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Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Twenty-fifth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the Veterans Memorial Auditorium in Providence, Tuesday, May 11, 2021, and is called to order at 4:11 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 65 members present and 10 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 65: 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, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Lima C., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson and Williams.

ABSENT – 10: Representatives Felix, Knight, S. Lima, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Solomon, Tobon.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Deputy Speaker Lima 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 Thursday, May 6, 2021, is approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Representative McLaughlin is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 11, 2021.

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021:

- 1. 2021-H 5491**
BY Ackerman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FINANCIAL LITERACY

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Speakman, Amore, Phillips, Craven, O'Brien, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson, Morales, Caldwell, Hawkins, Henries, Ranglin-Vassell, Abney, Majority Leader Blazejewski, McEntee, and Ruggiero. Williams, Costantino, Serpa, Cassar, Cortvriend, Fogarty, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Deputy Whip Ackerman, Bennett, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Hull, Tanzi, Edwards, Giraldo, Fellela, Minority Leader Filippi, McGaw, Messier, Barros, Alzate, Whip Kazarian, Casimiro, Casey, Morgan, Donovan, and Deputy Speaker Lima.

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 8 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, and Lima S.

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, 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:

2. 2021-H 6051

BY Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Representative O'Brien moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Caldwell, Biah, Carson, McEntee, Vella-Wilkinson, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Abney, Donovan, Handy, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Fogarty, Cortvriend, Azzinaro, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Edwards, Slater, Whip Kazarian, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McNamara, Messier, Barros, Casimiro, Bennett, and Ruggiero.

Deputy Speaker Lima, Representatives Williams, O'Brien, and Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Deputy Speaker Lima, seconded by Representatives Costantino, Hawkins, Cardillo, Whip Chippendale, and Morales offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 6051

AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 6051, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS - RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT", as follows:

1. On page 7, between lines 7 and 8, by inserting the following language:

"The Rhode Island airport corporation shall also prepare a report to the general assembly, on an annual basis, providing a full accounting of any and all costs associated with changing the name of the airport, including any marketing related to the name change, and shall include the source of the monies utilized to accomplish same. The report shall also include an evaluation of any increase in flights of tourists visiting the state."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative C. Lima

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Deputy Speaker Lima, Representatives Caldwell, and Edwards discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 17 members voting in the affirmative, and 47 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 17: Representatives Biah, Cardillo, Chippendale, Costantino, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Hawkins, Lima C., McGaw, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Phillips, Place, Ranglin-Vassell, Williams.

NAYS - 47: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McNamara, Messier, Noret, O'Brien, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson.

RECUSED - 0:

Whip Chippendale continues the discussion on the act.

By unanimous consent, Deputy Speaker Lima, seconded by Representatives Costantino, Whip Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Cardillo, and Hawkins offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 6051**

**AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT**

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 6051, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -
- RHODE ISLAND T.F. GREEN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT", as follows:

1. On page 1, line 3, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
2. On page 1, line 5, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
3. On page 1, line 11, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
4. On page 1, line 15, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
5. On page 3, line 18, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
6. On page 3, line 27, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
7. On page 3, line 32, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
8. On page 3, line 34, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
9. On page 4, line 2, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
10. On page 4, line 12, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
11. On page 4, line 14, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
12. On page 4, line 30, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
13. On page 5, lines 11-12, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
14. On page 6, line 1, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
15. On page 6, lines 4-5, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
16. On page 6, line 30, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
17. On page 7, line 15, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
18. On page 7, line 21, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
19. On page 7, line 22, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
20. On page 8, line 3, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
21. On page 8, lines 12-13, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
22. On page 10, line 12, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".

23. On page 10, line 25, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
24. On page 10, line 28, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
25. On page 11, lines 17-18, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
26. On page 11, lines 20-21, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
27. On page 11, lines 26-27, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
28. On page 12, line 7, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
29. On page 13, line 5, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
30. On page 13, line 14, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
31. On page 13, line 22, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".
32. On page 14, line 1, by deleting the language "Rhode Island".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative C. Lima

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Deputy Speaker Lima, Representative Caldwell, and Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 12 members voting in the affirmative, and 49 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 12: Representatives Cardillo, Chippendale, Costantino, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Hawkins, Lima C., Nardone, Newberry, Phillips, Place, Ranglin-Vassell.

NAYS - 49: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Potter, Price, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson.

RECUSED - 0:

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 7 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, and 1 in the negative Representative Lima S.

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, 63 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 63: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Henries, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lombardi, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Newberry, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 10: Representatives Cardillo, Chippendale, Costantino, Hawkins, Lima C., Lima S., McGaw, Nardone, Place, Ranglin-Vassell.

RECUSED - 0:

3. 2021-H 5223 SUB A

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Chairman Abney moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Carson, Phillips, Amore, O'Brien, Caldwell, Vella-Wilkinson, Ruggiero, McEntee, Marszalkowski, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Biah, Ajello, Shallcross Smith, Costantino, Cortvriend, Fogarty, Donovan, Azzinaro, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, Bennett, Edwards, Slater, Corvese, Deputy Whip Ackerman, McNamara, Potter, Barros, Whip Kazarian, Casimiro, Diaz, Cardillo, Noret, and Messier.

Chairman Abney discusses the act.

POINT OF ORDER

Floor Manager Edwards rises on a point of order pertaining to House Rule #1 on decorum and the use of visual aids by the Minority Leader.

The Honorable Speaker upholds the point of order.

By unanimous consent, Minority Leader Filippi, seconded by Representatives Newberry, Whip Chippendale, Nardone, and Fenton-Fung offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO

ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER”, as follows:

1. On page 19, line 33, by striking the language "Sixteen percent (16%)", and by inserting in place thereof the language "Twenty-five percent (25%)".

2. On page 19, line 34, after the language "61.2-7(f)(1)(ii)", by inserting the following language ", with nine percent (9%) of the revenue to be deposited into the retirement system of the state of Rhode Island pursuant to the provisions of chapter 8 of title 36".

3. On page 21, line 7 by striking the language "Fifteen and one-half percent (15.5%)", and by inserting in place thereof the following language "Twenty-five percent (25%), of which fifteen and one-half percent (15.5%)".

4. On page 21, line 9, by striking the language "general fund", and by inserting in place thereof the language "retirement system of the state of Rhode Island pursuant to the provisions of chapter 8 of title 36".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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Minority Leader Filippi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Whip Chippendale, Representatives Newberry, Morales, Slater, Place, and Costantino discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 11 members voting in the affirmative, and 54 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 11: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Henries, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price, Shanley.

NAYS - 54: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Bennett, Biah, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Lima C., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Whip Chippendale seconded by Representatives Place and Newberry offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN
RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 2, lines 7 and 8, by deleting the language "or an Affiliate employed in the State".
2. On page 2, line 10, by inserting the word "only" after the word "shall".
3. On page 2, line 10, by deleting the language ", without limitation, ".
4. On page 2, lines 11 and 12 by deleting the language "outsourcing and consulting service providers and temporary employees retained through an employment agency in the State", and inserting in place thereof the language "IGT".
5. On page 5, lines 18 through 20, by deleting the language, "cause to be employed by an Affiliate or a Person providing outsourcing, technology consulting or temporary employment services to IGT or an Affiliate, or cause to be self-employed in the state during each calendar year commencing with", and inserting in place thereof the language "commencing in January".
6. On page 5, line 27, by deleting the language "or cause to be paid by Affiliates or Persons providing outsourcing, technology consulting or temporary employment services to IGT or an Affiliate".
7. On page 5, line 28, by deleting all language thereon.
8. On page 5, line 29, by deleting the language "contractors employed or caused to be self-employed", and inserting in place thereof the language "to employees".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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LC001065/10
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Whip Chippendale, Majority Leader Blazewski, Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Morales, and Slater, discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 16 members voting in the affirmative, and 45 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 16: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Hawkins, Henries, Lima C., McGaw, Morales, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Phillips, Place, Price, Shanley, Vella-Wilkinson.

NAYS - 45: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, McEntee, McNamara, Messier, Noret, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Whip Chippendale, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi and Representative Newberry offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 6, line 24, by deleting the language "seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500)", and inserting in place thereof the language "twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000)".

2. On page 26, lines 10 and 11, by deleting the language "seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500)", and inserting in place thereof the language "twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000)".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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LC001065/7
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Whip Chippendale, Representative Slater, Minority Leader Filippi, Representative Place, and Majority Leader Blazejewski, discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 7 members voting in the affirmative and 50 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 7: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price.

NAYS - 50: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Hawkins, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Lima C., McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Minority Leader Filippi and Majority Leader Blazejewski discuss the act.

By unanimous consent, Minority Leader Filippi seconded by Whip Chippendale, Representatives Nardone and Newberry offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 22, line 23, after the language "Obligation;" by inserting the following language: ", Employee Location Obligation", and "the Annual Compensation Obligation".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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Minority Leader Filippi and Majority Leader Blazejewski discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 7 members voting in the affirmative and 48 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 7: Representatives Filippi, McGaw, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price, Tanzi.

NAYS - 48: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Lima C., McEntee, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Morgan, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Representative Place, seconded by Representative Newberry offers a written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 7, between lines 13 and 14, by inserting the following language:

"(d) Commencing January 1, 2022, any contract or extension of a contract authorizing the state lottery division of the department of revenue (the "division") to agree to any contract or extension of a contract pursuant to this act, shall only be entered into if a competitive bidding process is used and which process shall be completed at least four (4) years prior to the expiration or termination of any existing contract."

2. On page 23, between lines 28 and 29, by inserting the following language:

"(4) Commencing January 1, 2022, any contract or extension of a contract authorizing the state lottery division of the department of revenue (the "division") to agree to any contract or extension of a contract pursuant to this act, shall only be entered into if a competitive bidding process is used and which process shall be completed at least four (4) years prior to the expiration or termination of any existing contract."

3. On page 24, between lines 9 and 10, by inserting the following language:

"Commencing January 1, 2022, any contract or extension of a contract authorizing the state lottery division of the department of revenue (the "division") to agree to any contract or extension of a contract pursuant to this act, shall only be entered into if a competitive bidding process is used and which process shall be completed at least four (4) years prior to the expiration or termination of any existing contract."

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Place

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Representatives Place, Majority Leader Blazejewski, and Minority Leader Filippi discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 6 members voting in the affirmative, and 52 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 6: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price.

NAYS - 52: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Lima C., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED – 0

By unanimous consent, Representative Place, seconded by Minority Leader Filippi, Newberry, Representative Nardone, and Whip Chippendale offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 2, by deleting the following language "2043" and by inserting in place thereof the following language "2033".

2. On page 3, line 3, before the language "and" by inserting the following language "provided the Extended Expiration Date may be extended through June 30, 2043, by the Division of Lottery,".

3. On page 17, line 12, by deleting the following language "2043" and by inserting in place thereof the following language "2033".

4. On page 18, line 4, by deleting the following language "2043" and by inserting in place thereof the following language "2033".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Place

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LC001065/19
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Representative Place discusses the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 9 members voting in the affirmative and 51 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 9: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Lima C., McGaw, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price, Tanzi.

NAYS - 51: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Fogarty, Giraldo, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Minority Leader Filippi, seconded by Representative Newberry and Whip Chippendale offers a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 7, line 19, by deleting the language "six percent (6%) of the Video Lottery Terminals" and inserting in place thereof the language "eight percent (8%) of the Video Lottery Terminals; provided, however, if the replacement rate in any given year is only six percent (6%), the replacement rate shall be ten percent (10%) in the next year following".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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Minority Leader Filippi, Representatives Tanzi, Morgan, Whip Chippendale, and Slater discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails, on a roll call vote 8 members voting in the affirmative and 49 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 8: Representatives Chippendale, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price.

NAYS - 49: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, Minority Leader Filippi seconded by Whip Chippendale, Representatives Place, Price, and Newberry offer a written motion to amend.

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A/2**

AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER

Mr. Speaker:

I hereby move to amend 2021 -- H 5223 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ENABLING THE STATE LOTTERY DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONTRACT WITH IGT GLOBAL SOLUTIONS CORPORATION AND TWIN RIVER", as follows:

1. On page 8, lines 1 and 2, by deleting the language "and (y) Video Lottery Terminals manufactured by IGT or an Affiliate of IGT shall not be subject to removal for calendar years 2023, 2024 and 2025".

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Filippi

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Minority Leader Filippi, Majority Leader Blazejewski, and Representative Morgan discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend fails on a roll call vote 6 members voting in the affirmative and 46 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 6: Representatives Chippendale, Filippi, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price.

NAYS - 46: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kislak, Marszalkowski, McGaw, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Speakman, Tanzi, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

RECUSED - 0:

Whip Chippendale, Representatives Williams, McEntee, Newberry, Amore, Abney, Minority Leader Filippi, and Morgan discuss the act.

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 7 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, Lima S., and 1 in the negative Representative Lombardi.

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 62 members voting in the affirmative and 11 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 62: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cortvriend, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, Henries, Hull, Kazarian, Kennedy, Kislak, Knight, Lima C., Lima S., Marszalkowski, McEntee, McGaw, McLaughlin, McNamara, Messier, Morales, Noret, O'Brien, Perez, Phillips, Potter, Ranglin-Vassell, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 11: Representatives Cassar, Chippendale, Filippi, Lombardi, Morgan, Nardone, Newberry, Place, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

RECUSED - 0:

4. 2021-H 5016

BY Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Phillips, Majority, Leader Blazejewski, Abney, Ajello, Slater, Whip Kazarian, Diaz, O'Brien, Edwards, Hull, Corvese, and Cardillo.

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 8 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, and Lima S.

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, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Baginski, Barros, 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, Perez, Phillips, Place, Potter, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shallcross Smith, Shanley, Slater, Solomon, Speakman, Tanzi, Tobon, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams.

NAYS - 1: Representative Ranglin-Vassell.

RECUSED - 0:

5. 2021-H 6266

BY Solomon

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF M.E. O'BRIEN & SONS, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman O'Brien moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Caldwell, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Edwards, Casey, Abney, Hull, and Cardillo.

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 8 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, and Lima S.

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, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, 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:

6. 2021-S 708

BY Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO A TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE AND EXXONMOBIL OIL CORPORATION

Committee on Municipal Government & Housing recommends passage in concurrence.

Chairman Hull moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives O' Brien, Amore, Majority Leader Blazejewski, Fogarty, Abney, Cassar, Cardillo, Hull, Barros, Whip Kazarian, Diaz, Ruggiero, Vella-Wilkinson, and Cortvriend.

PROXY VOTES

Majority Leader Blazejewski announces pursuant to rule 47B authorizing Proxy Votes he has 8 to be recorded in the affirmative: Representatives Felix, Knight, Lombardi, McLaughlin, Perez, Solomon, Tobon, and Lima S.

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, in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Shekarchi and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Alzate, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Batista, Blazejewski, Caldwell, Cardillo, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Cassar, Chippendale, Cortvriend, Corvese, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Felix, Fellela, Fenton-Fung, Filippi, Fogarty, Giraldo, Handy, Hawkins, 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 - 1: Representative Henries.

RECUSED - 0:

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Amore announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the Rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Representative Caldwell announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet today, at the rise of the House, in the House Lounge of the State House.

Representative Fellela would like to congratulate her son and daughter-in-law on the birth of their new son Elvis James, born Monday, May 10th at 10:33 pm.

Representative Kislak shares her gratitude to the scientists, the department of health, the National Guard, the volunteers, and Sharon the Nurse.

Representative Casimiro would like to congratulate Speaker Shekarchi, the Senate President, and the Governor for their excellent work on the funding for the Sherlock Center.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

House Bill No. 6319**BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows William Von Bauer to join Kaitlin Bauer and Gustavo Cabarcas in marriage on or about June 26, 2021, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.) {LC2816/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6320**BY** Diaz, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Barros, Filippi, Hull, Abney, Ranglin-Vassell, Biah, Williams**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THEODORE WOODS {LC2844/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6321**BY** Noret, Hull, Shekarchi, Amore, Filippi, Chippendale, Casimiro, Corvese, Vella-Wilkinson, Baginski**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 15TH AS "NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY" AND COMMEMORATING MAY 9TH -15TH, 2021, AS "NATIONAL POLICE WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2769/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6322**BY** McGaw, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Filippi, Kislak, Bennett, Fenton-Fung, Tanzi, Potter, Baginski**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 9TH THROUGH 15TH OF 2021 AS "NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, AND THANKING ALL NURSING HOME WORKERS FOR THE TIRELESS SERVICE AND COMPASSIONATE CARE THEY PROVIDE {LC2837/1}

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

There is no objection.

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

House Resolution No. 6323

BY Kennedy, Azzinaro, Shekarchi, Edwards, Corvese, Blazejewski, Kazarian, Filippi, Price, Messier
ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION THANKING REVEREND FARRELL EDWARD
MCLAUGHLIN FOR FIFTY YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE TO GOD AND THE PEOPLE OF
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2755/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Speaker Pro Tempore Kennedy, seconded by many others, by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Fellela-An Act relating to Education

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

TRANSMITTAL

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Vella-Wilkinson, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Lt. E. Joseph Sullivan; on motion of Representative Fellela, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Emma Pezza; on motion of Representative Diaz, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Theodore Woods; seconded by Leaders Blazejewski and Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Diane M. DePina
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE CHARLENE M. LIMA

Dear God: We ask You to bless this House of Representatives with wisdom and the goodwill to work together to find solutions that are just and appropriate. Bless us this day and every day and may all that we do be for the betterment of all Rhode Islanders. Amen.

APPENDIX**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 2021:****1. 2021-H 6249 SUB A****BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

2. 2021-H 5890 SUB A**BY** Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS

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

3. 2021-H 5586 SUB A**BY** Hull**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATION -- EXEMPTIONS

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

4. 2021-S 142**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- REGULATION OF
SALES

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, May 7, 2021**Updated: Tuesday, May 11, 2021**