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SENATE

MONDAY, June 19, 2006

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

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

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rabbi SUE GREENBERG, of Temple Keshet Israel, West Chester, offered the following prayer:

Dear God, on this very special day, we ask Your blessings on the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and all those who live here. We especially ask that You guide those who govern. Help them lead justly and compassionately, so that all of Pennsylvania's citizens can live in dignity and peace. Help our leaders govern according to the highest principles for the common good, so that all parts of our society can flourish.

May the leaders assembled here today, both old and new, and may all of us, in the words of the prophet Micah, do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God. Let us all say, Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Rabbi Greenberg, who is the guest today of Senator-elect Dinniman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

JOURNAL APPROVAL POSTPONED

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, approval of the Journal of the Session of June 14, 2006, will be postponed until the Journal is in print.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

2006 REAL PROPERTY DISPOSITION PLAN

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of the Governor
Harrisburg

June 15, 2006

Mr. Mark R. Corrigan, Secretary
Senate of Pennsylvania
462 Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120

Mr. Roger Nick, Chief Clerk
House of Representatives
129 Capitol Building
Harrisburg, PA 17125

Re: 2006 Real Property Disposition Plan

Dear Mr. Corrigan and Mr. Nick:

In accordance with Act 48 of 1981, as amended, 71 P.S. Section 651.1 et seq., I am hereby transmitting to you the revised 2006 Real Property Disposition Plan for consideration by the General Assembly. This Plan was prepared by the Department of General Services, reviewed by the House and Senate State Government Committees, and revised at the request of several members of the General Assembly. Please be advised that the Plan, as submitted, is approved by me as Governor. Additional copies of the Plan are available on the Department of General Services website at www.dgs.state.pa.us.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Should additional information be required, please contact Secretary James Creedon at (717) 787-5996.

Sincerely,

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

The PRESIDENT. This will appear on the Calendar as Real Property Disposition Plan No. 1 of 2006.

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:

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

June 14, 2006

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, Pasquale T. Deon, Sr., 1655 Carlene Court, Langhorne 19047, Bucks County, Sixth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

June 14, 2006

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, Mitchell Rubin, 110 Moredun Avenue, Philadelphia 19115, Philadelphia County, Fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

HOUSE MESSAGES

SENATE BILLS RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 243** and **1150**, 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.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

June 15, 2006

Senators BROWNE, M. WHITE, EARLL, RAFFERTY, PUNT, O'PAKE, STACK, TARTAGLIONE, C. WILLIAMS, WASHINGTON and ORIE presented to the Chair **SB 1212**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for attachment of income.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 15, 2006.

Senators M. WHITE, MADIGAN, PILEGGI, D. WHITE, EARLL and WASHINGTON presented to the Chair **SB 1215**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.306, No.84), known as the Board of Vehicles Act, further providing for vehicle shows, off-premises sales and exhibitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, June 15, 2006.

Senators BROWNE, WOZNIAK, BOSCOLA, CORMAN, GORDNER, D. WHITE, ERICKSON, PILEGGI, ORIE, WAUGH, PIPPY, WONDERLING, C. WILLIAMS, ROBBINS, RAFFERTY, EARLL, ARMSTRONG, REGOLA, PICCOLA, LEMMOND, O'PAKE, SCARNATI, KASUNIC, CONTI and PUNT presented to the Chair **SB 1225**, 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, in corporate net income, for the definition of "taxable income."

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 15, 2006.

Senator MELLOW presented to the Chair **SB 1237**, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to the County of Lackawanna Transit System Authority (COLTS), certain lands situate in the City of Scranton, Lackawanna County, in exchange for a certain tract of land from COLTS situate in the City of Scranton, Lackawanna County.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 15, 2006.

Senators CONTI, MELLOW, BROWNE, LEMMOND, RAFFERTY, HUGHES, LAVALLE, KITCHEN, BOSCOLA, RHOADES and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1240**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, establishing the Jonas Salk Legacy Fund Program, the Jonas Salk Legacy Fund Board and the Jonas Salk Legacy Fund; and providing for the sale or assignment of Commonwealth Universal Research Enhancement Program receipts and for the issuance of Commonwealth Universal Research Enhancement Program bonds.

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, June 15, 2006.

Senator CONTI presented to the Chair **SB 1245**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for exceptions to the use of unlawful devices and methods.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, June 15, 2006.

Senators PILEGGI, A. WILLIAMS, CONTI, CORMAN, LEMMOND, WENGER, D. WHITE, RAFFERTY, WOZNIAK, PICCOLA and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SB 1247**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for duties of the Secretary of State; providing for State-issued cable franchises and for municipal regulation of franchise holders of State-issued certificates of franchise authority; and making a repeal.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, June 15, 2006.

June 16, 2006

Senators BROWNE, WONDERLING, EARLL, PILEGGI, WENGER, ORIE, COSTA, WASHINGTON and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1211**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for indoor tanning.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 16, 2006.

Senators ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, COSTA, MUSTO, PILEGGI, BOSCOLA, C. WILLIAMS, WONDERLING, GREENLEAF, STACK, FUMO, DINNIMAN and A. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1213**, entitled:

An Act providing for a report on potential global warming impacts and economic opportunities for the Commonwealth, for duties of the Department of Environmental Protection, for an inventory of greenhouse gases, for creation of stakeholder process, for a voluntary registry of greenhouse gas emissions and for a climate change action plan.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 16, 2006.

Senators KASUNIC, FONTANA, WASHINGTON, O'PAKE, COSTA, PUNT, MUSTO, BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, LOGAN, ERICKSON, WENGER, REGOLA, LEMMOND, RAFFERTY, WAUGH, RHOADES and ARMSTRONG presented to the Chair **SB 1214**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for use of armory fitness facilities.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 16, 2006.

Senators ERICKSON, PILEGGI, WONDERLING, RAFFERTY, PICCOLA, WENGER, WAUGH and O'PAKE presented to the Chair **SB 1216**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 3, 1937 (P.L.1333, No.320), known as the Pennsylvania Election Code, further providing for vacancies in election boards and for election boards in new districts.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 16, 2006.

Senators BOSCOLA, FUMO, FONTANA, LAVALLE, PIPPY, LOGAN, RAFFERTY, C. WILLIAMS, REGOLA, ERICKSON and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SB 1217**, 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, further providing for Schedule I controlled substances.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 16, 2006.

Senators WONDERLING, CONTI, C. WILLIAMS, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY and PILEGGI presented to the Chair **SB 1218**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 17, 1968 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law, defining "electronic mail service provider" and "internet service provider."

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY, June 16, 2006.

Senators RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, WAUGH, PICCOLA, RHOADES, C. WILLIAMS and LEMMOND presented to the Chair **SB 1219**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for limitations on discovery of certain information in cases involving driving after imbibing alcohol or utilizing drugs.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 16, 2006.

Senators FUMO, TARTAGLIONE, COSTA, ORIE, O'PAKE, KASUNIC, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, BOSCOLA, LOGAN, M. WHITE, WAUGH, C. WILLIAMS and STACK presented to the Chair **SB 1220**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 21, 1923 (P.L.288, No.184), entitled "An act to better secure all bonds, stocks, mortgages, or other securities deposited with the State Treasurer, by providing for their inspection, examination, and verification, and the verification of the books, containing a record of such bonds, stocks, mortgages, or other securities, by the Auditor General or his agents," further providing for the title of the act and for audits of securities deposited with the State Treasurer.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 16, 2006.

Senators GORDNER, ORIE, GREENLEAF, COSTA, PICCOLA, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, PILEGGI, PUNT, REGOLA, RHOADES, WONDERLING and STACK presented to the Chair **SB 1223**, 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 an electronic monitoring program relating to protection from abuse.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 16, 2006.

Senators WOZNIAK, MUSTO, PUNT, KASUNIC, WENGER, BOSCOLA, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, ORIE, MELLOW, LOGAN, REGOLA, RHOADES, WAUGH, CORMAN, PILEGGI, ERICKSON, COSTA, RAFFERTY and STACK presented to the Chair **SB 1227**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing, in disabled veterans' real estate tax exemption, for duties of State Veterans' Commission.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 16, 2006.

June 19, 2006

Senators LOGAN, BOSCOLA, COSTA, FONTANA, BROWNE, ORIE, RAFFERTY, MUSTO, O'PAKE, WASHINGTON, LAVALLE, C. WILLIAMS and TOMLINSON presented to the Chair **SB 1182**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for service-disabled veteran-owned business participation goals.

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 19, 2006.

Senators WENGER, WAUGH, WONDERLING, PUNT and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 1224**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 15, 1945 (P.L.547, No.217), known as the Conservation District Law, further providing for Commonwealth appropriations.

Which was committed to the Committee on APPROPRIATIONS, June 19, 2006.

Senators TOMLINSON, BOSCOLA, RHOADES, RAFFERTY and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1226**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 2, 1993 (P.L.345, No.48), entitled "An act empowering the General Counsel or his designee to issue subpoenas for certain licensing board activities; providing for hearing examiners in the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs; providing additional powers to the Commissioner of Professional and Occupational Affairs; and further providing for civil penalties and license suspension," providing for inspectors and for responsibilities for licensees; and further providing for civil penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, June 19, 2006.

Senators WOZNAK, MUSTO, KASUNIC, D. WHITE, RHOADES and COSTA presented to the Chair **SB 1228**, entitled:

An Act providing owners of surface property the right of first refusal to purchase mineral rights under their surface property; and voiding interests in mineral rights that have been conveyed without providing the right to owners of surface property.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, June 19, 2006.

Senators WOZNAK, FONTANA and STOUT presented to the Chair **SB 1229**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 6, 1951 (P.L.69, No.20), known as The Landlord and Tenant Act of 1951, providing for avoidance of residential rental obligation.

Which was committed to the Committee on URBAN AFFAIRS AND HOUSING, June 19, 2006.

Senators PICCOLA, FERLO, PILEGGI, GORDNER, FONTANA, PIPPY, LOGAN, WENGER, ERICKSON, COSTA, RAFFERTY, O'PAKE, WONDERLING, D. WHITE, EARLL, BROWNE, WOZNAK, REGOLA, RHOADES, WAUGH, VANCE, ORIE, C. WILLIAMS and PUNT presented to the Chair **SB 1232**, entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment of the Historic Preservation Incentive Grant Program for historic commercial and residential sites.

Which was committed to the Committee on COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, June 19, 2006.

Senators CONTI, PILEGGI, PUNT, RAFFERTY, LEMMOND, GORDNER, COSTA, ERICKSON, D. WHITE and C. WILLIAMS presented to the Chair **SB 1233**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, further providing for payments on account of standardized driver-education programs.

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, June 19, 2006.

Senators D. WHITE, WAUGH, FONTANA, BOSCOLA, PUNT, PICCOLA, CORMAN, COSTA, GORDNER, ERICKSON, LEMMOND, ORIE, SCARNATI, RAFFERTY, PIPPY, RHOADES, WONDERLING, C. WILLIAMS, EARLL, KASUNIC, BROWNE, PILEGGI and FERLO presented to the Chair **SB 1236**, entitled:

An Act establishing a grant program for volunteer emergency service organizations to provide incentives for establishing partnerships; conferring powers and duties on the Governor's Center for Local Government Services within the Department of Community and Economic Development; and providing for funding.

Which was committed to the Committee on VETERANS AFFAIRS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, June 19, 2006.

Senators WONDERLING, LEMMOND, A. WILLIAMS, ERICKSON, SCARNATI, PIPPY, RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, WAUGH, EARLL, REGOLA, BROWNE, PICCOLA, D. WHITE, PILEGGI, CONTI, COSTA and FONTANA presented to the Chair **SB 1238**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 25, 1982 (P.L.633, No.181), known as the Regulatory Review Act, further providing for the definition of "regulation"; and providing for the definition of "waiver."

Which was committed to the Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT, June 19, 2006.

Senators FUMO, O'PAKE, TARTAGLIONE, ERICKSON, COSTA, MUSTO, RHOADES, KASUNIC, ORIE, LOGAN, CORMAN, LAVALLE, C. WILLIAMS, BOSCOLA, KITCHEN, GORDNER, WONDERLING, LEMMOND, FONTANA, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, REGOLA and STACK presented to the Chair **SB 1239**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, providing for contributions for assistance to retired military veterans.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 19, 2006.

Senators WASHINGTON, KITCHEN, HUGHES, FUMO, A. WILLIAMS, STACK and TARTAGLIONE presented to the Chair **SB 1241**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for a limit on handgun purchases and sales in cities of the first class; and establishing the Violence Prevention Fund.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 19, 2006.

Senator LOGAN presented to the Chair **SB 1243**, entitled:

An Act suspending the imposition of the tax on liquid fuels and fuels; providing for enforcement by the Attorney General; and prescribing penalties.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, June 19, 2006.

Senator CONTI presented to the Chair **SB 1244**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for certain individuals vested with powers of deputy Game Commission officers.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, June 19, 2006.

Senators BROWNE, CORMAN, ORIE, PILEGGI, GORDNER, PUNT, RAFFERTY, GREENLEAF, WONDERLING, RHOADES, BOSCOLA, COSTA, STACK, KASUNIC, WOZNAK, LAVALLE, LOGAN, O'PAKE and FERLO presented to the Chair **SB 1246**, entitled:

An Act establishing an Identity Theft Prevention and Restoration Program.

Which was committed to the Committee on JUDICIARY, June 19, 2006.

Senators BRIGHTBILL, WAUGH, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, BROWNE, COSTA, RHOADES, O'PAKE, REGOLA and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SB 1248**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on EDUCATION, June 19, 2006.

Senators MUSTO, M. WHITE, BOSCOLA, WENGER, O'PAKE, LEMMOND, FERLO, C. WILLIAMS, ERICKSON, COSTA, FONTANA, REGOLA, TARTAGLIONE, ARMSTRONG, FUMO, PIPPY, LOGAN, RAFFERTY, KASUNIC, ORIE, WONDERLING, STACK and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 1250**, 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, in personal income tax, for operational provisions relating to checkoffs.

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, June 19, 2006.

Senators CONTI and PIPPY presented to the Chair **SB 1262**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for chemical testing to determine amounts of alcohol or controlled substances and for operating a watercraft under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances; and providing for aggravated assault by watercraft while operating under influence.

Which was committed to the Committee on GAME AND FISHERIES, June 19, 2006.

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

The SECRETARY. Consent has been given for the Committee on Banking and Insurance to meet during today's Session in the Rules room to consider House Bills No. 1068 and 1632, and Senate Bill No. 180.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask for a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Don White, and legislative leaves for Senator Pippy, Senator Punt, Senator Tomlinson, and Senator Greenleaf.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Brightbill requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator Don White, and legislative leaves for Senator Pippy, Senator Punt, Senator Tomlinson, and Senator Greenleaf.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Madam President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Washington.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Mellow requests legislative leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Washington.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

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

In the Senate, June 19, 2006

RESOLVED, (the House of Representatives concurring), Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Regular Session of the Senate recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, June 26, 2006, unless sooner recalled by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate; and be it further

RESOLVED, Pursuant to Article II, Section 14 of the Pennsylvania Constitution, that when the Regular Session of the House of Representatives recesses this week, it reconvene on Monday, June 26, 2006, unless sooner recalled by the Speaker of the House of Representatives

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

YEA-49

Armstrong	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Boscola	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Brightbill	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Browne	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Conti	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Corman	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Costa	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earl	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Scarnati	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	O'Pake	Tartaglione	
Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson	

NAY-0

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

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

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS SWEARING-IN OF NEW MEMBER

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, as a special order of business, I ask that the Senate proceed to receive the returns of election for the special election held in the 19th Senatorial District on the 16th day of May 2006, and that the oath of office be administered to Senator-elect Andrew Dinniman.

The PRESIDENT. At the request of Senator Brightbill, and without objection, as a special order of business, the Senate will now proceed to the administration of the oath of office to Senator-elect Andrew Dinniman.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. The Chair would now take this opportunity to politely remind all of our guests that taking still pictures or videotaping in the Senate Chamber is not permitted. So I ask that during the administration of the oath of office, no pictures be taken or videos be taped. At the end of the oath, however, the Senate will be recessing, Senator-elect Dinniman will remain at the bar of the Senate, and you may take as many pictures as you want.

ELECTION RETURNS PRESENTED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the Sergeant-at-Arms.

The SERGEANT-AT-ARMS. Madam President, I have the honor to present Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Michael Aumiller.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Michael Aumiller.

Deputy Secretary AUMILLER. Madam President, I have the honor of presenting the election returns and the statement of campaign expense compliance for the special election held on May 16, 2006, in the 19th Senatorial District.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Deputy Secretary Aumiller.

The Clerk read the election returns as follows:

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GREETINGS:

I have the honor to present the official returns of the Special Election for Senator in the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania held in the Nineteenth Senatorial District, as the same have been certified to and filed with my office by the Chester and Montgomery County Boards of Elections. Andrew E. Dinniman, having received the highest number of votes in the Special Election, and having complied with the provisions of Article XVI of the Pennsylvania Election Code pertaining to Primary and Election Expenses, was duly elected a Senator in the General Assembly.

(SEAL)

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth at the city of Harrisburg, this sixteenth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand six and of the Commonwealth the two hundred thirtieth.

PEDRO A. CORTES
Secretary of the Commonwealth

SPECIAL ELECTION SENATOR IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY 19TH SENATORIAL DISTRICT

MAY 16, 2006

OFFICIAL RESULTS

VOTES

Democratic -	Andrew E. Dinniman	21,614
Republican -	Carol Aichele	16,822

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

The PRESIDENT. For the record, the Secretary of the Commonwealth has also certified that Senator-elect Dinniman has filed the accounts and affidavits as required by Section 1632(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

The PRESIDENT. It is an honor and privilege to have with us today the Honorable Jeremy Blackburn, Magisterial District Justice from Chester County. He has kindly consented to be with us today to administer the oath of office to Senator-elect Dinniman in accordance with Article VI, Section 3, of the Pennsylvania Constitution.

Will the Senator-elect please present himself, along with his Bible, at the bar of the Senate.

Members and guests will please rise.

District Justice Blackburn will now administer the oath.

Judge BLACKBURN. Place your left hand on the Bible, raise your right hand, and please repeat after me:

I, (Andrew Dinniman), do solemnly swear that I will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity.

Congratulations, Senator.

Senator DINNIMAN. Thank you.

(Applause.)

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Don White has returned, and his temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

RECESS

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, so that people can take pictures and bestow their congratulations, I ask for a recess of the Senate.

We will have a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations upon recess, to be followed by a Republican caucus, and a meeting of the Committee on Banking and Insurance following caucus.

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

Senator O'PAKE. Madam President, I ask that the Democrats report to our caucus room following the meeting of the Committee on Appropriations.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of meetings of the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate will now stand in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

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:

June 19, 2006

Senators JUBELIRER, BRIGHTBILL, PUNT, BOSCOLA, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, WENGER, EARLL, PICCOLA, ERICKSON, RAFFERTY, PILEGGI, GREENLEAF, COSTA, CONTI, ORIE, LOGAN, ARMSTRONG, ROBBINS, REGOLA, STACK and WONDERLING presented to the Chair **SR 320**, entitled:

A Resolution condemning the decision by the municipal government of Saint-Denis, France, to name a street in honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the convicted murderer of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner.

Which was committed to the Committee on RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS, June 19, 2006.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES CANCELLED

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, Senator Pippy and Senator Greenleaf have returned, and I ask that their legislative leaves be cancelled.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, the leaves will be cancelled.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator O'PAKE. Madam President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Fumo and Senator Mellow.

The PRESIDENT. Senator O'Pake requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Fumo and Senator Mellow. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I ask that Senator Tomlinson's leave be cancelled.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, Senator Tomlinson's leave will be cancelled.

CALENDAR

BILL VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 997 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 303 (Pr. No. 1780) -- 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 fees for constables.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 303?

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 303.

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

Armstrong	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Scarnati	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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.

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 601 (Pr. No. 1791) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

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

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 601?

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 601.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Indiana, Senator Don White.

Senator D. WHITE. Madam President, on behalf of the State Recorder of Deeds Association, I ask to state for the record that the county recorders are considered a government entity in this legislation, and that takes care of that.

Thank you.

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	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
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Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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.

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 1056 (Pr. No. 1809) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for commercial driver's license requirements and for operation of all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles by persons under sixteen years of age.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1056?

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1056.

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

Armstrong	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
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Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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.

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 439, HB 456 and SB 655 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 691 (Pr. No. 1675) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, 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, in sales and use tax,

for credit against tax and, in gross receipts tax, for the phaseout of mobile telecommunications and certain telephone taxes; and making a related repeal.

Upon motion of Senator BRIGHTBILL, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was laid on the table.

SB 691 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, I move that Senate Bill No. 691, Printer's No. 1675, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

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

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

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 812 (Pr. No. 1787) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, further providing for property held by courts and public officers and agencies.

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	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
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Fumo	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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 816 and SB 838 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS AMENDED

SB 944 (Pr. No. 1813) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for rape and for involuntary deviate sexual intercourse; providing for loss of property rights by certain offenders and for conduct relating to sex offenders; further providing for failure to comply with sexual offender registration requirements; defining "GPS" and "GPS tracking device"; further providing for registration and for registration procedures and applicability; providing for GPS tracking, for restricted travel, for alert system and for child protective zones; further providing for verification of residence and for information made available on the Internet; and making an appropriation.

On the question,
Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?
Senator ORIE offered the following amendment No. A8238:

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 3121), page 2, lines 2 through 15, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

(e) Sentences.--

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1103 (relating to sentence of imprisonment for felony), a person under 18 years of age convicted of an offense under:

[(1)] (i) Subsection (c) shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment which shall be fixed by the court at not more than 40 years.

[(2)] (ii) Subsection (d) shall be sentenced up to a maximum term of life imprisonment.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1103, a person 18 years of age or older convicted of an offense under:

(i) Subsection (c) shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment which shall be fixed by the court at not less than 25 years and up to a maximum term of 50 years.

(ii) Subsection (d) shall be sentenced to a minimum term of 50 years and up to a maximum term of life imprisonment.

Amend Sec. 1 (Sec. 3123), page 3, lines 15 through 28, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

(d) Sentences.--

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1103 (relating to sentence of imprisonment for felony), a person under 18 years of age convicted of an offense under:

[(1)] (i) Subsection (b) shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment which shall be fixed by the court at not more than 40 years.

[(2)] (ii) Subsection (c) shall be sentenced up to a maximum term of life imprisonment.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1103, a person 18 years of age or older convicted of an offense under:

(i) Subsection (b) shall be sentenced to a minimum term of imprisonment which shall be fixed by the court at not less than 25 years and up to a maximum term of 50 years.

(ii) Subsection (c) shall be sentenced up to a minimum term of 50 years and up to a maximum term of life imprisonment.

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.

SB 1000 (Pr. No. 1626) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the regulation of home improvement contracts and for the registration of certain contractors; prohibiting certain acts; and providing for penalties.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator TOMLINSON offered the following amendment No. A7060:

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, by inserting between lines 12 and 13:

"Arbitration clause." A process in which a neutral arbitrator or panel of neutral arbitrators is engaged by the parties to settle a dispute between a contractor and an owner.

Amend Sec. 2, page 1, lines 15 through 18; page 2, lines 1 through 3, by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

"Contractor." Any person who owns and operates a home improvement business or who undertakes, offers to undertake or agrees to perform any home improvement. The term includes a subcontractor or independent contractor who has contracted with a home improvement retailer, regardless of the retailer's net worth, to provide home improvement services to the retailer's customers. The term does not include any of the following:

(1) A person for whom the total cash value of all of that person's home improvements is less than \$5,000 during any period of 12 consecutive months.

(2) A home improvement retailer having a net worth of more than \$50,000,000 or an employee of that retailer.

Amend Sec. 3, page 5, line 30; page 6, lines 1 through 6, by striking out all of line 30, page 5; all of lines 1 through 5 and "(c)" in line 6, page 6 and inserting: (b)

Amend Sec. 3, page 6, line 11, by striking out "(D)" and inserting:

(c) Amend Sec. 3, page 6, line 15, by striking out "(E)" and inserting:

(d) Amend Sec. 4, page 6, line 25, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(a) Application.—

(1) A person shall apply to the bureau in

Amend Sec. 4, page 6, line 29, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(i) For an individual applicant, the name, home address, Amend Sec. 4, page 7, line 1, by inserting after "applicant": or an identification card issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation

Amend Sec. 4, page 7, line 5, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(ii) For a partnership applicant, the name, home address, Amend Sec. 4, page 7, line 9, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(iii) For a corporation, limited liability company or Amend Sec. 4, page 7, line 15, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(iv) For an out-of-State corporation, limited liability Amend Sec. 4, page 7, line 21, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(v) For a joint venture applicant, the name, address and Amend Sec. 4, page 7, lines 27 through 30; page 8, line 1, by striking out all of said lines on said pages and inserting:

(vi) A complete description of the nature of the contracting business of the applicant.

(vii) A statement whether:

(A) The individual or individuals making application, even if doing so as part of a business

Amend Sec. 4, page 8, line 6, by striking out "had a civil judgment" and inserting: filed a petition in bankruptcy or within the last ten years received a final civil judgment

Amend Sec. 4, page 8, line 10, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(B) The applicant's certificate or the certificate Amend Sec. 4, page 8, line 17, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(viii) Whether within the last ten years the applicant has Amend Sec. 4, page 8, by inserting between lines 21 and 22:

(ix) Proof of liability insurance covering personal injury in an amount not less than \$50,000 and insurance covering property damage caused by the work of a home improvement contractor in an amount not less than \$50,000.

(2) Information requested in paragraph (1)(i) through (v) shall be for a ten-year period, prior to the time of registration. The applicant shall provide information prior to the last ten years or as further clarification of the information provided, if the bureau requests such information.

Amend Sec. 6, page 10, line 10, by inserting after "of": any

Amend Sec. 6, page 10, line 11, by inserting after "MATERIALS.": The amount of the down payment and the cost of the special order materials must be listed separately.

Amend Sec. 6, page 10, line 21, by striking out "Includes proof of" and inserting: Agrees to maintain

Amend Sec. 6, page 10, lines 26 through 29, by striking out "Without regard to the location of" in line 26 and all of lines 27 through 29

Amend Sec. 6, page 11, by inserting between lines 8 and 9:

(d) Arbitration clause.—Nothing in this act shall preclude the court from setting aside an arbitration clause on any basis permitted under Pennsylvania law. If the contract contains an arbitration clause, it shall meet the following requirements or be deemed void by the court upon motion of either party, filed prior to the commencement of arbitration:

(1) The text of the clause must be in capital letters.

(2) The text shall be printed in 12-point boldface type and the arbitration clause must appear on a separate page from the rest of the contract.

(3) The clause shall contain a separate line for each of the parties to indicate their assent to be bound thereby.

(4) The clause shall not be effective unless both parties have assented as evidenced by signature and date, which shall be the date on which the contract was executed.

(5) The clause shall state clearly whether the decision of the arbitration is binding on the parties or may be appealed to the court of common pleas.

(6) The clause shall state whether the facts of the dispute, related documents and the decision are confidential.

Amend Sec. 6, page 11, line 9, by striking out "(d)" and inserting:

(e) Amend Sec. 6, page 11, line 18, by striking out "A mandatory arbitration clause" and inserting: (Reserved)

Amend Sec. 6, page 11, line 23, by striking out "may" and inserting: shall

Amend Sec. 6, page 12, by inserting between lines 15 and 16:

(f) Home improvement retailer contracts.—A home improvement retailer having a net worth of more than \$50,000,000 or an employee of that retailer shall comply with the provisions of this subsection. No home improvement contract issued by a home improvement retailer having a net worth of more than \$50,000,000 or an employee of that retailer shall be valid or enforceable against an owner unless the contract:

(1) Is in writing and legible and contains all of the following:

(i) The name, address and telephone number of the retailer.

(ii) The name of the person signing the contract on behalf of the retailer and the person's position with the retailer or the person's authority to sign the contract.

(iii) The signature of the owner, the owner's agent or other contracted party.

(2) Complies with subsections (a)(3), (4), (6), (7), (8) and (9), (b), (c), (d) and (e).

Amend Sec. 6, page 12, line 16, by striking out "(e)" and inserting:

(g) Amend Sec. 7, page 13, line 5, by striking out "within the date" and inserting: when

Amend Sec. 7, page 13, by inserting between lines 25 and 26:

(6) misrepresents an item as a special order material or to misrepresent the cost of the special order material; Amend Sec. 7, page 13, line 26, by striking out "(6)" and inserting:

(7) Amend Sec. 7, page 13, line 30, by striking out "(7)" and inserting:

(8) Amend Sec. 7, page 15, line 11, by inserting after "suspension.": A person whose registration has been revoked or suspended may petition the court of original jurisdiction for reinstatement after a period of five years from the date of revocation or suspension, or as specified in the court's order.

Amend Sec. 8, page 17, lines 8 through 13, by striking out "arranging" in line 8 and all of lines 9 through 13 and inserting: the financing of a home improvement contract with knowledge that the home improvement contract states a greater monetary obligation than the actual price of the home improvement.

Amend Sec. 8, page 18, line 3, by striking out "ONE-QUARTER" and inserting: One-third

Amend Sec. 9, page 18, line 12, by inserting after "Law.": Nothing in this act shall preclude a consumer from exercising any right provided under the Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Law.

Amend Sec. 11, page 18, line 18, by inserting after "REGISTRATION": or licensing

Amend Sec. 11, page 18, line 28, by inserting after "COMPENSATION.": This provision does not affect existing licensing standards in effect on the effective date of this act, with respect to electricians and plumbers, where licensing is conditioned on requirements of testing or possession of certificates obtained through specific training in electricity or plumbing.

Amend Bill, page 19, by inserting between lines 4 and 5: Section 13. Repeal.

All acts and parts of acts are repealed insofar as they are inconsistent with this act.

On the question, Will the Senate agree to the amendment? It was agreed to.

On the question, Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration, as amended?

Senator C. WILLIAMS offered the following amendment No. A7893:

Amend Sec. 6, page 10, line 25, by removing the period after "\$50,000" and inserting: and identifies the current amount of insurance coverage maintained at the time of signing the contract.

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1046 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL AMENDED

SB 1054 (Pr. No. 1837) -- 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 assessments and for sex offender information made available on the Internet.

On the question, Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration? Senator CONTI offered the following amendment No. A8150:

Amend Sec. 2 (Sec. 9798.1), page 3, lines 23 through 25, by striking out "and the specific" in line 23, all of line 24 and "shall be included" in line 25

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1104 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1206 (Pr. No. 1763) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating an access road from Interstate 80 to the DuBois-Jefferson County Airport in Washington Township, Jefferson County, as the Francis H. "Bud" Scherer Memorial Highway.

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, Gordner, Orie, Tomlinson; Boscola, Greenleaf, Piccola, Vance; Brightbill, Hughes, Pileggi, Washington; Browne, Jubelirer, Pippy, Waugh; Conti, Kasunic, Punt, Wenger; Corman, Kitchen, Rafferty, White, Donald; Costa, LaValle, Regola, White, Mary Jo; Dinniman, Lemmond, Rhoades, Williams, Anthony H.; Earl, Logan, Robbins, Williams, Constance; Erickson, Madigan, Scarnati, Wonderling; Ferlo, Mellow, Stack, Wozniak; Fontana, Musto, Stout; Fumo, 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.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 1580, HB 1637, HB 1725, HB 2185, HB 2186, HB 2210, HB 2381 and HB 2383 -- Without objection, the bills were

passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL REREFERRED

SB 19 (Pr. No. 1827) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for disabled veterans' real estate tax exemption and for duty of commission.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 496 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL AMENDED

SB 506 (Pr. No. 1798) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) and codifying Title 61 (Penal and Correctional Institutions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for temporary release from county correctional institutions, for transfers of inmates needing medical care and for State intermediate punishment; amending the heading of Title 61; adding definitions, provisions relating to general administration of correctional institutions, State Correctional institutions, county correctional institutions, the Philadelphia County Prison, house of detention for untried inmates and witnesses, inmate labor, medical services, visitation, motivational boot camp, execution procedure and method, miscellaneous matters relating thereto, probation and parole generally, the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole, County Probation and Parole Agents' Firearm Education and Training, and correctional institution interstate compacts; and making repeals relating to codification.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?

Senator GREENLEAF offered the following amendment No. A8098:

Amend Table of Contents, page 3, line 17, by striking out "PUNISHMENT FOR DESTROYING PROPERTY" and inserting: Offenses

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1704), page 49, line 8, by inserting after "and" where it appears the second time: the

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1705), page 49, lines 15 and 16, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

§ 1705. Offenses.

(a) Destruction of property.—Any inmate of the Philadelphia Prison System who shall

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1705), page 49, lines 19 through 21, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

System commits a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(b) Escape.—Any inmate of the Philadelphia Prison System who shall escape therefrom shall be charged with the offense of escape set forth in 18 Pa.C.S. § 5121 (relating to escape).

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1710.1), page 50, line 30; page 51, lines 1 through 5, by striking out "prison erected under the provisions" in line 30, page 50, all of lines 1 through 4 and "shall be known as the Philadelphia County Prison and" in line 5, page 51, and inserting: Philadelphia County Prison

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1710.1), page 51, lines 21 through 27, by striking out "The first appointment of inspectors under" in line 21, and all of lines 22 through 27

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1710.3), page 54, lines 19 through 23; by striking out "imposed by the act of" in line 19, all of lines 20 through 23 and inserting: under applicable law.

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1724), page 59, line 13, by striking out "insure" and inserting: ensure

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 1795), page 82, line 20, by striking out "such officer" and inserting: a county controller

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 3104), page 113, line 14, by striking out "purpose of the"

Amend Sec. 4 (Sec. 6138), page 178, line 9, by striking out "that" and inserting: the

Amend Sec. 5, page 238, line 10, by striking out "4" and inserting: 14

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.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 557 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 727 (Pr. No. 881) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Prevention Fund; and providing for the deposit of a portion of the liquor tax into the fund and for use of fund.

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

HB 755 (Pr. No. 4196) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of September 9, 1965 (P.L.497, No.251), known as the Newborn Child Testing Act, further providing for newborn child screening and testing; and making editorial changes.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 804 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 855 (Pr. No. 1100) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 8, 1949 (P.L.418, No.58), entitled "An act to provide for and regulate the accumulation, investment, and expenditure of funds by cities, boroughs, incorporated towns and townships for preparing plans for sewage disposal systems, and for the construction, improvement or replacement of sewage disposal systems for which plans have been approved by the Sanitary Water Board of the Commonwealth," further providing for definitions and for expenditure of fund.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 865 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL AMENDED

SB 917 (Pr. No. 1800) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 10, 1990 (P.L.404, No.98), known as the Real Estate Appraisers Certification Act, further providing for real estate appraiser certification required, for powers and duties of board, for application and qualifications, for reciprocity, for certification and licensure renewal, for disciplinary and corrective measures, for reinstatement, for reporting of multiple certification and for surrender of suspended or revoked certificate; and imposing penalties.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on second consideration?

Senator PILEGGI offered the following amendment No. A7992:

Amend Sec. 3 (Sec. 6), page 8, line 13, by striking out all of said line and inserting:

(i) Real estate brokers as appraisers.—

(1) Nothing in this section shall

Amend Sec. 3 (Sec. 6), page 8, line 15, by inserting after "license": or certificate under subsection (a)(1), (2) or (4) or (i)

Amend Sec. 3 (Sec. 6), page 8, lines 16 and 17, by striking out all of said lines and inserting:

(2) All persons holding a broker/appraiser certificate under subsection (a)(3) shall be

Amend Sec. 3 (Sec. 6), page 8, lines 20 through 22, by striking out "No new" in line 20 and all of lines 21 and 22

Amend Sec. 7 (Sec. 15), page 14, line 27, by striking out the bracket before "CERTIFIED"

Amend Sec. 7 (Sec. 15), page 14, line 27, by striking out the bracket after "CERTIFIED" and inserting immediately thereafter: or licensed

Amend Sec. 7 (Sec. 15), page 14, line 28, by striking out the bracket before "APPRAISALS"

Amend Sec. 7 (Sec. 15), page 14, line 29, by inserting brackets before and after "OR LICENSURE"

Amend Sec. 7 (Sec. 15), page 15, lines 2 through 4, by striking out "] A REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL IN THIS" in line 2, all of line 3 and "CERTIFICATE OR LICENSE FROM THE BOARD." in line 4

Amend Bill, page 15, by inserting between lines 23 and 24:
Section 8. Section 18 of the act, amended July 2, 1996 (P.L.460, No.71), is amended to read:
Section 18. Scope of practice.

Persons who are certified as residential real estate appraisers and general real estate appraisers under [this act] section 6(a)(1) and (2) shall also have authority to perform real estate appraisals in nonfederally related transactions appropriate to their certification classification. Brokers/appraisers shall continue to have authority to perform real estate appraisals in nonfederally related transactions. Persons who are otherwise licensed by the board shall have authority to perform real estate appraisals in nonfederally related transactions appropriate to their appraiser license classification.

Amend Sec. 8, page 15, line 24, by striking out "8" and inserting:
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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.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 934 (Pr. No. 1225) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act establishing the Medical Safety Automation Account; and providing grants to implement medical safety automation systems.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1036 (Pr. No. 1820) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for the offense of phishing.

Considered the second time and agreed to,

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1093 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL REREFERRED

HB 1108 (Pr. No. 4195) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of March 1, 1988 (P.L.82, No.16), known as the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority Act, further providing for definitions; establishing the Water and Wastewater System Connection Funding Program to provide certain low-interest loans; providing for transfer of certain moneys; and making editorial changes.

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1115 (Pr. No. 1639) -- 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, further providing for liquefied ammonia gas, precursors and chemicals.

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

SB 1117 (Pr. No. 1824) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for methamphetamine laboratories.

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

SB 1118 (Pr. No. 1825) -- 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, further providing for prohibited acts and penalties; and providing for methamphetamine production.

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

SB 1119 (Pr. No. 1826) -- 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, providing for environmental costs.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1120 and SB 1158 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1201 (Pr. No. 1735) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act coordinating plans to reduce mercury emissions from new and existing stationary sources in this Commonwealth; imposing duties on the Department of Environmental Protection; and limiting certain powers of the Environmental Quality Board.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 2376 and HB 2425 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator BRIGHTBILL.

BILL REREFERRED

HB 2447 (Pr. No. 3982) -- 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 collection of restitution, reparation, fees, costs, fines and penalties; and for, in registration of sexual offenders, information made available on the Internet.

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

ANNOUNCEMENT BY MAJORITY LEADER

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, for the information of the Members, we have three committee meetings this afternoon, plus there will be a Supplemental Calendar, either one Calendar with two bills or two Calendars. The meetings are the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, the Committee on Labor and Industry, and the Committee on Banking and Insurance, and they will be in that order.

RECESS

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

Senator BRIGHTBILL. Madam President, at this time I ask for a recess of the Senate for purposes of meetings of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, the Committee on Labor and Industry, and the Committee on Banking and Insurance, with the intent to return to the floor to deal with Supplemental Calendars.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of three committee meetings, the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, the Committee on Labor and Industry, and the Committee on Banking and Insurance, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

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

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

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS**

June 1, 2006

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, Ralph M. Stewart, Box 37, Armagh 15920, Indiana County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Auctioneer 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.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

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

June 1, 2006

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, Morgan K. O'Brien, 4455 East Lawnview Avenue, Pittsburgh 15227, Allegheny County, Thirty-seventh 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, 2006, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Thomas Bigley, Pittsburgh, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**

April 18, 2006

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, Steven M. Radbill, VMD, 3619 Edencroft Road, Huntingdon Valley 19006, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, to serve for a term of four[sic] years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice Patricia Thompson, Lancaster, whose term expired.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 1, 2006

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, Todd R. Williams, Jr., 9735 Alvin Road, Shippensburg 17257, Franklin County, Thirty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Franklin/Fulton, Magisterial District 39-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2008, vice Larry Meminger, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

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

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

EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Which was agreed to by voice vote.

NOMINATIONS TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

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

The Clerk read the nominations as follows:

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EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Musto and Senator O'Pake.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa requests legislative leaves for Senator Musto and Senator O'Pake. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

And the question recurring,
Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations?

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

YEA-50

Armstrong	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Scarnati	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 1

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 944 (Pr. No. 1880) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for rape and for involuntary deviate sexual intercourse; providing for loss of property rights by certain offenders and for conduct relating to sex offenders; further providing for failure to comply with sexual offender registration requirements; defining "GPS" and "GPS tracking device"; further providing for registration and for registration procedures and applicability; providing for GPS tracking, for restricted travel, for alert system and for child protective zones; further providing for verification of residence and for information made available on the Internet; and making an appropriation.

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 gentlewoman from Allegheny, Senator Orié.

Senator ORIE. Madam President, I rise in support of this bill. I say to my colleagues, when you think of Pennsylvania, one of the most important duties of a government is to protect its citizens, and the most vulnerable and innocent citizens are Pennsylvania's children, and they must be at the top of our list.

Today, with the passage of Jessica's Law and the strengthening of Megan's Law, we will put in motion a measure that will protect Pennsylvania's youngest and most vulnerable, our children ages 12 and under, from sexually violent predators. There are few acts that are more repugnant than sexual assaults and lewd acts against our children. My fellow colleagues, in the course of protecting the safety, and even the lives of these children, no measure can be too strong. The comprehensive legislative piece under Senate Bill No. 944 is a monumental step for Pennsylvania in creating a safer place for our children. Should we fail to enact this legislation, then our own government and elected officials have regrettably become the real and present danger to our Pennsylvania children.

Madam President, I would just like to say that not only does this law put in place stronger measures against predators who molest children 12 and under, it gives them 25 years, but also, based on parole, they get a mandatory GPS tracking. There are over 26 States that are in the process of passing Jessica's Law and the GPS tracking. In addition to that, Madam President, we will be at the forefront in regard to sexual assault forfeitures and the predator alert system.

At this time, I do want to thank Senator Greenleaf for moving this bill and Senator Costa for being a participant. I would also like to thank Senator Mellow. I know we worked with him on the forfeiture aspect, and the District Attorney's Office in Lackawanna County, and I would like to say thank you to them as well. I would also like to thank Senator Brightbill and the leadership for bringing this to the floor.

Thank you, Madam President.

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

Senator RAFFERTY. Madam President, it has been a privilege to work on this piece of legislation with Senator Orié, and I, too, want to echo her thanks to Senator Greenleaf, the chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, the leadership on both sides of the aisle, Senator Gordner for his assistance, and for the staff who helped draft this bill. It is a very important piece of legislation. It is an historic piece of legislation for this Commonwealth. All of us in government attempt day in and day out, whether it is local, county, or State government, to provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its residents. With this legislation, we are doing exactly that for the most vulnerable in our society, and a basic tenet of any faith is do not harm the hair of one child.

Madam President, we are sending a strong message to those people who come into the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or who may be in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, you touch one of our children, you abuse one of our children, you get 25 years in jail, GPS monitoring, and life on a second offense. We are not going to tolerate it here in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This is a piece of legislation that Senator Orié and I have worked on since last spring, and I am happy today it is now before the body of the Senate. I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on Jessica's Law, so that we may get it over to the House and on the Governor's desk, and make certain that our children are safeguarded and protected within this Commonwealth.

Thank you, Madam President.

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

Senator COSTA. Madam President, I want to rise very briefly for two reasons. One, I also want to commend my colleague, Senator Orié, and so many other individuals who were involved in crafting this legislation, on consistently acknowledging and recognizing that we needed to make changes relative to Megan's Law to make it one of the best laws in our Commonwealth. I agree with Senator Rafferty that we need to get this passed, get it over to the House and to the Governor so he can sign it. Again, I want to say thank you for all the work that has been done by my colleagues.

Second, I rise to provide remarks on behalf of Senator Mellow to Senate Bill No. 944, and ask that they be spread upon the record.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Costa submits remarks for the record on behalf of Senator Mellow. Without objection, the remarks will be spread upon the record.

(The following prepared remarks were made a part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Allegheny, Senator

COSTA, on behalf of the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator MELLOW:)

Madam President, I rise today to voice my support for Senate Bill No. 944. This legislation would establish tough new laws aimed at penalizing, tracking, and deterring molesters from victimizing children.

Madam President, when it comes to protecting our children, we need to do more, not less, fight harder and smarter with more resolve. We need to establish that our strong, unalterable position is that our children need and deserve protection, and that they will never be compromised by us failing to do our jobs.

Madam President, apart from the protection zones, longer jail terms, and tough new tracking requirements as key elements of this bill, I am most pleased that the bill allows for the seizure of property that molesters use to coax children. This part of the proposal has its roots in my home county where the Lackawanna District Attorney's Office prosecuted an individual who lured children into several radio stations he owned. We are not just talking about a place where these hideous attacks took place, this molester used the appeal of these radio stations, even allowing children to take the airwaves as a ruse to place these victims in vulnerable positions.

I commend the Lackawanna District Attorney for his role in crafting and advocating passage of this provision in the bill. It is an important part in the comprehensive matrix of new tough laws that help protect children.

Madam President, I urge an affirmative vote on the bill.

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	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earll	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Scarnati	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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
SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR No. 2**

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

SB 1054 (Pr. No. 1882) -- 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 assessments and for sex offender information made available on the Internet.

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	Gordner	Orie	Tomlinson
Boscola	Greenleaf	Piccola	Vance
Brightbill	Hughes	Pileggi	Washington
Browne	Jubelirer	Pippy	Waugh
Conti	Kasunic	Punt	Wenger
Corman	Kitchen	Rafferty	White, Donald
Costa	LaValle	Regola	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	Lemmond	Rhoades	Williams, Anthony H.
Earl	Logan	Robbins	Williams, Constance
Erickson	Madigan	Scarnati	Wonderling
Ferlo	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Fontana	Musto	Stout	
Fumo	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.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES**

Senator SCARNATI, from the Committee on Labor and Industry, reported the following bills:

SB 1090 (Pr. No. 1887) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of January 17, 1968 (P.L.11, No.5), known as The Minimum Wage Act of 1968, giving effect to Federal changes in wage rates; providing for preemption; and making editorial changes.

HB 30 (Pr. No. 33)

An Act amending the act of June 2, 1915 (P.L.736, No.338), known as the Workers' Compensation Act, further providing for the payment of compensation to widows, widowers and children.

Senator ARMSTRONG, from the Committee on Banking and Insurance, reported the following bills:

SB 180 (Pr. No. 1886) (Amended)

An Act providing for protection from identity theft, for security alerts and freezes, for procedures for access after imposition and removal of security freezes and for related matters.

HB 1068 (Pr. No. 4283) (Amended)

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for association group life insurance.

HB 1632 (Pr. No.4284) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of July 22, 1974 (P.L.589, No.205), known as the Unfair Insurance Practices Act, further defining "abuse," "unfair methods of competition" and "unfair or deceptive acts or practices."

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

SB 451 (Pr. No. 1812) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of June 30, 1987 (P.L.163, No.16), known as the Rural Pennsylvania Revitalization Act, further providing for board of directors and for grants.

SB 772 (Pr. No. 1866) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for Access to Justice Act expiration provision.

SB 1140 (Pr. No. 1867) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, imposing a central or regional booking fee on criminal convictions to fund the start-up, operation or maintenance of a central or regional booking center.

SB 1188 (Pr. No. 1868) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of August 26, 1971 (P.L.351, No.91), known as the State Lottery Law, further providing for definitions, for physician, certified registered nurse practitioner and pharmacy participation, for reduced assistance, for program generally, for restricted formulary, for reimbursement, for income verification, for contracts and for the pharmaceutical assistance contract for the elderly needs enhancement tier, for pharmacy best practices and cost controls review; further providing for penalties; establishing the coordination of Federal and State benefits; and making editorial changes.

SB 1205 (Pr. No. 1869) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for insurance proceeds intercept; and further providing for State disbursement unit.

HB 248 (Pr. No. 4277) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for legislative review of State highway transfers and for allocation of proceeds from taxes for highway maintenance and construction.

HB 801 (Pr. No. 4278) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of Health to establish a Cervical Cancer Task Force to evaluate and make recommendations for education and prevention of cervical cancer.

HB 2003 (Pr. No. 2754) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of August 9, 1955 (P.L.323, No.130), known as The County Code, further providing for assistant county solicitors.

HB 2468 (Pr. No. 4279) (Amended) (Rereported)

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

HB 2499 (Pr. No. 4280) (Amended)

An Act to provide from the General Fund for the expenses of the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth, the public debt and for the public schools for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, for certain institutions and organizations, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006; to provide appropriations from the State Lottery Fund, the Energy Conservation and Assistance Fund, the Hazardous Material Response Fund, The State Stores Fund, the Milk Marketing Fund, the Home Investment Trust Fund, the Emergency Medical Services Operating Fund, the Tuition Payment Fund, the Banking Department Fund, the Firearm Records Check Fund, the Ben Franklin Technology Development Authority Fund, the Tobacco Settlement Fund, the Health Care Provider Retention Account and the Community Health Reinvestment Restricted Account to the Executive Department; to provide appropriations from the Judicial Computer System Augmentation Account to the Judicial Department for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007; to provide appropriations from the Motor License Fund for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, for the proper operation of the several departments of the Commonwealth and the Pennsylvania State Police authorized to spend Motor License Fund moneys; to provide for the appropriation of Federal funds to the Executive Department of the Commonwealth and for the establishment of restricted receipt accounts for the fiscal year July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, and for the payment of bills remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006; to provide for the additional appropriation of Federal and State funds from the General Fund and the Motor License Fund, for the Executive Department of the Commonwealth for the fiscal year July 1, 2005, to June 30, 2006, and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005.

RESOLUTION REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SR 320 (Pr. No. 1870)

A Resolution condemning the decision by the municipal government of Saint-Denis, France, to name a street in honor of Mumia Abu-Jamal, the convicted murderer of Philadelphia Police Officer Danny Faulkner.

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

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 V. Paterno, Dakota Trego, Kim Gemino, Janis L. Stevens, Keith E. Reese, Scott A. Devore and to Wes Cartwright by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to John T. Waldeyer, Jr., and to the Drexelbrook Catering and Corporate Events Center by Senator Erickson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lisa M. Colautti by Senator Fontana.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley J. Zbicki, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Long, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Thrash, Kellon Balum, Laura Michael, Fred J. Meckley, Dave Martin, Robert Anascavage, Michael R. Schwartz and to James T. Zack by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel D. Miller and to Mr. and Mrs. H. Eugene Garner by Senator Jubelirer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Daniel Bird and to Nicholas Urban by Senator Kasunic.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Shekinah Royal Arch Chapter No. 182 of Wilkes-Barre by Senator Lemmond.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend Reginald Denny McClain by Senator Mellow.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phoebe and to the Honorable Maureen Lally-Green by Senator Orie.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Frances R. Edwards and to Joseph Rendemonti by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to John T. Halligan by Senator Regola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Robert H. Doerrman and to Steven E. Doerrman by Senator Rhoades.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Reverend Charles Mudie and to Eleanor Wallen by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to ICW Vocational Services, Inc., of Indiana, by Senator D. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Frank Lignelli by Senator M.J. White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thais R. Brown by Senator A.H. Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Pals for Life of Wayne, Allegiance Bank of North America of Bala Cynwyd

and to the Volunteer Medical Service Corps of Lower Merion and Narbeth by Senator C. Williams.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edolo, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Macher and to the citizens of the Borough of Riegelsville by Senator Wonderling.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator DINNIMAN. 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 by voice vote.

The bills were as follows:

SB 180, HB 30, HB 1068, HB 1632 and HB 2499.

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:

**JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**

June 19, 2006

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, Wrenna L. Watson, Esquire, 1700 Wylie Avenue, Pittsburgh 15219, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2008, vice The Honorable Walter R. Little, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**

June 19, 2006

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 K. Williams, III, Esquire, 1422 Pennsylvania Avenue, Pittsburgh 15233, 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 2008, vice The Honorable Cynthia A. Baldwin, appointed to Supreme Court.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD**

June 19, 2006

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, Jonathan H. Newman, Esquire, 1079 Baron Drive, Bryn Mawr 19010, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, to serve until the third Tuesday of May 2010, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
SECURITIES COMMISSION**

June 19, 2006

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, Steven D. Irwin, 5271 Forbes Avenue,

Pittsburgh 15217, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Securities Commission, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2007, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice A. Richard Gerber, Esquire, Penllyn, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF SELINGSGROVE CENTER**

June 19, 2006

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, J. Steve Hoffman, 38 Peach Orchard, Middleburg 17842, Snyder County, Twenty-seventh Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees of Selingsgrove Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Laurie Goss, Beaver Springs, 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:

**JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**

June 19, 2006

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 April 28, 2006, for the appointment of Gregory A. Dunlap, Esquire, 613 Sweetbriar Drive, Harrisburg 17111, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2008, vice The Honorable Walter R. Little, resigned.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**JUDGE, COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
ALLEGHENY COUNTY**

June 19, 2006

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 May 17, 2006, for the appointment of Suzanne N. Hueston,

Esquire, 1027 Wiggins Way, West Chester 19380, Chester County, Nineteenth Senatorial District, as Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County, to serve until the first Monday of January 2008, vice The Honorable Cynthia A. Baldwin, appointed to Supreme Court.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF SELINGSGROVE CENTER**

June 19, 2006

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 June 5, 2006, for the appointment of Stephanie Moore, 40 Red Barberry Drive, Eters 17319, York County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Selingsgrove Center, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2009, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, vice Laurie Goss, Beaver Springs, resigned.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**CORRECTION TO NOMINATIONS
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 STATE BOARD
OF PSYCHOLOGY**

June 19, 2006

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

Please note the nomination dated June 1, 2006, for the appointment of Patricia M. Bricklin, PhD., 470 General Washington Road, Wayne 19087, Delaware County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, should be corrected to read:

Patricia M. Bricklin, PhD., 470 General Washington Road, Wayne 19087, Montgomery County, Seventeenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Board of Psychology, to serve for a term of four years or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

**MEMBER OF THE STATE EMPLOYEES'
RETIREMENT BOARD**

June 19, 2006

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

Please note the nomination dated May 5, 2006, for the appointment of David R. Fillman, 2520 Helen Street, Hatboro 19040, Montgomery County, Twelfth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Employees' Retirement Board, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified, should be corrected to read:

David R. Fillman, 1877 Gramercy Place, Hummelstown 17036, Dauphin County, Fifteenth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Employees' Retirement Board, to serve for a term of four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified.

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE COMMISSION

June 19, 2006

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

Please note the nomination dated June 14, 2006, for the appointment of Mitchell Rubin, 110 Moredun Avenue, Philadelphia 19115, Philadelphia County, Fifth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period, should be corrected to read:

Mitchell Rubin, 1108 Rodman Street, Philadelphia 19147, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than ninety days beyond that period.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

**RESIGNATION OF MEMBER
FROM COMMITTEE**

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

42nd Senatorial District

To: The Honorable Robert J. Mellow
From: SENATOR WAYNE D. FONTANA
Subject: Committee Assignments
Date: June 14, 2006

Please consider this memorandum as notice of my resignation from the following committees, effective, Monday, June 19, 2006:

Veterans Affairs & Emergency Preparedness, Minority
Chairman
Environmental Resources & Energy

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**RESIGNATION OF MEMBER
FROM COMMITTEE**

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

35th Senatorial District

To: The Honorable Robert J. Mellow
From: SENATOR JOHN N. WOZNIAK
Subject: Game and Fisheries Committee resignation
Date: June 14, 2006

Dear Senator Mellow:

I would like to take this opportunity to step down from the Game and Fisheries Committee assignment effective Monday, June 19, 2006. I have served this committee to the best of my ability and am grateful for the opportunity to have been a member of this position. Thank you.

RESIGNATION OF MEMBER FROM COMMITTEE

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

June 14, 2006

The Honorable Robert J. Mellow
Senate of Pennsylvania
535 Main Capitol
Harrisburg, PA 17120-3022

Dear Senator Mellow,

Though it has been my honor to serve, this letter is to inform you of my resignation from the Senate Local Government Committee. My resignation is effective immediately.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

LeANNA M. WASHINGTON

RESIGNATION OF MEMBER FROM COMMITTEE

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

June 16, 2006

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

Dear Senator Jubelirer,

Pursuant to the specific request of the Senate Democratic Leader, and, in order to facilitate the assignment of committee memberships for a newly elected member of the Senate, I must hereby tender my

resignation as a member in good standing of the Game and Fisheries Committee for the remainder of this session.

Sincerely,

RICHARD A. KASUNIC
32nd District

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE

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

Senator Andrew Dinniman as minority chairman of the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, as a member of the Committee on Environmental Resources and Energy, as a member of the Committee on Local Government, and as a member of the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Senator Wayne D. Fontana as minority chairman of the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Senator D. White as a member of the Committee on Labor and Industry.

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Catherine Baker Knoll) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bills:

SB 303, SB 601, SB 1056 and HB 2315.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2006

Table with 3 columns: Time, Committee Name, and Location. Rows include GAME AND FISHERIES, FINANCE, PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, TRANSPORTATION, and LAW AND JUSTICE.

Off the Floor	APPROPRIATIONS (to consider House Bill No. 2317)	Rules Com. Conf. Rm.
Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bill No. 854; and certain executive nominations)	Rules Com. Conf. Rm..
<u>TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2006</u>		
10:00 A.M.	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (to consider Bills No. 2064, 2065 and 2066; and any other business that may come before the committee)	Room 461 Main Capitol
<u>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2006</u>		
9:00 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (public hearing on radiation levels at landfills)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.

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The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dauphin, Senator Piccola.

Senator PICCOLA. Madam President, I move that the Senate do now stand in recess until Tuesday, June 20, 2006, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 6:37 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.