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SENATE

WEDNESDAY, December 11, 2013

The Senate met at 11 a.m., Eastern Standard Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend JIM KILMARTIN, Pastor of Keystone Church and Ministries, Tyrone, offered the following prayer:

Good morning. If you will bow your heads with me, please.

As we enter the Christmas season with great joy and the new year with expectancy, may we properly reflect on the past year with thanksgiving, as Your holy word says, "We are to enter His gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise." Jesus, we thank You for all of the good that has been done in this room this year. We praise You for the men and women in this Senate who have dedicated their lives to serve others and this Commonwealth, which is the seed of the nation, a Holy Experiment. Today, I pray that You give them wisdom for the decisions that they need to make for today and then for 2014. It is to Him who sits on the throne, all honor, glory, and power forever, amen. In the name of Jesus. Amen. Have a Merry Christmas.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Kilmartin, who is the guest today of Senator Eichelberger.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEES

Senator FOLMER, from the Committee on Education, reported the following bills:

SB 873 (Pr. No. 1656) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for Dyslexia and Early Literacy Intervention Pilot Program.

SB 1000 (Pr. No. 1655) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, providing for rural regional community college for underserved counties.

SB 1205 (Pr. No. 1632)

An Act amending Title 24 (Education) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for change of designation to university.

HB 1559 (Pr. No. 2780) (Amended)

An Act amending the act of March 10, 1949 (P.L.30, No.14), known as the Public School Code of 1949, in terms and courses of study, providing for youth suicide awareness and prevention education.

Senator BRUBAKER, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bill:

SB 968 (Pr. No. 1654) (Amended)

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a temporary Capitol leave for Senator McIlhinney.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Tartaglione, and a legislative leave for Senator Yudichak.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests a temporary Capitol leave for Senator McIlhinney.

Senator Costa requests temporary Capitol leaves for Senator Hughes and Senator Tartaglione, and a legislative leave for Senator Yudichak.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Senator COSTA asked and obtained a leave of absence for Senator LEACH, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

JOURNALS APPROVED

The PRESIDENT. The Journals of the Sessions of November 12, 2013, November 13, 2013, and November 18, 2013, are now in print.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journals of the Sessions of November 12, 2013, November 13, 2013, and November 18, 2013.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that further reading of the Journals be dispensed with and that the Journals be approved.

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

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

NAY-0

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

The PRESIDENT. The Journals are approved.

**GUEST OF SENATOR JUDY SCHWANK
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Berks, Senator Schwank.

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I have the honor and pleasure today of introducing my student shadow, Zachary Vicario. Zachary is currently a freshman majoring in political science--imagine that--at Penn State Berks campus. He is active in the student government association, a team trainer at Target, and has a desire to start a political club in the near future. After college, Zachary is interested in working for a government entity with a goal of one day becoming a United States Senator. Perhaps this experience today will effectively bolster his ambition so that we might have the privilege of addressing this young man as Senator Vicario on one of his future visits to the Senate. This is a young man on the move, Mr. President, and I ask my colleagues to join me in welcoming him here today.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Schwank please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR STEWART GREENLEAF
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator GREENLEAF. Mr. President, today, I would like to welcome special guests from my district, the members of the

Gwynedd Mercy Academy Choir, along with four instrumentalists from the student orchestra, and the school's a cappella group, the Mercy Melismatics. Today, we have the great privilege of hearing them perform here at the Capitol. The all-female choir has performed over the past decade for numerous community events and celebrations including, but not limited to, Citizens Bank Park, singing the National Anthem for a Philadelphia Phillies game, the Kimmel Center for the Sisters of Mercy 150th Anniversary celebration concert, and, on numerous occasions, such as at the White House, and also NBC's "The 10 Show." They are quite a talented group of young ladies, and I am looking forward to hearing them perform here in the Main Rotunda. So, I ask the Senate to welcome them.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Greenleaf please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUESTS OF SENATOR JOHN EICHELBERGER
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator EICHELBERGER. Mr. President, I ask you to join me in welcoming to the Senate today Pastor Jim Kilmartin, founder and executive director of The Joshua House in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. Jim graduated from Tyrone Area High School and received his bachelor's degree from Grove City College. Upon graduation, he was ordained as a licensed minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and founded The Joshua House. The Joshua House's mission is to help kids, teens, and young adults ascertain what they were created to do in life, and this year is celebrating 15 years of service in the Tyrone community. Pastor Jim serves on the pastoral team at Keystone Church and Ministries in State College, Pennsylvania. Along with being a minister, he also served as an elected official and businessman.

In November 2006, he was elected to serve as mayor of Tyrone for a 4-year term. As a businessman, Jim owned his own business for 5 years, Kingdom Solutions, and now is vice president of business development for Keystone Business Support's property care and bank care cleaning division. Jim resides in Tyrone, his hometown, with his wife, Jessica, and their six children. Today, Jim is joined by his wife and two of their children, son AJ, age 9, and daughter Triumph, age 7. They are seated in the gallery. Jim and Jessica are passionate about helping to raise the younger generations to become all they were created to be in life.

Mr. President, I ask for you to join me in welcoming Jim and his family to the Chamber today.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Eichelberger please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome.

(Applause.)

**GUEST OF SENATOR LISA M. BOSCOLA
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator BOSCOLA. Mr. President, I am always so honored to have great interns working for me in my district offices throughout the year. One of my fall semester interns is with us today in the gallery, and I would like to recognize him. Jacob Glessner has contributed a great deal to my Bethlehem office since he began his internship in September. Whether handling constituent cases at various agencies, writing constituent correspondence, performing research or constituent outreach, he is doing a stellar job with his office responsibilities, and I would like to personally thank him for the great job that he has done. In fact, I do not want him to leave.

Jake attended James Madison University and graduated just this past year with magna cum laude honors. Wanting to learn more about State government and its functions, he dove right into his responsibilities in the office and has been an incredible asset to my staff and me over the last several months. Mr. President, Jake has been an active volunteer for the Historic Bethlehem Partnership. During his spare time, he continues to greet guests at the visitors center in Bethlehem, the Christmas City, of course. He is working very hard. He gives tours of historical landmarks in Bethlehem and assists their staff with annual festivals and events. As someone who loves history, Jake is also a museum associate at the Museum of Indian Culture in Allentown. There, he continues to give guided tours through featured museum exhibits, assists their community advertising, and also helps out the staff with planning and implementing museum festivals.

So, Mr. President, I am very proud that Jake has done this internship in my office. In fact, he has been dealing with a lot of constituents lately on Act 76, which would eliminate property taxes. I am so proud of him because he is handling those constituents with just stellar responsibility. I wish him the best of luck in his endeavors, and I want the Senate to give him the warm welcome we usually give our guests.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Boscola please rise so that the Senate may give you its usual warm welcome. (Applause.)

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS

The PRESIDENT. As a special order of business, the Chair recognizes Senator Costa.

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, it is a bittersweet moment for me today to rise and make a few remarks about an individual who served our Senate Democratic Caucus for a number of years as a senior staff member and who will soon be retiring, Mark McKillop. I am happy to wish Mark a wonderful retirement and wish him good luck as he closes the door on this chapter of his life and his career; however, I am saddened because we will no longer be able to call upon Mark for his expertise, his experience, and as a valuable resource to our Caucus, as I mentioned earlier.

Mark came to the Senate in 1978 to work for our friend, the late Senator Mike O'Pake, from Berks County, and has been with us ever since. He then moved on from Senator O'Pake's office to begin working with the Democratic Leader's Office, Senator Zemprelli, and later Senator Mellow, and has continued to work in the Leader's office with me and our staff since 2010. Mark came to the Senate as a young man from his hometown of Monroeville, Pennsylvania. He was a graduate of the University

of Pittsburgh and has very deep roots in the Pittsburgh area, he and his family. Mark is well known to a number of Senators and staff on both sides of the aisle, and there is perhaps no one in either Caucus who has the experience Mark has in reapportionment matters as someone who has been involved in map-drawing and reapportionment for four cycles. He has an encyclopedic knowledge of data, of demographics, and can relate stories and information about every single municipality in every corner of this great Commonwealth.

Mark has a lifelong interest in politics and certainly in government. He is an avid chess player, relishes in researching his Scottish background, and is a fan of classical music and of the opera. There are few folks who can walk through 35 years of a career as Mark has done here in the Senate. He has been an active individual who has been engaged in some very, very tough and controversial issues here in Harrisburg. Throughout those issues and throughout the work that he has done, he has done exceptional work, as I said even amidst the most difficult issues. He is a dedicated professional and someone of the highest ethical principles, and the Senate of Pennsylvania is a better place today because Mark walked through our doors 35 years ago.

Mr. President, on behalf of our Caucus, and I certainly believe on behalf of everyone in this Chamber, I would like to wish Mark McKillop the very best as he closes out his Senate career. His work and his presence will be greatly missed by all. Mr. President, later today we will be voting on a Senate resolution, which I would like to present to Mark at this time, recognizing that it will be a part of our course of business as we go forward. It is a congratulatory resolution from all of us to Mark, again, showing our appreciation for his service to this great Commonwealth, but also to our Senate as well and wishes him the best in his future endeavors.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Applause.)

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room immediately.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, Senate Democrats will meet in the rear of the Chamber for caucus as well.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of Senate Republican and Democratic caucuses, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Ward.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests a legislative leave for Senator Ward.

Senator Costa requests a legislative leave for Senator Williams.

Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

CALENDAR

BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS AS AMENDED

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS AS AMENDED

SB 731 (Pr. No. 1649) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for burglary, for robbery, for grading of theft offenses and for the offense of retail theft.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House, as further amended by the Senate, to Senate Bill No. 731?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move the Senate do concur in amendments made by the House of Representatives, as further amended by the Senate, to Senate Bill No. 731.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Farnese, Rafferty, Vulakovich, Argall, Ferlo, Robbins, Ward, Baker, Folmer, Scarnati, Washington, Blake, Fontana, Schwank, Waugh, Boscola, Gordner, Smith, White, Brewster, Greenleaf, Smucker, Wiley, Browne, Hughes, Solobay, Williams, Brubaker, Hutchinson, Stack, Wozniak, Corman, Kasunic, Tartaglione, Yaw, Costa, Kitchen, Teplitz, Yudichak, Dinniman, McIlhinney, Tomlinson, Eichelberger, Mensch, Vance, Erickson, Pileggi, Vogel

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.

BILLS ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 23 (Pr. No. 1586) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions; and providing for expunction of information of perpetrator who was under 18 years of age when child abuse was committed.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 23?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in amendments made by the House of Representatives to Senate Bill No. 23.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Farnese, Rafferty, Vulakovich, Argall, Ferlo, Robbins, Ward, Baker, Folmer, Scarnati, Washington, Blake, Fontana, Schwank, Waugh, Boscola, Gordner, Smith, White, Brewster, Greenleaf, Smucker, Wiley, Browne, Hughes, Solobay, Williams, Brubaker, Hutchinson, Stack, Wozniak, Corman, Kasunic, Tartaglione, Yaw, Costa, Kitchen, Teplitz, Yudichak, Dinniman, McIlhinney, Tomlinson, Eichelberger, Mensch, Vance, Erickson, Pileggi, Vogel

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 28 (Pr. No. 1589) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in assault, further providing for the offense of simple assault and for the offense of aggravated assault; and, in falsification and intimidation, providing for the offense of false reports of child abuse and for the offense of intimidation or retaliation in child abuse cases.

On the question,
Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 28?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 28.

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

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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 34 (Pr. No. 1606) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 12, 1973 (P.L.397, No.141), known as the Professional Educator Discipline Act, making extensive substantive and editorial changes; providing for imposition of discipline on additional grounds, for imposition of discipline on founded reports, for confidentiality, for subpoenas and for disposition of fees and fines collected; and establishing the Professional Educator Discipline Account.

On the question,
Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 34?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 34.

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

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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 638 (Pr. No. 1604) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 22, 1933 (P.L.853, No.155), known as The General County Assessment Law, further providing for definitions and for subjects of taxation enumerated.

On the question,
Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 638?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 638.

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

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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 1116 (Pr. No. 1588) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for services for prevention, investigation and treatment of child abuse and for investigation of reports.

On the question,

Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1116?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 1116.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Philadelphia, Senator Washington.

Senator WASHINGTON. Mr. President, I stand here today to make the announcement that we have spent more than a year working to write legislation that would help strengthen the laws that protect children in this State. The event that sparked these bills was truly horrific, but I am also proud of the work that we have done to make sure that it never happens again. As a survivor of child abuse, I do not care whether my name is on any of these bills. I just want to get this done so that no child will have to go through what I went through in my younger years. Senate Bill No. 1116 is an important component of this package. It will streamline and improve the investigation of suspected child abuse. Specifically, this legislation will overhaul the duties and roles of multiple disciplinary, legislative, investigative teams that entitles responsibility with investigating reports of child abuse. These collaborative teams will work together to provide the most efficient, advanced methods of investigating possible instances of child abuse. In my capacity as Democratic chair of the Senate Committee on Aging and Youth, my first priority throughout this process has been protecting children. Passing this legislation will insure that every case of suspected child abuse is properly investigated, bringing abusers to justice and helping victims and families heal.

I want to thank all of my colleagues, especially Senator Mensch and Senator Ward, as well as all of the staff involved in drafting this package of bills. I am truly humbled by the support of this particular piece of legislation. While I am happy to see the legislation come to final passage, our work is far from done. Senate Bill No. 1116 is just one part of the package, and I look forward to sending this and the rest of the bills to the Governor's desk very soon.

Thank you, Senator Mensch. Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Berks, Senator Schwank.

Senator SCHWANK. Mr. President, I wanted to stand briefly to congratulate Senator Washington on this important legislation. I think you realize, as I do, as former county commissioners, that when we are presented with horrific cases of child abuse, a specific investigation is often engendered within the county to help address the issue. Now with this legislation, I believe we will have a more uniform process across the Commonwealth. This will not be just a special event, this will be something that happens on a regular basis and will insure the safety of children unknown who are currently being subjected to child abuse. I am greatly pleased to see this happen.

Many years ago, there was a case, a young boy, Maxwell Fisher, that really rocked our county, the death of this young boy at the hands of his parents. The special investigation that occurred as a result of that really helped to change the way we dealt with child abuse in my home county, Berks County. So, I am very pleased to see legislation of this type passed. I just note to my colleagues, is it not interesting that after all of these years, and certainly we are so well aware of the problems of child abuse, that it has taken us a long time and a lot of effort to comprehensively cover this subject. But I am sure glad, and I know they are, that we have.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator MENSCH. Mr. President, just a very brief comment and a congratulations to Senator Washington for being such a champion and such a stalwart advocate for the protection of our youth and our children. She has worked very diligently within the committee and she is to be congratulated for all of her efforts. So, thank you. As she knows, we share the committee and we still have a number of other bills to go, a long way to go yet, but it is a good next step. So, congratulations.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the motion?

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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

HB 89, HB 431 and HB 436 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 622 (Pr. No. 1641) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for the licensure of persons providing debt settlement services, for powers and duties of the Department of Banking and Securities and for enforcement; imposing civil penalties; and making a related repeal.

Considered the third time and agreed to, And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Farnese, Rafferty, Vulakovich, Argall, Ferlo, Robbins, Ward, Baker, Folmer, Scarnati, Washington, Blake, Fontana, Schwank, Waugh, Boscola, Gordner, Smith, White, Brewster, Greenleaf, Smucker, Wiley, Browne, Hughes, Solobay, Williams, Brubaker, Hutchinson, Stack, Wozniak, Corman, Kasunic, Tartaglione, Yaw, Costa, Kitchen, Teplitz, Yudichak, Dinniman, McIlhinney, Tomlinson, Eichelberger, Mensch, Vance, Erickson, Pileggi, Vogel

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.

HB 726 (Pr. No. 2778) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing

for definitions; providing for exclusions from child abuse; further providing for disposition of founded and indicated reports, for amendment or expunction of information, for investigation of reports and for evidence in court proceedings.

Considered the third time and agreed to, And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Farnese, Rafferty, Vulakovich, Argall, Ferlo, Robbins, Ward, Baker, Folmer, Scarnati, Washington, Blake, Fontana, Schwank, Waugh, Boscola, Gordner, Smith, White, Brewster, Greenleaf, Smucker, Wiley, Browne, Hughes, Solobay, Williams, Brubaker, Hutchinson, Stack, Wozniak, Corman, Kasunic, Tartaglione, Yaw, Costa, Kitchen, Teplitz, Yudichak, Dinniman, McIlhinney, Tomlinson, Eichelberger, Mensch, Vance, Erickson, Pileggi, Vogel

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which concurrence of the House is requested.

HB 892 (Pr. No. 2779) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in licensing of drivers, further providing for learners' permits; and, in operation of vehicles general provisions, further providing for obedience to traffic-control devices.

Considered the third time and agreed to, And the amendments made thereto having been printed as required by the Constitution,

On the question, Shall the bill pass finally?

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

YEA-49

Table with 4 columns: Alloway, Farnese, Rafferty, Vulakovich, Argall, Ferlo, Robbins, Ward, Baker, Folmer, Scarnati, Washington, Blake, Fontana, Schwank, Waugh

Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments in which concurrence of the House is requested.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1085 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

SB 1181 (Pr. No. 1650) -- 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, in additional special funds, further providing for the Pennsylvania Race Horse Development Fund; in 2013-2014 budget implementation, further providing for executive offices; lapsing certain funds; 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 yeas and nays were taken agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution and were as follows, viz:

YEA-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
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Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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 1195 and **HB 1341** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1410 (Pr. No. 2514) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act designating the interchange of US Route 119 and US Route 22 in Burrell Township, Indiana County, as the Staff Sergeant Glen H. Stivison, Jr., Memorial Interchange.

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-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
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Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 1424 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS ON THIRD CONSIDERATION AND FINAL PASSAGE

HB 1644 (Pr. No. 2267) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in municipal authorities, further providing for purposes and powers.

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-49

Alloway	Farnese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
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Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

HB 1706 (Pr. No. 2513) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in emergency services, changing implementing authority from the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency to the Office of the State Fire Commissioner; further providing for assistance to volunteer fire companies, ambulance service and rescue squads and for powers and duties; and making editorial changes.

Considered the third time and agreed to,

On the question,
Shall the bill pass finally?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Luzerne, Senator Baker.

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, we cannot overlook the importance of what we are doing today to help our fire companies, nor can we overlook the virtue of what our volunteer firefighters do for us each day. This bill was one of the chief priorities advanced by State Fire Commissioner Ed Mann and firefighters at a joint hearing of the Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness, along with the Majority Policy Committee, which we held in Gettysburg in October. Senators Alloway, Erickson, Waugh, and Yaw joined me at the hearing as we heard from speaker after speaker about

how difficult it is to fight fires in the new millennium. Although firefighters sounded the alarm about a host of issues at our hearing, the root of all the hurdles, not surprisingly, was money.

Cash-strapped budgets have a domino effect on emergency response. It becomes a vicious cycle. A lack of money causes a seemingly endless need for fundraisers, which leads to the loss of volunteers, which further strains those left to pick up the slack. In the world of public safety, a shortage of money, volunteers, training, and equipment can have deadly consequences. You may recall that last Session, Senator Ward led the charge to expand grants to volunteer fire companies. House Bill No. 1706 builds upon her efforts by increasing the amount of loans that the fire companies can borrow for essential apparatus and equipment. While the costs have skyrocketed, loan limits have remained frozen at inadequate levels. In 1984, a self-contained breathing apparatus was \$900, and today the cost is \$5,000. A pumper truck cost about \$100,000, and today, it is \$525,000, again, more than five times. Under House Bill No. 1706, loan limits will double. The increase, although it does not keep up with inflation, provides a marked improvement. Many fire companies are waiting to purchase equipment, and their purchasing decisions rest on passage of this bill today.

So, we need to keep fighting for our firefighters. Many people do not realize that 97 percent of our firefighters are volunteers in the Commonwealth, more than almost any other State. Where 40 years ago, we had volunteers of about 300,000, today, we are down to a number of about 50,000. Yet, without the promise of a paycheck or even a thank you, these men and women voluntarily don pounds of equipment and run into burning buildings in danger of collapse in order to save our loved ones and our treasured property. I urge you to support this legislation, and in doing so, support firefighters of this Commonwealth who answer the call day and night. Our firefighters have been sounding the alarm for years about their challenges. We must continue to work to answer their call. This is an important first step in that effort, and I urge an affirmative vote.

Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Washington, Senator Solobay.

Senator SOLOBAY. Mr. President, the previous speaker very eloquently laid out this entire bill, the importance of it, and the outcome of what passage of this bill does. As a member of a department myself for many, many years who has utilized this volunteer loan assistance program for purchases of equipment, I know exactly what she said when she spelled out the importance of needing not only to double the costs that folks can be able to borrow, but the importance of what our volunteers do across the entire Commonwealth.

Another unique part of this program is, and I think the Fire Commissioner's office can back up these statistics, but in the entire length of this program since it has been going on, I do not think there has been one default on any of the loans that the fire departments have taken out, which again stands for the integrity of our emergency service providers across the Commonwealth. So, with of all that, I ask for an affirmative vote on this, and I also have some additional comments to add to the formal record.

The PRESIDENT. Without objection, the remarks will be spread upon the record.

(The following prepared remarks were made part of the record at the request of the gentleman from Washington, Senator SOLOBAY:)

Mr. President, I am pleased to see the final passage of House Bill No. 1706. This bill amending Chapter 73 of Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes increases the loan amounts under the Volunteer Loan Assistance Program (VLAP).

When this bill is signed into law, it will greatly enhance what has been a proven effective program for fire companies and volunteer rescue services or volunteer ambulance services. VLAP has been a lifeline to first responders across the Commonwealth for some time. However, without amending the law, more and more fire and rescue operations were finding the program to be too limiting in its loan amounts and thereby making it difficult for them to acquire resources necessary to carry out their respective missions.

One of the highlights of this legislation is that it does not call on any sort of tax or fee increase on the part of the citizens of the Commonwealth. The legislation merely enables fire and rescue/ambulance companies to access existing funds. There is no projected possibility of the new higher loan amounts adversely impacting existing funds. This is truly a positive mechanism for assisting our first responders with virtually no negative effects on any governmental entities or the taxpayers.

I appreciate the opportunity to support this legislation.

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

Senator WAUGH. Mr. President, I rise to support the bill and to reinforce comments made by the previous two speakers to the extent that I would also like to add congratulations to both, it is interesting, Representative Baker, whose bill this happens to be, but also our champion here in the Senate, at least on our side, our own Senator Baker, for the hard work that she put in recognizing, as she said, the fact that this is a priority, a number-one priority that has been outlined for a good number of years now by especially our volunteer, but all fire services in Pennsylvania in general, working together to make sure that a very successful program that has been in place for a number of years without change continues and continues to provide exactly what it was intended to provide many years ago when it was implemented, and that is loan assistance. I stress this and it is really why I got up. It is easy to think that when we talk about helping to provide funding for, especially in this case, our volunteer fire services, we are talking about giving money or grants to them. There are some of those programs. This program is a self-sustained, self-sufficient, if you will, continual loan program that revolves, and as we place money into it, it is lent at low interest to the departments, and they take advantage of that as they go out to purchase not only their equipment, the fire trucks and the hardware and whatnot, but also other provisions that help them provide the valuable services that they provide to the communities across this Commonwealth.

When you think about the amount of money, taxpayer dollars that are saved each and every day by these volunteer organizations--you know, there are numbers that range anywhere from \$7 billion to \$10 billion in taxpayer savings that are seen annually by the volunteer services in our communities. So, this is really not a price at all, other than the fact that we are putting bonded money into an account, and as Senator Solobay--I should say Chief Solobay--so eloquently pointed out, there have been zero defaults on this, and I think that alone speaks volumes for the

integrity of our volunteer services here in the Commonwealth, not only the fact that they provide the services that they provide, but the fact is that they never leave us hanging, if you will, when it comes to repaying these loans, and that is a real credit to them.

So, I want to thank Senator Baker for her leadership, Chief Solobay for his, and I appreciate the support of all of the Members today.

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:

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Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

NAY-0

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

Ordered, That the Secretary of the Senate return said bill to the House of Representatives with information that the Senate has passed the same without amendments.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 384 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 453 (Pr. No. 1555) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act providing for patients' rights; and establishing a Pain Management and Palliative Care Task Force.

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

SB 491 (Pr. No. 1599) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257, No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, providing for the definition of "farming"; and further providing for declaration and payment of income taxes and for withholding and remittance.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 707 (Pr. No. 712) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 35 (Health and Safety) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for funds of volunteer firefighters' relief associations.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

HB 807, SB 901, SB 902, SB 903 and SB 904 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION
AND REREFERRED

HB 993 (Pr. No. 1157) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, changing the name of the Department of Public Welfare to the Department of Human Services; and providing for a transition period.

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1055 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS REREFERRED

HB 1056 (Pr. No. 1284) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), known as The Dental Law, providing for temporary volunteer dental licenses.

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

SB 1096 (Pr. No. 1410) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 26 (Eminent Domain) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for limited reimbursement of appraisal, attorney and engineering fees.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1118 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILLS REREFERRED

SB 1146 (Pr. No. 1647) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 51 (Military Affairs) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for Veterans' Trust Fund.

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

SB 1147 (Pr. No. 1541) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for special motorcycle plates for veterans.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1185 (Pr. No. 1615) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of July 28, 1953 (P.L.723, No.230), known as the Second Class County Code, further providing for requests for examinations and reports of coroners.

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

BILL REREFERRED

SB 1187 (Pr. No. 1602) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for special plates for recipients of Combat Infantry Badge.

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

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

SB 1189 (Pr. No. 1619) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of December 20, 1967 (P.L.869, No.385), known as the Public Works Contractors' Bond Law of 1967, further providing for duty of prime contractor to provide financial security in certain contracts involving public works and public improvements.

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

BILL REREFERRED

SB 1190 (Pr. No. 1627) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, reenacting and further providing for elk hunting licenses.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1191 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 1197 (Pr. No. 1617) -- 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, in criminal history record information, further providing for juvenile records; in juvenile matters, further providing for short title and purposes of chapter, for scope of chapter, for inspection of court files and records, for juvenile history record information and for conduct of hearings; and, in registration of sexual offenders, further providing for definitions and for court notification and classification requirements.

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

BILLS ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1529 (Pr. No. 2039) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.103, No.69), known as The Second Class Township Code, further providing for filing and recording of ordinances.

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

HB 1584 (Pr. No. 2166) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 30 (Fish) and 34 (Game) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, further providing for powers and duties of waterways conservation officers and deputies and for powers and duties of enforcement officers.

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 1617 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL ON SECOND CONSIDERATION

HB 1656 (Pr. No. 2276) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act repealing the act of December 18, 1984 (P.L.1068, No.213), entitled "An act requiring physicians to obtain informed consent from patients for treatment of breast disease."

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators ALLOWAY, BAKER, FERLO, ERICKSON, WOZNIAK, GREENLEAF, SMITH, EICHELBERGER, ARGALL, HUGHES, RAFFERTY, FONTANA, TOMLINSON, BOSCOLA, MENSCH, COSTA and KASUNIC offered **Senate Resolution No. 276**, entitled:

A Resolution designating January 2014 as "Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Senator Alloway.

Senator ALLOWAY. Mr. President, I rise today to offer this resolution designating January 2014 as "Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month" in Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania's geography is the backdrop for outdoor recreation, and tens of thousands of winter enthusiasts migrate to the Pennsylvania mountains every week to ski and snowboard on our trails that offer cruising comfort in a majestic setting or the exciting pulse-pounding challenge of a downhill course. There are over 21 ski resorts in all regions of this Commonwealth, and these resorts have a significant economic impact on the communities in which they are located and the Commonwealth as whole. Of course, for full disclosure to my colleagues, I have two of those in the home of the 33rd Senatorial District. I am fortunate enough to have a company called Snow Time, Inc., that runs Whitetail Resort in Franklin County, and they also run Liberty Mountain Resort in Adams County. Participating in these snow sports provides an

opportunity for exercise and great friendship that will last a lifetime, and ski and snowboard areas throughout the United States offer free and reasonably priced lesson programs during January as part of this initiative. So, please join me in supporting this resolution to designate January as Learn to Ski and Snowboard Month in the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Thank you, Mr. President.

And the question recurring,

Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTIONS

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

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Annette Spry and to Charles Jamison, Jr., by Senator Alloway.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Collin Geschwindt, Zion's Stone Church of West Penn Township and to the members and coaches of the Schuylkill Haven High School Football Team by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. John P. Kebles, Sr., Robert C. Snyder, John Flynn, Sr., Jason LaTourette and to Elva Valentine by Senator Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Wyoming Seminary Preparatory School Field Hockey Team by Senator Baker and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Steven John Klassner, Jr., by Senator Blake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Teribio Cuono and to James Patrick Hilton by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ritter, Chief Joseph Hanna, Nathaniel Alexander Phillips, Elizabeth Anne Snow, Edith Marie Longenbach, Russell F. Famulary and to Coordinated Health of Bethlehem by Senator Browne.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Elam Bollinger, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hirneisen, Mr. and Mrs. J. Richard Stauffer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weber, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geib, James Mitchell and to Sarah Thompson by Senator Brubaker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Larry E. Harshbarger, Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Harpster, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W. Miller, John Cameron Urschel, Kyle Michael Sutherland, Kyle McClellan, Douglas Amund Salada, Devin Brian Christian, Libby Baker-Mikesell, Evelyn D. Lidston, Katie McLaughlin, Spencer Kepner, Mitchell Port, Taylor Leath, The Pennsylvania State University Women's Volleyball Team, Juniata Chapter of the FFA and to the State College Spikes Baseball Team by Senator Corman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Jason W. Manne and to Brandon P. Brody by Senator Costa.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Laurie Kerkering, Jessica Zuo, Lisa Dorsey and to Pearl Wilson Hicks by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Amanda C. Cabot by Senators Dinniman and Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Gary W. Williams and to Matthew Matosky by Senators Dinniman and Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Dr. Arthur W. Morrow, Dr. Debra S. Pike, Dr. Jenna C. Stokes, Dr. Timothy C. Romanski and to Dr. Brittany E. Barker by Senator Eichelberger.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Joseph William Blaisse by Senator Erickson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Family and Community Service of Delaware County by Senators Erickson and Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Anthony Grisillo by Senators Erickson, Dinniman, and Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Richard C. Cardyn by Senator Ferlo.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Paul Baker by Senator Folmer.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Benedetto by Senator Gordner.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Chief Robert H. Ruxton, Raymond Young, Jr., Shane T. Kelly, Peter David Wolfgang Hanes, Jeffrey R. Dieterly, Douglas X. Leonard, Gregory Disaro, Gloria Dei Towers and to the Huntingdon Valley Library by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Archbishop Wood High School Football Team by Senators Greenleaf, McIlhinney, and Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Roberta Moore, Mary Lindsay Zimmerman, Sonantious Moore, Frances Walker-Ponnie, Bin Nisf Group of Companies, Mubarak Hassawi Charity and to the heirs of Abdullah Abdul-Karim Al-Shaye by Senator Hughes.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. James Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Orie Hepler, Mr. and Mrs. William Fulmer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lalley, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Richards, Mr. and Mrs. William Latchaw, Mr. and Mrs. John Doran and to Marie T. Veon by Senator Hutchinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Nicholas James Paroda by Senator Kasunic.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Bishop Jesse E. Lomax, Reverend Ronald C. Parker, Sr., Reverend William J. Scott, Jr., Elizabeth P. Scott and to Marcella W. Travagline by Senator Kitchen.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Nicholas Salvatore Termini by Senator Leach.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Travis Johnson, Carol Scarborough and to E. Thomas Scarborough, Jr., by Senator McIlhinney.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Evan Joel Kaseman by Senator Mensch.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Honorable Marianne Deery by Senators Mensch, Rafferty, and Schwank.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Master Chief Bryan Exum, Andrew B. Guarino, Will Hart, Jr., Bryan Aiken and to Rachel K. Lowthian by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Randall Richter, Sr., Terry Baker, Jacob M. Ewing, John Fisher, Douglas Keim, Pennya Comtois and to Sean Hodgins by Senator Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Joel McMillan and to Charles Schukraft by Senators Rafferty and Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. William Irwin, Dr. Carol Bocan and to Lynn Sandieson by Senator Robbins.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. V. Glenn Caylor, Mr. and Mrs. James Manno, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shelander and to Mr. and Mrs. George Launer by Senator Scarnati.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Ken Esterly and to Zachary Alan Richard by Senator Schwank.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Chase Camden Winovich, Brett Brumbaugh, Bryan Dietz, Brenton C. Matey, Matthew Tessmer, Ryan P. Couse, Alexander Peric, Kyle Gregory Mottola, Tyler Henry Farr, Mt. Lebanon High School, South Fayette High School Football Team and to the members and coaches of the West Allegheny High School Football Team by Senator Smith.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Cleon J. Berntheizel III, David M. Onda, David S. Kantner, Lawrence Kirk Coffin III and to Brian Richard Bear Hess by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Angott, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Stout, Ronald Monack, Rosalie Nicksich, Linda Hall, Zachary Edward Harris, Douglas G. Lee, Washington Health System Teen Outreach and to Minteers Market of Claysville by Senator Solobay.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to John Loisch by Senators Stack and Tartaglione.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Lieutenant Colonel Annette Rico, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Cooper, Sallee D. Rowe, Joe Julius, Trey Klock, Chase Edmonds, Troy Spencer, North Side Elementary School-Age Child Care, Middle Paxton Elementary School-Age Child Care and to Adia Effiong Day Care Center by Senator Teplitz.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Colonel Howard L. Eissler, Matthew J. Brahan, Thomas Kelly, Alan Schaffer, Melissa F. Haxel, Kevin Glasson, Dan Bogan, Megan Schafer and to Rita's Italian Ice of Bensalem by Senator Tomlinson.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Eber Dourte, Master Sergeant Thomas J. Fogarty, Justin William Balvanz, Kevin Hills, Sarah Ann Brunski, Mitchell Raup and to Merritt Raup by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Matthew Roth by Senator Vulakovich.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sadie R. Goldman by Senator Washington.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Riley J. Purcell by Senator Waugh.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to David S. Frick by Senator White.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Kresko, Elwood C. Hocker, Jr., and to Cheryl Lynn Hicks by Senator Wozniak.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip E. Gingery, Mr. and Mrs. James Brenchley and to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Stout by Senator Yaw.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Elaine Schall by Senators Yudichak and Baker.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

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

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Tyrone Richardson by Senator Dinniman.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late Sarah Elizabeth Finello to the family of the late Michael E. Bush and to the family of the late Nancy White Eastburn by Senator McIlhinney.

Condolences of the Senate were extended to the family of the late A. Wayne Readinger by Senator Schwank.

BILLS ON FIRST CONSIDERATION

Senator VANCE. Mr. 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 873, SB 968, SB 1000, SB 1205 and HB 1559.

And said bills having been considered for the first time,

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

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator FERLO. Mr. President, yesterday, during discussion on the nomination vote for the Secretary of DEP, I was brought to task by our illustrious Majority Leader, so, today, I would like to make a lengthy, half-hour presentation on Act 13. Actually, I am joking. I just want to wish everybody a Merry Christmas. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks the gentleman.

(Applause.)

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce that I have signed the following bills in the presence of the Senate:

SB 23, SB 28, SB 34, SB 638, SB 1116, HB 1201, HB 1274 and HB 1523.

HOUSE MESSAGES

SENATE BILL RETURNED WITH AMENDMENTS

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 30**, 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 13(c)(2)(i), the bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives returned to the Senate **SB 1046**, with the information the House has passed the same without amendments.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request a recess of the Senate for the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room immediately.

The PRESIDENT. For the purpose of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held immediately, without objection, the Senate stands in recess.

AFTER RECESS

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

The PRESIDENT. Senator Tartaglione has returned, and her temporary Capitol leave is cancelled.

BILL REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

Senator PILEGGI, from the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations, reported the following bill:

SB 30 (Pr. No. 1648) (Rereported) (Concurrence)

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for immunity from liability, for establishment of pending complaint file, for Statewide central register and file of unfounded reports and for amendment or expunction of information; and making editorial changes.

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

BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SENATE CONCURS IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 30 (Pr. No. 1648) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 23 (Domestic Relations) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in child protective services, further providing for definitions, for immunity from liability, for establishment of pending complaint file, for Statewide central register and file of unfounded reports and for amendment or expunction of information; and making editorial changes.

On the question,
Will the Senate concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 30?

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do concur in the amendments made by the House to Senate Bill No. 30.

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

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

YEA-49

Alloway	Famese	Rafferty	Vulakovich
Argall	Ferlo	Robbins	Ward
Baker	Folmer	Scarnati	Washington
Blake	Fontana	Schwank	Waugh
Boscola	Gordner	Smith	White
Brewster	Greenleaf	Smucker	Wiley
Browne	Hughes	Solobay	Williams
Brubaker	Hutchinson	Stack	Wozniak
Corman	Kasunic	Tartaglione	Yaw
Costa	Kitchen	Teplitz	Yudichak
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Tomlinson	
Eichelberger	Mensch	Vance	
Erickson	Pileggi	Vogel	

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.

HOUSE MESSAGE

**HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS
TO HOUSE BILL**

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the Senate to **HB 1425**.

BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT. The Chair wishes to announce that I have signed the following bills in the presence of the Senate:

SB 30, SB 1046 and HB 1425.

RECESS

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware, Senator Pileggi.

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now recess until Tuesday, January 7, 2014, at 11:50 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.
The Senate recessed at 2:07 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.