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SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

BILL & PRINT #	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	STATUS/COMMITTEE
SB1	Piccola	<p>(PN 226) Amends the Public School Code adding the Opportunity and Scholarship and Educational Improvement Tax Credit Act; establishing the Excess Scholarship Fund; providing for educational improvement tax credit; and repealing provisions of the Tax Reform Code of 1971 relating to educational improvement tax credit. The opportunity scholarship program is established to provide scholarships to help low-income children pay tuition to attend a nonresident public school or a participating nonpublic school. The program shall be phased in over three academic years. Opportunity scholarships shall also be made available to attend a participating nonpublic school. The amount of the opportunity scholarship shall equal 100% of the Commonwealth's share of the resident school district's total revenue per average daily membership of the prior school year. The Excess Scholarship Fund is established and shall be funded by the amount of the opportunity scholarship awarded to an opportunity scholarship recipient in excess of the amount of tuition charged to the opportunity scholarship recipient. The Education Opportunity Board is created and it shall, among other duties, establish guidelines that meet the standards outlined in the legislation; the guidelines shall not be subject to review, regulation or approval by the State Board of Education. Beginning in the second consecutive school year of enrollment in a nonresident public school or a participating nonpublic school by an opportunity scholarship recipient who was enrolled in the recipient's resident school district when the recipient first received an opportunity scholarship under this subarticle, the amount of Commonwealth basic education funding paid by the department to the resident school district shall be reduced by an amount equal to the Commonwealth's share of the school district's total revenue per average daily membership. Following the 2014-2015 school year, the Education Opportunity Board shall conduct a study of the effectiveness of the opportunity</p>	<p>01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Education 02-14-11 S Discussed in roundtable on black history month 02-16-11 S Hearing set for 9:15 a.m., Hearing Room 1, North Office Bldg ...Senate Education 02-16-11 S Public hearing held in committee Senate Education 03-01-11 S Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Hearing Room 1, North Office Bld ...Senate Education 03-01-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate Education 03-01-11 S Reported as amended Senate Education 03-01-11 S First consideration 03-07-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-07-11 S Second consideration 03-07-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 03-07-11 S Discussed at public hearing ...Senate Education 03-29-11 S Discussed in Dept. of Education Budget Hearing ...Senate Appropriations 03-29-11 S Discussed in budget hearing with Dept. of Education ...House Appropriations 04-07-11 S Discussed in public hearing on vouchers ...House Democratic Policy Committee 04-11-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro ...Senate Appropriations 04-11-11 S Press conference held by Sen. Leach 04-11-11 S Discussed in Leg. Black Caucus hearing</p>
SB 2	Corman	<p>(PN 142) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) to state that in contributory negligence and in recovery with joint defendants and contribution, defendants shall be liable in dollar amount in direct relation to the amount they were liable. Liability shall be several and a judgment shall be entered against each individual defendant in the amount of their fault. Certain instances where liability is joint and several are detailed and where this is the case and where a defendant has paid more than his share, he is entitled to recover from the other defendants. Apportionment among certain non-parties and effect is also provided. Repealed is the previous section dealing with joint and several liability. Nothing in this section is to be construed to disallow the joining of parties who are potentially responsible.</p>	<p>01-18-11 S Filed 01-18-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-10-11 S Corrective reprint; Printer's No. 456 03-28-11 S Discussed at End Lawsuit Abuse Press Conference 04-11-11 S Hearing set for 9:00 a.m., Hearing Room 1, NOB ...Senate Judiciary 04-11-11 S Public hearing held in committee Senate Judiciary 05-19-11 S Hearing set for 12:00 p.m., Philadelphia Bar Assn ...Senate Judiciary 05-19-11 S Public hearing held in committee Senate Judiciary</p>

SB9	Scarnati	(PN 152) The Proof of Citizenship for Receipt of Public Benefits Act requires identification of lawful presence in the United States as a prerequisite to the receipt of public benefits.	01-19-11 S Filed 01-19-11 S Filed 01-19-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate State Government 02-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate State Government 02-08-11 S Reported as committed from Senate State Government 02-08-11 S First consideration 02-14-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Discussed in press conference by Senate Democrats 03-01-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-01-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-04-11 S Discussed in Press Conference 05-09-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro ...Senate Appropriations 05-09-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-09-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 05-11-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-11-11 S Second consideration 05-23-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-23-11 S Laid out for discussion 05-23-11 S 7 Floor amendment(s) adopted 05-23-11 S Over in Senate 05-24-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar
SB 31	Greenleaf	(PN 16) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure), in officers serving process and enforcing orders, adding a subchapter on municipal police, which states if a municipal police officer executes one or more warrants or effectuates the payment of fines and costs by attempting to execute one or more warrants, the fee for such service shall be \$35 per defendant. The fee shall be borne by the defendant and collected as provided by law for court costs. Once collected, the fee shall be remitted to the municipality which provided the service or to the Commonwealth if no municipal police department exists for the municipality.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB40	Greenleaf	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 23 (Domestic Relations) exempting volunteers for affiliates of United States Youth Soccer from paying the fee for criminal history record information and child-care information.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB42	Greenleaf	(PN 27) Amends Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) relating to the registration of sex offenders by requiring out-of-state offenders subject to lifetime registration requirements to register when they move into the commonwealth. Further provides offenders required to register under a previous statute are subject to Title 18 provisions for failure to register. Also makes changes to the powers and duties of the State Police and the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Reported as amended Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S First consideration 02-09-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations

SB 48	Greenleaf	(PN 33) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) by creating the Court Reporting Contract Act which states that contracts between a court reporter or court reporting firm and a party to a case or their representative cannot contain provisions that undermine the impartiality of the reporter, require the court reporter to provide any service to a party to the legal proceeding not offered to the other parties or give advantage to one party over another. An exception is provided for contracts involving a court, agency, or instrumentality of the US. Damages are provided for in that a private action can be brought against the parties to the contract in order to recover up to three times the actual damages suffered or \$100, whichever is greater. A court can also award injunctive relief and attorney's fees to the party that prevails in the suit.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB 49	Greenleaf	(PN 34) The Capital Case Representation Resource Center Act establishes the Capital Case Representation Resource Center of Pennsylvania, which would have the following duties: (1) track all capital cases through the trial, appellate and post-conviction levels in order to further the providing of continuing, competent representation and gather data relevant to ongoing representation; (2) through recruitment and screening, establish and maintain a panel of attorneys who are qualified and available to represent persons at all levels of litigation in capital cases in the courts of Pennsylvania; (3) when requested, provide assistance to attorneys involved in capital case litigation at all stages in identifying legal issues and preparing appropriate legal documents and arguments on behalf of their clients; (4) coordinate educational resources with national and other state organizations which provide legal assistance to inmates charged with capital offenses or under death sentences in other states at both the federal and state levels; (5) develop commonwealth-specific resources and coordinate continuing legal education activities concerning capital case litigation; (6) directly represent capital case litigants sentenced to death in Pennsylvania in direct appeals or post-conviction proceedings in the courts of Pennsylvania and in appeals there from in the US Supreme Court, on an as-needed basis where counsel is not otherwise available to the extent possible given the limited resources and other primary duties and responsibilities of the resource center; (7) identify counsel who are available for appointment and assist the courts involved in the appointment process and offer support for appointed attorneys; (8) serve, upon request, as a liaison between counsel litigating federal appeals and those litigating unexhausted issues in the state courts; (9) assume responsibility for monitoring representation in all capital case trials, appeals and post-conviction proceedings; (10) carefully track and, upon request, provide assistance to all attorneys	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB 59	Greenleaf	(PN 44) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) providing for review of complaints by the Judicial Conduct Board of any judicial officer that presents possible ethics violations. The Judicial Conduct Board is not to defer investigating on its own due to an ongoing criminal investigation or grand jury investigation. Any judicial officer who is the target of a criminal investigation must submit a letter detailing the same to the Judicial Conduct Board within ten days of learning of the investigation.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S First consideration 02-09-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-28-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-28-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 03-01-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-28-11 S Removed from Senate Calendar for 03-01-11 01-12-11 S Filed
SB 67	Greenleaf	(PN 52) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) adding a section requiring municipal law enforcement agencies to adopt and implement a written policy that governs procedures for strip searches and body cavity searches. Further provides that, except for certain exigent circumstances, the person conducting the search shall ensure that another person is present to witness the search. Also provides a body cavity search shall be conducted by qualified medical personnel in a hygienic setting.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB 69	Greenleaf	(PN 54) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations), in proceedings prior to petition to adopt, further providing for grounds for involuntary termination by adding that the rights of a parent convicted of any of several offenses (largely relating to sexual and indecent assault) would involuntarily be terminated. Parental rights would also be terminated if the child has been and is currently removed from the care of the parent under a court order or under a voluntary agreement with an agency and a court has previously determined that aggravated circumstances exist and reasonable efforts to reunify the child with the parent are not required.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB 79	Greenleaf	(PN 64) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure) repealing section 5326 pertaining to tribunals and litigants outside the commonwealth with respect to depositions and section 5328 pertaining to proof of official records. Adds a new subchapter known as the Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discover Act which shall apply to any civil action or proceeding in a foreign jurisdiction where discovery is sought in this commonwealth. For the purposes of this subchapter, "foreign jurisdiction" is a state other than Pennsylvania.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S First consideration 02-09-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-28-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-01-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-01-11 S Second consideration 03-07-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 03-08-11 S Third consideration 03-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 47/N: 0) 03-09-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary
SB 81	Greenleaf	(PN 66) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure), in special damages, further providing that the term "court" is replaced with "trier of fact".	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB 87	Greenleaf	(PN 72) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) exempting from jury duty persons 75 years of age or older who request to be excused from jury duty; judges and magisterial judges of the commonwealth and judges of the United States; and persons who have previously served on a statewide investigative grand jury, including any extension thereof, who request to be excused.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB88	Greenleaf	(PN 73) Amends Title 15 (Corporations & Unincorporated Associations) repealing section 9190 pertaining to customary parliamentary law applicable; section 9102 pertaining to funeral and similar benefits; and section 9130 pertaining to nontransferable membership interests. Adds a new chapter known as the Pennsylvania Uniform Unincorporated Nonprofit Association Law which would govern all unincorporated nonprofit associations that are formed or operate in the commonwealth.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S First consideration 02-09-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-14-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 02-28-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-01-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-01-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations

SB 96	Greenleaf	(PN 81) Amends Title 20 (Decedents, Estates & Fiduciaries), in will, to remove the power of appointment in the rules of interpretation. The amendments also ensure courts give due regard to the will and any other factor the court deems relevant and orders may include compensation for the personal representative. In determining a decedent's interest in real estate, applicability is limited along with who may petition for a determination and what shall be in the decree. According to the amendments, a health care agent may have the authority to authorize admission into a nursing or similar facility for the principal's care. In the accountability of a health care agent, a court's determination as to incapacity shall state the remaining extent of the agent's authority. In powers of attorney, the bill states the times when an individual other than the principal may sign and dictates that two witnesses over the age of 18 who are not an agent appointed of attorney are needed to sign the power of attorney. Preserving the estate plan of a testator is added as a fiduciary duty of a power of attorney. Equity and justice provisions are added for certain gifts made to an agent during the decedent's life. In gifting, the power to make a gift cannot be inferred from any other power. Gifts and estate plan changes requiring court approval are outlined and the procedure for such court approval is given. The bill requires an originally executed power of attorney to be filed with the clerk of the orphan's court and states, except for filing, a photo or electronic copy of the power of attorney has the same effect as an original. Annuities and powers of agents in relation to annuities are further provided for. Definitions for "power to operate a business or entity" and "power to provide personal or family maintenance" are provided. Determinations as to an agent's power under a durable power of attorney are provided along with required disclosures to be made by such an agent. Investigations and investigation procedure for investigations into a durable power	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB 100	Greenleaf	(PN 85) Amends Titles 42 (Judiciary) and 61 (Prisons and Parole). Amends Title 42 to have the Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing to consider a risk assessment instrument in its determinations and publish in the Pennsylvania Bulletin resentencing guidelines following revocation of probation, county intermediate punishment and state intermediate punishment, parole guidelines, risk assessment instrument and recommitment ranges following revocation by the board of paroles. Adds to the definition of "crime of violence" manslaughter of a law enforcement officer, murder of the third degree of an unborn child, and aggravated assault of an unborn child, assault of a law enforcement officer, use of weapons of mass destruction, certain trafficking of persons, and eco-terrorism. Allows sentencing to state motivational boot camp in some instances and sentencing to total confinement and RRR. Special sentencing procedures relating to sentencing to county intermediate punishment for drug traffickers is provided. Court imposed sanctions for those violating probation are provided, includes the revocation of probation. Amends Title 61 to place time eligibility and other conditions upon prerelease of certain inmates. Also adds Chapter 49 dealing with Safe Community Reentry. The chapter creates the Safe Community Reentry Program and requires the Department of Corrections to establish a program in prison for inmates to complete to ensure safe reentry into the community and reduce recidivism. The department may contract with private vendors for certain services relating to the program. Certain studies must be conducted and reports generated and delivered.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 03-29-11 S Discussed in budget hearing with Dept. of Corrections & Probation & Parole ...Senate Appropriations 06-14-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S Reported as amended Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S First consideration 06-27-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-27-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 09-19-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Appropriations 09-19-11 S Passed over in committee Senate Appropriations 09-20-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro ...Senate Appropriations 09-20-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 09-20-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 09-26-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar
SB120	Williams, A	(PN 98) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) further providing for firearms not to be carried without a license by adding the procedures for which any vehicle or vessel used to transport a person unlawfully carrying a firearm may be deemed contraband and forfeited.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB171	Washington	(PN 457) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) by providing for court review and approval of voluntary foster care extension agreements. A court shall review a voluntary foster care extension agreement entered into by a county agency and a child, where the child is at least 18 years of age and under 21 years of age and was declared dependent before reaching 18 years of age, to extend foster care placement and services. A court shall approve a voluntary foster care extension agreement where the terms of the agreement are in the best interest of the child. The bill also further defines "child" and "dependent child".	02-10-11 S Filed 02-10-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB175	Washington	(PN 461) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) providing for a limit on handgun purchases and sales and establishing the Violence Prevention Fund. The legislation would limit individuals to purchasing no more than one handgun within any 30-day period. The bill provides for exceptions, including firearm dealers and collectors, law enforcement agencies or certain individuals whose handgun is stolen or irretrievably lost. The bill provides for penalties and requires fines collected to be deposited in the newly created Violence Prevention Fund. Money in the fund would be appropriated to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for purposes of violence prevention and youth violence prevention, including youth education and activities designed to prevent violence and grants to law enforcement agencies for equipment and training designed to prevent gun-related injuries.	02-10-11 S Filed 02-10-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB185	Washington	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) prohibiting persons ordered to undergo involuntary mental health treatment on an outpatient basis from owning firearms. The person ordered to undergo involuntary outpatient mental health treatment may petition the court to review the sufficiency of the evidence under which they were ordered. If the court determines there was insufficient evidence, the court may order the mental health record to be expunged by the Pennsylvania State Police.	03-23-11 S Filed 03-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB188	Washington	Amends Titles 23 (Domestic Relations) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure). Amends Title 23 to increase the cost of a marriage license to \$38 and requiring \$35.50 to be remitted to the commonwealth. \$35 shall be transmitted to the Department of Public Welfare for services for victims of domestic violence. Amends Title 42 to implement a \$25 divorce fee to be directed to the commonwealth for services for victims of domestic violence.	03-25-11 S Filed 03-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB189	Washington	Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations), in protection from abuse, to require a petition for protection from abuse to be served by the sheriff within 24 hours. Also requires the transmission of such a petition to the police departments and sheriffs with appropriate jurisdiction within 24 hours.	03-25-11 S Filed 03-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB211	Eichelberger	(PN 227) Amends Titles 42 (Judiciary) & 61 (Prisons & Parole) adding language authorizing probation and parole officers to seize contraband in the possession of persons under their supervision.	01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 02-08-11 S Passed over in committee Senate Judiciary
SB267	Brubaker	(PN 244) Joint Resolution amending Article VIII of the Pennsylvania Constitution to provide for a two-year fiscal period, rather than a single fiscal year.	01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government
SB272	Alloway	(PN 249) Amends the Tax Reform Code, in inheritance tax, to completely phase out the inheritance property transfer tax by 2019.	01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB273	Alloway	(PN 271) Amends Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in general principles of justification, in Title 42 to have deadly force be justified even if the person does not comply with demands from one who is threatening them. Conditions are given for when a reasonable belief that deadly force is required to protect oneself. Also, conditions when this belief is not reasonable are provided. Limitations are placed upon the duty to retreat before deadly force is used and certain presumptions are allowed to be made about a person entering a home or vehicle by force. The ability of public officers to use deadly force in the performance of their duties is provided. In Title 18, the use of deadly force in the protection of a third person is provided for and a person protecting a third person does not need to retreat beyond where the third person is required to retreat. Theft constituting a felony of the first degree is provided for and the definition of "loaded" added. Civil immunity for the use of force is provided for.	01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 03-01-11 S Hearing set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 03-01-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Room ...Senate Judiciary 03-01-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 03-01-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 03-01-11 S First consideration 03-02-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-02-11 S Second consideration 03-07-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-07-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-07-11 S Laid out for discussion 03-07-11 S 1 Floor amendment(s) adopted 03-07-11 S Over in Senate 03-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 03-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 03-08-11 S Third consideration 03-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 43/N: 4) 03-09-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary
SB280	Orie	(PN 254) Amends the PA Human Relations Act further providing for findings and declaration of policy by including discrimination based on familial or marital status as a matter of concern for the Commonwealth. The bill defines "marital status" and adds both to relevant subsections of the Act.	01-26-11 S Filed 01-26-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry

SB336	Orie	(PN 313) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in registration of sex offenders, to change the reporting requirements for certain offenses from ten years to 15 or 25 years. The bill also adds to the list of what must be included in the offender's registration. Bill requires registration prior to release from incarceration or parole. Further requires monthly residence verification of sexually violent predators and requires quarterly appearance and verification of sexually violent predators. Semiannual verification and annual residence verification are provided for sex offenders.	01-28-11 S Filed 01-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB351	Baker, L.	PN 745) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) further providing for Good Samaritan civil immunity relating to automated external defibrillators. Also provides for non-medical Good Samaritan immunity from civil liability to any person who in good faith renders emergency care, treatment, first aid or rescue at the scene of or during the course of an emergency event or to a victim of a crime, or who moves the person receiving such care, first aid or rescue to a hospital or other place of medical care except when such harm is intentional.	03-04-11 S Filed 03-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 05-03-11 S Discussed in AHA/ASA press conference
SB377	Tomlinson	(PN 362) Amends the County Code authorizing the abolition of jury commissioners in counties of the second class A having a population under the 2010 Federal decennial census in between 600,000 and 630,000 residents.	02-03-11 S Filed 02-03-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Local Government
SB397	White, MJ	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) prohibiting the imposition of the death sentence in cases of mental retardation. The bill adds that to be eligible for relief under this subchapter, the petitioner must plead and prove by a preponderance of the evidence that the conviction or sentence resulted from the existence of mental retardation as defined in section 9711(q) (relating to sentencing procedure for murder of the first degree). Any petition under this subchapter, including a second or subsequent petition, would be filed within one year of the date the judgment becomes final, unless the petition alleges and the petitioner proves that the petitioner claims he is a person with mental retardation. Upon a finding that evidence has been presented that is sufficient to establish that the petitioner is a person with mental retardation the court would direct that the sentence of death be vacated and that the defendant be sentenced to life imprisonment.	02-04-11 S Filed 02-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 09-27-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary
SB411	Browne	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure) to allow a county agency, court or juvenile probation department shall use certain juvenile record information to assist in making a disposition under this section. Information may be shared between county agencies in order to help care for a child who is being supervised by the state. Minimum standard for interagency information sharing agreements are provided.	02-04-11 S Filed 02-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 05-03-11 S Hearing set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 05-03-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 05-03-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 05-03-11 S First consideration 05-24-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-24-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
SB412	Browne	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary) defining "electronic mail address" and "instant messaging screen name" and requiring offenders and sexually violent predators to provide all online identities and any changes in those identities.	02-04-11 S Filed 02-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB451	Erickson	Amends Titles 42 (Judiciary) & 75 (Vehicles), in Title 42, making editorial changes and adding a section provided for vehicle forfeiture in addition to any other penalties for driving under the influence. The bill provides for exceptions and the process for seizure and disposition of proceeds from forfeited property. In Title 75, the bill provides for grading for habitual offenders and other penalties relating to driving under the influence.	02-16-11 S Filed 02-16-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation
SB459	Baker, L.	Amends the Crime Victims Act further providing for petitions to deny parole upon expiration of minimum sentence to add that the victim shall be permitted to provide testimony before the person or body making the parole release decision.	02-09-11 S Filed 02-09-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB461	Leach	(PN 450) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) providing for same-sex marriages. Amends the definition of "marriage" as "a civil contract between two people who enter into matrimony." Nothing in the title shall be construed to compel a religious sect to perform same-sex marriages. Also provides marriages performed legally outside the Commonwealth shall be recognized by the Commonwealth. In addition, section 1704 pertaining to marriage between persons of the same sex is repealed.	02-09-11 S Filed 02-09-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 02-14-11 S Discussed in press conference by Sen. Leach

SB466	Browne	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) further providing for death action by adding that the stepchildren of a decedent can participate in the damages of a death action if they were a dependent of the decedent at the time of death.	02-09-11 S Filed 02-09-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB470	Argall	(PN 465) Amends Title 45 (Legal Notices) to remove references to "printing" and replacing it with "publishing."	02-10-11 S Filed 02-10-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government
SB549	Fontana	(PN 652) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) to add "serious physical injury" to several definitions. Also requires a staff member of an medical or other private or public school, institution, facility, or agency to be a mandated reporter when the person suspected of child abuse is the head of the agency or their designee. Adds the child's disability status to the list of mandated reporting requirements for child abuse. Makes it a misdemeanor of the second degree to knowingly or intentionally make a false report of child abuse. Bill also limits who can see the information of a person suspected of child abuse to the Secretary of Education and a child-care employer or school administrator. Requires school administrators to make a report of child abuse in the case of a child displaying signs of serious bodily injury in certain circumstances. Also requires a report of child abuse to the appropriate county agency. When the suspected abuse concerns a child with a disability, the county agency shall additionally inform the State protection and advocacy system of the investigation and the substance of the complaint. Notice of founded or investigated reports to an employer and the Secretary of Education is provided.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Aging and Youth 05-24-11 S Meeting set for 9:15 a.m., Room 156 Main Capitol ...Senate Aging and Youth 05-24-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Aging and Youth 05-24-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Aging and Youth 05-24-11 S First consideration 06-20-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-20-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
SB550	Erickson	(PN 653) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations), in child protective services, to provide for additional definitions and to make it misdemeanor of the third degree to knowingly or intentionally file a false report of child abuse against a school, private residential rehabilitative institution, detention facility, school employee, private residential rehabilitative institution employee or detention facility employee. Bill adds to the list of required subfiles to be retained indefinitely in the statewide register of child abuse for founded complaints. Adds "private residential rehabilitative institution employee or detention facility employee" to several provisions. Gives the process and procedure from the denial of a request for review of the incident relating to amendment or expunction.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Aging and Youth 06-08-11 S Meeting set for 9:30 a.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Aging and Youth 06-08-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Aging and Youth 06-08-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Aging and Youth 06-08-11 S First consideration 06-20-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-20-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
SB617	Yudichak	(PN 626) Amends the Tax Reform Code, in realty transfer tax, to exclude a transfer for no or nominal actual consideration from a corporation not-for-profit, all of the members of which are members of a veterans service organization, which organization is a corporation not-for-profit, to the veterans service organization.	02-23-11 S Filed 02-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB619	Farnese	(PN 628) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) further providing for the offense of carrying a firearm without a license by stating that upon conviction an offender would serve a mandatory minimum one-year sentence.	02-23-11 S Filed 02-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB620	Farnese	(PN 629) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) by adding that persons charged with a felony under the following offenses are not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms: Section 2502 (relating to murder); Section 2503 (relating to voluntary manslaughter); Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault); Section 2703 (relating to assault by prisoner); Section 2901 (relating to kidnapping); Section 3121 (relating to rape); Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse); Section 3301 (relating to arson and related offenses); Section 3502 (relating to burglary); Section 3701 (relating to robbery); Section 3702 (relating to robbery of motor vehicle); Section 3923 (relating to theft by extortion) when the offense is accompanied by threats of violence; Section 4952 (relating to intimidation of witnesses or victims); Section 4953 (relating to retaliation against witness, victim or party); and any offense equivalent to any of the above-enumerated offenses under the prior laws of this Commonwealth or any offense equivalent to any of the above-enumerated offenses under the statutes of any other state or of the United States.	02-23-11 S Filed 02-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB621	Farnese	(PN 630) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) adding that a person convicted of any offense under the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, or any equivalent Federal statute or equivalent statute of any other state, that may be punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding two years and is not to possess, use, manufacture, control, sell or transfer firearms.	02-23-11 S Filed 02-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB622	Farnese	(PN 631) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) by providing an exception to firearms not to be carried without a license for a person who possesses a valid license or permit to carry a firearm which has been issued under the laws of another state, provided that, in addition to current law, the person has applied to and not been denied a license by a sheriff or the chief of police of a city of the first class (Philadelphia).	02-23-11 S Filed 02-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB637	Ward	Amends Title 62 (Procurement), in contracts for public works, adding a subchapter requiring verification of the employment eligibility of all employees for purposes of wage reporting and employment eligibility in certain public works projects as a precondition of being awarded a contract. The bill prescribes penalties and establishes good faith immunity under certain circumstances.	02-24-11 S Filed 02-24-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government 04-06-11 S Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 156 Main Capitol Building ...Senate State Government 04-06-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate State Government 04-06-11 S Reported as amended Senate State Government 04-06-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-04-11 S Discussed in Press Conference 05-09-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Ro ...Senate Appropriations 05-09-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-09-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 05-11-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-11-11 S Second consideration 05-23-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-23-11 S Laid out for discussion 05-23-11 S 1 Floor amendment(s) adopted 05-23-11 S Over in Senate 05-24-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-24-11 S Laid out for discussion 05-24-11 S Third consideration 05-24-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 42/N: 7)
SB639	Ward	(PN 657) Amends the Family Caregiver Support Act to change the title to "Pennsylvania Caregiver Support Act" and to add additional definitions. Further, the bill makes editorial changes removing or adding to references of "family caregivers" to make the law applicable to "primary caregivers" who take care of adult family members or other individuals. Other editorial changes are made by the bill.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Aging and Youth 03-02-11 S Meeting set for 10:30 a.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Aging and Youth 03-02-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Aging and Youth 03-02-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Aging and Youth 03-02-11 S First consideration 04-06-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar
SB647	Boscola	(PN 662) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) providing for limitation of liability for mold and mold damage by stating that unless the parties otherwise agree in writing, no contractor who installs an HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) system in a structure would be liable for any personal injuries, property damage or any other damages, losses or claims related to mold or mold damage. This would not apply to personal injuries, property damage or any other damages, losses or claims related to mold or mold damage caused by one or more defects in workmanship by a contractor relating to the installation of an HVAC system.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB649	Boscola	(PN 664) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) by stating that a county may develop a chronic runaway children treatment plan to address problems with chronic runaway children in the county. The county must submit the plan to the department for approval and may request funding for its implementation, and the department may award funding to a county to implement an approved county runaway children treatment plan. The bill also states that within 24 hours of being detained, either in a runaway assessment and treatment center or a detention facility, a chronic runaway child would be assessed by a counselor who specializes in runaway profiles to determine: (1) the reasons why the child is a chronic runaway, (2) whether the child should be adjudicated dependent, and (3) what treatment procedures should be prescribed for the child and for the parent, legal guardian or custodian from whom the child ran away.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB650	Boscola	(PN 665) Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Pennsylvania Constitution establishing a Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Bureau for the purpose of reapportioning and redistricting the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.	02-25-11 S Filed 02-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government

SB654	Argall	(PN 689) Amends the Workers' Compensation Act further defining "occupational disease" to include cancer suffered by a firefighter which is caused by exposure to a known carcinogen. The bill states compensation pursuant to cancer suffered by a firefighter shall only be to those firefighters who have served four or more years in continuous firefighting duties, who can establish direct exposure to a carcinogen and have successfully passed a physical examination prior to asserting a claim or prior to engaging in firefighting duties and the examination failed to reveal any evidence of the condition of cancer. The presumption may be rebutted by substantial competent evidence that shows that the firefighter's cancer was not caused by the occupation of firefighting. The Department of Labor and Industry shall submit data on the amount of successful claims processed to the chairmen House and Senate Labor and Industry Committees every two years.	02-28-11 S Filed 02-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry 04-06-11 S Meeting set for 9:30 a.m., Room 156 Main Capitol Building ...Senate Labor and Industry 04-06-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Labor and Industry 04-06-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Labor and Industry 04-06-11 S First consideration 04-11-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 04-11-11 S Second consideration 04-11-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 04-11-11 S Meeting set for Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Rm ...Senate Appropriations 04-11-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 04-11-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 04-12-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 04-12-11 S Laid out for discussion 04-12-11 S Third consideration 04-12-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 50/N: 0) 04-20-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Veterans Affairs & Emergency Prepared. 06-15-11 H Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room G-50, Irvis Office Building repaired. ...House Veterans Affairs & Emergency Prepared. 06-15-11 H Voted favorably from committee on House Veterans Affairs & Emergency Prepared.
SB659	Hughes	(PN 690) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) eliminating the statute of limitations for a violation of 18 Pa.C.S. 3212 (relating to infanticide). Additionally, a two-year statute of limitation is imposed for an offense under section 3211 (relating to abortion on unborn child of 24 or more weeks gestational age).	02-28-11 S Filed 02-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB694	Costa	Amends the Tax Reform Code, in corporate net income, further providing for the definition of "taxable income."	04-25-11 S Filed 04-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB703	Gordner	(PN 691) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) eliminating the statute of limitations for a violation of 18 Pa.C.S. 3212 (relating to infanticide). Additionally, a five-year statute of limitation is imposed for an offense under section 3211 (relating to abortion on unborn child of 24 or more weeks gestational age).	02-28-11 S Filed 02-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB719	Wozniak	(PN 703) Amends the Public Welfare Code adding language providing the Department of Public Welfare shall develop and implement a drug test and drug retest program approved by the Department of Health to screen applicants for and recipients of cash assistance benefits. Further provides each applicant or recipient 18 years of age or older but under 65 years of age must meet these requirements. The bill provides for the department's responsibilities under these provisions. Also provides for denial of assistance for failing a drug test or retest.	02-28-11 S Filed 02-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Public Health and Welfare
SB720	Wozniak	(PN 704) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) outlining provisions for determination of paternity using blood or DNA testing. The presumption of paternity of a child born during wedlock is reaffirmed and made subject to the certain provisions outlined in the bill.	02-28-11 S Filed 02-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB733	Williams, A	(PN 746) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) providing for liability of parents and guardians by stipulating sentencing guidelines and penalties for committing any act or omitting the performance of any duty, which act or omission causes or tends to cause or encourage any person under 18 years of age to come within the provisions of 6315 (relating to taking child into protective custody) or section 6315 of Title 23 (relating to adjudication), providing for standard of care, and providing for the review, approval and applicability of pretrial diversion programs. The bill includes rules governing waivers, admissibility, and hearings.	03-04-11 S Filed 03-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S First consideration 09-26-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar

SB737	Rafferty	(PN 750) The Security and Immigration Compliance Act provides for a memorandum of understanding between the Commonwealth and the United States Department of Justice or Department of Homeland Security concerning the enforcement of Federal immigration and customs laws, detention and removals and investigations in Pennsylvania. The bill provides for training of law enforcement officers as designated by PSP.	03-04-11 S Filed 03-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Law and Justice
SB746	Pileggi	(PN 766) Amends the Tax Reform Code, in realty transfer tax, providing extensively for definitions, adding limited liability partnerships and limited liability companies to the scope relating to excluded transactions and acquire company; and, in inheritance tax, further providing for transfers not subject to tax. The conveyance of assets held by a family farm corporation or family farm partnership to a limited partnership, limited liability partnership or limited liability company in which at least 75 percent of the ownership interest is held by members of the same family as the family holding ownership interest in the conveying corporation or partnership shall not be considered to be a transfer of assets. Additionally, a transfer of real estate devoted to the business of agriculture between members of the same family shall not be subject to the transfers tax, provided that after the transfer the real estate continues to be devoted to the business of agriculture for at least ten years and the real estate derives a yearly gross income of at \$2,000. The bill shall apply retroactively to transactions on or after January 1, 2011.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB748	Farnese	(PN 758) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) providing an exception for nonmedical Good Samaritan civil immunity provided the person rendering care possesses a reasonable belief that the circumstances would result in the death or serious bodily injury of the victim if no action is taken.	03-04-11 S Filed 03-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB751	Vance	(PN 760) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary), in juvenile matters, further defining "dependent child" by adding language to include a child who is a newborn and receives a diagnosis for fetal alcohol syndrome or tests positive for any amount of an illegal controlled substance, unless the child tests positive for a controlled substance as a result of the mother's lawful intake of such substance as prescribed.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB753	Vance	(PN 761) Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) further providing for the definition of "child abuse" adding language to include when a child tests positive at birth for a controlled substance as defined in section 2 of The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, unless the child tests positive for a controlled substance as a result of the mother's lawful intake of the substance as prescribed.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Aging and Youth 08-26-11 S Hearing set for 1:00 p.m., Tots-n-Tike Ctr, Youngwood ...Senate Aging and Youth 08-26-11 S Public hearing held in committee Senate Aging and Youth
SB754	Boscola	(PN 762) Amends Title 44 (Law & Justice) to remove certain felony offenses, relating to sex offenses, from when DNA must be obtained. Notes every person arrested for a felony must have their DNA taken and prescribes when the DNA must be taken. Bill details how DNA is to be collected from persons accepted from other jurisdictions. Also allows for expungement of the DNA record for any person who applies to the Pennsylvania State Police and meets enumerated requirements the PSP must consider when deciding to expunge the DNA record.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB755	Boscola	(PN 763) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) further providing for the defense of insanity by redefining "legal insanity" as if at the commission of the offense, the actor was laboring under such a defect of reason from disease of the mind as not to know the nature and quality of the act he was doing. The mental soundness of an actor would not be a defense to a charged offense and there would be no verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity. Evidence of legal insanity of the actor would be admissible only for the purpose of proving that the insanity rendered the actor incapable of forming the requisite intent or state of mind which is an element of the offense.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB756	Boscola	(PN 764) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) establishing "Robin's Law"; providing for registration of domestic violence predators; establishing the Domestic Violence Predator Assessment Board; and imposing powers and duties on the Pennsylvania State Police and on the Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB772	Stack	(PN 786) Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in minors, defining the offense of providing minors access to firearms, prescribing penalties, and providing for defense. The bill requires a person who stores or leaves a firearm on a premises within the reach or easy access of a minor without the supervision required by law to keep the firearm securely locked away or secure it with a trigger lock. A person who offers for sale at retail any firearm shall post in a conspicuous place the following notice: It is unlawful to store or leave a firearm in any place within the reach or easy access of a minor.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB773	Stack	(PN 787) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) by adding that a person who is convicted of three or more violations of 18 Pa.C.S. (relating to crimes and offenses) shall be sentenced to the maximum penalty available.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB774	Stack	(PN 788) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) adding that a person sentenced under a mandatory sentence for second and subsequent offenses shall not be eligible to serve any portion of his sentence at a prisoner prerelease center.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB775	Pileggi	Amends Title 44 (Law & Justice), in DNA data and testing, further providing for policy, for definitions, for State DNA Data Base, for procedural compatibility with FBI and for DNA sample required upon conviction, delinquency adjudication and certain ARD cases; providing for collection from persons accepted from other jurisdictions; further providing for procedures for withdrawal, collection and transmission of DNA samples, for procedures for conduct, disposition and use of DNA analysis; providing for request for modified DNA search; further providing for DNA data base exchange and for expungement; and providing for severability. The legislation would require that individuals arrested for certain serious crimes to submit DNA samples and authorizes the State Police to use modified DNA searches to assist investigators in identifying unknown crime-scene DNA profiles that contain enough common characteristics to indicate that the source of the crime-scene profile could be a close relative of an offender whose profile is already in the database, per Senator Pileggi's office.	03-15-11 S Filed 03-15-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 09-27-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary
SB782	Stack	(PN 795) Amends Title 75 (Vehicles) further providing for accidents involving death or personal injury by increasing the mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Transportation
SB784	Stack	(PN 797) Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure) providing a 20 year minimum prison sentence for a person that possesses a semiautomatic firearm during the commission of a crime. "Semiautomatic firearm" is defined.	03-07-11 S Filed 03-07-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB815	Baker, L.	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) further providing for right to counsel by adding that although a child alleged to be delinquent may appear with counsel at the intake conference conducted by a juvenile probation officer following the submission of a written allegation, counsel is not mandatory at this proceeding. If a party other than a child appears at a hearing without counsel the court shall ascertain whether he knows of his right thereto and to be provided with counsel by the court if applicable. The court may continue the proceeding to enable a party to obtain counsel. Counsel must be provided for a child who appears at a hearing without counsel, and counsel for the child cannot be waived.	03-11-11 S Filed 03-11-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 06-06-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-06-11 S Second consideration 06-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-08-11 S Third consideration 06-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0) 06-10-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary

SB816	Baker, L.	Amends the Crime Victims Act further providing for the Office of Victim Advocate by adding that the advocate shall represent and advocate for the interest of crime victims generally.	03-11-11 S Filed 03-11-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 06-06-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-06-11 S Second consideration 06-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-08-11 S Third consideration 06-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0) 06-10-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary
SB817	Baker, L.	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) providing for the use of restraints on juveniles during court proceedings by requiring that restraints be removed prior to the commencement of a court proceeding. The bill provides for exceptions.	03-11-11 S Filed 03-11-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Reported as amended Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 06-06-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-06-11 S Second consideration 06-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-08-11 S Third consideration 06-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0) 06-10-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary
SB818	Baker, L.	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in juvenile matters, providing for disposition information by adding that prior to entering an order of disposition, the court shall state the reasons for its disposition on the record in open court, together with the goals, terms and conditions of that disposition. If the child is to be committed to out-of-home placement, the court shall also state the name of the specific facility, or type of facility, to which the child will be committed and the reasons why commitment to that facility, or type of facility, was determined to be the least restrictive placement that is consistent with the protection of the public interest and best suited to the child's treatment, supervision, rehabilitation and welfare.	03-11-11 S Filed 03-11-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Meeting set for 12:30 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Appropriations 05-23-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Appropriations 06-06-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-06-11 S Second consideration 06-08-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-08-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-08-11 S Third consideration 06-08-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 49/N: 0) 06-10-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary
SB821	Smucker	Amends the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act further defining "public work" by increasing the projected cost threshold from \$25,000 to \$200,000.	03-14-11 S Filed 03-14-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry

SB822	Smucker	Amends the PA Prevailing Wage Act further defining "maintenance work" to includes the following actions taken on roads: (1) Replacement in kind, or compliance with current Department of Transportation design criteria and standards, of guide rails, curbs, pipes, line painting and other related road equipment; (2) Repair of pavement service; (3) Widening of existing alignment which does not result in additional lanes or new shoulders; and (4) Bridge cleaning, washing, resurfacing with blacktop, minor nonstructural repairs or improvements and painting, except when combined with complete bridge rehabilitation.	03-14-11 S Filed 03-14-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry
SB833	Robbins	Amends the Workers' Compensation Act to provide coverage and compensation for volunteer members of emergency management teams injured when responding to an emergency.	03-14-11 S Filed 03-14-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry
SB842	Earll	Amends Title 71 (State Government) establishing the Appellate Court Nominating Commission to nominate individuals for the offices of justice of the Supreme Court and judge of the Superior Court and Commonwealth Court.	03-15-11 S Filed 03-15-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB843	Earll	Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Pennsylvania Constitution changing and adding provisions relating to selection of justices and judges. The bill provides for the selection (in lieu of election) of judges of the Superior and Commonwealth Courts and magisterial district judges. Vacancies shall be filled by the governor, with the consent of the Senate.	03-15-11 S Filed 03-15-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB850	Greenleaf	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offense) and Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in minors, to make it a misdemeanor of the second degree for a minor to engage in cyberbullying or sexting. Bill provides definitions and allows for the expungement of being a minor dealing with alcohol between after their 18th birthday after application following the convicted's 21st birthday. Allows the expungement of juvenile delinquency cases and cases involving summary offenses committed while the individual was under 18 years of age if the case with a written allegation was not approved for prosecution or the individual successfully completed an informal adjustment and no proceeding seeking adjudication or conviction is pending. Further allows for expungement of records if the individual is 18 years of age or older and has complied with the terms of a sentence relating to illegal dealing in alcohol or has been convicted of illegal dealing in alcohol as a minor and had their driving license suspended. Expungement shall include all criminal history record information and all administrative records of the Department of Transportation relating to the conviction. Adds to Title 42 provisions relating to interpretation for the court to use the least punitive means possible and providing for scope. Allow for certain non-public hearings related to certain summary offenses and allows for adjudicative alternatives for minors charged with a summary offense. A presumption of indigency is granted for all children.	03-16-11 S Filed 03-16-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Press Conference Held 04-12-11 S Voted favorably from committee as amended Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S Reported as amended Senate Judiciary 04-12-11 S First consideration 05-04-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-04-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
SB879	Rafferty	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary & Judicial Procedure), in limitation of time, providing for limitation for life of victim, stipulating a civil action against a person or other entity for damages resulting from a violation of certain delineated provisions of 18 Pa.C.S. (relating to crimes and offenses) may be commenced at any time during the life of the victim if the victim was less than 14 years of age at the time of commission of the criminal offense and the criminal offense was committed on or after the effective date of this section.	03-22-11 S Filed 03-22-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB885	Leach	Amends Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses) and 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure) to provide a definition of "commercial sex" and to make immune from prosecution any person charged with prostitution who is the victim of human trafficking. Amends Title 42 to allow for a motion to vacate a conviction of prosecution when it is proved the convicted person was a victim of human trafficking.	03-23-11 S Filed 03-23-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB910	Farnese	Amends PA Human Relations Act further providing for title, findings & for right to freedom from discrimination in employment, housing & public accommodation & defining "sexual orientation" & "gender identity or expression".	04-06-11 S Filed 04-06-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government 04-27-11 S Discussed in press conference

SB919	Hughes	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses) further providing for sale or transfer of firearms by adding that the subsection shall not be construed to authorize law enforcement to sell or transfer any confiscated firearm; and for duties of the Pennsylvania State Police by adding if the reasonable efforts of the law enforcement agency fail to identify the lawful owner of the confiscated or recovered firearm within 120 days, or if the lawful owner of the firearm is otherwise prohibited from possessing the firearm, the law enforcement agency shall destroy the firearm. A section providing for destruction of confiscated or recovered firearms is added. No confiscated or recovered firearm may be destroyed if the firearm is evidence in an ongoing investigation or in a criminal prosecution or civil litigation.	03-30-11 S Filed 03-30-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB928	Solobay	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in firearms and other dangerous articles, to provide definitions, remove provisions relating to the time of delivery of a firearm and to require a signed Form 4473 to be obtained from the purchaser of a firearm before the sale is completed. Requires a seller to contact the National Instant Check System (NICS) for a background check and receive approval from NICS before selling a firearm and note such approval on Form 4473. Removes certain duties from the Pennsylvania State Police with regard to performing background checks and other areas relating to the sale of firearms.	04-04-11 S Filed 04-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB929	McIlhinney	(PN 1156) Amends the Public Welfare Code adding a section allowing county and youth offices to purchase services from private providers for prevention, in home, foster family care, group home or residential or institution services.	05-02-11 S Filed 05-02-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Aging and Youth
SB960	Greenleaf	Amends Title 15 (Corporations and Unincorporated Associations) making extensive revisions, additions and deletions 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.	04-11-11 S Filed 04-11-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB968	Dinniman	Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in riot, disorderly conduct and related offenses, further providing for the offense of cruelty to animals by stipulating a person commits a misdemeanor of the first degree if he willfully and maliciously kills, maims, disfigures, tortures or administers poison to or exposes any poisonous substance with intent to administer such poison or poisonous substance to any dog or cat, guide dog or service dog that is in the care, control or supervision of an individually directly benefiting from a protection from abuse order and where the person committing the harm against the animal is subject to the protection from abuse order. The bill lays out specific penalties upon conviction.	04-14-11 S Filed 04-14-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB974	White, MJ	Amends the Public Welfare Code adding definitions; and further providing for false statements, investigations and penalty and for reporting fraud.	04-25-11 S Filed 04-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Public Health and Welfare
SB986	Wozniak	(PN 1159) Amends Title 45 (Legal Notices) adding language allowing for the electronic publication of the various municipal codes.	05-02-11 S Filed 05-02-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Local Government 05-10-11 S Meeting set for 12:00 p.m., Room 461 Main Capitol ...Senate Local Government 05-10-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Local Government 05-10-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Local Government 05-24-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 05-24-11 S Rereferred to Senate Appropriations
SB987	Erickson	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary) further providing for form of permanent recordation and for copies of destroyed records.	04-25-11 S Filed 04-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB998	Stack	Amends the Sterling Act further providing for the rate of taxation.	04-25-11 S Filed 04-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Finance
SB999	Stack	(PN 1160) Amends the Medical Care Availability and Reduction of Error (Mcare) Act providing for mandatory arbitration. Provides if an action commenced against a healthcare provider cannot be settled by the parties then the parties shall submit the case to mandatory arbitration under the authority of the court of common pleas of the relevant jurisdiction and venue. Further provides for appeals from arbitration; arbitration awards; and jury trial. Also provides for a study of the mandatory arbitration process to be conducted by the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee four years after the effective date of this act.	05-02-11 S Filed 05-02-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Banking and Insurance
SB1002	Stack	Amends Title 18 (Crimes & Offenses) providing for the offense of home invasion.	04-25-11 S Filed 04-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB1020	Farnese	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary) further providing for problem-solving courts.	04-28-11 S Filed 04-28-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB1044	Scarnati	(PN 1175) Amends Title 45 (Legal Notices) expanding membership on the Joint Committee on documents to nine members from five members. The new membership shall include: The General Counsel, the Director of the Pennsylvania Code, and the Minority Leaders of the House and Senate.	05-04-11 S Filed 05-04-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Rules and Executive Nominations
SB1045	Rafferty	Amends Title 18 (Crimes & Offenses), in sports and amusements, requiring operators of a commercial venue or recreational facility that offers winter spring activity to offer a helmet to customers under age 12. The bill outlines standards for the helmet and provides for penalties. "Winter sporting activity" means sledding or skiing on snow and snowboarding. The term does not include ice skating.	05-16-11 S Filed 05-16-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB1050	Browne	Amends the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act to prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression.	05-10-11 S Filed 05-10-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government
SB1052	McIlhinney	The Official Language Act makes English the official language of the Commonwealth.	05-10-11 S Filed 05-10-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government
SB1069	Browne	The Professional Employer Organization Registration and Recognition Act provides for the registration and regulation of professional employer organizations. Also provides for the powers and duties of the Department of Labor & Industry, fees, and penalties.	05-16-11 S Filed 05-16-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry
SB1070	Scarnati	Amends the Workers' Compensation Act, in procedure, providing for insurance for different forms of business by adding that insurers are authorized to provide, on a voluntary basis, to sole proprietors, partners of a partnership or members of a limited liability company, workers' compensation insurance equivalent to that which employers provide to employes which insure their liability. For the purposes of computing the premium charge, the wages shall be at least equal to the minimum payroll for a corporate officer, and no more than the maximum payroll for a corporate officer. Additionally, the bill repeals provisions on logging.	05-16-11 S Filed 05-16-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry
SB1074	Brubaker	Amends the Public Official Compensation Law providing that for the period January 1, 2012, and ending December 31, 2013, the cost of living adjustment for the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the State Treasurer, the Auditor General, the Attorney General, the Cabinet and members of various boards and commissions shall be zero.	06-03-11 S Filed 06-03-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate State Government
SB1077	Mensch	Amends the Workers' Compensation Law to exclude an alien who has entered the United States without government permission or stayed beyond the termination date of a visa from the definition of employe.	06-03-11 S Filed 06-03-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Labor and Industry
SB1078	Farnese	Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for restriction of divorce. Adds language providing no law permitting the dissolution of marital status shall be valid except in the case of willful and malicious desertion, cruel and barbarous treatment of a spouse, endangerment of the life or health of a spouse, a bigamous marriage or imposition of such indignities as to render a spouse's condition intolerable and life burdensome.	06-17-11 S Filed 06-17-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB1080	Greenleaf	Amends Titles 18 (Crimes and Offenses), 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), 46 (Legislature), 53 (Municipalities), 61 (Prisons & Parole) & 75 (Vehicles) to codify provisions relating to the Legislative Reference Bureau, Legislative Data Processing Committee, Capitol Preservation Committee, Pennsylvania Commission on Sentencing, and the Pennsylvania Center for Research and Public Policy into what shall be known as "The Legislative Code" under Title 46. Editorial changes and related repeals are made.	05-24-11 S Filed 05-24-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Inter-Governmental Operations 05-25-11 S Hearing set for 11:00 a.m., Hearing Rm 1, North Office Bldg ...Senate Inter-Governmental Operations 05-25-11 S Public hearing held in committee Senate Inter-Governmental Operations
SB1092	Greenleaf	Amends Title 20 (Decedents, Estates & Fiduciaries), in powers of attorney, to allow the principal to delegate a signator for power of attorney. Also provides for acknowledgment of the power of attorney by the principal on form similar to that provided in the bill. A copy of the power of attorney document shall have the same effect as the original. If a person furnishes a document of power of attorney that appears to be valid, the person receiving orders under the document shall comply with its terms. "Reasonable cause" is defined.	06-03-11 S Filed 06-03-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SB1105	Washington	Amends the Landlord and Tenant Act providing for abuse victim status protection to disallow the removal of a lessee or legal tenant based upon their status as a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Provides for definitions of victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.	07-25-11 S Filed 07-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Urban Affairs and Housing
SB1106	Washington	The Domestic Violence Safe Housing Act prohibits a landlord from terminating or failing to renew tenancy based upon an act of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking against a protected tenant or household member. The act outlines findings related to domestic violence and provides for definitions of terms. The act provides for landlord and tenant duties with regard to restrained persons.	07-25-11 S Filed 07-25-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Urban Affairs and Housing
SB1131	Greenleaf	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in general provisions relating to civil actions and proceedings, to provide (with exception) for proportional liability. Exceptions include intentional misrepresentation, an intentional tort, where a defendant is at least 60 percent liable, a violation of section 702 of the Hazardous Sites Cleanup Act, a violation of section 497 of the Liquor Code, in the case of economic damages, in the case where a minor has a beneficial interest. Defendants found jointly and severally liable may seek contributions from defendants not paying their fair share and pursuant to a contractual agreement. Proportion of liability shall be determined by the trier of fact and shall not be admissible in any other proceeding or action for any purpose. Makes related repeals, further provides for definitions, and provides for a savings clause.	06-13-11 S Filed 06-13-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 06-14-11 S First consideration 06-15-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-15-11 S Second consideration 06-20-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-20-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-20-11 S 1 Floor amendment(s) adopted 06-20-11 S Over in Senate 06-21-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar 06-21-11 S Laid out for discussion 06-21-11 S Third consideration 06-21-11 S Final Passage (Vote: Y: 32/N: 18) 06-21-11 H Received in the House and referred to House Judiciary 06-22-11 H Meeting set for 10:00 a.m., Room 418 Main Capitol ...House Judiciary 06-22-11 H Voted favorably from committee on House Judiciary 06-22-11 H Reported as committed from House Judiciary 06-22-11 H First consideration 06-22-11 H Laid on the table 06-23-11 H Set on the Tabled Calendar 06-23-11 H Removed from the table
SB1153	Greenleaf	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in post-trial matters, allows the filing of a miscarriage of justice petition to be filed at any time. All other petitions under section 9545(b)(1) must be filed within one year.	06-17-11 S Filed 06-17-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB1157	Stack	Amends Title 42 (Judiciary and Judicial Procedure), in sentencing, providing for attachment of income in agreement with certain stipulations, designated attachment process, attachment amounts, attachment termination, and requirements employer must follow. Provides for state income tax refund intercept program when cost effective to do so. Also provides for determination of any court fines, fees, or costs as resulting from criminal conviction prior to making any lottery winnings payment. Includes person's right to appeal, rules, and regulations.	06-21-11 S Filed 06-21-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SB1160	Wozniak	The Benefits Information Requirement Act provides that no child or mother of a child, when applying for or receiving benefits concerning the child, shall be eligible for benefits from a State program unless the mother provides to the department administering the benefits a copy of the child's birth certificate that shows the names and Social Security numbers of the child's father and mother.	06-20-11 S Filed 06-20-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Public Health and Welfare
SB1167	Baker, L.	Amends Titles 23 (Domestic Relations) and Title 51 (Military Affairs) further providing for modification of existing orders. Applies to all custody orders except as provided in Title 51 regarding child custody proceedings during military deployment. Provides for assignment of custody rights during military deployment and right of servicemember to petition modification of custody order. Allows for expedited or electronic hearing for good cause shown, upon motion of a parent assigned military duties.	06-21-11 S Filed 06-21-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Meeting set for 11:30 a.m., Room 8E-B, East Wing ...Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Voted favorably from committee on Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S Reported as committed from Senate Judiciary 09-20-11 S First consideration 09-26-11 S Set on the Senate Calendar
SB1231	Solobay	Amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) to require paternity tests to include blood and DNA tests. Reaffirms the presumption of paternity to a child born during wedlock and gives the instances where such paternity may be challenged.	09-06-11 S Filed 09-06-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary

SR 6	Greenleaf	(PN 131) Resolution directing the Joint State Government Commission to establish a bipartisan task force and an advisory committee to conduct a study of capital punishment in this Commonwealth and to report their findings and recommendations.	01-12-11 S Filed 01-12-11 S Introduced and referred to committee on Senate Judiciary
SR121	Tartaglione	Resolution designating the month of May 2011 as "Law Month" in Pennsylvania and urging lawmakers, lawyers, judges and schools to participate.	05-11-11 S Filed 05-11-11 S Introduced and adopted
SR122	Leach	Resolution designating the week of May 16 through 22, 2011, as "Juror Appreciation Week" in Pennsylvania.	05-11-11 S Filed 05-11-11 S Introduced and adopted