

State of Rhode Island

Journal of the Senate

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Volume 151, No. 7

Thursday, February 15, 2024

Seventh Legislative Day

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Roger A. Picard, Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate, at 4:16 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT –37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Lombardo.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator de la Cruz to deliver the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator de la Cruz, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.



APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Fifth Legislative Day of the 2024 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator de la Cruz and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate presents the following communications:

<p>SENATOR HANNA M. GALLO <i>President Pro Tempore</i> District 27</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>	<p>VICE-CHAIRPERSON Committee on Education Committee on Commerce</p>
<p>285 Meshanticut Valley Parkway Cranston, Rhode Island 02920</p> <p>Room 318 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p>OFFICE: 401-276-5563 FAX: 401-222-2967</p> <p>sen-gallo@rilegislature.gov</p>		
	<p>Senate Chamber</p>	
	<p>February 15, 2024</p>	
<p>The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio President of the Senate Room 318, State House Providence, RI 02903</p>		
<p>Dear Mr. President:</p>		
<p>Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Thursday, February 15, 2024. I will be voting by proxy.</p>		
<p>I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.</p>		
<p>Thank you for your attention to this matter.</p>		
	<p>Sincerely,  Hanna M. Gallo Senator – District 27</p>	
<p>HMG/tm</p>		
<p>cc: Helena Reid, Secretary of the Senate</p>		

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

State of Rhode Island

SENATOR
ROBERT BRITTO
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Committee on
Finance

Committee on
Environment & Agriculture

Senate Chamber

February 15 2024

The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio
President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Thursday, February 15, 2024.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Britto
Robert Britto
Senator District #18

RB/nc

cc Mrs. Helena Reid, Secretary of the Senate

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President presents the following communication from His Excellency, The Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

February 1, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Section § 23-28.3-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review:

Mark Blackburn

(Licensed Engineer)

For a term expiring March 1, 2029

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Daniel J. McKee', is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggiero, Senate President
Honorable Ryan W. Pearson, Senate Majority Leader
Honorable Jessica de la Cruz, Senate Minority Leader

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

February 1, 2024

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Section § 23-28.3-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review:

Roger Booth

(Rep Fire Protection Industry)

For a term expiring March 1, 2030

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. McKee", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President
Honorable Ryan W. Pearson, Senate Majority Leader
Honorable Jessica de la Cruz, Senate Minority Leader

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**Senate Resolution No. 2492****BY** Ujifusa

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 15, 2024, AS "THE 1ST RHODE ISLAND REGIMENT/BLACK REGIMENT RECOGNITION DAY" TO COMMEMORATE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF BLACK SOLDIERS DURING THE AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY WAR
{LC5068/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Ujifusa requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Ujifusa moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Valverde, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Ujifusa and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber members of the Rhode Island Black Regiment Charles Roberts, Jason Roomes, Robert Geake and Kirk Hindman.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**Senate Resolution No. 2493****BY** Valverde

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 15, 2024 TO BE "RHODE ISLAND FIRST CONNECTIONS AWARENESS DAY"
{LC4925/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Valverde requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Valverde moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Valverde and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber David Caprio, President & CEO of Children's Friend, Jennifer W. Fairbank, CEO of Visiting Nurse Home & Hospice, Margaret Holland McDuff, CEO of Family Service RI, and Ben Lessing, CEO of Community Care Alliance.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION

Senate Resolution No. 2494

BY Felag

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF KATELYN MCCANNA VIEIRA
{LC4470/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Felag requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Felag moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a rising vote.

Senate Resolution No. 2495

BY Raptakis

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE HAROLD L. TRAFFORD, JR.
{LC4711/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Raptakis requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Raptakis moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a rising vote.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. ~~2024-S 2488~~

~~BY E Morgan~~

~~ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE
PASSING OF THOMAS J. EVANS~~

~~Ordered on the Consent Calendar.~~

2. **2024-S 2490**

BY Gallo

**ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE
UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO EXTEND FUNDING FOR THE AFFORDABLE
CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM**

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

3. **2024-S 2491**

BY Lawson

**ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE
PASSING OF ROSCOE H. HIGGINS**

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

4. **2024-H 7221**

BY Shanley

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY --
PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS,
BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS-BILL REYNOLDS
MEDIA WORK ROOM**

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

5. 2024-H 7085**BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF NEW ENGLAND BIBLE DOCTRINE CHURCH

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Upon motion of Senator Pearson, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the following measures on Today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.**NAYS – 0:****Appendix****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024:****1. *The Appointment of Patrick M. Crowley VICE George Nee to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2027.***

Committee on Commerce recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Senator Mack moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators Bissaillon, Gu, DiPalma, Pearson, Rogers, Bell, Lauria, Ujifusa, Tikoian, Quezada.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiPalma, DiMario, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, Zurier.**NAYS – 0:****ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Lawson.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Mack and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber *Patrick M. Crowley*.

2. *The Reappointment of Ernest Almonte to the Convention Center Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2027.*

Committee on Commerce recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Senator Mack moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators Pearson, de la Cruz, LaMountain, DeLuca, Miller, Gu, Raptakis, Murray.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiPalma, DiMario, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

3. *The Reappointment of Stephen S. Iannazzi to the Convention Center Authority for a term expiring June 30, 2027.*

Committee on Commerce recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Senator Sosnowski moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Zurier, Picard, Gallo, Morgan, Burke, Ujifusa, Felag, Rogers.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the affirmative, and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiPalma, DiMario, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Kallman announces that Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet at the rise of the senate in Room 211.

Senator Pearson wishes a Happy Birthday to Senator Walter S. Felag, Jr.

RECESS

Upon the Motion of Senate Majority Leader Pearson, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the Senate stands in Recess at 4:55 o'clock P.M. *in memory of Katelyn McCanna Viera and the Honorable Harold L. Trafford, Jr.*

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT**

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

The Reappointment of Carol A. O'Donnell (Rep of Industry) to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2030.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of John Horan (Public Member) VICE Dorothy Davidson to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2028.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Richard J. Mancini (Permanent Fire Chief) VICE Frank Sylvester to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2030.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Joseph L. Walsh, Jr. (Representative of Labor) VICE Jeffrey Muto to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2026.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

Appointment of Jeffrey Muto (Rep of Volunteer Fire Chief) VICE Stuart Pearson to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2030.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Chairman Miller, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 2076

BY Lawson, Lauria, Euer, Britto, Pearson, Gallo, Miller, DiMario, Bissaillon, Cano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES (Removes the sunset provision of all statutory law requiring coverage for the treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome.)
{LC3465/1}

Placed on the Calendar.


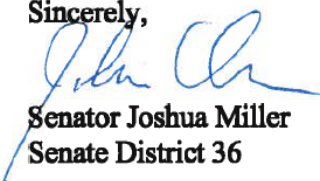
Senate Bill No. 2086

BY Ujifusa, Miller, Valverde, DiMario, Gu, Acosta, Mack, Gallo, Bissaillon, McKenney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES (Prohibits healthcare entities from interfering with a patient's right to choose to obtain a clinician-administered drug from their provider or pharmacy of choice.)
{LC4126/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable Deputy President Pro Tempore of the Senate presents the following communications:

<p>SENATOR JOSHUA MILLER District 28</p> <hr/> <p>41 Talbot Manor Cranston, Rhode Island 02905</p> <p>Room 212 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p>OFFICE: 401-276-5568 sen-miller@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p>CHAIRPERSON Committee on Health & Human Services</p> <hr/> <p>Committee on Environment & Agriculture</p>
<p>February 20, 2024</p>		
<p>Mrs. Helena Reid Secretary of the Senate State House, Room 220 Providence, RI 02903</p>		
<p>Dear Madam Secretary:</p>		
<p>I would like to take this opportunity to respectfully request that the following bill be withdrawn at the sponsor's request.</p>		
<p>The legislation I would like to have withdrawn is Senate Bill S-2071. I appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.</p>		
<p>Sincerely,  Senator Joshua Miller Senate District 36</p>		

Read and ordered to be placed on file.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF THE SENATE MINORITY LEADER
ROOM 120, STATE HOUSE
PROVIDENCE
02903

JESSICA de la CRUZ
MINORITY LEADER
401-222-2708

February 20, 2024

Mrs. Helena Reid
Secretary of the Senate
State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mrs. Reid:

I would like to respectfully request the withdrawal of my name from S- 2256 an act relating to Public Records - Access to Public records. S- 2256 has been assigned to Senate Judiciary Committee.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation of this very important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jessica de la Cruz". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "y".

Senator Jessica de la Cruz
Senator, District 23

Cc: The Honorable Dominick J Ruggerio
President of the Senate

Kristen Silvia, Director
Senate Legislative Office

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 2496**

BY DiPalma, Valverde, Burke, Miller, Felag, Bissaillon, Pearson, Lawson, Murray, Acosta
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

(Authorizes the submission of proposals for several bonds to the people of the state at the general election to be held in November, 2024. These bonds relate to capital development and the "green economy.")

{LC4996/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, on Thursday, February 29th at 4:13 o'clock P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Pearson, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, and the Senate adjourns at 4:16 o'clock P.M.

HELENA S. REID
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR JESSICA DE LA CRUZ

Gracious and loving God,

We thank you for this day and for the opportunity to gather in this chamber as your servants. We ask for your guidance and wisdom as we seek to enact laws that promote justice, peace, and the common good for all people.

We pray for our state and its leaders, especially for us who serve in this legislative body. Grant us courage, integrity, and compassion as we deliberate and decide on the issues that affect our communities and this great state. Help us to listen respectfully, to speak truthfully, and to act responsibly.

We pray for our constituents and the citizens of this state. That our efforts to improve this state would not be at the expense of their God-given innumerable rights. That these liberties would be respected by this body.

We pray for our friends and allies around the world. That you would bring peace to Israel and the Ukraine. That you would uphold the innocent and oppose the violent.

Finally, We ask that you bless us with your wisdom and guidance today and every day. God bless this body and may God bless the state of Rhode Island.

We pray all these things in your holy name. Amen.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024

House Bill No. 7221

BY Shanley, Shekarchi, Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS-BILL REYNOLDS MEDIA WORK ROOM (Designates the media room at the Amica Mutual Pavilion as the "Bill Reynolds Media Work Room.")
{LC4233/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 7085

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF NEW ENGLAND BIBLE DOCTRINE CHURCH
{LC3922/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 07, 2024:**

1. ***The Reappointment of Carol A. O'Donnell (Rep of Industry) to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2030.***

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

2. ***The Appointment of John Horan (Public Member) VICE Dorothy Davidson to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2028.***

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

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4. ***The Appointment of Joseph L. Walsh, Jr. (Representative of Labor) VICE Jeffrey Muto to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2026.***

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

5. ***The Appointment of Jeffrey Muto (Rep of Volunteer Fire Chief) VICE Stuart Pearson to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2030.***

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Appendix
CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 07, 2024:

1. **2024-S 2076**
BY Lawson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

2. **2024-S 2086**
BY Ujifusa
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2023-2024, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

2024-H

2024-S

(Bill Number)

Consent Calendar

(Advice & Consent, Order of Business, or Amendment Number)

* If voting on a Consent Calendar or Bill Bundle, please attach a copy

APPROVE

DISAPPROVE

Respectfully Submitted,

Dominick J. Ruggiero
Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero

Date 02/15/2024

Senate District 4

NOTARY

State of Rhode Island

County of Providence

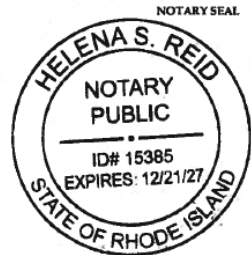
On this 15th day of February, 2024, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.

Helena S. Reid
Notary Public Signature

Helena S. Reid
Notary Public Printed

15385
Notary ID

12/21/2027
Commission Expiration



RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE MAJORITY LEADER/MINORITY LEADER

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Date Initials

RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

2-15-24 hsr
Date Initials

State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2023-2024, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

2024-H

2024-S

(Bill Number)

Appointment of Patrick M. Crowley

(Advice & Consent, Order of Business, or Amendment Number)

* If voting on a Consent Calendar or Bill Bundle, please attach a copy

APPROVE

DISAPPROVE

Respectfully Submitted,

Date 02/15/2024

Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero

Senate District 4

NOTARY

State of Rhode Island

County of Providence

On this 15th day of February, 2024, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.



Notary Public Signature

Helena S. Reid
Notary Public Printed

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Notary ID

12/21/2027
Commission Expiration

RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE MAJORITY LEADER/MINORITY LEADER

2/15/24 Date
JWK Initials

RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

2-15-24 Date
Hsu Initials

State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2023-2024, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

2024-H

2024-S

(Bill Number)

Reappointment of Ernest Almonte

(Advice & Consent, Order of Business, or Amendment Number)

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APPROVE

DISAPPROVE

Respectfully Submitted,

Dominick J. Ruggiero
Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero
Senate District 4

Date 02/15/2024

NOTARY

NOTARY SEAL

State of Rhode Island
County of Providence

On this 15th day of February, 2024, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.



Helena S. Reid
Notary Public Signature

Helena S. Reid
Notary Public Printed

15385
Notary ID

12/21/2027
Commission Expiration

RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE MAJORITY LEADER/MINORITY LEADER

2/15/24 *twk*
Date Initials

RECEIVED BY THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

2-15-24 *hsr*
Date Initials

State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

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2024-H

2024-S

(Bill Number)

Reappointment of Stephen S. Iannazzi

(Advice & Consent, Order of Business, or Amendment Number)

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Respectfully Submitted,

Dominick J. Ruggiero
Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero
Senate District 4

Date 02/15/2024

NOTARY

NOTARY SEAL

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County of Providence

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Senator Frank Lombardo, III

Senate District 25

NOTARY

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Appointment of Patrick M. Crowley

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