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Volume 152, No. 24

Thursday, May 08, 2025

Twenty-fourth Legislative Day

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by The Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, on at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT –35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

ABSENT – 2: Senators DiMario and Pearson.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Britto to deliver the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Britto, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.


APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Twenty-third Legislative Day of the 2025 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

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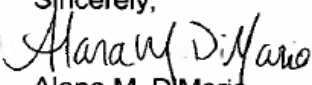
May 8, 2025

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

Dear Madam President:

Please be advised that on Thursday, May 8, 2025, I will be absent from Senate Session.

I would appreciate you recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Alana M. DiMario
Senator District ~ 36

Placed on file.

State of Rhode Island

SENATOR
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Senate Chamber

Committee on Judiciary

Committee
Labor & Gaming

May 8, 2025

Mrs. Helena Reid
Secretary of the Senate
State House, Room 220
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mrs. Secretary:

I would like to take this opportunity to respectfully request that my name be removed from the Senate bill S 0948. I appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ana B. Quezada".

Ana B. Quezada
Senator District 2

Placed on file.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**Senate Resolution No. 1036****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 8, 2025, TO BE "ARTS DAY IN RHODE ISLAND"

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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, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, 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 Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Larry Purtill, Bethany Lardaro, Elvis Ruiz, Sara Leonard, Deputy Director of RISCA, Faye Zuckerman, Director of Communications, Anisa Raoof Grants Manager and Arts and Health, Katie Liberman Trinity Rep Executive Director, Seamus Hames Director of Arts Education, Alicia Martinez, and Juniper Darrow.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025:

1. **2025-S 83**
 BY Raptakis
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LENDERS
 AND LOAN BROKERS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

2. **2025-S 84 SUB A**
 BY Raptakis
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CASUALTY INSURANCE
 RATING

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 13th.

3. 2025-S 169**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

4. 2025-S 172**BY** Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTEREST AND USURY

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

5. 2025-S 381 SUB A**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND ESTHETICIANS

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

6. 2025-S 387**BY** Appollonio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

7. 2025-S 602**BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

8. 2025-S 767**BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW--GENERAL
REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- GENETIC INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

9. 2025-S 700**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
CONFIDENTIALITY OF HEALTH CARE COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION
ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

10. 2025-S 711**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND CONSERVATION TRUST FUND ACT

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 33: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz and Morgan.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Bissaillon and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Phoenix Wheeler and Kate Sales.

11. 2025-S 944**BY** Thompson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Thompson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

12. 2025-S 979**BY** Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

13. 2025-S 76 SUB A**BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

14. 2025-S 75**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS -- VEHICLE
IDENTIFICATION CHECKS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

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

Senator Felag, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 0075**

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND
SECURITY INTERESTS -- VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION CHECKS

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0075, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR
AND OTHER VEHICLES -- CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS --
VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION CHECKS”, as follows:

1. On page 3, line 4, by deleting the language "2025", and by inserting in place thereof the
language "2026".
2. On page 4, line 3, by deleting the language "2025", and by inserting in place thereof the language
"2026".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Felag

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0
Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

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

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

15. 2025-S 624

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

16. 2025-S 625**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

17. 2025-S 914 SUB A**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

18. 2025-S 953**BY** Dimitri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- MAIL BALLOTS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Gu and Senator Ujifusa would like to invite everyone to the Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Celebration at State House on Tuesday, May 13th, from 3p.m. to 4 p.m. in the State Room.

Senator Felag announces that the Senate Committee on Finance will meet at the rise of the senate in Room 211.

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

Senator Raptakis announces that the Senate Committee on Judiciary will meet at the rise of the senate in room 313.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Dimitri and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Johnston Town Councilwoman Linda Folcarelli and Donna Folcarelli.

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.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE**

Chairwoman Sosnowski, from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Resolution No. 23

BY Zurier, DiMario, Vargas, Gu

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POTENTIAL CHANGES IN LEGISLATION/OVERSIGHT OF THE ACT ON CLIMATE (Creates a 5 member commission to provide recommendations for legislation changes and/or oversight for the Act on Climate, and would report back by May 1, 2026, and would expire on June 1, 2026.)
{LC554/1}

Placed on Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

Senate Bill No. 269

BY Murray, Bell, Euer, Lauria, LaMountain, McKenney, Bissaillon, Acosta, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES -- HIV/AIDS (Repeals the required HIV testing for an individual convicted under chapter 34.1 of title 11 and allows the option for HIV testing for any person convicted under this chapter.)
{LC1002/1}

Placed on Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

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

Senate Bill No. 495

BY Gu, Burke, Kallman, Bissaillon, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND COMMERCE CORPORATION -- HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (Authorizes the establishment of a RI housing champion designation program. This program would make qualified municipalities eligible to receive preferential access to state resources, including discretionary state infrastructure funds, as available.)
{LC1644/1}

Placed on Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 1037**

BY Gu, Zurier, Burke, Ciccone, Urso, DiPalma, Vargas, Paolino, Tikoian, Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- IDENTITY THEFT PROTECTION ACT OF 2015 (Amends the Identity Theft Protection Act by eliminating current definitions and establishing new definitions. This act also raises the penalty provisions for violations.)
{LC2859/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Artificial Intelligence & Emerging Technologies.

Senate Bill No. 1038

BY Euer, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ACT (Establishes requirements which would have to be met by an applicant prior to the issuing of permits for an activity that would have an environmental impact on or would increase the cumulative impacts on an environmental justice area.)
{LC253/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 1039**BY** DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Tikoian, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIFE SCIENCE HUB ACT (Makes technical amendments to the RI life science hub regarding the terms of the directors, advisory committees, powers, disposition of hub assets upon termination, and tax status as a governmental unit which is a separate legal entity from the state.)
{LC2860/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1040**BY** Euer, Bell, Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX ON GAINS FROM THE SALE OR EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY (Creates new tax on gains from sale or exchange of real property held for short periods of time, 6 years or less, establishes a comprehensive framework to calculate and implement enforcement and provides imprisonment and/or fines for those who evade taxes.)
{LC249/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1041**BY** Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Permit the City of Providence a one-year levy cap for fiscal year 2026 not to exceed eight percent (8%).)
{LC2856/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1042**BY** Gu, Gallo, Zurier, Acosta, DiPalma, Bissaillon, Ciccone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP (Makes students in workforce-ready certificate programs at the Community College of Rhode Island eligible to receive the Rhode Island Promise Scholarship.)
{LC2891/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1043**BY** Ujifusa, Felag, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Adds the property of the Pokanoket Management Group, Trustee of the Pokanoket Tribe Land Trust, to the list of property designated for appropriations in lieu of municipal property tax, would concurrently exempt such property from municipal property tax.)
{LC2832/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1044**BY** Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES-MAXIMUM LEVY (Grants an exemption from the four percent (4%) property tax levy cap to the town of Jamestown.)
{LC2755/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1045**BY** Tikoian, Ciccone, Felag, LaMountain, Sosnowski, Gallo, DiPalma, Patalano, Burke, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX (Exempts subchapter S corporations in the first year of existence from paying the minimum tax.)
{LC2839/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1046**BY** DiPalma, Bissaillon, Zurier, LaMountain, McKenney, Euer, Appollonio, Burke, Quezada, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Allows communities to increase their local share of hotel tax collection by an additional two percent (2%).)
{LC2893/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1047**BY** Dimitri, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- INVESTMENTS BY DOMESTIC INSURANCE COMPANIES (Repeals § 27-11.1-3 to eliminate the ten percent (10%) limitation on Schedule BA assets.)

{LC2899/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1048**BY** Britto, DiPalma, Sosnowski, Gu, Bissaillon, Patalano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT (Extends the sunset provision allowing retired teachers to substitute teach for up to 180 days from June 20, 2025 until July 1, 2026.)

{LC2855/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Resolution No. 1049**BY** Mack, Paolino**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$100,000 FOR THE RHODE ISLAND COMMISSION ON PREJUDICE AND BIAS (This resolution would appropriate the sum of \$100,000 to the Rhode Island Commission on Prejudice and Bias.)

{LC2736/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 1050**BY** Ciccone, Dimitri, Bissaillon, de la Cruz, Burke, Thompson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION (Requires payments by the corporation increase from a \$3.00 tipping fee per vehicle to a \$6.00 tipping fee per vehicle, unless exempt. This act would also require fees be paid to Johnston on an annual rather than a biannual basis.)

{LC2886/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 1051**BY** Thompson, Britto, Bissaillon, Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND

(Allows the applicant for a land development project to utilize the administrative subdivision process established under 45-23-37 to request approval of a proposed subdivision of an oversized lot.)

{LC2729/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 1052**BY** Bissaillon, Ciccone, Burke, Gallo, Appollonio, McKenney, LaMountain, Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SUBDIVISION OF LAND

(Provides that minor subdivisions would include oversized lot subdivisions under certain circumstances and relative to zoning ordinances, permit a modification to allow "neighborhood character-based modifications" under certain circumstances.)

{LC2868/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 1053**BY** LaMountain, Appollonio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- LEASED LAND DWELLINGS

(Directs RIHousing to work with stakeholders to investigate and determine ways to assist an incorporated homeowners' association to exercise rights to purchase leased land.)

{LC2667/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 1054**BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BURRILLVILLE LAND TRUST (Changes the name of the Burrillville Land Trust to the Burrillville Land Conservancy and make other stylistic changes.)

{LC2869/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 1055

(Attorney General)

BY Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Disqualifies individuals with prior felony convictions from purchasing or possessing a firearm.)
{LC2209/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 1056**BY** Tikoian, LaMountain, Gallo, DiPalma, Burke, Patalano, McKenney, Dimitri, Paolino, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT (Requires every school district to render assistance and cooperation within its jurisdictional power to further the objects of this chapter, to wit, providing the courts with any information concerning a child as the court may require.)
{LC2887/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 1057**BY** Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT (Establishes concurrent jurisdiction between the Rhode Island Family Court and the Federal Government for the purposes of adjudicating minors who have allegedly committed a crime while residing on a military installation located in Rhode Island.)
{LC251/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 1058**BY** Ciccone, Burke, Patalano, Tikoian, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WAREHOUSE WORKER PROTECTION ACT (Requires employers to provide each employee of a warehouse distribution center, upon hire, with written description of quotas applicable to the employee within defined time periods and adverse employment action for failure to meet the quota.)
{LC2831/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 1059**BY** Thompson, Tikoian, Patalano, Dimitri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION (Recognizes that municipal employees have the opportunity to utilize interest arbitration and would establish new factors for the arbitrators to consider. These factors include comparisons of wages/hourly conditions of employment in similarly skilled jobs.) {LC1756/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 1060**BY** Ciccone, Burke, Patalano, Tikoian, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION -- GENERAL PROVISIONS (Clarifies several workers' compensation court authority for injuries to sworn employees (police/fire).) {LC2841/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor and Gaming.

Senate Bill No. 1061**BY** Lauria, Felag, Kallman, Raptakis, Ujifusa, Murray, DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Allows for a special RI license plate to raise awareness for colon cancer. The plate would be designed by the partnership to reduce cancer in RI. The fees for the plate would be divided equally between the general fund and the partnership not-for-profit.) {LC2851/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 1062**BY** Felag, Raptakis, Appollonio, Lauria, Gallo, Tikoian, Ciccone, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Renames the East Bay Bike Path Bridge, located in the Town of Warren, the Cpl. Richard C. Brule Bridge.) {LC2890/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 1063**BY** Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS -- CENTRAL FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT (Authorizes the city of Central Falls, via home rule charter or city ordinance, to create a school board with all powers and duties thereto, to govern the Central Falls school district.)
{LC2910/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Resolution No. 1064**BY** Mack

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE BROWN WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM ON WINNING THE WOMEN'S RUGBY COLLEGE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW
{LC2908/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**TRANSFER OF BILLS**

Senator Burke, In accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bills from the Committee on Labor and Gaming to the Committee to on Education.

Senate Bill No. 745**BY** Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' TENURE (Amends the teachers' tenure act for Providence public school teachers and provides a process for the dismissal and demotion for teachers or other persons assigned full-time to the school.)
{LC1469/1}

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 746**BY** Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FOUNDATION LEVEL SCHOOL SUPPORT (Changes salary minimum schedule for providence teachers.)
{LC1468/1}

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Senate Bill No. 747

BY Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' TENURE (Allows the Providence public School district by reason of a substantial decrease of pupil population within its school system, to suspend teachers in numbers necessitated by the decrease in pupil population and provide a process for any suspensions.)
{LC1470/1}

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senator Ciccone, and upon suggestion of Senator Ujifusa, the Senate adjourns at 4:56 o'clock P.M. *in memory of Jhodi Ross Redlich Katzman.*

HELENA S. REID
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR ROBERT BRITTO**

Lord, as we observe Mother's Day this weekend, we ask you to bless our mothers for the endless hours of time they spent and the boundless energy they invested in us. Bless our mothers for their sacrifices on our behalf as they often gave up or deferred their own dreams so that we could have ours. Most of all, Lord, bless our mothers for their unconditional love, for loving us no matter what, and for frequently showing love in ways that make us feel valued and cherished. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025:

1. **2025-S 1064**

BY Mack

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE BROWN
WOMEN'S RUGBY TEAM ON WINNING THE WOMEN'S RUGBY COLLEGE
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE THIRD YEAR IN A ROW

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025:

- 1. 2025-S 84 SUB A**
BY Raptakis
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CASUALTY INSURANCE RATING

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

- 2. 2025-S 85 SUB A**
BY Lawson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- GROCERY STORES

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

- 3. 2025-S 238 SUB A**
BY McKenney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- THE FREEDOM TO READ ACT

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

- 4. 2025-S 771 SUB A**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

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

- 5. 2025-S 114**
BY Valverde
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DEFENDING AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

- 6. 2025-S 263**
BY DiMario
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

7. 2025-S 271 SUB A**BY** Urso**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

8. 2025-S 343 SUB A**BY** Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

9. 2025-S 462 SUB A**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HARM REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

10. 2025-S 468**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG COST PROTECTION

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

11. 2025-S 475 SUB A**BY** Dimitri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS REQUIRED AT PUBLIC PLACES AND HEALTHCARE FACILITIES -- DAVID CASEY ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

12. 2025-S 688**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

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IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025:

1. *The Reappointment of Kimberly R. Ahern to the Rhode Island Cannabis Control Commission for a term expiring May 17, 2031.*

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

2. **2025-S 23**
BY Zurier
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POTENTIAL CHANGES IN LEGISLATION/OVERSIGHT OF THE ACT ON CLIMATE

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage.

3. **2025-S 269**
BY Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES -- HIV/AIDS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

4. **2025-S 495 SUB A**
BY Gu
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

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

5. **2025-S 828**
BY Ciccone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIRE FIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS

Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.

6. **2025-S 959 SUB A**
BY Ciccone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WORKPLACE PSYCHOLOGICAL SAFETY ACT

Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.