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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Tuesday, March 16, 2021

Thirteenth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, Tuesday, March 16, 2021 and is called to order at 4:06 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 68 members present and 7 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 68: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson and Williams.

ABSENT – 7: Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Tobon

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Diaz who delivers the Invocation and leads the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Tuesday, March 9, 2021, is approved.

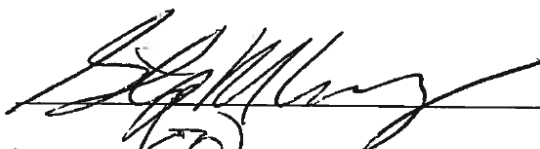
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House of Representatives

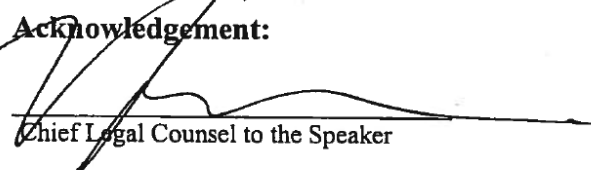
CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Rep. Casey
hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H-5309
entitled: An Act Relating to Property - - Residential Landlord & Tenant Act
which is currently in the House Committee on Judiciary.

Signature:  _____

House District: (50) _____

Date: 3/16/21 _____

Acknowledgement:


Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

NOTE: This request must be submitted to the Clerk of the House, who will retain the original and a copy to be placed in the committee's original bill file

RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY



House of Representatives

CO-SPONSORSHIP REMOVAL REQUEST 2021

Pursuant to House Rule 15(g)(ii), Representative Denries
hereby requests the removal of their co-sponsorship of Bill # H6037
entitled: An Act Relating to Tax agreement between E.P. & S. Nor
which is currently in the House Committee on Municipal Gov. & Housing

Signature: B. Denries

House District # 64

Date: 03/16, 2021

Acknowledgement:
[Signature]
Chief Legal Counsel to the Speaker

NOTE: This request must be submitted to the Clerk of the House, who will retain the original and a copy to be placed in the committee's original bill file

COMMUNICATIONS

Representative Marszalkowski is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

CONSENT CALENDAR

From the Consent Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021:

- 1. 2021-S 74**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

- 2. 2021-S 266**
BY McCaffrey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage in concurrence.

Majority Leader Blazewski moves passage of the Consent Calendar, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi.

The Consent Calendar prevails in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 60 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 60: Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Donovan, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima S, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Solomon, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021:

- 1. 2021-H 5203**
BY Phillips
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Solomon moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Cortvriend, McEntee, Hawkins, Phillips, Cardillo and Craven.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 4 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Roberts and Quattrocchi.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 71 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 71: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, ShallcrossSmith, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

- 2. 2021-H 5507**
BY Kazarian
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
CHARTER OF M.C. SOUSA TRUCKING & EXCAVATION, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Solomon moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski.

ANNOUNCEMENT**PROXY VOTES**

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

3. 2021-H 5906

BY Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF WARWICK NECK AVENUE, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Solomon moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski.

ANNOUNCEMENT**PROXY VOTES**

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

4. 2021-H 5079

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FUNDRAISING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Phillips, Carson, McEntee, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Speakman, Amore, Noret, Morales, Biah, Donovan, Azzinaro, Casimiro, Bennett, Fogarty, McLaughlin, Hull, Fellela, Casey, Solomon, S. Lima Whip Kazarian, Alzate, Barros, Messier, McGaw, Ajello and Cardillo.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 75 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 75: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

5. 2021-H 5534

BY Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Chairman Abney moves passage of the act, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Bennett, Slater, Hull, Biah, Amore, Perez, Williams, Azzinaro, Cortvriend, McLaughlin, Barros and Casey.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 1 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 1: Representatives Place.

RECUSED - 0:

6. **2021-H 5431**
BY Ackerman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RESTROOM ACCESS ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Chairman Casey moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Representatives Amore, Speakman, Noret, Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Biah, Abney, Ruggiero, Azzinaro, Cortvriend, Craven, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Cassar, Shallcross Smith, McLaughlin, McNamara, Bennett, Casimiro, S. Lima, Felix, Potter, Barros, Fellela, Messier and Hull.

Representatives Carson, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Chippendale, Williams, McLaughlin and Minority Leader Filippi discuss the act.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote 73 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

7. **2021-H 5092**
BY Fellela
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- PASSIVE VOLUNTARY ADOPTION MUTUAL CONSENT REGISTRY ACT -- ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Chairman Craven moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Abney, Amore, Phillips, Caldwell, Morales, McEntee, Ruggiero, Azzinaro, Cortvriend, Knight, Fogarty, Ajello, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Donovan, Corvese, Vella-Wilkinson, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Deputy Speaker C. Lima, Bennett, Diaz, Cardillo, Biah, Carson, Fellela, McNamara, Potter, S. Lima, Casimiro, Whip, Kazarian, Felix, Barros, Messier, O' Brien and Casey.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobin.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 75 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 75: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

- 8. 2021-H 5025**
BY Newberry
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Carson, Speakman, Phillips, O' Brien, Morales, Abney, Ruggiero, Azzinaro, Ajello, Corvese, Cardillo, Bennett, McNamara, Newberry, S. Lima, Messier and Diaz.

Representatives Morales and Newberry discuss the act.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 73 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 73: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 2: Representatives Morales, Potter.

RECUSED - 0:

9. 2021-H 5478

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Speaker Pro Tempore, Representatives Azzinaro, Costantino, Shallcross Smith, Abney, McNamara, Casey, S. Lima, Casimiro, Barros, Minority Leader Filippi, Hawkins, Vella - Wilkinson, Alzate and Hull.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 4 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 1 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 1: Representatives Ranglin-Vassell.

RECUSED - 0:

10. 2021-H 5821

BY Hawkins

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING THE 2020 AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SMITHFIELD

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski, Representatives Casimiro, Abney, O'Brien, Barros, Azzinaro, Hull, Phillips, Costantino, McLaughlin and Casey.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursaunt to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 4 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursaunt to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

12. 2021-H 6108

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$11,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD AND SIDEWALK INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives O' Brien, Hawkins, Vella-Wilkinson, Abney, Azzinaro, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Ruggiero, Cardillo, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Diaz, Corvese, McLaughlin, Hull, Tanzi, McNamara, Casey, Casimiro, Barros, Minority Leader Filippi, Cortvriend and S. Lima.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 5 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Edwards, Lombardi, Marszalkowski Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 75 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 75: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

11. 2021-H 5952

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

Chairman Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski and the Entire House of Representatives.

ANNOUNCEMENT

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 4 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Lombardi, Marszalkowski, Ranglin-Vassell and Tobon.

Minority Leader Filippi announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 2 to be recorded in the affirmative Representatives Quattrocchi and Roberts.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 74 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 74: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C, Lima S, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Abney announces The Governor's Budget was introduced on Thursday. House Fiscal Staff has published its first overview and all should have received their copies. Next week more expansive analysis and larger publications will be available. This also can be found on the General Assembly Website.

Representative McLaughlin wishes everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day and a Happy St. Joseph's Day. He also announces that an Irish Inventor was Henry Ford and is the owner of Ford Motor Company.

Representative Casimiro wishes both Joseph Walter Bucko a World War II Veteran who will turn 101 on March 20th a Happy 101st Birthday and her nephew Lt. Sean Kelly this weekend will be celebrating his Birthday.

Speaker Shekarchi wishes Lt. Sean Kelly a Happy Birthday and thanks him for his service.

Chairman Solomon announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces our next House session will be next Tuesday, March 23rd, at 4 p.m. at the Vets Auditorium. We are not meeting in session for the rest of this week in order to continue to focus on our very busy committee schedule.

To prevent overcrowding in the committee hearing rooms, sponsors should wait outside the room and clerks will notify you when it is time to testify on your bill. Chairs are set up outside the hearing rooms.

When you're on WebEx preparing for a committee meeting to start, please be mindful that the Capitol TV microphone could unintentionally be on. It is best to mute yourself until the hearing begins. This applies to in person meetings too.

Finally, if you request postponing a committee hearing on your bill, please remember that this must be done more than 24 hours before the hearing is scheduled. Bills can't be postponed with less than 24 hours' notice.

**NEW BUSINESS
IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**

House Resolution No. 6132

BY Newberry, Blazejewski, Fellela, Fogarty

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION JOYOUSLY CELEBRATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD ON MARCH 24, 2021 {LC2496/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Newberry requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Newberry seconded by Majority Leader Blazejewski by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6133

BY McNamara, Hawkins, McEntee, Kennedy, Edwards, Shanley, McLaughlin, Casey, Slater, Craven

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE CELEBRATION OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY {LC2396/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative McNamara requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration. Representative McNamara discusses the Resolution.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative McNamara seconded by many others by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6134

BY Corvese, Costantino, Azzinaro, Cardillo, Amore, McEntee, Vella-Wilkinson, Ruggiero, Serpa, McLaughlin

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE CELEBRATION OF ST. JOSEPH'S DAY {LC2395/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Corvese requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration. Representative Corvese discusses the Resolution.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Corvese seconded by many others by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6135

BY Blazejewski, Filippi

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC2495/1}

Majority Leader Blazejewski request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Majority Leader Blazejewski seconded by Minority Leader Filippi by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 6136

BY Blazejewski, Filippi

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC2494/1}

Majority Leader Blazejewski request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Majority Leader Blazejewski seconded by Minority Leader Filippi by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Kislak-An Act relating to Health & Safety.

Representative Shallcross Smith-An Act relating to Background Check for Children.

Representative Vella- Wilkinson An Act relating to Courts Civil Procedure and Causes of actions

Representative Noret-An Act relating to Motor Vehicles & Other Motor Vehicles

Representative Place An Act relating to Education

Representative Williams An Act relating to Law Enforcement & Accountability

Representative Morgan -An Act relating to Labor Relations and Minimum Wages

Representative Craven-An Act relating to Crime Sexual Assault

Representative Kazarian -An Act relating to Public Utilities and Their Carries

Representative Casey-An Act relating to Tourism and Development

DESK HELD OPEN

Speaker Shekarchi requests that the desk be held open.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to Her Excellency, the Governor, to the Honorable Senate and the Honorable Secretary of State forthwith.

(For Transmittals to Governor, see Appendix of this Journal.)

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 78 SUB A

BY Euer, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Coyne, Cano, Murray, Valverde, Kallman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- 2021 ACT ON CLIMATE (Establishes a statewide greenhouse gas emission reduction mandate.) {LC1231/A/1}
03/18/2021 Referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 103

BY Coyne, Valverde, Seveney, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Authorizes cities/towns to establish a property tax credit program in exchange for volunteer service by persons over age 60 up to \$1,500 calculated by multiplying service hours by the state minimum wage per hour.) {LC731/1}
03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 231

BY Goldin, Valverde, DiMario, Bell, Calkin, Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN (Allows pregnant women with an annual family income above the applicable Medicaid income limit to be eligible to purchase health insurance through one of the Medicaid managed care plans.) {LC749/1}
03/18/2021 Referred to House Finance

Senate Bill No. 240

BY Coyne
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON (Ratifies and validates Barrington Home Rule Charter amendments approved by electors at 11/3/20 election.) {LC1075/1}
03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 242

BY DiMario, Valverde
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real property of Ocean State Community Wellness, Inc., a qualified tax-exempt corporation under § 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, for the property located at 7450 Post Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC1421/1}
03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 277

(by request)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Allows the Westerly Town Council to issue a Class B liquor license for premises located at 169 and 177 Main Street, despite its location within proximity to a school church.) {LC1310/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 296

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES--MIDDLETOWN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT (Allows the town of Middletown to enroll its full-time police officers hired on or after July 1, 2021, in a defined contribution plan established by the town and prevents newly hired police officers from becoming members of the retirement system.) {LC1801/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 363

BY Murray, de la Cruz, Paolino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- NORTH SMITHFIELD - HISTORIC RESIDENCE TAX CREDIT (Allows North Smithfield historic residence owners to become eligible for state historic residence tax credits.) {LC2182/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 390

BY de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE OAKLAND - MAPLEVILLE NUMBER 4 FIRE DISTRICT (Incorporates Oakland--Mapleville Number 4 Fire District.) {LC267/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 440

BY Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Allows the Providence board of licenses to grant an exemption from restrictions with regard to the proximity to schools and churches relating to issuance of a Class BV alcoholic beverage retail license for property located at 601 Hartford Avenue.) {LC881/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

Senate Bill No. 556

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts 203-209 Douglas Avenue, Plat 68, Lots 83 and 646 of the applicable city of Providence tax assessment map from the permitting of alcohol beverages retail licenses within a certain proximity to schools and churches.) {LC2364/1}

03/18/2021 Referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS**

Chairman Solomon, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

Senate Bill No. 148

BY Miller

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF PROVIDENCE RIVER BOAT CO. {LC840/1}
03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Chairman Bennett, for the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5445 SUB A

BY Carson, Cortvriend, Blazejewski, Kazarian, Ruggiero, Donovan, Speakman, Knight, McEntee, Alzate

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - 2021 ACT ON CLIMATE (Establishes a statewide greenhouse gas emission reduction mandate.) {LC1259/A/1}
03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chairman Abney, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

Senate Bill No. 224

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes Providence to issue not more than \$140,000,000 bonds to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities throughout the city of Providence.) {LC1266/1}
03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

Senate Bill No. 374**BY** Sosnowski, Algieri, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes the town of South Kingstown to issue not more than \$85,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.) {LC1964/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

House Bill No. 5696**BY** McEntee, Tanzi, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY (Authorizes the town of South Kingstown to issue not more than \$85,000,000 bonds and notes to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, landscaping, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities.) {LC1842/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Chairman Casey, for the Committee on Health, Education and Services, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5462**BY** Edwards, Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (Provides that the trapping and subsequent release of any unowned feral or free roaming cat for the purpose of spaying or neutering of the cat shall not be considered abandonment.) {LC711/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Chairman Craven, for the Committee on Judiciary, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5093

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD (Provides for specific fines and sanctions to operators of motor vehicles who fail to exercise due care to avoid colliding with a vulnerable road user causing injury, serious injury, or death to the vulnerable road user.) {LC158/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING

Chairman Hull, for the Committee on Municipal Government and Housing, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

Senate Bill No. 50

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN (This act would ratify the town of Jamestown Home Rule Charter amendment to Section 219 of the charter adopted at a November 3, 2020 referendum, concerning the process and procedures by which voter initiative can be activated.) {LC665/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

House Bill No. 5101

BY Ruggiero

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN (Ratifies the town of Jamestown Home Rule Charter amendment to Section 219 of the charter adopted at a November 3, 2020 referendum, concerning the process and procedures by which voter initiative can be activated.) {LC664/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

House Bill No. 5129

BY Casimiro, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real property of Ocean State Community Wellness, Inc., a qualified tax-exempt corporation under § 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, for the property located at 7450 Post Road, North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC124/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

House Bill No. 5330

BY Knight, Cassar

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON {LC1129/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

House Resolution No. 5950**BY** Shekarchi, Blazejewski

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ENTIRE AREA OF LAND USE, PRESERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, AND REGULATION (Creates a legislative commission to study the entire areas of land use, preservation, production, development, housing, environment and regulation, and would report back to the House of Representatives on or before 4/30/22 and would expire on 6/30/22.) {LC1761/1} 03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

House Resolution No. 5953 SUB A**BY** Speakman, Shekarchi, Kislak, Morales, Potter, Alzate, Williams, Knight, Donovan, Henries

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING ACT (Creates a 17 member commission to study implementation of the Low and Moderate Income Housing Act, and who would report back to the House of Representatives by December 16, 2021, and expire on April 17, 2022.) {LC2108/A/1} 03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

Chairwoman Fogarty, for the Committee on Special Legislation, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 6109**BY** Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows John Wardle to join Alison Bubby and Adam Feinstein in marriage on or about August 1, 2021, within the Town of Middletown, Rhode Island.) {LC2335/1} 03/19/2021 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (03/23/2021)

House Bill No. 6120

BY Casey, Phillips, Newberry, Amore, O'Brien, Azzinaro, Kennedy, Filippi, Hawkins, Marszalkowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Stephen R. Ucci to join Darlene M. Boudreau and the Honorable Michael A. Morin in marriage on or about July 30, 2021, within the City of Warwick, Rhode Island.) {LC2333/1} 03/19/2021 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (03/23/2021)

House Bill No. 6130**BY** Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Adam Olivere to join Alexa Shanahan and Leighton Scott Lobdell in marriage on or about October 9, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2271/1} 03/19/2021 Placed on the House Consent Calendar (03/23/2021)

COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT AND ELECTIONS

Chairman Shanley, for the Committee on State Government and Elections, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Bill No. 5418

BY Amore, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- APPOINTMENT, QUALIFICATION, AND TENURE OF OFFICERS (Requires that all persons serving on boards and commissions appointed by the governor have a connection to the state through residence or licensure.) {LC211/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS

Chairman Azzinaro, for the Committee on Veterans Affairs, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

House Resolution No. 5784

BY Azzinaro, Fellela, Hull

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION REINSTATING THE LIFE OF AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN AND THE DESIGN OF A BEIRUT MEMORIAL TO BE LOCATED AT THE RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE (Reinstates the life, extends the reporting and expiration dates of the commission to study and recommend a plan and design for a Beirut Memorial located at the RI State House, from April 30, 2020, to January 5, 2022, and expire on March 5, 2022.) {LC1837/1}

03/19/2021 Placed on House Calendar (03/25/2021)

NEW BUSINESS**House Bill No. 6137**

BY Kazarian, Alzate, Kislak, Casimiro, Lima, Slater, Solomon, Lima, Giraldo, Morales

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Christina Marie Tucciarone to join the Honorable Leonela Felix and Gregory Donald Kowalski in marriage on or about June 12, 2021, within the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.) {LC2464/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 6138

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Richard W. Dyer to join Elizabeth M. King and Dylan D. Smith in marriage on or about July 2, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC2500/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Special Legislation

House Bill No. 6139**BY** Place, Newberry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE OAKLAND - MAPLEVILLE NUMBER 4 FIRE DISTRICT {LC2450/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

House Bill No. 6140**BY** Amore, Fogarty, O'Brien, Cortvriend, Kazarian, Henries, Cassar**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RESIDENCE OF CHILDREN FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES (Requires state to reimburse the city/town for any costs associated with transporting children placed in foster care by RI-licensed child-placing agency or RI governmental agency to an educational facility outside the regional transportation district.) {LC176/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 6141**BY** Shallcross Smith**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT RIGHT TO REPAIR ACT {LC2163/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 6142

(Attorney General)

BY Lima, Phillips, Carson, Caldwell, Serpa, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Penalty of \$10,000 for violating Deceptive Trade Practices Act.) {LC1704/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 6143**BY** Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SALON VOGUE, INC. {LC2429/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

House Bill No. 6144**BY** Ruggiero, McEntee, Carson, Craven, Cortvriend, Bennett, Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Requires submission of a triennial system reliability/energy efficiency/conservation procurement plan until 9/1/2036 and continues a charge on gas/electricity to fund energy efficiency/conversation programs until 9/1/2035.) {LC2426/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources

House Bill No. 6145**BY** Felix, Craven, McEntee, Potter, Kislak, Alzate, Shanley, Batista, Caldwell, Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND EXECUTION (Provides for an earned compliance credits system to be used to reduce sentence duration and help reduce prison overcrowding.) {LC2507/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6146**BY** Knight, Caldwell, Speakman, Ajello, Batista**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS {LC2377/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 6147

(Attorney General)

BY Shallcross Smith, Shekarchi, Ackerman, Ajello, Ruggiero, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE OR EXECUTION

(Amends Hate Crimes Sentencing Act. Adds gender identity, expression to protected groups. Clarifies sentencing enhancements for hate crimes against victims in a protected group. Permits sentencing to community service or educational classes.) {LC2400/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

(For Co-sponsorship removal request, see Journal of 6-17-2020, page 2.)**House Bill No. 6148****BY** Batista, Williams, Morales, Potter, Henries, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - SENTENCE AND EXECUTION

(Mandates the courts to release defendant on alleged probation violation.) {LC2463/1}

03/17/2021 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:14 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Solomon and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Thomas "Tom" Gambardella; on motion of Representative Corvese and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Stephen Kruwell; on motion of Representative Nardone and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Katherine Hill seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Diane M. DePina
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX**INVOCATION****REPRESENTATIVE GRACE DIAZ**

Dear Lord: As we finish Black History month let us remember that this history does not end. The economic and social contributions of African Americans have had a tremendous impact throughout the Americas and the Caribbean. This month is an opportunity to better educate ourselves and our children on true Black History. Let us always be mindful that by honoring Black History we honor all Americans. Amen

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR

Senate Bill No. 53

(by request)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WESTERLY TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN (Authorizes the Town of Westerly to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$2,000,000 to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities in the town.) {LC663/1}

03/17/2021 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 74

BY Goodwin, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows David Raymond Thibodeau, Jr., to join Staci Rae McCabe and Brendan Edward Curran in marriage on or about June 5, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC640/1}

03/17/2021 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 266

BY McCaffrey, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Maryellen Goodwin to join Katuska Pérez and Brian Parker in marriage on or about September 3, 2021, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC1722/1}

03/17/2021 Transmitted to Governor

APPENDIX
CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021:

1. **2021-H 6109**
 BY Tanzi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

2. **2021-H 6120**
 BY Casey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

3. **2021-H 6130**
 BY Lombardi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, March 19, 2021

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021:**1. 2021-H 5696****BY** McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

2. 2021-S 374**BY** Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$85,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN, AND ALL ATTENDANT EXPENSES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL COSTS, PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

3. 2021-H 5445 SUB A**BY** Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - 2021 ACT ON CLIMATE

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

4. **2021-H 5462**
BY Edwards
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

5. **2021-H 5093**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

6. **2021-S 148**
BY Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF PROVIDENCE RIVER BOAT CO.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

7. **2021-S 224**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LANDSCAPING, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 75% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE AND PROVIDED THAT THE AUTHORIZATION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN GRANTS RECEIVED FROM STATE BOND PROCEEDS, FROM THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OR FROM THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021:

1. **2021-H 5950**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE ENTIRE AREA OF LAND USE, PRESERVATION, DEVELOPMENT, HOUSING, ENVIRONMENT, AND REGULATION

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

2. **2021-H 5953 SUB A**
BY Speakman
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING ACT

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

3. **2021-H 5330**
BY Knight
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

4. **2021-H 5129**
BY Casimiro
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

5. **2021-H 5101**
BY Ruggiero
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

6. **2021-S 50**
BY Euer
ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

7. **2021-H 5418**
BY Amore
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- APPOINTMENT, QUALIFICATION, AND TENURE OF OFFICERS

Committee on State Government & Elections recommends passage.

8. 2021-H 5784

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION REINSTATING THE LIFE OF AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN AND THE DESIGN OF A BEIRUT MEMORIAL TO BE LOCATED AT THE RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE

Committee on Veterans` Affairs recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, March 19, 2021