful for these young men. They have done well, and I know they will do even better in their college careers.

Congratulations.

(Applause.)

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Hughes.

Senator HUGHES. Madam President, I stand to offer a congratulatory resolution and hope that every Member of the Pennsylvania Senate will sign on to this resolution.

Something very significant happened in the last week or so in our great city of Philadelphia. The Overbrook High School Mock Trial Team won the 2004 State Mock Trial Championship. The significant thing about that, Madam President, is not the fact that this team, which is led by coach Phillip Beauchemin, started out with 24 team members, but that it wound up with only 5 team members in the final competition. The significant thing, Madam President, is not the fact that this team won its first Mock Trial State Championship in 1997, is not the fact that this team won two State championship titles, four public league championships, and four regional championships all in the last 7 years, but the fact that this team competed with schools all across the Commonwealth, and as I alluded to briefly earlier, competed with only five team members and a coach who was seriously ill throughout the majority of the season. It is a tribute to this school, which is pretty much known for its historical mastery in the sport of basketball, with graduates such as Wilt Chamberlain, Wally Jones, and Andre McCarter, and people of that nature, that it is known in this capacity for a tremendous skill level in competition.

They are not here today, but this resolution is here for all Members of the Senate to hopefully sign on to and congratulate them. Most teams across the Commonwealth had team members in double-digit numbers, but this team had the bare minimum of five members, and were coached and counseled by graduates of Overbrook High School who came back to the school to help them out. We are extremely proud of their work, their effort, their commitment to academic excellence. They are a proud testament that when given support, when given a chance, that any citizen of the State, any child in this State, no matter what their situation, when given support and commitment, any child in this Commonwealth can succeed.

So, we will not talk about who they beat for the State championship. It was a team from Pittsburgh, but we will not talk about who they beat in winning the State championship. We will mention, however, that they beat them with a jury vote of 12 to 2. They beat them 12 to 2. We will not say who they beat, but they beat them badly. They gave them a Saint Joseph's University kind of whipping. But we are extremely proud of the Overbrook High School 2004 State Mock Trial winners. They won the State championship, they did it with the bare minimum number of members on their team, and they did us proud, not just from my district but from the entire State. They are now headed to compete in the national championship against 44 other high school teams in Orlando, Florida, on May 7 through May 9 of this

year, and we hope every Member of the Pennsylvania Senate signs on to this resolution and support and encourage them in an extreme and dramatic way so they can win the national championship.

Thank you Madam President.

The PRESIDENT. Let us all give the Overbrook High School Mock Trial Team a round of applause for their academic accomplishments.

(Applause.)

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR JAY COSTA
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I am very honored this afternoon to be able to present to my colleagues here in the Senate the PIAA AAAA Basketball Champions, the Penn Hills High School Boys' Basketball Team. I would like to take a moment to recognize a number of those individuals. They captured the State AAAA title by defeating Parkland High School 57 to 48 in Hershey on March 20 of this past month.

Madam President, I would like to take a moment to recognize the young men who are in the gallery this afternoon. The coach of the team is Jim Rocco. He is assisted by Henry Gonsowski, Marcello Frollo, and Aaron Tipton. The team is comprised of Derrick Drummond, Brian Jones, Chad Parker, Jeff Abraham, Charlie Carter, Josh Coto, Nick Kerr, Eldon Groover, Ryan Allen, Gerald Warrick, David Harvey, Jason Stanko, Dane Williams, Matt Ionadi, Akida McLain, and Devon Knight. The team was further assisted by Matt Strauss, A.J. Jahn, Kim Baughman, and Heather Logan, student trainers; Shane Eckels, Robbie Bell, and Kenneth Calloway, managers; Dominique McMillan, Caitlin Collins, and Omar Badran, statisticians; Mike Dokmanovich and Carl Sinkula, trainers; Neil Gordon, athletic director; and Charlie Buttgereit, scorekeeper.

Madam President, they have a successful program at Penn Hills High School. In the past, they have won a number of WPIAL championships, and this year their season culminated in, as I stated, a AAAA State Championship, and a number of their players have been recognized as outstanding performers throughout the season. Akida McLain has been recognized as the PIAA Player of the Year in the AAAA Division, and along with teammates Matt Ionadi and Devon Knight, will participate this weekend in a very important basketball classic, the Pittsburgh World Hoops Classic, that will take place this weekend at the Petersen Events Center.

I ask all of my colleagues to please rise and give the Penn Hills PIAA State Class AAAA Boys' Basketball Team a round of applause.

The PRESIDENT. Will the Penn Hills champions please rise so we can give you a round of applause.

(Applause.)

**CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED
THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 679 (Pr. No. 1549) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L.233, No.64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, prohibiting possession or transporting of liquefied ammonia gas under certain circumstances; prohibiting possession of certain precursors and chemicals used in the manufacture of controlled substances; and imposing duties and responsibilities relating to clandestine drug laboratories upon the Pennsylvania State Police.

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 PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bradford, Senator Madigan.

Senator MADIGAN. Madam President, I rise today to urge support for legislation that will significantly increase penalties for manufacturing a deadly drug known as methamphetamine. Senate Bill No. 679 will give law enforcement agencies greater tools to stop production of this dangerous drug, which is becoming an epidemic in our rural areas, and it will help to protect our children and communities from the lethal and highly addictive drug.

Meth production is a problem in all areas of Pennsylvania, but particularly in the northern tier, which has been often called the meth capital of the world. In my district, it has become an epidemic causing suffering, addiction, and death, and not just for those who make it and use it. Two weeks ago, one of my local papers in their Sunday edition had the full front page on meth and half a dozen pages outlining the impact in the communities. It was the start of a 3-day series, and ironically, 2 days later, after the third one was printed on Tuesday, two Bradford County sheriff deputies became the latest victims of this growing epidemic of death and violence. Mike VanKuren and Chris Burgert were gunned down as they tried to serve a collection warrant on an individual who had two producing meth labs on his property. Their deaths are the latest tragedies in a series and a trail of suffering that this drug has caused.

My bill will make it a crime to possess the ingredients to make this drug. This includes anhydrous ammonia, a chemical commonly used as a fertilizer on our farms. The bill would make it illegal to possess or transport liquefied ammonia gas for any purpose other than an agricultural or industrial use. It would also set stiff penalties for possessing large quantities of other methamphetamine ingredients, including dietary supplements ephedrine and pseudoephedrine, common decongestants found in cold medications. Many of the ingredients used in meth manufacture are available at pharmacies and grocery stores and are readily available to the general public in small quantities, but they are becoming more and more available to young people. The bill is intended to save lives and make it easier for our law enforcement

individuals to crack down on those who manufacture this deadly drug.

Madam President, meth has invaded our communities. It has put our children at risk, it has led to the death of many people, including two dedicated officers. Mike VanKuren and Chris Burgert gave their lives trying to protect others from the horrors of methamphetamine. We owe it to them and to the many victims of methamphetamine to redouble our efforts to stop this deadly scourge. Passage of this bill is a crucial first step.

Thank you for your consideration.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Kitchen has returned from leave, and her temporary Capitol leave will be 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-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
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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 present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN R.
GORDNER PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Columbia, Senator Gordner.

Senator GORDNER. Madam President, I am proud to have a State championship football team here today. I have a newspaper clipping of when they won in a snowstorm last year in Hershey, and it was an outstanding game. The team I have here is the Southern Columbia High School Football Team, and last year they captured the 2003 PIAA State Class A Football Championship, and they did it for the second consecutive year. The Tigers earned their coveted title by defeating Bishop Carroll by a score of 49 to 20, finishing the 2003 season with a stellar overall record of 14 wins, 1 loss, and 1 tie.

With me in the gallery, and as I call their names if they would stand, are head coach, Jim Roth, cocaptains Josh Hoagland, Ryan

Slater, Brandon Traugh, and Kale Roth. This team has been to the State championship about 9 or 10 times in the last 12 years. They are a regular there. Again, this is the second consecutive championship from a small school in the heart of a rural area. They have a dynamic team, an outstanding coach, great discipline, and hard work. At this time, I ask the rest of the team to stand as well.

Madam President, the 2003 Class A Football Champions, the Southern Columbia Tigers.

The PRESIDENT. Would the Southern Columbia team please rise.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDENT. Congratulations.

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask for a 5-minute recess for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations which will begin immediately. We expect to be back on the floor in 5 minutes after the meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, without objection, the Senate will be in recess for 5 minutes.

AFTER RECESS

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

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN N. WOZNIAK
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cambria, Senator Wozniak.

Senator WOZNIAK. Madam President, I want to congratulate all of the sports champions today, but I also have some champions, the 7th grade middle school of Westmont Hilltop. They are here today in full force, enjoying the process of democracy, and I would like everybody in the Senate to give them a wonderful welcome, my friends from Westmont Hilltop.

The PRESIDENT. Would our guests from Westmont Hilltop please rise.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Kukovich has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave will be cancelled.

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

Senator ROBBINS, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported a communication from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, recalling the following nomination, which was read by the Clerk as follows:

**MEMBER OF THE STATE TAX
EQUALIZATION BOARD**

April 13, 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 December 29, 2003, for the appointment of Joseph J. Borgia, 2504 East 43rd Street, Erie 16510, Erie County, Forty-ninth Senatorial District, as a member of the State Tax Equalization Board, to serve until November 14, 2007, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Edward F. Fosnaught, Ellwood, whose term expired.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

NOMINATION RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senator ROBBINS. Madam President, I move that the nomination 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 nomination will be returned to the Governor.

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

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

**MEMBER OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
APPEAL BOARD**

February 2, 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 Block, 517 South Sixth Street, Unit C, Philadelphia 19147, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

NOMINATION LAID ON THE TABLE

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

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

EXECUTIVE NOMINATION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

NOMINATION TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

**MEMBER OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION
APPEAL BOARD**

February 2, 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 Block, 517 South Sixth Street, Unit C, Philadelphia 19147, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Workers' Compensation Appeal Board, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, add to complement.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

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

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

YEA-50

Armstrong	Hughes	Oric	Thompson
Boscola	Jubelirer	Piccola	Tomlinson
Brightbill	Kasunic	Pileggi	Wagner
Conti	Kitchen	Pippy	Waugh
Corman	Kukovich	Punt	Wenger
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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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RISES

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

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED
THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 689 (Pr. No. 1547) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The Administrative Code of 1929, further regulating duties of Department of Community and Economic Development.

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-50

Armstrong	Hughes	Orie	Thompson
Boscola	Jubelirer	Piccola	Tomlinson
Brightbill	Kasunic	Pileggi	Wagner
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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 AMENDED

HB 794 (Pr. No. 3575) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 29, 1953 (P.L.304, No.66), known as the Vital Statistics Law of 1953, further providing for the issuance of birth certificates to foreign born children who have become United States citizens.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
Senator BRIGHTBILL offered the following amendment No. A1575:

Amend Sec. 3, page 4, lines 3 and 4, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

Section 3. The amendments of sections 403 and 604 shall be applicable to any child born on or after January 1, 1986.

On the question,
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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 871 and SB 1039 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 1047 (Pr. No. 1455) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing the sale and transfer of ownership of Project 70 land located in Wharton Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

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-50

Armstrong	Hughes	Orie	Thompson
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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 present said bill to the House of Representatives for concurrence.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 1809 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1926 (Pr. No. 2906) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Transportation to convey to Elkland Township a tract of land situate in Elkland Township, Sullivan County, Pennsylvania.

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-50

Table with 4 columns of names: Armstrong, Hughes, Orié, 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 return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

HB 1993 (Pr. No. 2611) -- 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 and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, to grant and convey certain land situate in East Hanover Township, Dauphin County, to Dr. Albert J. Zanetti and Mrs. Jeana M. Zanetti, his wife, in consideration for the grant and conveyance by Dr. Albert J. Zanetti and Mrs. Jeana M. Zanetti, his wife, to the Department of General Services and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs of certain land situate in East and West Hanover Townships, Dauphin County.

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-50

Table with 4 columns of names: Armstrong, Hughes, Orié, 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 return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2330 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 276 and HB 304 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 832 (Pr. No. 3598) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for tattooing; and prohibiting certain body piercing.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

Ordered, To be printed on the Calendar for third consideration.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 978, SB 985 and SB 1004 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1005 (Pr. No. 1363) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for oaths and acknowledgments and for oath of office.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1032 and HB 1438 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator MADIGAN, from the Committee on Transportation, reported the following bills:

SB 1038 (Pr. No. 1448)

An Act designating a bridge on State Route 11 crossing the Susquehanna River between Great Bend Township and Hallstead Borough, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, as the Community Memorial Bridge.

SB 1056 (Pr. No. 1468)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for periods requiring lighted lamps.

SB 1073 (Pr. No. 1485)

An Act redesignating the bridge on State Route 228 which passes over Interstate 79 in Cranberry Township, Butler County, as the 79th Infantry Division Memorial Bridge.

SB 1092 (Pr. No. 1557) (Amended)

An Act designating the proposed Route 222 bypass in Lehigh County from the point immediately South of I-78 in Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County through portions of Upper Macungie Township, Lehigh County to the south interchange of Route 100 in Lower Macungie Township, Lehigh County as the Fred Jandl Memorial Highway.

HB 550 (Pr. No. 3771) (Amended)

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

SENATE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Senators WONDERLING, RHOADES, KUKOVICH, CORMAN, WOZNAK, WENGER, LOGAN, COSTA, STOUT, GORDNER, KITCHEN, MADIGAN, ORIE, LaVALLE, CONTI, BOSCOLA, ARMSTRONG, ERICKSON, SCHWARTZ, MELLOW, MOWERY, TOMLINSON, MUSTO, FERLO, DENT, PUNT, C. WILLIAMS, LEMMOND, O'PAKE, GREENLEAF, D. WHITE, THOMPSON and STACK, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 247**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of May 2 through 8, 2004, as "Teacher Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator WONDERLING. Madam President, I rise, as the resolution suggests, that we recognize May 2 through May 8 as Teacher Appreciation Week, and I do so humbly and also in great recognition for the tireless efforts of our educational professionals in this Commonwealth, and do so out of respect for family heritage. Over 50 years ago my father, who has since passed away, started out as a high school English teacher at Hooker High School in Butler County, Pennsylvania, making about \$7,200 a year, and my father-in-law began his educational career as a teacher in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District over 30 years ago, and with three boys in public school today in the year 2004, it seems to me altogether fitting that we take a week of our time during the course of our calendar year to recognize teachers young and old, those who entered and left the profession, and those today who spend countless hours well beyond what is required to ensure that our children involved in public education receive the best possible education. So, Madam President, I thank you for the opportunity to speak on this resolution.

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

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

Senator BOSCOLA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 248**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2004 as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Madam President, this resolution recognizes that Parkinson's disease affects approximately 1 million people in the United States, yet, the cause of Parkinson's disease remains unclear. At the present time, there is no cure for this disease. There are several types of Parkinson's disease. The two most prevalent are early onset and late onset. Early onset Parkinson's begins before age 50 and accounts for about 5 to 10 percent of all cases. Late onset Parkinson's starts at age 50 or older and accounts for most of the cases of this disease.

Thank you, Madam President.

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

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

Senator BOSCOLA, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 249**, entitled:

A Resolution declaring the month of April 2004 as "Diethylstilbestrol Exposure Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Northampton, Senator Boscola.

Senator BOSCOLA. Madam President, I offer this resolution on behalf of a group called DES Action here in Pennsylvania. This group is headed by a great advocate, a tireless lobbyist by the name of Jean Golomb. As a DES daughter myself, I believe very strongly in the need for DES awareness and education. I am a DES daughter because my mother was one of 4.8 million pregnant women who took DES between 1938 and 1971. Like all of those women, my mom thought DES was this new wonder drug. It was the medical breakthrough that she had been waiting for. Her first child was stillborn and she just wanted to make sure that when I was born that would not happen again. Her doctor told her that DES would prevent a miscarriage and ensure a healthy pregnancy. But, as we now know today, this wonder drug actually made the rates of miscarriage, premature delivery, infant mortality, and infertility worse. Not only that, but those children who are exposed to DES are at greater risk for cancer and infertility, which is something I also know from personal experience.

Thanks to the efforts of Jean Golomb, DES Action has made a very big impact across our Commonwealth, with very little funding that they received from the Department of Health over the years. So, for all the women here in Pennsylvania who are battling the effects of DES exposure, especially those women who may not even be aware of the effects of DES, I hope this recognition will serve to support continued outreach efforts, education, and public awareness.

Thank you, Madam President.

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

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

Senators PIPPY, WAGNER, DENT, KITCHEN, STOUT, D. WHITE, LOGAN, ORIE, ARMSTRONG, COSTA, C. WILLIAMS, CONTI, LEMMOND, TOMLINSON, TARTAGLIONE, GREENLEAF, CORMAN, O'PAKE, STACK, ERICKSON, WOZNIAK, BRIGHTBILL, RAFFERTY and THOMPSON, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 250**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2004 as "Good Chemistry Month" in Pennsylvania and recognizing the business of chemistry for its dynamism and innovation.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator Pippy.

Senator PIPPY. Madam President, very quickly, the chemistry industry in Pennsylvania has a long, rich legacy, and over the years it is one that has done a tremendous job not only providing family-sustaining jobs, but spending untold amounts of money on research and other projects to help improve our environment. So, it is my honor to offer this resolution, and I appreciate its support.

Thank you, Madam President.

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

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

Senators STACK, MELLOW, KUKOVICH, RAFFERTY, LOGAN, WENGER, KITCHEN, WAGNER, PUNT, D. WHITE, MUSTO, C. WILLIAMS, ARMSTRONG, CONTI, SCHWARTZ, STOUT, COSTA, BOSCOLA, ORIE TARTAGLIONE, EARLL, O'PAKE, ERICKSON, BRIGHTBILL, WOZNIAK, GREENLEAF, WONDERLING, LaVALLE and THOMPSON, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 251**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the month of April 2004 as "Lupus Awareness Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Senator Stack.

Senator STACK. Madam President, I rise to seek unanimous consent of a resolution designating April as Lupus Awareness Month in Pennsylvania. In the past, Senator Mellow has been a leader on this issue and has introduced this resolution. This year I am pleased to join him as a joint sponsor. As we both know, Lupus is a lifelong disease that causes the immune system to attack the body's own tissue and organs, including the joints, kidneys, heart, lungs, brain, blood, and skin. Lupus is neither infectious nor cancerous. Lupus can affect men and women of all ages, but occurs with much greater frequency among women and develops most frequently between the ages of 15 and 44. Lupus also is more prevalent among African-Americans, Latinos, Native-Americans, and Asians. The causes of Lupus are unknown and there is no cure. The Lupus Foundation of America estimates that about 1 1/2 million Americans have a form of the Lupus disease. More people suffer from Lupus than from leukemia, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, and cystic fibrosis combined. Yet, Lupus remains an unknown sickness in our Commonwealth and in our nation. Many people are unaware that they have Lupus because its symptoms are similar to those manifested in other afflictions. While there is no cure, heightened awareness of the disease's indications, severity, and prevalence, can result in earlier diagnosis and better treatment. We do know that improved diagnostic techniques and evaluation methods are contributing to the early diagnosis and treatment of Lupus. With current methods

of therapy, 80 to 90 percent of people with Lupus can look forward to a normal lifespan.

Madam President, I urge my colleagues to join Senator Mellow and me for unanimous approval of this resolution declaring April 2004 as Lupus Awareness Month in Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Madam President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

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 Reverend and Mrs. John Bundy, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harnish, Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Kennell, Mr. and Mrs. William Rineer, Mr. and Mrs. George Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Reedy, Charles T. Walp and to John Robert Lee by Senator Armstrong.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Marc Lemoi, Frank Jennings, Kristopher Linton, Kris Sean Silfies, Nicholas A. Curcio, David Salazar, John Richetta, Coplay Town Watch, Borough of Fountain Hill, City of Bethlehem, Pocono Chapter of Chain Reaction, East Hills Middle School of Bethlehem, Northampton Area Senior High School, Bangor Area Senior High School, Coolbaugh Learning Center of Tobyhanna and to the Pocono Mountain Women's Club by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the 2004 Pulaski Day Committee of the Lehigh Valley by Senators Boscola and Dent.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Aly Bourreza, Matthew L. Eisenhard, Kate Royslance Kiefer, Margaret Anne Lafferty, Theodore Grandison Strong, Melissa Keenhold, Mark A. Saylor, Eamon Patrick Murphy, Caleb Huesz Schwarzbach, Sean David McKeever, Chlorissa L. Manescu, Jessica Lynn Cortez, Xi Lu, Courtney Aileen Regan, Emily Lauren Brown, John Clark Holenda, Kyle Schaarschmidt, Jennifer Michelle Cramer, Joshua Peter Mindler, Jessie Marushak, Lia Karin Snyder, Rocco Anthony Panella, Max Staplin, Kyle Thomas Brown, Daniel Tranotti, Heather Anne Commerci, Sarah L. Dodson, Pierre C. Trepagnier, Jillian Fedor, Beth Peters, Chris Peters, Paula A. Roscioli and to the Emmaus Police Department by Senators Boscola, Dent, and Wonderling.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Caitlyn Marie Macikanycz, Teresa Ann Kelley, Meghan Sinback, Kristine O'Brien, Kaelynn Miller, Brandon Wolfe, Elena Tafoya, Elizabeth Sumner, Katrina Homel, Laura Ellyn Holder, Tara Hutchinson, Stephani A. Gulbrandsen, Susan C. Groff, Kara I. Frame, Lauren M. Buroojy, Shannon L. Cox, Heidi Ann Ames, Dr. Sara Clemen Parks, Sean M. Wolodzko, The Three Arches, Inc., of Fairless Hills, A Woman's Place of Doylestown and to Strings in Motion by Senator Conti.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Samuel Snipes and to Karen Dawkins by Senators Conti and Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Diane E. Gibbons by Senators Conti, Tomlinson, and Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond B. Geedey, Mr. and Mrs. William G. Saltzler, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Brownell, Pauline B. Ward, Jameson Lane Oxnard Whitehill, Henry T. Moon, Mildred Diane Fritz, Patrick Kelly Mitchell, Cole Joseph Palazzari, Ross Francis Salpino and to the Pennsylvania State University Women's Athletics Program by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Don Bruce Newcomer, Nicholas Hillard and to Pittsburgh's Seventeenth Annual Share Our Strength Taste of the Nation by Senator Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Philip Herd, Zachary Calzola, Allentown Central Catholic Girls' Varsity Basketball Team and to the 150th anniversary of the birth of Harry C. Trexler by Senator Dent.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Rudy and Rose Ackerman, Renzo Faggioli, Dorothy Knauss, Ann Bartholomew, David Voellinger, Lona Farr, The Century Fund of Allentown and to the Harry C. Trexler Trust of Allentown by Senators Dent, Wonderling, and Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kathleen N. Fries and to the Erie County Public Library by Senator Earll.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas Anderscavage, Joseph P. Dearie and to Michael Caruso by Senator Erickson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Elmer Palmer, Charles Sadowski and to Mary Kay Abdulovic by Senator Ferlo.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Bruce R. Andrews, Barry L. Salandro, Naomi Korin Goldman and to Dorothy Ford by Senator Fumo.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alex Filohoski, Mr. and Mrs. Herman C. Delsite, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chesney, Richard Cristan, Joshua R. Ulanoski, Robert J. Kobilis, Dustin Davis Sauers, Dr. Ali A. Alley, Dr. Michael Scicchitano, James Wasakoski, Roxana G. Guerra, Matthew M. Demczko, Frank Bolick, Nicholas Stephen Huber, Kiwanis Club of Dalmatia, Fourth Degree Assembly of the Bishop L. F. Schott Council of the Knights of Columbus of Mt. Carmel and to Berwick-upon-Tweed of United Kingdom by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Michael E. Wertz by Senators Gordner and Piccola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Olejnik, Martha Buhner, Justine A. Crompton, Heather L. Johnson, Lynda Mebs, Charles S. Davidson, public schools of Montgomery and Bucks Counties and to the Ukrainian American Sports Center of Horsham by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul Jordan, Lolita Thompson, William Kafes, David W. Brown, School District of Springfield Township Elementary School, Enfield Campus, West Philadelphia Social Security Office and to the Overbrook High School Mock Trial Team by Senator Hughes.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. James Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Orren Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Don Rabine, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Geiner, Donna D. Gority, Merrill W. Kerlin and to Freda Eliza Baughman Foor by Senator Jubelirer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Francis DeFrank, Gregory Alan Petrun, Dora B. Rash and to Soroptimist International of Fayette County by Senator Kasunic.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas W. Brado by Senators Kasunic and Stout.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Reverend Stacey W. Roberts and to Special Olympics Philadelphia by Senator Kitchen.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gerry Hawk, George Rattay, Honorable Thomas A. Tangretti, Daniel James Kihn, James Caldwell, Nathaniel Walter Dubich, Patricia Kolar, Patrick Joseph Donohue, Joshua James Gardner, Stephen M. Wuerthele, W. David Wirt III and to the Arc of Westmoreland of Greensburg by Senator Kukovich.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to William A. Brandt and to Jackie Sims by Senator LaValle.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Evan Kinney, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dziak, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Pennay, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Shingler, Mr. and Mrs. John Malone, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stephens, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Seward, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rinehimer, Amanda Williams, Elizabeth Valli Bovee, Kelsey Marie Prestosh, Elizabeth Keller, Alvie Frisbie, Michael Paul Mikolajczyk, Charlotte Slocum, Honorable Ann Morgan, Kevin B. Goss, Steven D. Heindel, Albert J. Callahan IV, Louise Furman and to the Ronco Group of Lake Winola by Senator Lemmond.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lee Rafalko and to Vincent Cotrone by Senators Lemmond and Musto.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Falleroni, Anna Marie Weber, Clairton Head Start and to the S.S. McKeesport Committee by Senator Logan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton L. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon W. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce S. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hester, Kelly Mazzante, Joshua Allen, Clinton Bowersox, Andrew Charles Thompson, Dr. Davie Jane Gilmour, Lycoming County citizens and to The Central Keystone Council of Governments by Senator Madigan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Rene Portland by Senators Madigan and Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to James Keenan, Joyce Frisbie, Kelly Herbst, Carol Lynn Armbrust, Jessica Alexandra Batton, Nicole Jane Marie Fife, Rebecca Anita Fisk, Adam Richard Edwards, Charles Joseph Thomas, Thomas A. Browning, Alice Vanston, Frank Cavagnaro, Jr., John J. McNulty, Andrew J. Notchick, Jeffrey Krenitsky, Kenneth J. Smith, Scott G. Rovinsky, Sister Marianne Addy, Mike Lewis, Clare Stevens and to the late Ron Lupini honored with the Chapel of Four Chaplains Legion of Honor Award by Senator Mel-
low.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to William A. Replogle, Bill Irwin, Ann M. Irwin, Nicholas Rogers, David Joseph Smith IV, Honorable Patricia H. Vance and to Chris Gibson by Senator Mowery.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Hospice of Central Pennsylvania by Senators Mowery and Piccola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Rory Herbert Jones, Jaclyn Puccetti, Salvatore Philip Sciacca, Robert Michael

Corey, Michael Joseph Sowinski, Caroline Byron and to Chris Shovlin by Senator Musto.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the members of the Leifer family and the staff of Jimmy Kramers' Peanut Bar Restaurant, Janice W. Warischalk, Phil Martelli, Jameer Nelson, Salvation Army of Boyertown, Reading Church Men's Bowling League, Holy Rosary Roman Catholic Church of Reading and to the City of Reading Human Relations Commission by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cary, Mr. and Mrs. Rich Eppinger, Lorena Holt Mashuda, Troy Letters, Melissa DeCecco, Ryan Belestra, Stanley Fudor, Elyse Johnston, Matt Kuzma, Reverend Dr. Monsignor William A. Kerr, Sister Candace Introcaso, John Siebert, Lynn Landis, James Bradley, Neil C. Jackson, Dan Torie and to the Pine-Richland Middle School of Gibsonia by Senator Orie.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Patricia A. Williamson, William H. Pinn, Zion Lutheran Church of Hummelstown, Multi-Cultural Festival in the South Allison Hill community of Harrisburg and to the Boy Scouts of America Troop No. 68 of Harrisburg by Senator Piccola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Historic B'nai Jacob Synagogue of Middletown by Senators Piccola and Brightbill.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Central Dauphin Pee Wee, Pony, Midget, Junior Varsity and Varsity Co-Ed Cheerleading Squads of Harrisburg by Senators Piccola and Punt.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kiszka, Beadie Hester Bowman, Ben Crowder, Shivani Honwad, Ashley Therese Stiles, Alexandra Ronallo, Amy Marie Teodecki, Romina Valentini, Victoria H. King, Kathryn Cunningham, Russell Tyler Anderson and to the Omicron Delta Kappa Society, Inc., Widener University, Chester Campus, by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Eric Hempen, James Pickens, Colleen Toth, Andrew W. Belden, Luke T. Donovan, Patrick E. Devine, Jeremy Goodman, Mary F. McMillen, Walter Stumpf, Jr., Regina Catherine Walton and to the Municipality of Mount Lebanon by Senator Pippy.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kevin, Deb, John and Cassandra Stough, Jeff and Cheryl Cook, Jaron Starner, Casey Hockensmith, Esther North, Evan Sutton, Marsha Ocker, Katherine Morris, Derrick Scot Ferree, Nathan Rodgers and to Mary Katherine Bonbrake by Senator Punt.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Matt Cook, Carolyn Suddler, Laura Elizabeth Muir-Cheatham, Trestesious W. Lester, Reverend Jannie Brant, Sergio Herrera, Miguel Herrera, Josiah Lester, Dr. Alfred Jones, Andrew Chiarello, John Interrante, Dennis P. Fragale, Jr., Joseph Michael Gelet and to Mark Schlosser by Senator Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. George A. Leshar, Jr., Dr. Solomon and Wendy Luo, Thomas Krock, Jr., Mary C. Hopstetter, Douglas Lobach, Andrew R. Snyder, Ryan J. Berger, PSI Container, Inc., of McAdoo, Mahanoy City Lions Club and to Ateeco, Inc./ Mrs. T's Pierogies of Shenandoah, by Senator Rhoades.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Austin Papay, Andrew Rademacher, Joshua I. Bradac, David F. Shaffer, Dennis G. Puko and to the Jamestown Area School District by Senator Robbins.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gladys Swetland, Evan M. McAninch, Leadership Tioga County's Class of 2004, Metaldyne Sintered Components of Ridgway and to AmServ Limited of Du Bois by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Robert G. Jackson, Jr., Graham S. Finney, Shelly D. Yanoff, Derrick H. Pitts, Sean Gallagher, Philip Kind, Dr. Donald L. Clark, Abbie Lynn Klinghoffer, Brian E. Reiff, Diane B. Misko, Lewis Klein, Marissa L. Kummerling, Stapeley In Germantown and to the Abington Community Taskforce by Senator Schwartz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to James Perry and to David Berenbaum by Senator Stack.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. George R. Riggle, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Osburn, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander M. Harry, Eva Irene Mayer Switzer and to Dr. Brian C. Mitchell by Senator Stout.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul Boehringer by Senator Tartaglione.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Frank Paone, Melissa J. Haake, Christine E. Hajdin, Claire Aileen MacGregor, Rebecca Squires, Russell W. Swallow, Jr., Eric B. Sifford, Glenn McQueen, Honorable Gary Galvin and to the Chester County Mothers of Multiples Club by Senator Thompson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Katelyn Temple, Jessica Duke, Caralyn Duke, Caitlin Garvey, Danielle Marie Krout, Emilienne Repak, Jennifer Renae Posey, Brynn Keller, Anthony M. Bell, Peter P. Zanis III, Dr. Paul McIlvaine, Bill Brady, Sharon O'Connell, Kevin M. Shanley and to the Redeemer Lutheran Church of Penndel by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the YWCA of Bucks County by Senators Tomlinson, Conti, and Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Stewart E. Sutin by Senator Wagner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Leidig, Christopher D. Bollinger, Edwin Schneider, Ashley S. Norris, Joyce Daniels, Honorable Sterling A. Smith, Craig Mullins, Eric Myers, Ada Eaton, Travis Ness, Anita Haugh, Kevin Tarbart, St. Paul's United Church of Christ of Dallastown, St. John's United Methodist Church of Brodbeck's and to the Manchester Ambulance Club by Senator Waugh.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Shaun A. Seymour, Anthony G. Eister and to the Warwick Emergency Services Alliance by Senator Wenger.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Glen George, Mr. and Mrs. Erwood Schrecengost, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Al Goodgasell, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Handte, Kyle Cobaugh, Dixie B. Bryant, Judy Y. Johns, Mark Raymond Butler, Susan E. Foust, Robert A. Eddy, James R. Sanders, Joanne M. Weigel, Rita McMinn, Sue Ellen Rupert, Linda L. Hileman, Lisa M. Shimer, Anne Solarz, Donna Querio Long, Jack Jahoda, Celesta Capizzi, Betty L. Horn, Floyd Rhine, James Rajchel and to the Aktion Club of Indiana by Senator D. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Chester Jordon, Mark Smith, Jim McKinney, Pete Steenbergen, William May, William Reith, Ed Codi, Melinda Martin, Alexander Olar, Timothy Kisner, Kyle Bodkin, Dr. David K. Rice and to the Rocky Grove Avenue Presbyterian Church of Franklin by Senator M.J. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas Anderson, Jr., by Senator A.H. Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Annie Hollis Epps, Jerry G. Gregory, Nora Winkelman, Harriton Association of Bryn Mawr, New Horizons Senior Center Glee Club of Bala Cynwyd, Lankenau Hospital of Wynnewood and to the Lower Merion Historical Society by Senator C. Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. William R. Reign, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Klingerman, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Castronuova, Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Bloss, Ross Alexander Stirton, Frank McPeck, Andrew Keller, Robert Metter, Jr., Bill Fisk III, Kyle Robert Snyder, Nathan Gross, Stuart T. Newman, Michael Allerton, Trina Derstine Stutzman, Sheilah Anne Collins, Lee Musselman, Richard P. Gordon, John Corrado, Randy Werd, Allison Bush, Quakertown Elementary School and to the students in the Gifted Program and Student Council members at Forks Elementary School of Easton by Senator Wonderling.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Montgomery County-Norristown Public Library by Senator Wonderling and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Anne Rhoades, Lindsay Seliga, Amy Reaman, Tom Babalonis, Craig Galentine, citizens of Clearfield County and to the Adams-Croyle Township Recreation Authority 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 Sara Kay Steinberg by Senator Dent.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Frederick J. Jandl by Senator Dent and others.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Sarah Elizabeth Brown Lawrence by Senator Hughes.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Christopher Michael Burgert and to the family of the late Michael Allen VanKuren by Senator Madigan.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Ralph V. Davison, to the family of the late Joseph A. Kaule, to the family of the late Russell W. Hollyfield and to the family of the late Janice Pusic by Senator Orie.

POSTHUMOUS CITATIONS

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

Posthumous citations honoring the late Dominick Anthony Lockwood and the late Honorable John Zsigovits were extended to the families by Senator Boscola.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Kenneth L. Lowanse was extended to the family by Senator Kukovich.

A posthumous citation honoring the late Don Haldeman was extended to the family by Senator Wonderling.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator FERLO. 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:

SB 1038, SB 1056, SB 1073, SB 1092, HB 550, HB 2190 and HB 2428.

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

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS GUEST OF SENATOR STEWART J. GREENLEAF PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Madam President, it is my pleasure to introduce Michele Breznicky, who has been a legal intern in my office the last several months and is a constituent of mine. I just want to take this opportunity to thank her for all of her activities and service. She is a graduate of Saint Joseph's University and attends Dickinson School of Law, and I would like to introduce her and congratulate her.

The PRESIDENT. Michele, would you please stand so we can give you a round of applause.

(Applause.)

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bradford, Senator Madigan.

Madam President, I have additional remarks that I want to submit for the record.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, they will be accepted.

(The following remarks were made a part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Bradford, Senator MADIGAN:)

I quote from a confidential report issued by the U.S. Department of Justice:

"Methamphetamine producers in several areas of the United States are manufacturing condensed ammonia for use as a substitute for anhydrous ammonia in the lithium/ammonia methamphetamine production method (also known as the Birch reduction or Nazi method). Many have resorted to this practice as anhydrous ammonia has become less accessible in some areas because of increased law enforcement pressure and the risks associated with acquiring, transporting, and storing anhydrous ammonia. Law enforcement officers and first responders should exercise extreme caution when seizing and decontaminating sites where condensed ammonia was produced and used in methamphetamine production."

This new development, the production of condensed ammonia, a homemade chemical, has the same destructive effect on our communities as commercially produced ammonia gas or liquified ammonia gas.

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 May 3, 2004, at 2 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate adjourned at 12:30 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.