

CAPITOL BLUE CROSS

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County Counselor*

I. PREVIOUS HISTORY

A. 38 YEARS PUBLIC SERVICE

B. ONLY FIVE IN PRIVATE SECTOR

II. WILL HAVE SERVED 20 YEARS

A. 28 IN OUR CLASS-14 RS AND 14 DS

Class of 87 -

B. FAIRLY DIVERSE

1. 3 AFRICAN AMERICANS

2. 4 PHILLADEPHIANS

3. A COUPLE ALLEGHENY COUNTY

4. A NUMBER FROM THE REST OF THE

STATE

5. 3 WIDOWS OF DECEASED MEMBERS

a. WILSON

b. TELEK

c. LOUGHLAN

6. JIM MADERINO ELECTED SPEAKER

II. DIFFERENCES-POLITICAL - My District

- A. WESTMORELAND COUNTY AND SOUTHWESTERN PA HAVE SWUNG CONSIDERABLE TO THE RIGHT
- B. SOUTHEASTERN PA HAVE SWUNG CONSIDERABLY TO THE LEFT

Buck -
Fiske -
SANTOLUCCI
SWAN

\$25000 -
\$300000

III. DIFFERENCE-LEGISLATIVE

- A. SIX YEARS IN MAJORITY
- B. TWELVE YEARS IN MINORITY
- C. YEAR AND HALF IN MAJORITY
- D. QUITE FRANKLY AS A MEMBER OF OUR CAUCUS I REALLY DON'T SEE MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE

IV. WHAT REMAINS THE SAME

A. THE LEADERSHIP CONTROL THE PROCESS
RIGHTLY OR WRONGLY

B. THE SYSTEM DOESN'T KNOW ALLOW FOR
OPENNESS IN BUDGET OR OTHER
LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

C. WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF LEADERS OF
YOUR CAUCUS YOUR PROSPECTS
POLITICALLY OR LEGISLATIVELY ARE IN
DOUBT

D. THAT HAS REMAINED PRETTY MUCH THE
SAME FROM 1989 UNTIL THE PRESENT EXCEPT
FOR A PERIOD OF ENLIGHTENMENT STARTING
IN JULY 2005 BUT I FEAR THAT MAY BE
WANING.

V. PAY RAISE VOTE

- July 8 2005

Media -
Advocacy Group

A. SUCH A LARGE OUTCRY THAT RANK AND FILE
HAD (HAS AN OPPORTUNITY) TO MAKE
SUBSTANTIVE CHANGES TO PROCESS

1. 55 NEW MEMBERS
2. THREE LEADERS DEFEATED OUTRIGHT
3. 19 ENCUMBANTS LOST (MANY IN
PRIMARIES)
4. WHAT IT DID THOUGH WAS TO FORCE
FOR THE FIRST TIME AN OPPORTUNITY
FOR CHANGE

Summary

VI. BI PARISAN COMMITTEE -

VII. SPEAKERS COMMISSION ON REFORM

A. RULES

1. 8:00 AM – 11:00 PM
2. NOTIFICATION OF MEMBERS ON VOTES
3. TIME TO READ AND UNDERSTAND
CONCURRENCE VOTES AND
AMENDMENTS-2ND CONSIDERATION
AMENDMENTS ONLY
4. SUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENTS IN RULES
AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
DISALLOWED- LATER CHANGED
5. SINE DIE AND ETHICS COMMITTEE
DEFEATED

B. LEGISLATIVE-PHASE II

1. OPEN RECORDS
2. SIZE OF LEGISLATURE

3. TERM LIMITS

4. CAMPAIGN FINANCE REFORM

VIII. OTHER ISSUES DIDN'T MAKE THE CUT

A. MEMBERS COMPENSATION

1. FULL TIME VS PART TIME

2. LEGISLATIVE ONLY

3. REPRESENT CONSTITUENTS

B. REAPPORTIONATE REFORM

1. MOST POLITICAL

2. LAST MAPS WERE AN EXAMPLE OF THE
WORST PART OF OUR LEGISLATURE

IX. PRESSURE SEEMS TO BE RECEIVED

A. MOMENTEM IS WANING

B. HOW TO REVITALIZE THE EFFORT

X. CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

A. EVANS COMMISSION

B. DETERMINE THE SCOPE

C. COULD VERY WELL DEAL WITH THE OTHER
ISSUES

XI. CONSUMER AFFAIRS

A. LABOR DAY BILL

B. REDRAFT OF 1961 FUNDING BILL

C. STATE PARKS DEVELOPMENT

XII. Historic Preservation Tax Credit

Life Insurance - increase of
premiums of PA NG -

TRAIN - Commuter Rail -

- Wonderful experience
would like to think did
some good.
But term limited for
10 terms!