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Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Twelfth Legislative Day

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Matthew L. LaMountain, Deputy Senate President Pro Tempore, at 4:22 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: Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

ABSENT – 1: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Deputy Senate President Pro Tempore, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Murray to deliver the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Elana Margulis & Kenya Handy-Hilliard from McDonalds.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS**Senate Resolution No. 834****BY** McKenney

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING ST. PATRICK'S DAY AND HONORS IRELAND'S ROLE IN THE UNITED STATES WAR OF INDEPENDENCE
{LC2464/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator McKenney requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator McKenney moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 835**BY** Dimitri

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE CELEBRATION OF ST. JOSEPH'S DAY
{LC2465/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Dimitri requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Dimitri moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 836**BY** Burke

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING AND RECOGNIZING EMILY SANTERRE FOR BEING NAMED MISS IRELAND IN THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE IN WEST WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND
{LC2430/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Burke requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Burke moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Burke and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Emily Santerre, her parents Brian & Jaclyn Santerre, her siblings Evelyn, Elton & Etticus Santerre, and her grandparents Jeff & Cheryl Lewis.

Senate Resolution No. 837**BY** Gallo, Lawson, LaMountain, Pearson, Zurier

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING MARCH OF 2025 AS “ARTS IN THE SCHOOLS MONTH” IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC714/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Sara Leonard, Deputy Director, RISCA, Lisa Ramos, RISCA and Marty Sprague, Dance Alliance of Rhode Island.

Senate Resolution No. 838**BY** Kallman

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH 17, 2025, TO BE
"PROFOUND AUTISM DAY IN RHODE ISLAND"
{LC2339/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Kallman requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Kallman moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 839**BY** Tikoian

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE BRYANT UNIVERSITY
BULLDOGS MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE AMERICA EAST
REGULAR SEASON AND CONFERENCE TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS AND
EARNING A BERTH IN THE NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
{LC2523/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Tikoian requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Tikoian moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 840****BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF LEO'S SERVICE CENTER, INC.

{LC2356/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025:**

1. *The Appointment of Deborah J. Goddard VICE Stefan Pryor to the RI Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2025.*

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

Senator Bissaillon moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators

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 and 1 abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED – 1: Senator Britto.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Bissaillon and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Deborah J. Goddard.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Sosnowski announces that the Senate Committee on Commerce will meet today at the rise of the senate in Room 212.

Senator Murray announces that the Senate Committee on Education will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in Room 313.

Senator Felag announces that the Senate Committee on Finance will meet today at the rise of the senate in the senate lounge.

Senator Bissaillon announces that the Senate Committee on Judiciary will meet today at the rise of the senate in Room 313.

Senator Lauria announces that the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today at the rise of the senate in Room 211.

Senator Raptakis announces that the Senate Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in Room 211.

Senator Sosnowski announces that the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet tomorrow at 4:00pm in the senate lounge.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Paolino and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Mike Deenan.

Upon suggestion of Senator Morgan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Angel Sosa and Don Haining.

Upon suggestion of Senator Euer and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President Pro Tempore, welcomes to the Chamber Angela Lima.

RECESS

Upon the Motion of Senate Majority Whip Tikoian, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Lawson, the Senate stands in Recess at 5:01 o'clock P.M.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 841**

BY Gallo, Ruggerio, Lawson, Bissaillon, Tikoian, LaMountain, Thompson, Patalano, Kallman, Lauria

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL (SGAC)
{LC2333/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 842

BY Felag, Sosnowski, Bissaillon, Britto, Dimitri, DiMario, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTERCHANGE FEES (Prohibits the charging of interchange fees on taxes and gratuities.)
{LC1640/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 843

BY Murray, Bell, Thompson, Euer, Sosnowski, Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET-METERING (Allows a property owner with eligible net-metering systems with a master meter to allocate excess net metering credits to any meter on the property.)
{LC998/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 844

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of the Friends of Little Compton Wellness Center, Inc.)
{LC2476/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 845

BY Raptakis, Lawson, Tikoian, Bissaillon, Gallo, Felag, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Ujifusa, Patalano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- RHODE ISLAND MEALS ON WHEELS INC. FUND (Provides for a tax refund deduction for contributions to the Meals on Wheels Inc. Fund commencing with tax year 2025.)
{LC2436/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 846

BY Tikoian, Felag, Gallo, McKenney, Dimitri, Raptakis, Britto, Burke, Bissaillon, Patalano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE (Prohibits healthcare providers and health plans from denying the payment of a medical bill, solely because the bill may have arisen from a third-party claim.)
{LC2530/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 847

BY Murray, Acosta, Bell, Thompson, Euer, McKenney, Lauria, Valverde
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- COMPASSIONATE ACCESS TO MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT (Requires certain health care facilities to allow a terminally ill patient's use of medicinal cannabis within the health care facility, subject to certain restrictions.)
{LC1984/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 848

BY Tikoian, DiPalma, Lawson, Ciccone, Gallo, Burke, Appollonio, McKenney, Vargas, Thompson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES (Imposes a hospital licensing fee for fiscal year 2026 against net patient-services revenue of every non-government owned hospital for the hospital's first fiscal year ending on or after January 1, 2024.)
{LC2513/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 849**BY** DiPalma, Ciccone, Gu, Gallo, Tikoian, Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS

(Establishes a reimbursement system for a municipalities cost of training public safety personnel when they are hired by a different municipality or public safety agency within Rhode Island within 3 years of receiving the public safety training.)

{LC2027/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 850**BY** Patalano, Thompson, Gallo, Burke, Britto, Dimitri, Appollonio, Raptakis, Vargas, de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

FARMLAND PRESERVATION ACT (Prohibits any city, town, quasi-municipal corporation or public corporation from assessing any existing agricultural operation or agricultural land any water impact fee, excepting base useable charges.)

{LC2471/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 851**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT (Allows the owner of a residential unit to rent it for tourist or transient use. Prohibits a municipality any means to deny the owner from offering and renting the unit for tourist or transient use.)

{LC2425/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 852**BY** DiPalma, Gu, Ciccone, McKenney, de la Cruz, Felag, Sosnowski, Urso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Requires that all agencies' final rules, promulgated pursuant to the administrative procedures act, be approved by general assembly action, but in no case later than December 31 of the year it is promulgated before it can become effective.)

{LC1517/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 853**BY** Ciccone, Dimitri, Tikoian, Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Prohibits any city or town from requiring an applicant for license to carry concealed firearm to provide a reason for their request other than those outlined in § 11-47-1.)

{LC1516/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 854**BY** Thompson, Dimitri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS (Allows that public records stored in a computer system, upon request, be provided at no charge.)

{LC2408/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 855**BY** Thompson, Patalano, Tikoian, Lawson, Dimitri, Murray, Appollonio, Burke, Ciccone, Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- PEACE OFFICER MAXIMUM WORKDAY AND OVERTIME COMPENSATION (Establishes a maximum hourly workday for all peace officers as defined in § 12-7-21 and a violation rate of pay of double time and a half.)

{LC1518/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 856**BY** Ciccone, Patalano, DiPalma, Tikoian, Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION (Provides that all contractual provisions in a firefighters collective bargaining agreement continue until a successor agreement has been reached or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.)

{LC2477/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 857**BY** Thompson, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- HOLIDAY BUSINESS (Provides all employees of retail establishments with 15 or more employees engaged in work during Sundays or holidays shall receive from their employer no less than time and a half and shall be guaranteed at least a minimum of four (4) hours employment.)
{LC2409/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 858**BY** Thompson, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- WORK ON HOLIDAYS AND SUNDAYS (Defines employees as individuals employed by a municipality or state covered by a collective bargaining agreement or employment contract, and would redefine an "employer" to those who employ fifteen (15) or more employees.)
{LC2410/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Chairman DiPalma, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

House Bill No. 5252 SUB A**BY** McNamara, Shekarchi, Solomon, Bennett, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- WARWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUDGET COMMISSION (Creates a budget commission to oversee the Warwick schools district until such time as the fiscal year 2025 - 2026 Warwick school budget is approved.)
{LC917/A/2}

Placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Chairman Felag, from the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 155

BY Raptakis, Gallo, Tikoian, Urso, Euer, Bissaillon, Appollonio, Dimitri, Thompson, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --

REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Empowers the division of motor vehicles to make available special motor vehicle registration plates for the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association.)

{LC77/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 591

BY Felag, DiPalma, Lauria, Raptakis, Tikoian, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RENAMING THE NEW SAKONNET BRIDGE,

AQUIDNECK ISLAND (Names the new Sakonnet Bridge as the "Staff Sergeant Christopher Potts Sakonnet Bridge.")

{LC2126/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Hanna M. Gallo, Senate President Pro Tempore, on Thursday, March 20th at 4:08 o'clock P.M

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Lawson, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, and the Senate adjourns at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

HELENA S. REID

Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR MELISSA MURRAY**

May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face, The rain fall soft upon your fields, And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025:

1. **2025-S 840**
 BY Gu
 ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
 CHARTER OF LEO'S SERVICE CENTER, INC.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. **2025-S 841**
 BY Gallo
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 50TH
 ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COUNCIL (SGAC)

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix
CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025:

1. *The Appointment of Dr. Michael Reuter VICE Catherine Hall to the Coastal Resource Management Council for a term expiring January 31, 2027.*

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

2. **2025-S 28**
BY Zurier
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

3. **2025-S 44**
BY Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

4. **2025-S 674**
BY Acosta
ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CENTRAL FALLS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE CITY BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$15,000,000 BONDS, NOTES AND/OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS THEREFOR

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

5. **2025-S 196**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

6. **2025-S 473**
 BY Lawson
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
 INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

7. **2025-S 62**
 BY DiMario
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND
 WORKS PROGRAM

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Appendix
CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025:

1. **2025-S 155**
 BY Raptakis
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
 REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

2. **2025-S 591**
 BY Felag
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RENAMING THE NEW SAKONNET
 BRIDGE, AQUIDNECK ISLAND

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025:

1. **2025-H 5252 SUB A**

BY McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- WARWICK PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUDGET COMMISSION

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

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 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

☐ 2025-H

☒ 2025-S

(Bill Number)

Appointment of Deborah J. Goddard

(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. Ruggerio

Date 03/18/2025

Senator Dominick J. Ruggerio

Senate District 4

NOTARY

State of Rhode Island

County of Providence

On this 18th day of March, 2025, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Dominick J. Ruggerio, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.

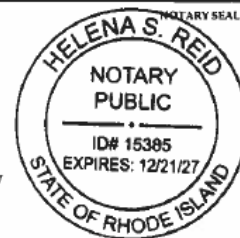
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