

WEEKLY SESSION NOTES

SENATE REPUBLICAN POLICY COMMITTEE – EDWIN B. ERICKSON, CHAIRMAN

Monday, January 25, 2010

[Senate Resolution 232](#) (Baker) recognizes the month of January 2010 as “Learn a Snow Sport Month” in Pennsylvania. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[Senate Resolution 233](#) (Vance) honors perianesthesia nurses and designates the week of February 1 through 7, 2010 as “PeriAnesthesia Nurse Awareness Week” in Pennsylvania. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[Senate Resolution 234](#) (Leach) supports the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month, January 2010. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[House Bill 458](#) (Fleck) would designate the bridge carrying U.S. Route 522 over the Aughwick Creek in Shirley Township, Huntingdon County as the Queen Aliquippa Bridge. [Passed: 50-0.](#)

[House Bill 1801](#) (Gergely) would designate the bridge in the Borough of White Oak, Allegheny County carrying State Route 2033 (McClintock Road) over Jack’s Run Stream as the Milton L. Lebowitz Memorial Bridge. [Passed: 50-0.](#)

Executive Session

Joseph M. Cosgrove – Judge, Court of Common Pleas, Luzerne County. [Confirmed: 50-0.](#)

Nominations to Various Boards and Commissions. [Confirmed: 50-0.](#)

Tuesday, January 26, 2010

[Senate Resolution 235](#) (Dinniman) observes the week of January 24 through 30, 2010 as “National Thrift Week” in Pennsylvania and calls on individuals, families and government at all levels to exercise thrift and fiscal responsibility. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[Senate Resolution 236](#) (Orie) recognizes the month of February 2010 as “American Heart Month” in Pennsylvania. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[Senate Resolution 237](#) (Boscola) designates the month of January 2010 as “Blood Donor Month” in Pennsylvania. [Adopted by Voice Vote.](#)

[House Bill 485](#) (Petrarca) would amend the Crimes Code to create and define the offense of operating a methamphetamine laboratory. An offense under these provisions would be a second degree felony unless it is committed within 1,000 feet of a school, college, university, nursery school or day care, or within 250 feet of a recreation center or playground, in which case it would be a first degree felony. Offenses under this section would also be subject to the

provisions of Section 1110 of the Code which provides for restitution for cleanup of clandestine laboratories. The bill specifically exempts the manufacturing operation of a licensed pharmaceutical company in the normal course of business. An additional provision would make it a third degree felony if a person knowingly deposits on any property a precursor substance, chemical waste or debris that has been or is intended to be used in the manufacture of methamphetamine or the preparation of a precursor substance for the manufacture of methamphetamine. This provision would not apply to the disposal of waste products by a licensed pharmaceutical company in the normal course of business or pursuant to federal or state laws regulating cleanup of waste products from the unlawful manufacturing of methamphetamine. **Passed: 50-0.**

Wednesday, January 27, 2010

Senate Bill 1091 (Vance) would amend the County Code to clarify that the official records and papers of the coroner deposited in office of the prothonotary are subject to the Right to Know Law. **Passed: 47-2.**

Senate Resolution 238 (Stack) declares the week of January 30 through February 6, 2010 as “Catholic Schools Week” in Pennsylvania. **Adopted by Voice Vote.**