

NOT VOTING—0

EXCUSED—10

Carn	Jarolin	Mihalich	Ross
Carone	Kirkland	Roberts	Washington
DiGirolamo	Lawless		

A majority of the members required by the rules having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the motion was agreed to.

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Mr. PERZEL called up SR 29, PN 720, entitled:

A Concurrent Resolution directing the Joint Legislative Air and Water Pollution Control and Conservation Committee to study the issues concerning the renewal and management of this Commonwealth's forests; and creating a task force.

On the question,
Will the House adopt the resolution ?

The following roll call was recorded:

YEAS—192

Adolph	Donatucci	Major	Schuler
Allen	Druce	Manderino	Scrimenti
Argall	Eachus	Markosek	Semmel
Armstrong	Egolf	Marsico	Serafini
Baker	Evans	Masland	Seyfert
Bard	Fairchild	Mayernik	Shaner
Barley	Fargo	McCall	Smith, B.
Barrar	Feese	McGeehan	Smith, S. H.
Battisto	Fichter	McGill	Snyder, D. W.
Bebko-Jones	Fleagle	McIlhattan	Staback
Belardi	Flick	McNaughton	Stairs
Belfanti	Gannon	Melio	Steelman
Benninghoff	Geist	Michlovic	Steil
Birmelin	George	Micozzie	Stern
Bishop	Gigliotti	Miller	Stetler
Blaum	Gladeck	Mundy	Stevenson
Boscola	Godshall	Myers	Strittmatter
Boyes	Gordner	Nailor	Sturla
Brown	Gruitza	Nickol	Surra
Browne	Gruppo	O'Brien	Tangretti
Bunt	Habay	Olasz	Taylor, E. Z.
Butkovitz	Haluska	Oliver	Taylor, J.
Buxton	Hanna	Orie	Thomas
Caltagirone	Harhart	Perzel	Tigue
Cappabianca	Hasay	Pesci	Travaglio
Casorio	Hennessey	Petrarca	Trello
Cawley	Herman	Petrone	Trich
Chadwick	Hershey	Phillips	True
Civera	Hess	Pippy	Tulli
Clark	Horsey	Pistella	Vance
Clymer	Hutchinson	Platts	Van Horne
Cohen, L. I.	Itkin	Preston	Veon
Cohen, M.	Jadlowiec	Ramos	Vitali
Colaella	James	Raymond	Walko
Colaizzo	Josephs	Readshaw	Waugh
Conti	Kaiser	Reber	Williams, A. H.
Cornell	Keller	Reinard	Williams, C.
Corpora	Kenney	Rieger	Wilt
Corrigan	Krebs	Robinson	Wogan
Cowell	LaGrotta	Roebuck	Wojnaroski
Coy	Laughlin	Rohrer	Wright, M. N.
Curry	Lederer	Rooney	Yewcic

Daley	Leh	Rubley	Youngblood
Dally	Lescovitz	Sainato	Zimmerman
DeLuca	Levdansky	Santoni	Zug
Dempsey	Lloyd	Sather	
Dent	Lucyk	Saylor	Ryan,
Dermody	Lynch	Schroder	Speaker
DeWeese	Maitland		

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The majority of the members elected to the House having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the resolution was concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR D

BILLS ON CONCURRENCE
IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

BILL PASSED OVER TEMPORARILY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Turn to supplemental calendar D. HB 87 will be over temporarily.

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The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to HB 171, PN 2015, entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, further providing for absentee voting.

On the question,
Will the House concur in Senate amendments ?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. It is moved by the gentleman, Mr. Herman, that the House concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Delaware County, Mr. Vitali, on the question.

Mr. VITALI. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.
I would just ask that the gentleman explain those amendments.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. That question is certainly in order.
The Chair recognizes the gentleman, Mr. Herman.
Mr. HERMAN. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

The Senate has passed a very innocuous amendment striking out language on page 2, starting with lines 11 through 18, regarding the advertising requirements. This is not necessary in this legislation. It actually cleans the bill up and makes a better bill, and it does not affect the content of the legislation.
So I ask for an affirmative vote, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Philadelphia, Mr. Cohen.

Mr. COHEN. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, it has been said that the Senate amendments are innocuous. I agree the Senate amendments are innocuous, and I urge a vote of nonconcurrency because these innocuous Senate amendments do not deal with the fundamental problem of the bill.

This bill is going to lead to a huge increase in the number of absentee ballots that are cast. There are no additional safeguards in this bill. We have had major problems with absentee ballots in the past. We have had problems with the Marks-Stinson Senate election, which, for all practical purposes, destroyed the careers of both the candidates involved. We have a hotly contested traffic court seat in Philadelphia, which is apparently being decided by absentee ballots with a lot of acrimony.

Because the Senate amendments have not dealt with the fundamental task of providing safeguards for this process of expanding absentee ballots — that we are just going to have a lot of absentee ballots cast without safeguards — and because of all the problems we have had with absentee ballots, with the limited safeguards under current Pennsylvania and current Federal law, I would urge a “no” vote.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments ?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

YEAS—151

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| Adolph | Donatucci | Lynch | Sather |
| Allen | Druce | Maitland | Saylor |
| Argall | Egolf | Major | Schroder |
| Armstrong | Fairchild | Markosek | Schuler |
| Baker | Fargo | Marsico | Semmel |
| Bard | Feese | Masland | Serafini |
| Barley | Fichter | Mayernik | Seyfert |
| Barrar | Fleagle | McCall | Smith, B. |
| Battisto | Flick | McGill | Smith, S. H. |
| Bebko-Jones | Gannon | McIlhattan | Snyder, D. W. |
| Belfanti | Geist | McNaughton | Stairs |
| Benninghoff | George | Micozzie | Steelman |
| Birmelin | Gigliotti | Miller | Steil |
| Blaum | Gladeck | Nailor | Stern |
| Boscola | Godshall | Nickol | Stevenson |
| Boyes | Gordner | O'Brien | Strittmatter |
| Brown | Gruitza | Olasz | Taylor, E. Z. |
| Browne | Gruppo | Oliver | Taylor, J. |
| Bunt | Habay | Orie | Tigue |
| Buxton | Haluska | Perzel | Travaglio |
| Caltagirone | Harhart | Pesci | Trello |
| Cawley | Hasay | Petrone | True |
| Chadwick | Hennessey | Phillips | Tulli |
| Civera | Herman | Pippy | Vance |
| Clark | Hershey | Pistella | Van Home |
| Clymer | Hess | Platts | Walko |
| Cohen, L. I. | Horsey | Preston | Waugh |
| Conti | Hutchinson | Ramos | Williams, A. H. |
| Cornell | Itkin | Raymond | Williams, C. |
| Corrigan | Jadlowiec | Readshaw | Wilt |
| Cowell | Kaiser | Reber | Wogan |
| Coy | Keller | Reinard | Wojnaroski |
| Curry | Kenney | Rieger | Wright, M. N. |
| Dally | Krebs | Rohrer | Zimmerman |
| DeLuca | LaGrotta | Rooney | Zug |
| Dempsey | Leh | Rubley | |
| Dent | Lescovitz | Sainato | Ryan, |
| Dermody | Lucyk | Santoni | Speaker |

NAYS—41

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| Belardi | Evans | Melio | Stetler |
| Bishop | Hanna | Michlovic | Sturla |
| Butkovitz | James | Mundy | Surra |
| Cappabianca | Josephs | Myers | Tangretti |
| Casorio | Laughlin | Petrarca | Thomas |
| Cohen, M. | Lederer | Robinson | Trich |
| Colafella | Levdansky | Roebuck | Veon |
| Colaizzo | Lloyd | Scrimenti | Vitali |
| Corpora | Manderino | Shaner | Yewcic |
| Daley | McGeehan | Staback | Youngblood |
| Eachus | | | |

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The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

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The House proceeded to consideration of concurrence in Senate amendments to **HB 479, PN 2016**, entitled:

An Act amending the act of June 24, 1931 (P.L.1206, No.331) known as The First Class Township Code, providing for assessment of tapping fees; and further providing for contracts.

On the question,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments ?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. On that question, will the gentleman, Mr. Fairchild, give a brief explanation of the Senate amendments ?

Mr. FAIRCHILD. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

There was a one-word change, and it was just a technical change in the Senate that changed the wording from “municipality” to “township.”

The SPEAKER pro tempore. It is moved by the gentleman, Mr. Fairchild, that the House concur in the amendments inserted by the Senate.

On the question recurring,

Will the House concur in Senate amendments ?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution, the yeas and nays will now be taken.

YEAS—191

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| Adolph | Druce | Major | Schuler |
| Allen | Eachus | Manderino | Scrimenti |
| Argall | Egolf | Markosek | Semmel |
| Armstrong | Evans | Marsico | Serafini |
| Baker | Fairchild | Masland | Seyfert |
| Bard | Fargo | Mayernik | Shaner |