

WEEKLY SESSION NOTES

SENATE REPUBLICAN POLICY COMMITTEE – MARIO M. SCAVELLO, CHAIRMAN

Monday, April 4, 2022

Bill voted on Third Consideration:

[SB 1030 \(YAW\)](#) – Creates the Heavy-Duty Diesel Emissions Control Program Suspensions Procedures Act to temporarily suspend Pennsylvania’s regulations adopting California regulations related to heavy duty vehicle diesel emissions controls, leaving the Federal standards to govern while the suspension is in effect. **PASSED 31-18.**

Bill amended on Third Consideration:

[HB 245 \(KAUFER\)](#) - Amends the Medical Practice Act to provide licensure for graduates of international medical schools and institutional licenses. **OVER AS AMENDED.**

[A03774 \(K. WARD\)](#) – Enables temporary licensees to participate in medical or surgical procedures, attend to the medical and surgical needs of a person visiting the Commonwealth for no more than three months, practice medicine and surgery in response to a need under a disaster emergency of proclamation by the Governor, and engage in any other purpose as deemed appropriate by the board on a case-by-case basis. **ADOPTED 49-0.**

Veto override:

[SCRRR 1](#) - A Concurrent Resolution disapproving the Environmental Quality Board regulation (#7-559) on CO2 budget trading program. **FAILED 32-17.**

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

Bills voted on Third Consideration:

[HB 245 \(KAUFER\)](#) - Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1985 to clarify licensure requirements for graduates of international medical schools, institutional licenses, and temporary doctors’ licenses. **PASSED 49-0.**

[SB 704 \(BAKER\)](#) - Amends Title 18 by providing that a caregiver is guilty of institutional sexual assault if he or she engages in certain sexual activities with a care-dependent person. **PASSED 47-2.**

Bill voted on Supplemental Calendar:

[SB 881 \(LANGERHOLC\)](#) - Amends Title 53 to provide for the Safe Exchange Zone Program. **PASSED 49-0.**

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Bill amended on Second Consideration:

[SB 1167 \(DISANTO\)](#) - Amends Title 12 to authorize financial institutions and insurers to provide services to legitimate cannabis-related businesses, prohibit adverse state regulatory or legal actions, and permit ordinary business deductions on state taxes. **OVER AS AMENDED.**

[A03856 \(DISANTO\)](#) – Allows for legitimate cannabis-related businesses to deduct ordinary and necessary expenses from state taxes. **ADOPTED 49-0.**

Bill amended on Supplemental:

[SB 797 \(ROBINSON\)](#) - Amends the Neighborhood Improvement District Act to expand eligible municipalities and projects within a district. **OVER AS AMENDED.**

[A03897 \(FONTANA\)](#) - Technical. **AGREED TO.**

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Bills voted on Third Consideration:

[SB 797 \(ROBINSON\)](#) - Amends the Neighborhood Improvement District Act to expand eligible municipalities and projects within a district. **PASSED 48-0.**

[HB 1184 \(MOUL\)](#) - Amends Title 8 (Boroughs and Incorporated Towns) to make various clarifications and technical changes, as well as to create a new chapter regarding solid waste collection and disposition, and to expand the types of municipalities eligible to become a borough. **PASSED 27-21.**

[A03916 \(KEARNEY\)](#) Removes the provisions authoring the incorporation of a borough from any contiguous area from one or more existing municipalities. **FAILED 21-27.**