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SENATE

MONDAY, June 7, 2010

The Senate met at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend REED MOORE, of First Unity Church of God in Christ, Jeannette, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal Father and most gracious God, we thank You again for Your grace and Your mercy. We thank You, Lord, for the assembling of these Senators as they go forth to make decisions on each bill. We ask, Lord, for Your divine intervention, that You would give them what to say and how to say it. Father, in the name of Jesus, we thank You for what You have already given us, these bills and situations that must be considered and passed for the welfare of our counties. We ask that You continue Your blessings upon them. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair thanks Reverend Moore, who is the guest today of Senator Ward.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

APPROVAL OF SENATE BILLS

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, advising that the following Senate Bills had been approved and signed by the Governor:

SB 383 and SB 828.

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:

**PROTHONOTARY, CLERK OF COURTS & CLERKS
OF ORPHANS' COURT, WYOMING COUNTY**

May 28, 2010

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, Erin M. Smith, 440 Plaza Drive, Palmyra 17078, Lebanon County, Forty-eighth Senatorial District, for appointment as Prothonotary, Clerk of Courts & Clerks of Orphans' Court, Wyoming County, in and for the County of Wyoming, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice Paulette A. Burnside, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

May 28, 2010

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, Amy K. Kókos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2012, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice The Honorable Kim Pizzigrilli, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE STATE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

June 1, 2010

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Edward D. Kuckuck, 580 North 6th Street, Indiana 15701, Indiana County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2014, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE
CONSERVATION COMMISSION

June 1, 2010

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, MaryAnn Warren, 233 Main Street, New Milford 18834, Susquehanna County, Twenty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the State Conservation Commission, to serve until May 30, 2014, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 1, 2010

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, Thomas P. Caulfield, 31 Barton Drive, Pittsburgh 15221, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-08, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Susan Evashavik DiLucente, elected to Court of Common Pleas.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

June 2, 2010

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John F. Coleman, Jr., 100 Sky Harbor Drive, Port Matilda 16870, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2012, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice The Honorable Kim Pizzigrilli, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 3, 2010

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, Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of McKean, Magisterial District 48-3-04, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Michael J. Kennedy, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE ARCHITECTS
LICENSURE BOARD

June 7, 2010

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John A. Martine, AIA, 2122 Sarah Street, Pittsburgh 15203, Allegheny County, Forty-third Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Architects Licensure Board, to serve for a term of four years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

June 7, 2010

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, Sherman E. Hostetter, Jr., 254 4th Street, Beaver 15009, Beaver County, Forty-seventh 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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

June 7, 2010

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, Blaine N. Rentzel, 5063 North Sherman Street, Mount Wolf 17347, York County, Twenty-eighth 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

MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD
OF AUCTIONEER EXAMINERS

June 7, 2010

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, Wylie S. Rittenhouse, 501 Town Country Road, Vanderbilt 15486, Fayette County, Thirty-second Sena-

torial 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

**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:

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 1, 2010

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 1, 2010, for the appointment of Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-08, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Susan Evashavik DiLucente, elected to Court of Common Pleas.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

June 2, 2010

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 28, 2010, for the appointment of Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2012, or until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice The Honorable Kim Pizzingrilli, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

**MEMBER OF THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS
AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

June 7, 2010

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 11, 2010, for the appointment of Ron Rabenold, 379 Fairyland Road,

Leighton 18235, Carbon County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, as a member of the Professional Standards and Practices Commission, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2011, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Linda G. Michel, Ephrata, whose term expired.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

HOUSE MESSAGES

**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 1720**.

HOUSE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

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

May 26, 2010

HB 2253, 2303 and 2424 -- Committee on Transportation.

HB 2273 -- Committee on Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

HB 2357 -- Committee on Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness.

HB 2394, 2399 and 2401 -- Committee on Community, Economic and Recreational Development.

HB 2429 -- Committee on Judiciary.

May 27, 2010

HB 2275 -- Committee on State Government.

June 1, 2010

HB 2020, 2022 and 2023 -- Committee on Finance.

HB 2338 -- Committee on Aging and Youth.

BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

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

May 27, 2010

Senators ARGALL, FONTANA, TARTAGLIONE, WOZNIAK, WAUGH, LOGAN, D. WHITE, EARLL, WARD and FERLO presented to the Chair **SB 1388**, 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, further providing for definitions.

Which was committed to the Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, May 27, 2010.

Senators ARGALL, FONTANA, M. WHITE, MUSTO, RAFFERTY, ERICKSON, WOZNIAK, BRUBAKER and BOSCOLA presented to the Chair **SB 1389**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of February 2, 1965 (P.L.1860, No.586), entitled "An act encouraging landowners to make land and water areas available to the public for recreational purposes by limiting liability in connection therewith, and repealing certain acts," providing for a short title; further providing for definitions; and making editorial changes.

Which was committed to the Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY, May 27, 2010.

Senators ARGALL, PILEGGI, RAFFERTY, SCARNATI, TARTAGLIONE, FONTANA, ORIE, ERICKSON, ALLOWAY, BRUBAKER, BAKER, LOGAN, MENSCH, TOMLINSON, WASHINGTON, D. WHITE, FARNESE, BOSCOLA, WARD, FERLO and BROWNE presented to the Chair **SB 1390**, entitled:

An Act amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in registration of vehicles, providing for special registration plates for recipients of the Silver Star, Bronze Star and Bronze Star for Valor.

Which was committed to the Committee on TRANSPORTATION, May 27, 2010.

Senators ARGALL, WAUGH, BAKER and D. WHITE presented to the Chair **SB 1391**, entitled:

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

Which was committed to the Committee on FINANCE, May 27, 2010.

June 1, 2010

Senators VANCE, ERICKSON, HUGHES, BAKER, EARLL, FERLO, GREENLEAF, MENSCH, O'PAKE, RAFFERTY, TARTAGLIONE, WARD, WAUGH, BOSCOLA and LEACH presented to the Chair **SB 1380**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 24, 1999 (P.L.884, No.54), known as the Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Centers Act, providing for a definition of "child"; and further providing for the definition of "medically dependent or technologically dependent child."

Which was committed to the Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, June 1, 2010.

GENERAL COMMUNICATIONS

AUDITOR GENERAL'S CERTIFICATE

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Office of the Auditor General
229 Finance Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0018

May 25, 2010

The Honorable Joseph B. Scarnati III
Lieutenant Governor
Pennsylvania Senate
292 Main Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Governor Scarnati:

In accordance with the provisions of Article VIII, Section 7(a)(4) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Section 304 of the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act (Act 1 of 1999, as amended), I am providing you with the accompanying certification in connection with the general obligation bond sale of May 19, 2010.

A duplicate original of the Auditor General's Certificate is enclosed.

Sincerely,

JACK WAGNER
Auditor General

AUDITOR GENERAL'S CERTIFICATE
Pursuant to
ARTICLE VIII, Section 7(a)(4)
of the
CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA
and
Section 304 of the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act

To the Governor and The General Assembly:

I, Jack Wagner, Auditor General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 7(a)(4) of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Section 304 of the Capital Facilities Debt Enabling Act (Act 1 of 1999, as amended) certify as follows:

The amount of outstanding net debt as of
May 27, 2010 \$7,966,171,483

The difference between the limitation upon
all net debt outstanding as provided in
Article VIII, Section 7(a)(4) of the
Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
and the amount of outstanding net debt as of
May 27, 2010 \$48,110,944,653

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Auditor General, this 25th day of May 2010.

JACK WAGNER
Auditor General
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FARMLAND
PRESERVATION PROGRAM**

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

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
Department of Agriculture
2301 N. Cameron St.
Harrisburg, PA 17110-9408

May 28, 2010

Russell W. [sic] Faber
Chief Clerk
Senate of Pennsylvania
Room 89 East Wing
Capitol Building
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Dear Mr. Faber:

The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture is pleased to submit to the General Assembly an annual report for the period January 1, 2009

through December 31, 2009, in accordance with Section 14.4 of Act 149 of 1988 (the Agricultural Area Security Law).

In the 22 years since the authorizing legislation became effective, Pennsylvania's Farmland Preservation Program has permanently preserved over 433,000 acres of farmland. Act 149 provides for permanent preservation of agricultural land through the purchase of conservation easements from qualifying farmers. The Pennsylvania program is first in the nation in the number of acres preserved and is continuing to preserve farmland at a rate greater than any other state.

Should you have any questions about the data supplied in this report or require additional information, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

RUSSELL C. REDDING
Secretary

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

BILL SIGNED

The PRESIDENT (Lieutenant Governor Joseph B. Scarnati III) in the presence of the Senate signed the following bill:

HB 1720.

BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE

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

SB 104 (Pr. No. 2025) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.343, No.176), known as The Fiscal Code, providing for State-owned vehicle use.

SB 460 (Pr. No. 2026) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act providing for the regulation of indoor tanning facilities and for penalties.

SB 621 (Pr. No. 2027) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act relating to compliance with the Federal REAL ID Act of 2005.

SB 900 (Pr. No. 2028) (Amended) (Rereported)

An Act amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for neighborhood blight reclamation and revitalization.

SB 1057 (Pr. No. 1349) (Rereported)

An Act amending the act of December 22, 1983 (P.L.306, No.84), known as the Board of Vehicles Act, further providing for definitions, for licensure and for State Board of Vehicle Manufacturers, Dealers and Salespersons.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVES

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I request legislative leaves for Senator Pippy and Senator Tomlinson.

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

Senator O'PAKE. Mr. President, I request a legislative leave for Senator Musto.

The PRESIDENT. Senator Pileggi requests legislative leaves for Senator Pippy and Senator Tomlinson.

Senator O'Pake requests a legislative leave for Senator Musto. Without objection, the leaves will be granted.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE

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

Senator O'PAKE asked and obtained leaves of absence for Senator FERLO and Senator KITCHEN, for today's Session, for personal reasons.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

WEEKLY RECESS

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

In the Senate, June 7, 2010

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 14, 2010, 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 14, 2010, 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 PILEGGI and were as follows, viz:

YEA-47

Alloway	Farnese	O'Pake	Tomlinson
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vance
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Vogel
Boscola	Greenleaf	Pileggi	Ward
Browne	Hughes	Pippy	Washington
Brubaker	Kasunic	Rafferty	Waugh
Corman	Leach	Robbins	White, Donald
Costa	Logan	Scarnati	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Smucker	Williams
Earll	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Eichelberger	Mensch	Stout	Yaw
Erickson	Musto	Tartaglione	

NAY-0

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

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

**SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
GUESTS OF SENATOR DOMINIC F. PILEGGI
PRESENTED TO THE SENATE**

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

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, it is my pleasure, this afternoon, to introduce Chris Sywulak and his mother, Linda Sywulak, who are visiting the State Capitol today. They are residents of Haverford Township in Delaware County and are constituents of Senator Leach. Chris just completed eighth grade as a homeschooled student. As part of his civics assignment, he is visiting Harrisburg to learn more about State government and the legislative process. Chris and Linda are seated in the gallery.

Mr. President, I ask that we extend our traditional warm welcome to our visitors.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Pileggi please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR ANDREW E. DINNIMAN PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

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

Senator DINNIMAN. Mr. President, our guest Page here today is Jason Hachadorian. Jason is working as an intern with me this summer as well. He is an expert in his field of study, which is biology and the environment. I ask that we give a warm welcome to Jason, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guest of Senator Dinniman please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(Applause.)

Senator DINNIMAN. I am not sure whether members of East Coventry and East Vincent Elementary Schools were able to get back to the Chamber, but if they are here, we welcome them. And if they have not gotten back, we welcome them anyway.

Thank you, Mr. President.

(Applause.)

GUESTS OF SENATOR GENE YAW PRESENTED TO THE SENATE

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lycoming, Senator Yaw.

Senator YAW. Mr. President, visiting the Capitol today is the fourth grade from the Hepburn-Lycoming Elementary School, a part of the Williamsport School District in Lycoming County. I asked one of the students how he wanted me to introduce them, and he said, just introduce us as the best fourth grade in Pennsylvania. So with that, I ask that the Senate give a warm welcome to the Hepburn-Lycoming fourth grade.

The PRESIDENT. Would the guests of Senator Yaw please rise to be welcomed by the Senate.

(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 purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room immediately, to be followed by a Republican caucus to be held in the Majority Caucus Room.

The PRESIDENT. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lackawanna, Senator Mellow.

Senator MELLOW. Mr. President, I ask the Democratic Members to report to our caucus room upon completion of the meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

The PRESIDENT. For purposes of a meeting of the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations to be held in the Rules room, to be followed by 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.

CALENDAR

BILL ON CONCURRENCE IN HOUSE AMENDMENTS

BILL RECOMMITTED

SB 260 (Pr. No. 1944) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in minors, further providing for corruption of minors and for the offense of sexual abuse of children.

Upon motion of Senator PILEGGI, and agreed to by voice vote, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

HB 115 (Pr. No. 2093) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, providing for an exception to the interlocking business prohibition; further exempting certain hotels from certain requirements; and further providing for responsible alcohol management.

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

HB 115 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that House Bill No. 115, Printer's No. 2093, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED

THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED

BILL OVER IN ORDER

SB 1145 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

LEGISLATIVE LEAVE CANCELLED

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

CONSIDERATION OF CALENDAR RESUMED**THIRD CONSIDERATION CALENDAR RESUMED****BILL AMENDED**

SB 1161 (Pr. No. 1538) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Title 61 (Penal and Correctional Institutions) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in inmate prerelease plans, providing for inmates serving short minimum sentences; and, in probation and parole, further providing for parole power.

On the question,

Will the Senate agree to the bill on third consideration?

Senator PILEGGI, on behalf of Senator SCARNATI, offered the following amendment No. A7431:

Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by inserting after "parole,":

providing for release to group-based home providers and

Amend Bill, page 1, line 9, by striking out "a section" and inserting:

sections

Amend Bill, page 1, by inserting after line 19:

§ 6124. Release to group-based home providers.

(a) Public hearing required.--

(1) Upon release of an individual convicted of an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. § 2502 (relating to murder) to a group-based home provider, the board or, in the case where the individual is not subject to the jurisdiction of the board, a court of appropriate jurisdiction, shall conduct a public hearing within 20 miles of the location of the group-based home provider.

(2) At the public hearing the group-based home provider shall explain the operation of the group-based home provider and the board or court, as applicable, shall permit public comments relating to the site and operation of the group-based home provider.

(b) Public notice.--

(1) The board or court, as applicable, shall provide notice of the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation on at least two different dates prior to the hearing. Each notice shall provide information regarding topic, location and time of the public hearing and a contact number for interested persons to call for additional information.

(2) The board or court, as applicable, shall send a copy of the notice of the public hearing to the governing body of the municipality where the group-based home provider is located.

(c) Definition.--As used in this section, the term "group-based home provider" means a private residential facility that houses inmates with prerelease status or individuals who are on probation or parole.

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 PILEGGI.

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 1275 and **HB 1300** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

**BILL ON THIRD CONSIDERATION
AND FINAL PASSAGE**

HB 1641 (Pr. No. 2886) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act requiring a circulating nurse in certain operating rooms.

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-47

Alloway	Farnese	O'Pake	Tomlinson
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vance
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Vogel
Boscola	Greenleaf	Pileggi	Ward
Browne	Hughes	Pippy	Washington
Brubaker	Kasunic	Rafferty	Waugh
Corman	Leach	Robbins	White, Donald
Costa	Logan	Scarnati	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Smucker	Williams
Earl	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Eichelberger	Mensch	Stout	Yaw
Erickson	Musto	Tartaglione	

NAY-0

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

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

BILL OVER IN ORDER

HB 2070 -- Without objection, the bill was passed over in its order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

SECOND CONSIDERATION CALENDAR**BILLS OVER IN ORDER**

HB 47, HB 117 and **HB 264** -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

BILL REREFERRED

SB 291 (Pr. No. 292) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending the act of November 29, 1990 (P.L.585, No.148), known as the Confidentiality of HIV-Related Information Act, further providing for legislative intent, for consent to HIV-related tests and for counseling.

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

BILL LAID ON THE TABLE

SB 351 (Pr. No. 755) -- The Senate proceeded to consideration of the bill, entitled:

An Act amending Titles 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) and 54 (Names) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in Title 15, making extensive revisions, additions and deletions to preliminary material on general provisions; to corporation material on general provisions, on incorporation, on corporate powers, duties and safeguards, on officers, directors and shareholders, on fundamental changes, on registered corporations, on insurance corporations, on foreign business corporations, on incorporation and on foreign nonprofit corporations; to partnership and limited liability company material on general provisions, on registered limited liability partnerships, on general partnerships, on limited partnerships and on limited liability companies; and to material on business trusts; in Title 54, further providing for general provisions and for corporate and other association names; and making related repeats.

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

BILLS OVER IN ORDER

SB 384, HB 666, SB 699, SB 831, SB 1192, SB 1205, SB 1248, SB 1250, SB 1297, SB 1314, SB 1318, SB 1340, SB 1360, SB 1366, SB 1367, SB 1368, SB 1369, HB 1789 and HB 1859 -- Without objection, the bills were passed over in their order at the request of Senator PILEGGI.

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 287, ADOPTED

Senator PILEGGI, without objection, called up from page 6 of the Calendar, **Senate Resolution No. 287**, entitled:

A Resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to designate the Honor and Remember Flag as a national emblem of service and sacrifice by the brave men and women of the United States Armed Forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

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

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

**MEMBER OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

June 2, 2010

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 28, 2010, for the appointment of Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive,

Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as a member of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, to serve until April 1, 2012, and until her successor is appointed and qualified, but not longer than six months beyond that period, vice The Honorable Kim Pizzingrilli, Mechanicsburg, resigned.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

June 1, 2010

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 1, 2010, for the appointment of Amy K. Kokos, 22 Woodview Drive, Mount Holly Springs 17065, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Allegheny, Magisterial District 05-2-08, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Susan Evashavik DiLucente, elected to Court of Common Pleas.

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

EDWARD G. RENDELL
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NOMINATIONS RETURNED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. President, I request that the nominations just read by the Clerk be returned to His Excellency, the Governor.

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

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

**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 PENNSYLVANIA
HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**

March 1, 2010

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Reverend James Earl Garmon, Sr., 6656 Apple Street, Pittsburgh 15206, Allegheny County, Thirty-eighth Senatorial District, for reappointment as a member of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, to serve for a term of five years or until his successor is appointed and qualified.

EDWARD G. RENDELL
Governor

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

February 12, 2010

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, Steve Crawford, 14 Tall Tree Drive, Camp Hill 17011, Cumberland County, Thirty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Council of Trustees of Mansfield University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education, to serve until the third Tuesday of January 2013, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice Craig G. Litchfield, Wellsboro, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

SHERIFF, LUZERNE COUNTY

February 8, 2010

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

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, John F. Gilligan, 21 Ninth Street, Wyoming 18644, Luzerne County, Fourteenth Senatorial District, for appointment as Sheriff, in and for the County of Luzerne, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Michael A. Savokinas, resigned.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE

April 9, 2010

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, Elise Glenn, Esquire, 303 Young Drive, Apollo (Washington Township) 15613, Westmoreland County, Forty-fifth Senatorial District, for appointment as Magisterial District Judge, in and for the County of Westmoreland, Magisterial District 10-3-05, to serve until the first Monday of January 2012, vice The Honorable Lawrence J. Franzi, deceased.

EDWARD G. RENDELL Governor

NOMINATIONS LAID ON THE TABLE

Senator ROBBINS. Mr. 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. Mr. 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?

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

YEA-47

Alloway	Farnese	O'Pake	Tomlinson
Argall	Folmer	Orie	Vance
Baker	Fontana	Piccola	Vogel
Boscola	Greenleaf	Pileggi	Ward
Browne	Hughes	Pippy	Washington
Brubaker	Kasunic	Rafferty	Waugh
Corman	Leach	Robbins	White, Donald
Costa	Logan	Scarnati	White, Mary Jo
Dinniman	McIlhinney	Smucker	Williams
Earll	Mellow	Stack	Wozniak
Eichelberger	Mensch	Stout	Yaw
Erickson	Musto	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. Mr. President, I move that the Executive Session do now rise.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
BILLS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE**

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

SB 904 (Pr. No. 2029) (Amended) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Department of Public Welfare and the Governor, to grant and convey to West Bradford Township, certain lands situate in West Bradford Township, Chester County; and authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor and the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, to grant and convey to Waynesburg University certain lands situate in the Borough of Waynesburg, Greene County.

SB 987 (Pr. No. 1756) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act authorizing the Department of General Services, with the approval of the Governor, to grant and convey to Washington County Authority, certain lands situate in Cecil Township, Washington County.

HB 48 (Pr. No. 3850) (Amended) (Rereported) (*Concurrence*)

An Act amending the act of April 12, 1951 (P.L.90, No.21), known as the Liquor Code, further providing for definitions, for wine marketing, for sacramental wine licenses, fees, privileges and restrictions, for interlocking businesses prohibited, for number and kinds of licenses allowed same licensee, for limited number of retail licenses to be issued in each county, for unlawful acts relative to liquor, malt and brewed beverages and licensees, for licenses issued and for limited wineries.

SENATE RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Senators BAKER, SCARNATI, PILEGGI, ROBBINS, FOLMER, ALLOWAY, BOSCOLA, BRUBAKER, COSTA, DINNIMAN, EARLL, ERICKSON, FERLO, FONTANA, GREENLEAF, KASUNIC, KITCHEN, LOGAN, MUSTO, O'PAKE, ORIE, PIPPY, RAFFERTY, STACK, STOUT, TARTAGLIONE, TOMLINSON, VANCE, VOGEL, WASHINGTON, WAUGH, D. WHITE, M. WHITE, MENSCH and YAW, by unanimous consent, offered **Senate Resolution No. 354**, entitled:

A Resolution designating the week of June 13 through 19, 2010, as "State Veterans' Homes Week" in Pennsylvania.

On the question,
Will the Senate adopt the resolution?

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, this resolution recognizes "State Veterans' Homes Week" in Pennsylvania from June 13 to June 19. We have six veterans' homes that serve our veterans and their spouses. In northeastern Pennsylvania, the Gino Merli Veterans' Center serves all of our veterans in our region. It offers peace of mind and quality of care, and all of the homes do just that. So I ask my colleagues to join me in taking a moment to recognize the men and women who served us, as we try to serve them.

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 B and R Farms of Ringtown by Senator Argall.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Robert Cooper, Sr., Douglas A. Gaudet, Helen Adams and to Margaret L. Joy by Senator Baker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Nathan Charles Serfass and to Appalachian Creations, Inc., of Northampton, by Senator Boscola.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Wayside Presbyterian Church of Landisville, Keller Auctioneers of Lancaster and to the Terre Hill Fire Company by Senator Brubaker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Reverend Dr. William D. Hess, Kenneth J. Matsinger II, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 5302 of Malvern and to Pals for Life of Wayne by Senator Dinniman.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Academy at Palumbo Boys' Varsity Volleyball Team by Senator Farnese.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Willow Ridge Center of Hatboro by Senator Greenleaf.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Sister Fatimah Ali, Claudette W. Stone and to the Renaissance Community Development Corporation of Philadelphia by Senator Kitchen.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mary Margaret Merry by Senator Logan.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Moravian Hall Square of Nazareth, Haggerty Services, LLC, of Coopersburg, Plantique, Inc., of Allentown, Foot Solutions of Palmer, Lawn Envy Landscaping of Easton, Northeast Treework of Palmer, Crayola, LLC, of Easton, Nature's Way of Easton and to The Carmelcorn Shop of Easton by Senator Mensch and others.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to The Very Reverend E. Michael Camilli, Sister Danielle Marie Kubelsky and to Paula L. Lovello by Senator O'Pake.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Technical Sergeant Thomas Cloonan by Senator Orié.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Joshua T. Chimchirian by Senator Pileggi.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners by Senator Rafferty.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Rachel Farneth by Senator Smucker.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Thomas L. Denslinger by Senator Vance.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Irvin E. Chester by Senator Washington.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Kenneth P. Warner and to Trevor A. Brown by Senator Waugh.

Congratulations of the Senate were extended to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Frey, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Poust, Fred F. Marty and to Paige Robinson by Senator Yaw.

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 First Lieutenant Matthew D. Gaffney and to the family of the late Marion Bryan Gross by Senator McIlhinney.

SB 954 TAKEN FROM THE TABLE

Senator PILEGGI. Mr. President, I move that Senate Bill No. 954, Printer's No. 1205, be taken from the table and placed on the Calendar.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

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

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

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

Senator BAKER. Mr. President, the Interbranch Commission on Juvenile Justice has concluded its extensive investigation and public hearings. Its report is chilling in its depiction of calculated corruption and compelling in its call to action. Judge Cleland and the other commission members have rendered superb service to the cause of quality justice in the Commonwealth. Thankfully, their individual efforts have not ended, because they will be advocates for change believed necessary.

Their diligence needs to be matched by follow-through on the part of all three branches of State government. By starkly detailing the breakdown of the system, by casting the net far and wide for reform recommendations, and by reaching agreement on 20 categories of recommended changes, the commission made it very hard for any part of State government to be indifferent to the situation.

As we all know, our offices are inundated with reports on every subject imaginable. If there is one that qualifies as a "must read," this is the one. In answering questions about how a good system could go so wrong, Judge Cleland used powerful words: "greed," "incompetence," "intimidation," "abdication of...responsibilities." There was a conspiracy of corruption led by two judges, there was a conspiracy of silence within the courthouse, and there was a conspiracy of acceptance within too much of our community. Indisputable is that assembly-line injustice adversely affected over 6,000 children and their families.

There is a lesson here about the moral bankruptcy that can result from overzealous and mindless application of zero-tolerance policies. Policies from which judgment is subtracted turn out less than just. Without functioning checks, there is no balance. Out-of-whack data reported from Luzerne County should have had red flags waving and alarm bells going off. Numbers do not self-indict. Someone in a position of responsibility has to analyze the data and challenge what does not seem right. The collapse of ethics and oversight was so complete that it was left to a Philadelphia-based advocacy group, the Juvenile Law Center, to raise objections and ultimately trigger an investigation.

There are implications in every direction. For instance, steps must be taken to insure that crime victims are not victimized again by the remedies for corruption. Our constitutional responsibility to establish a fair system of justice warrants action. We may not adopt every one of these recommendations, or we may do them in waves, or we may choose to change beyond what the commission has recommended. But we must consider and decide what we will do to compensate for the breakdown in justice, to prevent a repetition, and to restore public confidence. The people of Luzerne County, the juvenile advocacy community, and the broad swath of Pennsylvanians who care deeply about quality justice all have high expectations that action will be forthcoming.

For the Senate, the hearing of the Committee on Judiciary set for tomorrow by Senator Greenleaf is a quick and appropriate start. A recent editorial cartoon drew a parallel between the disastrous oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico and the Luzerne County "kids for cash" scandal. One is an environmental catastrophe, the other a civic catastrophe. There is a horrible stain on a juvenile justice system that was highly regarded nationally. Thus, injustice has also been visited on the highly capable and highly ethical individuals devoting their professional lives to juvenile justice. We talk a great deal about doing things to help kids. This is our

chance to make a difference, to protect kids in the manner juvenile justice is meant to.

Although said in another time for another purpose, the words of Martin Luther King, Jr., have meaning here: quote, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." The excellent work of the interbranch commission and the substantial reform recommendations it produced give us a way to prevent the incredible injustices in Luzerne County from threatening the juvenile justice system everywhere in the Commonwealth.

Thank you, Mr. President.

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

Senator COSTA. Mr. President, I, too, rise on behalf of the Senate Democratic Caucus and join the gentlewoman in her comments that were made with respect to the manner by which the interbranch commission addressed the very, very important issues that have developed in Luzerne and the concern about making certain that those issues do not repeat themselves throughout the rest of this Commonwealth.

I really want to give my thanks to the individual commission members who put a lot of time and effort into understanding and appreciating and recognizing how valuable their assignment was and, as I said, put the time and effort in to make certain that they understood the various issues that were before them as it relates to how we carry out justice with respect to our juvenile individuals who find themselves appearing before our courts.

Mr. President, the manner by which this was achieved, I think, is also important for us to recognize. It was work that was done by men and women who came together from different angles or different aspects of the process and understanding of the juvenile justice system to be able to work together in a very deliberative fashion. They came out with a set of broad-based recommendations for the branches of government to begin to implement. I share Senator Baker's concern and hope and belief that we will ultimately have the opportunity to put into place or implement a number of these recommendations.

But most importantly, though, I think that we should be cognizant of the process by which we arrived at the recommendations, thank the individuals who participated in that process, and look to a similar type of process to help us serve in ways in which we can address a number of issues that may come before this General Assembly in years to come.

So I want to commend everyone for their efforts, Senator Baker, in particular, for the role that she played in really getting this thing to this point in time. But, as was indicated, our work is not done, and I look forward to working with her and Senator Musto and many of my colleagues in the Committee on Judiciary--Senator Greenleaf and Senator Leach--as we move forward in this process. Again, we want to stand up and say we support the work that has been done and to thank those individuals who served, and we look forward to the task ahead.

Thank you, Mr. President.

HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE AMENDMENTS BY AMENDING SAID AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL

The Clerk of the House of Representatives informed the Senate that the House has concurred in amendments made by the

Senate to House amendments by further amending said amendments to **SB 441**, in which concurrence of the Senate is requested.

The PRESIDENT. Pursuant to Senate Rule XIV, section 6, this bill will be referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

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

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2010

Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider Senate Bills No. 904 and 987; House Bill No. 48; and certain executive nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
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TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010

9:00 A.M.	MAJORITY POLICY COMMITTEE (joint public hearing with the Senate Finance Committee on the proposal to expand the Pennsylvania Sales and Use Tax)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.
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CANCELLED

9:30 A.M.	ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (to consider Senate Bills No. 1303, 1374 and 1379; and consideration of EQB Regulations No. 7-440 - Erosion and Sediment Control, and No. 7-446 - Wastewater Treatment Requirements)	Room 8E-B East Wing
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10:00 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to receive testimony relating to "best practices" in juvenile justice)	Hrg. Rm. 1 North Off.
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10:30 A.M.	AGING AND YOUTH (to consider House Bill No. 245)	Room 8E-B East Wing
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CANCELLED

10:30 A.M.	EDUCATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 250, 553, 890, 1134 and 1385; Senate Resolution No. 343; and an informational discussion on Senate Bill No. 1321)	Room 8E-A East Wing
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11:00 A.M.	BANKING AND INSURANCE (to consider Senate Bills No. 1181, 1222 and 1334; and House Bills No. 838 and 1251)	Room 461 Main Capitol
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11:30 A.M.	STATE GOVERNMENT (to consider House Bills No. 621 and 2275)	Room 8E-B East Wing
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12:00 P.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (to consider Senate Bills No. 1055, 1327 and 1328)	Room 461 Main Capitol
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Off the Floor	RULES AND EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS (to consider certain executive nominations)	Rules Cmte. Conf. Rm.
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2010

9:00 A.M.	CONSUMER PROTECTION AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE (public hearing to consider the nominations of James H. Cawley and John F. Coleman, Jr., to the Public Utility Commission)	Senate Maj. Caucus Rm.
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10:00 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (to consider House Bill No. 1175)	Room 8E-B East Wing
10:00 A.M.	TRANSPORTATION (to consider Senate Bills No. 522, 1049, 1163, 1288, 1305, 1315 and 1320; and House Bill No. 1800)	Room 461 Main Capitol

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2010

1:00 P.M.	JUDICIARY (to receive testimony regarding Philadelphia's criminal justice system, specifically looking at the issues of witness intimidation and witness relocation)	Phila. Bar Assn., 1101 Market St. 11th Floor Phila., PA
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TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010

10:30 A.M.	JUDICIARY (to receive testimony relating to "best practices" in juvenile justice)	Room 8E-B East Wing
12:00 P.M.	GAME AND FISHERIES (to consider Senate Bill No. 1272; and House Bill No. 2161)	Room 8E-A East Wing

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 2010

10:00 A.M.	COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY (gather information on the Keystone Initiative for Network Based Education and Research)	Room 8E-B East Wing
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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, June 8, 2010, at 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, unless sooner recalled by the President pro tempore.

The motion was agreed to by voice vote.

The Senate recessed at 3:58 p.m., Eastern Daylight Saving Time.