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Thirty-eighth 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 2:26 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

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

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Thirty-sixth Legislative Day of the 2025 proceedings is read in part.

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

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**Senate Resolution No. 1160**

BY Murray, Thompson, Paolino

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ROGER A. SAVINI

{LC3081/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Murray requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

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

The resolution is read and passed upon a rising vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Thompson and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber the Family of Roger Savini.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Murray and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Wayne Clarke, Christopher Marin, Stephanie Calise, Neil Chapman, Julie Driscoll, Eric Claros, Thomas Nichols, Angel Sosa, Steven Squizzero, Daniel McKay, Douglas Troughton, Richard Barrette, Sheila Clarkin, Vanessa Sosa, Nick Grasso, Paul Rainna, Patricia Seminick, Walter Seminick, Kara Tibbetts, Kevin Tibbetts, John Amaral, Steven Larouche, Erin Dean, and Phillip Mockler.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 1161****BY** Kallman

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES TO UNDERTAKE A REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF BENCHMARKING PROGRAMS FOR MUNICIPAL AND PRIVATE BUILDINGS GREATER THAN 25,000 SQUARE FEET
{LC3079/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1162**BY** Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE AND AMENDING THE LANGUAGE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS
{LC3084/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 1163**BY** E Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Hopkinton, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Hopkinton.)
{LC3085/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 1164**BY** Tikoian, Burke, Ciccone, Raptakis

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING DR. ROSEMARY A. COSTIGAN, PH.D., RN, ON HER SELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC3083/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senate Resolution No. 1165**BY** Felag

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION JOYOUSLY CELEBRATING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF FATHER BERNARD A. HEALEY TO THE PRIESTHOOD ON JUNE 24, 2025
{LC3086/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-H 6122****BY** McNamara

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CIVIL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

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

2. 2025-H 6123 SUB A as amended**BY** Voas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

3. 2025-H 6086**BY** Cruz

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE KANE-BARRENGOS FOUNDATION

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

4. 2025-H 6399**BY** Shanley

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

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

5. **2025-H 5841**
 BY Stewart
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING
 TO SCHOOLS
- Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
6. **2025-H 5871**
 BY Cortvriend
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS
- Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.
7. **2025-H 5901 SUB A**
 BY Noret
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
 MISCELLANEOUS RULES
- Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A in concurrence.
8. **2025-H 6384**
 BY Dawson
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT
 OF HEALTH
- Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
9. **2025-H 6406**
 BY Batista
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD
 SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016
- Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.
10. **2025-H 6291 SUB A**
 BY Donovan
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
 TAXATION
- Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

11. **2025-H 6135**
 BY DeSimone
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
 LICENSES

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

12. **2025-H 6386 as amended**
 BY Casey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT
 OF LOCAL TAXES

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

13. **2025-H 6395**
 BY Santucci
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT
 OF LOCAL TAXES

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

14. **2025-H 6396**
 BY Santucci
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
 TAXATION

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

15. **2025-H 6419**
 BY Casey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE
 HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET

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

16. **2025-H 6408**
 BY Santucci
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
 COURTS -- FAMILY COURT

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

17. 2025-H 5358 SUB A as amended**BY** Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY

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

18. 2025-H 6120 SUB A**BY** Batista**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT

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

19. 2025-H 5251 SUB A**BY** Read**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RIGHTS AND DUTIES TEACHERS GENERALLY -- SEPTEMBER 11 CLASSROOM MOMENT OF SILENCE

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

20. 2025-H 5569 SUB A**BY** Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PET INSURANCE ACT

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

21. 2025-H 5025**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage in concurrence.

22. 2025-H 5695**BY** Voas**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

23. 2025-H 5625 SUB A**BY** Dawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

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

24. 2025-S 464 SUB A as amended**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD
SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016

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

25. 2025-H 5155 SUB A**BY** Cotter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
ARCHITECTS

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

26. 2025-H 5157 SUB A**BY** Cotter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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

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

NAYS – 0:

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-S 359 SUB A****BY DiPalma****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED FIREARMS**

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A/2****AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED****FIREARMS**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED FIREARMS", as follows:

1. On page 3, between lines 19 and 20, by inserting the following language:

"(4)(i) A person, who is not otherwise prohibited from owning a firearm, who receives a prohibited firearm in their capacity as the personal representative of an estate, or as a trustee of a trust, or as the beneficiary of a trust, or as an heir at law, or as a beneficiary under a will, or as a person who inherits the firearm from a decedent who lawfully owned the prohibited firearm and

who died intestate, may lawfully have the prohibited firearm transferred to them after July 1, 2026.

(ii) If the person inheriting the prohibited firearm is a minor under the age of twenty-one (21) at the time of inheritance, they shall not take physical possession of the prohibited firearm until reaching the age of twenty-one (21). Until that time, the prohibited firearm shall be stored in accordance with applicable state and federal laws by a lawful custodian or trustee designated by the minor's legal guardian.

(iii) The receipt of a prohibited firearm by a person who, on or after July 1, 2026, acquires possession of the weapon by operation of law upon the death of the former owner who was in legal possession of the firearm. Receipt under this subsection is not a transfer under this chapter. A person who legally receives a prohibited firearm shall not sell or transfer the firearm to any other person in this state other than to a federally licensed firearm dealer, to a federally licensed gunsmith for the purpose of service or repair, or they could possess such firearm and transfer it upon death in the same way in which it was acquired."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 13 Senators voting in the affirmative, 24 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 13: Senators Appollonio, Bell, de la Cruz, Euer, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, and Thompson.

NAYS – 24: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator de la Cruz, seconded by Senators Paolino, Morgan, Rogers, and Raptakis offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A/2

**AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED
FIREARMS**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED FIREARMS”, as follows:

1. On page 3, between lines 19 and 20, by inserting the following language:

"11-47.2-3. Prohibited firearms crime law enforcement report.

The attorney general shall establish and maintain, in a timely manner, a record of the make, model, and, if available, date of manufacture, of any prohibited firearm, which the attorney general is made aware, has been used in relation to a crime under federal or state law, and the nature and circumstances of the crime involved, including the outcome of relevant criminal investigations and proceedings. The attorney general shall annually submit a copy of the record established under this section, to the general assembly and make the record available to the general public, on or before March 31 for the prior year ending December 31."

2. On page 3, line 20, by deleting the language, “**11-47.2-3**” and inserting in place thereof the language **“11-47.2-4”**.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator de la Cruz

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 9 Senators voting in the affirmative, 28 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 9: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, and Thompson.

NAYS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Pearson, Quezada, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator de la Cruz, seconded by Senators Rogers, Paolino, Morgan offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A/2

**AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED
FIREARMS**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0359 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- UNLAWFUL SALE OF PROHIBITED FIREARMS”, as follows:

1. On page 3, line 25, by deleting the number "2026", and by inserting in place thereof the number "2027".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator de la Cruz

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 8 Senators voting in the affirmative, 28 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 8: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan Paolino, Patalano, Raptaksi, and Rogers.

NAYS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, = Murray, = Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, McKenney, Lauria, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 25 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 11 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 11: Senators Appollonio, Burke, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, and Tikoian.

2. 2025-H 5076 SUB A as amended**BY** Abney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Bissaillon, Zurier, Lauria, Sosnowski, and Valverde.

Senator Paolino, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED**

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled “AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026”, as follows:

1. In Article 5, page 10, between lines 1 and 2, by inserting the following language:

"SECTION 5. Section 44-18-30 of the General Laws in Chapter 44-18 entitled "Sales and Use Taxes — Liability and Computation" is hereby amended to read as follows:

44-18-30. Gross receipts exempt from sales and use taxes.

There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this chapter the following gross receipts:

(1) Sales and uses beyond constitutional power of state. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property the gross receipts from the sale of which, or the storage, use, or other consumption of which, this state is prohibited from taxing under the Constitution of the United States or under the constitution of this state.

(2) Newspapers.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of any newspaper.

(ii) “Newspaper” means an unbound publication printed on newsprint that contains news, editorial comment, opinions, features, advertising matter, and other matters of public interest.

(iii) “Newspaper” does not include a magazine, handbill, circular, flyer, sales catalog, or similar item unless the item is printed for, and distributed as, a part of a newspaper.

(3) School meals. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of meals served by public, private, or parochial schools, school districts, colleges, universities, student organizations, and parent-teacher associations to the students or teachers of a school, college, or university whether the meals are served by the educational institutions or by a

food service or management entity under contract to the educational institutions.

(4) Containers.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of:

(A) Non-returnable containers, including boxes, paper bags, and wrapping materials that are biodegradable and all bags and wrapping materials utilized in the medical and healing arts, when sold without the contents to persons who place the contents in the container and sell the contents with the container.

(B) Containers when sold with the contents if the sale price of the contents is not required to be included in the measure of the taxes imposed by this chapter.

(C) Returnable containers when sold with the contents in connection with a retail sale of the contents or when resold for refilling.

(D) Keg and barrel containers, whether returnable or not, when sold to alcoholic beverage producers who place the alcoholic beverages in the containers.

(ii) As used in this subdivision, the term “returnable containers” means containers of a kind customarily returned by the buyer of the contents for reuse. All other containers are “non-returnable containers.”

(5)(i) Charitable, educational, and religious organizations. From the sale to, as in defined in this section, and from the storage, use, and other consumption in this state, or any other state of the United States of America, of tangible personal property by hospitals not operated for a profit; “educational institutions” as defined in subdivision (18) not operated for a profit; churches, orphanages, and other institutions or organizations operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes; interest-free loan associations not operated for profit; nonprofit, organized sporting leagues and associations and bands for boys and girls under the age of nineteen (19) years; the following vocational student organizations that are state chapters of national vocational student organizations: Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA); Future Business Leaders of America, Phi Beta Lambda (FBLA/PBL); Future Farmers of America (FFA); Future Homemakers of America/Home Economics Related Occupations (FHA/HERD); Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA); organized nonprofit golden age and senior citizens clubs for men and women; and parent-teacher associations; and from the sale, storage, use, and other consumption in this state, of and by the Industrial Foundation of Burrillville, a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation.

(ii) In the case of contracts entered into with the federal government, its agencies, or instrumentalities, this state, or any other state of the United States of America, its agencies, any city, town, district, or other political subdivision of the states; hospitals not operated for profit; educational institutions not operated for profit; churches, orphanages, and other institutions or organizations operated exclusively for religious or charitable purposes, the contractor may purchase such materials and supplies (materials and/or supplies are defined as those that are essential to the project) that are to be utilized in the construction of the projects being performed under the contracts without payment of the tax.

(iii) The contractor shall not charge any sales or use tax to any exempt agency, institution, or organization but shall in that instance provide his or her suppliers with certificates in the form as determined by the division of taxation showing the reason for exemption and the contractor’s records must substantiate the claim for exemption by showing the disposition of all property so purchased. If any property is then used for a nonexempt purpose, the contractor must pay the tax on the property used.

(6) Gasoline. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of: (i) Gasoline and other products taxed under chapter 36 of title 31 and (ii) Fuels used for the propulsion of airplanes.

(7) Purchase for manufacturing purposes.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of computer software, tangible personal property, electricity, natural gas, artificial gas, steam, refrigeration, and water, when the property or service is purchased for the purpose of being manufactured into a finished product for resale and becomes an ingredient, component, or integral part of the manufactured, compounded, processed, assembled, or prepared product, or if the property or service is consumed in the process of manufacturing for resale computer software, tangible personal property, electricity, natural gas, artificial gas, steam, refrigeration, or water.

(ii) "Consumed" means destroyed, used up, or worn out to the degree or extent that the property cannot be repaired, reconditioned, or rendered fit for further manufacturing use.

(iii) "Consumed" includes mere obsolescence.

(iv) "Manufacturing" means and includes: manufacturing, compounding, processing, assembling, preparing, or producing.

(v) "Process of manufacturing" means and includes all production operations performed in the producing or processing room, shop, or plant, insofar as the operations are a part of and connected with the manufacturing for resale of tangible personal property, electricity, natural gas, artificial gas, steam, refrigeration, or water and all production operations performed insofar as the operations are a part of and connected with the manufacturing for resale of computer software.

(vi) "Process of manufacturing" does not mean or include administration operations such as general office operations, accounting, collection, or sales promotion, nor does it mean or include distribution operations that occur subsequent to production operations, such as handling, storing, selling, and transporting the manufactured products, even though the administration and distribution operations are performed by, or in connection with, a manufacturing business.

(8) State and political subdivisions. From the sale to, and from the storage, use, or other consumption by, this state, any city, town, district, or other political subdivision of this state. Every redevelopment agency created pursuant to chapter 31 of title 45 is deemed to be a subdivision of the municipality where it is located.

(9) Food and food ingredients. From the sale and storage, use, or other consumption in this state of food and food ingredients as defined in § 44-18-7.1(l).

For the purposes of this exemption "food and food ingredients" shall not include candy, soft drinks, dietary supplements, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, food sold through vending machines, or prepared food, as those terms are defined in § 44-18-7.1, unless the prepared food is:

(i) Sold by a seller whose primary NAICS classification is manufacturing in sector 311, except sub-sector 3118 (bakeries);

(ii) Sold in an unheated state by weight or volume as a single item;

(iii) Bakery items, including: bread, rolls, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, donuts, danish, cakes, tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, bars, cookies, tortillas; and

is not sold with utensils provided by the seller, including: plates, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, cups, napkins, or straws.

(10) Medicines, drugs, and durable medical equipment. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state, of:

(i) "Drugs" as defined in § 44-18-7.1(h)(i), sold on prescriptions, medical oxygen, and

insulin whether or not sold on prescription. For purposes of this exemption drugs shall not include over-the-counter drugs and grooming and hygiene products as defined in § 44-18-7.1(h)(iii).

(ii) Durable medical equipment as defined in § 44-18-7.1(k) for home use only, including, but not limited to: syringe infusers, ambulatory drug delivery pumps, hospital beds, convalescent chairs, and chair lifts. Supplies used in connection with syringe infusers and ambulatory drug delivery pumps that are sold on prescription to individuals to be used by them to dispense or administer prescription drugs, and related ancillary dressings and supplies used to dispense or administer prescription drugs, shall also be exempt from tax.

(11) Prosthetic devices and mobility enhancing equipment. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state, of prosthetic devices as defined in § 44-18-7.1(t), sold on prescription, including, but not limited to: artificial limbs, dentures, spectacles, eyeglasses, and artificial eyes; artificial hearing devices and hearing aids, whether or not sold on prescription; and mobility enhancing equipment as defined in § 44-18-7.1(p), including wheelchairs, crutches, and canes.

(12) Coffins, caskets, urns, shrouds and burial garments. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of coffins, caskets, burial containers, urns, urn liners, urn vaults, grave liners, grave vaults, burial tent setups, prayer cards, shrouds, and other burial garments that are ordinarily sold by a funeral director as part of the business of funeral directing.

(13) Motor vehicles sold to nonresidents.

(i) From the sale, subsequent to June 30, 1958, of a motor vehicle to a bona fide nonresident of this state who does not register the motor vehicle in this state, whether the sale or delivery of the motor vehicle is made in this state or at the place of residence of the nonresident. A motor vehicle sold to a bona fide nonresident whose state of residence does not allow a like exemption to its nonresidents is not exempt from the tax imposed under § 44-18-20. In that event, the bona fide nonresident pays a tax to Rhode Island on the sale at a rate equal to the rate that would be imposed in his or her state of residence not to exceed the rate that would have been imposed under § 44-18-20. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a licensed motor vehicle dealer shall add and collect the tax required under this subdivision and remit the tax to the tax administrator under the provisions of chapters 18 and 19 of this title. When a Rhode Island licensed, motor vehicle dealer is required to add and collect the sales and use tax on the sale of a motor vehicle to a bona fide nonresident as provided in this section, the dealer in computing the tax takes into consideration the law of the state of the nonresident as it relates to the trade-in of motor vehicles.

(ii) The tax administrator, in addition to the provisions of §§ 44-19-27 and 44-19-28, may require any licensed motor vehicle dealer to keep records of sales to bona fide nonresidents as the tax administrator deems reasonably necessary to substantiate the exemption provided in this subdivision, including the affidavit of a licensed motor vehicle dealer that the purchaser of the motor vehicle was the holder of, and had in his or her possession a valid out-of-state motor vehicle registration or a valid out-of-state driver's license.

(iii) Any nonresident who registers a motor vehicle in this state within ninety (90) days of the date of its sale to him or her is deemed to have purchased the motor vehicle for use, storage, or other consumption in this state, and is subject to, and liable for, the use tax imposed under the provisions of § 44-18-20.

(14) Sales in public buildings by blind people. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in all public buildings in this state of all products or wares by any person

licensed under § 40-9-11.1.

(15) Air and water pollution control facilities. From the sale, storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property or supplies acquired for incorporation into or used and consumed in the operation of a facility, the primary purpose of which is to aid in the control of the pollution or contamination of the waters or air of the state, as defined in chapter 12 of title 46 and chapter 23 of title 23, respectively, and that has been certified as approved for that purpose by the director of environmental management. The director of environmental management may certify to a portion of the tangible personal property or supplies acquired for incorporation into those facilities or used and consumed in the operation of those facilities to the extent that that portion has as its primary purpose the control of the pollution or contamination of the waters or air of this state. As used in this subdivision, “facility” means any land, facility, device, building, machinery, or equipment.

(16) Camps. From the rental charged for living quarters, or sleeping, or housekeeping accommodations at camps or retreat houses operated by religious, charitable, educational, or other organizations and associations mentioned in subsection (5), or by privately owned and operated summer camps for children.

(17) Certain institutions. From the rental charged for living or sleeping quarters in an institution licensed by the state for the hospitalization, custodial, or nursing care of human beings.

(18) Educational institutions. From the rental charged by any educational institution for living quarters, or sleeping, or housekeeping accommodations or other rooms or accommodations to any student or teacher necessitated by attendance at an educational institution. “Educational institution” as used in this section means an institution of learning not operated for profit that is empowered to confer diplomas, educational, literary, or academic degrees; that has a regular faculty, curriculum, and organized body of pupils or students in attendance throughout the usual school year; that keeps and furnishes to students and others records required and accepted for entrance to schools of secondary, collegiate, or graduate rank; and no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any individual.

(19) Motor vehicle and adaptive equipment for persons with disabilities.

(i) From the sale of: (A) Special adaptations; (B) The component parts of the special adaptations; or (C) A specially adapted motor vehicle; provided that the owner furnishes to the tax administrator an affidavit of a licensed physician to the effect that the specially adapted motor vehicle is necessary to transport a family member with a disability or where the vehicle has been specially adapted to meet the specific needs of the person with a disability. This exemption applies to not more than one motor vehicle owned and registered for personal, noncommercial use.

(ii) For the purpose of this subsection the term “special adaptations” includes, but is not limited to: wheelchair lifts, wheelchair carriers, wheelchair ramps, wheelchair securements, hand controls, steering devices, extensions, relocations, and crossovers of operator controls, power-assisted controls, raised tops or dropped floors, raised entry doors, or alternative signaling devices to auditory signals.

(iii) From the sale of: (a) Special adaptations, (b) The component parts of the special adaptations, for a “wheelchair accessible taxicab” as defined in § 39-14-1, and/or a “wheelchair accessible public motor vehicle” as defined in § 39-14.1-1.

(iv) For the purpose of this subdivision the exemption for a “specially adapted motor vehicle” means a use tax credit not to exceed the amount of use tax that would otherwise be due on the motor vehicle, exclusive of any adaptations. The use tax credit is equal to the cost of the

special adaptations, including installation.

(20) Heating fuels. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of every type of heating fuel.

(21) Electricity and gas. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of electricity and gas.

(22) Manufacturing machinery and equipment.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tools, dies, molds, machinery, equipment (including replacement parts), and related items to the extent used in an industrial plant in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of tangible personal property, or to the extent used in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of computer software as that term is utilized in industry numbers 7371, 7372, and 7373 in the standard industrial classification manual prepared by the Technical Committee on Industrial Classification, Office of Statistical Standards, Executive Office of the President, United States Bureau of the Budget, as revised from time to time, to be sold, or that machinery and equipment used in the furnishing of power to an industrial manufacturing plant. For the purposes of this subdivision, "industrial plant" means a factory at a fixed location primarily engaged in the manufacture, conversion, or processing of tangible personal property to be sold in the regular course of business;

(ii) Machinery and equipment and related items are not deemed to be used in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of tangible personal property, or in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of computer software as that term is utilized in industry numbers 7371, 7372, and 7373 in the standard industrial classification manual prepared by the Technical Committee on Industrial Classification, Office of Statistical Standards, Executive Office of the President, United States Bureau of the Budget, as revised from time to time, to be sold to the extent the property is used in administration or distribution operations;

(iii) Machinery and equipment and related items used in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of any computer software or any tangible personal property that is not to be sold and that would be exempt under subdivision (7) or this subdivision if purchased from a vendor or machinery and equipment and related items used during any manufacturing, converting, or processing function is exempt under this subdivision even if that operation, function, or purpose is not an integral or essential part of a continuous production flow or manufacturing process;

(iv) Where a portion of a group of portable or mobile machinery is used in connection with the actual manufacture, conversion, or processing of computer software or tangible personal property to be sold, as previously defined, that portion, if otherwise qualifying, is exempt under this subdivision even though the machinery in that group is used interchangeably and not otherwise identifiable as to use.

(23) Trade-in value of motor vehicles. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of so much of the purchase price paid for a new or used automobile as is allocated for a trade-in allowance on the automobile of the buyer given in trade to the seller, or of the proceeds applicable only to the automobile as are received from the manufacturer of automobiles for the repurchase of the automobile whether the repurchase was voluntary or not towards the purchase of a new or used automobile by the buyer. For the purpose of this subdivision, the word "automobile" means a private passenger automobile not used for hire and does not refer

to any other type of motor vehicle.

(24) Precious metal bullion.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of precious metal bullion, substantially equivalent to a transaction in securities or commodities.

(ii) For purposes of this subdivision, "precious metal bullion" means any elementary precious metal that has been put through a process of smelting or refining, including, but not limited to: gold, silver, platinum, rhodium, and chromium, and that is in a state or condition that its value depends upon its content and not upon its form.

(iii) The term does not include fabricated precious metal that has been processed or manufactured for some one or more specific and customary industrial, professional, or artistic uses.

(25) Commercial vessels. From sales made to a commercial ship, barge, or other vessel of fifty (50) tons burden or over, primarily engaged in interstate or foreign commerce, and from the repair, alteration, or conversion of the vessels, and from the sale of property purchased for the use of the vessels including provisions, supplies, and material for the maintenance and/or repair of the vessels.

(26) Commercial fishing vessels. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of vessels and other watercraft that are in excess of five (5) net tons and that are used exclusively for "commercial fishing," as defined in this subdivision, and from the repair, alteration, or conversion of those vessels and other watercraft, and from the sale of property purchased for the use of those vessels and other watercraft including provisions, supplies, and material for the maintenance and/or repair of the vessels and other watercraft and the boats nets, cables, tackle, and other fishing equipment appurtenant to or used in connection with the commercial fishing of the vessels and other watercraft. "Commercial fishing" means taking or attempting to take any fish, shellfish, crustacea, or bait species with the intent of disposing of it for profit or by sale, barter, trade, or in commercial channels. The term does not include subsistence fishing, i.e., the taking for personal use and not for sale or barter; or sport fishing; but shall include vessels and other watercraft with a Rhode Island party and charter boat license issued by the department of environmental management pursuant to § 20-2-27.1 that meet the following criteria: (i) The operator must have a current United States Coast Guard (U.S.C.G.) license to carry passengers for hire; (ii) U.S.C.G. vessel documentation in the coast wide fishery trade; (iii) U.S.C.G. vessel documentation as to proof of Rhode Island home port status or a Rhode Island boat registration to prove Rhode Island home port status; and (iv) The vessel must be used as a commercial passenger carrying fishing vessel to carry passengers for fishing. The vessel must be able to demonstrate that at least fifty percent (50%) of its annual gross income derives from charters or provides documentation of a minimum of one hundred (100) charter trips annually; and (v) The vessel must have a valid Rhode Island party and charter boat license. The tax administrator shall implement the provisions of this subdivision by promulgating rules and regulations relating thereto.

(27) Clothing and footwear. From the sales of articles of clothing, including footwear, intended to be worn or carried on or about the human body for sales prior to October 1, 2012. Effective October 1, 2012, the exemption will apply to the sales of articles of clothing, including footwear, intended to be worn or carried on or about the human body up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) of the sales price per item. For the purposes of this section, "clothing or footwear" does not include clothing accessories or equipment or special clothing or footwear primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use as these terms are defined in § 44-18-7.1(f). In

recognition of the work being performed by the streamlined sales and use tax governing board, upon passage of any federal law that authorizes states to require remote sellers to collect and remit sales and use taxes, this unlimited exemption will apply as it did prior to October 1, 2012. The unlimited exemption on sales of clothing and footwear shall take effect on the date that the state requires remote sellers to collect and remit sales and use taxes.

(28) Water for residential use. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of water furnished for domestic use by occupants of residential premises.

(29) Bibles. [Unconstitutional; see *Ahlburn v. Clark*, 728 A.2d 449 (R.I. 1999); see Notes to Decisions.] From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in the state of any canonized scriptures of any tax-exempt nonprofit religious organization including, but not limited to, the Old Testament and the New Testament versions.

(30) Boats.

(i) From the sale of a boat or vessel to a bona fide nonresident of this state who does not register the boat or vessel in this state or document the boat or vessel with the United States government at a home port within the state, whether the sale or delivery of the boat or vessel is made in this state or elsewhere; provided, that the nonresident transports the boat within thirty (30) days after delivery by the seller outside the state for use thereafter solely outside the state.

(ii) The tax administrator, in addition to the provisions of §§ 44-19-27 and 44-19-28, may require the seller of the boat or vessel to keep records of the sales to bona fide nonresidents as the tax administrator deems reasonably necessary to substantiate the exemption provided in this subdivision, including the affidavit of the seller that the buyer represented himself or herself to be a bona fide nonresident of this state and of the buyer that he or she is a nonresident of this state.

(31) Youth activities equipment. From the sale, storage, use, or other consumption in this state of items for not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00) each by nonprofit Rhode Island eleemosynary organizations, for the purposes of youth activities that the organization is formed to sponsor and support; and by accredited elementary and secondary schools for the purposes of the schools or of organized activities of the enrolled students.

(32) Farm equipment. From the sale and from the storage or use of machinery and equipment used directly for commercial farming and agricultural production; including, but not limited to: tractors, ploughs, harrows, spreaders, seeders, milking machines, silage conveyors, balers, bulk milk storage tanks, trucks with farm plates, mowers, combines, irrigation equipment, greenhouses and greenhouse coverings, graders and packaging machines, tools and supplies and other farming equipment, including replacement parts appurtenant to or used in connection with commercial farming and tools and supplies used in the repair and maintenance of farming equipment. "Commercial farming" means the keeping or boarding of five (5) or more horses or the production within this state of agricultural products, including, but not limited to, field or orchard crops, livestock, dairy, and poultry, or their products, where the keeping, boarding, or production provides at least two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) in annual gross sales to the operator, whether an individual, a group, a partnership, or a corporation for exemptions issued prior to July 1, 2002. For exemptions issued or renewed after July 1, 2002, there shall be two (2) levels. Level I shall be based on proof of annual, gross sales from commercial farming of at least twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500) and shall be valid for purchases subject to the exemption provided in this subdivision except for motor vehicles with an excise tax value of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or greater. Level II shall be based on proof of annual gross sales from commercial farming of at least ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or greater and shall be valid for purchases subject

to the exemption provided in this subdivision including motor vehicles with an excise tax value of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or greater. For the initial issuance of the exemptions, proof of the requisite amount of annual gross sales from commercial farming shall be required for the prior year; for any renewal of an exemption granted in accordance with this subdivision at either level I or level II, proof of gross annual sales from commercial farming at the requisite amount shall be required for each of the prior two (2) years. Certificates of exemption issued or renewed after July 1, 2002, shall clearly indicate the level of the exemption and be valid for four (4) years after the date of issue. This exemption applies even if the same equipment is used for ancillary uses, or is temporarily used for a non-farming or a non-agricultural purpose, but shall not apply to motor vehicles acquired after July 1, 2002, unless the vehicle is a farm vehicle as defined pursuant to § 31-1-8 and is eligible for registration displaying farm plates as provided for in § 31-3-31.

(33) Compressed air. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in the state of compressed air.

(34) Flags. From the sale and from the storage, consumption, or other use in this state of United States, Rhode Island or POW-MIA flags.

(35) Motor vehicle and adaptive equipment to certain veterans. From the sale of a motor vehicle and adaptive equipment to and for the use of a veteran with a service-connected loss of or the loss of use of a leg, foot, hand, or arm, or any veteran who is a double amputee, whether service connected or not. The motor vehicle must be purchased by and especially equipped for use by the qualifying veteran. Certificate of exemption or refunds of taxes paid is granted under rules or regulations that the tax administrator may prescribe.

(36) Textbooks. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of textbooks by an “educational institution,” as defined in subsection (18) of this section, and any educational institution within the purview of § 16-63-9(4), and used textbooks by any purveyor.

(37) Tangible personal property and supplies used in on-site hazardous waste recycling, reuse, or treatment. From the sale, storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property or supplies used or consumed in the operation of equipment, the exclusive function of which is the recycling, reuse, or recovery of materials (other than precious metals, as defined in subdivision (24)(ii) of this section) from the treatment of “hazardous wastes,” as defined in § 23-19.1-4, where the “hazardous wastes” are generated in Rhode Island solely by the same taxpayer and where the personal property is located at, in, or adjacent to a generating facility of the taxpayer in Rhode Island. The taxpayer shall procure an order from the director of the department of environmental management certifying that the equipment and/or supplies as used or consumed, qualify for the exemption under this subdivision. If any information relating to secret processes or methods of manufacture, production, or treatment is disclosed to the department of environmental management only to procure an order, and is a “trade secret” as defined in § 28-21-10(b), it is not open to public inspection or publicly disclosed unless disclosure is required under chapter 21 of title 28 or chapter 24.4 of title 23.

(38) Promotional and product literature of boat manufacturers. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of promotional and product literature of boat manufacturers shipped to points outside of Rhode Island that either: (i) Accompany the product that is sold; (ii) Are shipped in bulk to out-of-state dealers for use in the sale of the product; or (iii) Are mailed to customers at no charge.

(39) Food items paid for by food stamps. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of eligible food items payment for which is properly made to the retailer

in the form of U.S. government food stamps issued in accordance with the Food Stamp Act of 1977, 7 U.S.C. § 2011 et seq.

(40) Transportation charges. From the sale or hiring of motor carriers as defined in § 39-12-2(12) to haul goods, when the contract or hiring cost is charged by a motor freight tariff filed with the Rhode Island public utilities commission on the number of miles driven or by the number of hours spent on the job.

(41) Trade-in value of boats. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of so much of the purchase price paid for a new or used boat as is allocated for a trade-in allowance on the boat of the buyer given in trade to the seller or of the proceeds applicable only to the boat as are received from an insurance claim as a result of a stolen or damaged boat, towards the purchase of a new or used boat by the buyer.

(42) Equipment used for research and development. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of equipment to the extent used for research and development purposes by a qualifying firm. For the purposes of this subsection, “qualifying firm” means a business for which the use of research and development equipment is an integral part of its operation and “equipment” means scientific equipment, computers, software, and related items.

(43) Coins. From the sale and from the other consumption in this state of coins having numismatic or investment value.

(44) Farm structure construction materials. Lumber, hardware, and other materials used in the new construction of farm structures, including production facilities such as, but not limited to: farrowing sheds, free stall and stanchion barns, milking parlors, silos, poultry barns, laying houses, fruit and vegetable storages, rooting cellars, propagation rooms, greenhouses, packing rooms, machinery storage, seasonal farm worker housing, certified farm markets, bunker and trench silos, feed storage sheds, and any other structures used in connection with commercial farming.

(45) Telecommunications carrier access service. Carrier access service or telecommunications service when purchased by a telecommunications company from another telecommunications company to facilitate the provision of telecommunications service.

(46) Boats or vessels brought into the state exclusively for winter storage, maintenance, repair, or sale. Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 44-18-10, 44-18-11 and 44-18-20, the tax imposed by § 44-18-20 is not applicable for the period commencing on the first day of October in any year up to and including the 30th day of April next succeeding with respect to the use of any boat or vessel within this state exclusively for purposes of: (i) Delivery of the vessel to a facility in this state for storage, including dry storage and storage in water by means of apparatus preventing ice damage to the hull, maintenance, or repair; (ii) The actual process of storage, maintenance, or repair of the boat or vessel; or (iii) Storage for the purpose of selling the boat or vessel.

(47) Jewelry display product. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property used to display any jewelry product; provided that title to the jewelry display product is transferred by the jewelry manufacturer or seller and that the jewelry display product is shipped out of state for use solely outside the state and is not returned to the jewelry manufacturer or seller.

(48) Boats or vessels generally. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the tax imposed by §§ 44-18-20 and 44-18-18 shall not apply with respect to the sale and to the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of any new or used boat. The exemption provided for in this subdivision does not apply after October 1, 1993, unless prior to October 1, 1993, the federal ten

percent (10%) surcharge on luxury boats is repealed.

(49) Banks and regulated investment companies interstate toll-free calls. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the tax imposed by this chapter does not apply to the furnishing of interstate and international, toll-free terminating telecommunication service that is used directly and exclusively by or for the benefit of an eligible company as defined in this subdivision; provided that an eligible company employs on average during the calendar year no less than five hundred (500) "full-time equivalent employees" as that term is defined in § 42-64.5-2. For purposes of this section, an "eligible company" means a "regulated investment company" as that term is defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, 26 U.S.C. § 851, or a corporation to the extent the service is provided, directly or indirectly, to or on behalf of a regulated investment company, an employee benefit plan, a retirement plan or a pension plan, or a state-chartered bank.

(50) Mobile and manufactured homes generally. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of mobile and/or manufactured homes as defined and subject to taxation pursuant to the provisions of chapter 44 of title 31.

(51) Manufacturing business reconstruction materials.

(i) From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of lumber, hardware, and other building materials used in the reconstruction of a manufacturing business facility that suffers a disaster, as defined in this subdivision, in this state. "Disaster" means any occurrence, natural or otherwise, that results in the destruction of sixty percent (60%) or more of an operating manufacturing business facility within this state. "Disaster" does not include any damage resulting from the willful act of the owner of the manufacturing business facility.

(ii) Manufacturing business facility includes, but is not limited to, the structures housing the production and administrative facilities.

(iii) In the event a manufacturer has more than one manufacturing site in this state, the sixty percent (60%) provision applies to the damages suffered at that one site.

(iv) To the extent that the costs of the reconstruction materials are reimbursed by insurance, this exemption does not apply.

(52) Tangible personal property and supplies used in the processing or preparation of floral products and floral arrangements. From the sale, storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property or supplies purchased by florists, garden centers, or other like producers or vendors of flowers, plants, floral products, and natural and artificial floral arrangements that are ultimately sold with flowers, plants, floral products, and natural and artificial floral arrangements or are otherwise used in the decoration, fabrication, creation, processing, or preparation of flowers, plants, floral products, or natural and artificial floral arrangements, including descriptive labels, stickers, and cards affixed to the flower, plant, floral product, or arrangement, artificial flowers, spray materials, floral paint and tint, plant shine, flower food, insecticide, and fertilizers.

(53) Horse food products. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of horse food products purchased by a person engaged in the business of the boarding of horses.

(54) Non-motorized recreational vehicles sold to nonresidents.

(i) From the sale, subsequent to June 30, 2003, of a non-motorized recreational vehicle to a bona fide nonresident of this state who does not register the non-motorized recreational vehicle in this state, whether the sale or delivery of the non-motorized recreational vehicle is made in this state or at the place of residence of the nonresident; provided that a non-motorized recreational

vehicle sold to a bona fide nonresident whose state of residence does not allow a like exemption to its nonresidents is not exempt from the tax imposed under § 44-18-20; provided, further, that in that event the bona fide nonresident pays a tax to Rhode Island on the sale at a rate equal to the rate that would be imposed in his or her state of residence not to exceed the rate that would have been imposed under § 44-18-20. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a licensed, non-motorized recreational vehicle dealer shall add and collect the tax required under this subdivision and remit the tax to the tax administrator under the provisions of chapters 18 and 19 of this title. Provided, that when a Rhode Island licensed, non-motorized recreational vehicle dealer is required to add and collect the sales and use tax on the sale of a non-motorized recreational vehicle to a bona fide nonresident as provided in this section, the dealer in computing the tax takes into consideration the law of the state of the nonresident as it relates to the trade-in of motor vehicles.

(ii) The tax administrator, in addition to the provisions of §§ 44-19-27 and 44-19-28, may require any licensed, non-motorized recreational vehicle dealer to keep records of sales to bona fide nonresidents as the tax administrator deems reasonably necessary to substantiate the exemption provided in this subdivision, including the affidavit of a licensed, non-motorized recreational vehicle dealer that the purchaser of the non-motorized recreational vehicle was the holder of, and had in his or her possession a valid out-of-state non-motorized recreational vehicle registration or a valid out-of-state driver's license.

(iii) Any nonresident who registers a non-motorized recreational vehicle in this state within ninety (90) days of the date of its sale to him or her is deemed to have purchased the non-motorized recreational vehicle for use, storage, or other consumption in this state, and is subject to, and liable for, the use tax imposed under the provisions of § 44-18-20.

(iv) "Non-motorized recreational vehicle" means any portable dwelling designed and constructed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, camping, recreational, and vacation use that is eligible to be registered for highway use, including, but not limited to, "pick-up coaches" or "pick-up campers," "travel trailers," and "tent trailers" as those terms are defined in chapter 1 of title 31.

(55) Sprinkler and fire alarm systems in existing buildings. From the sale in this state of sprinkler and fire alarm systems; emergency lighting and alarm systems; and the materials necessary and attendant to the installation of those systems that are required in buildings and occupancies existing therein in July 2003 in order to comply with any additional requirements for such buildings arising directly from the enactment of the Comprehensive Fire Safety Act of 2003 and that are not required by any other provision of law or ordinance or regulation adopted pursuant to that act. The exemption provided in this subdivision shall expire on December 31, 2008.

(56) Aircraft. Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter, the tax imposed by §§ 44-18-18 and 44-18-20 shall not apply with respect to the sale and to the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of any new or used aircraft or aircraft parts.

(57) Renewable energy products. Notwithstanding any other provisions of Rhode Island general laws, the following products shall also be exempt from sales tax: solar photovoltaic modules or panels, or any module or panel that generates electricity from light; solar thermal collectors, including, but not limited to, those manufactured with flat glass plates, extruded plastic, sheet metal, and/or evacuated tubes; geothermal heat pumps, including both water-to-water and water-to-air type pumps; wind turbines; towers used to mount wind turbines if specified by or sold by a wind turbine manufacturer; DC to AC inverters that interconnect with utility power lines; and manufactured mounting racks and ballast pans for solar collector, module, or panel installation.

Not to include materials that could be fabricated into such racks; monitoring and control equipment, if specified or supplied by a manufacturer of solar thermal, solar photovoltaic, geothermal, or wind energy systems or if required by law or regulation for such systems but not to include pumps, fans or plumbing or electrical fixtures unless shipped from the manufacturer affixed to, or an integral part of, another item specified on this list; and solar storage tanks that are part of a solar domestic hot water system or a solar space heating system. If the tank comes with an external heat exchanger it shall also be tax exempt, but a standard hot water tank is not exempt from state sales tax.

(58) Returned property. The amount charged for property returned by customers upon rescission of the contract of sale when the entire amount exclusive of handling charges paid for the property is refunded in either cash or credit, and where the property is returned within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of delivery.

(59) Dietary supplements. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of dietary supplements as defined in § 44-18-7.1(l)(v), sold on prescriptions.

(60) Blood. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of human blood.

(61) Agricultural products for human consumption. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of livestock and poultry of the kinds of products that ordinarily constitute food for human consumption and of livestock of the kind the products of which ordinarily constitute fibers for human use.

(62) Diesel emission control technology. From the sale and use of diesel retrofit technology that is required by § 31-47.3-4.

(63) Feed for certain animals used in commercial farming. From the sale of feed for animals as described in subsection (61) of this section.

(64) Alcoholic beverages. From the sale and storage, use, or other consumption in this state by a Class A licensee of alcoholic beverages, as defined in § 44-18-7.1, excluding beer and malt beverages; provided, further, notwithstanding § 6-13-1 or any other general or public law to the contrary, alcoholic beverages, as defined in § 44-18-7.1, shall not be subject to minimum markup.

(65) Seeds and plants used to grow food and food ingredients. From the sale, storage, use, or other consumption in this state of seeds and plants used to grow food and food ingredients as defined in § 44-18-7.1(l)(i). "Seeds and plants used to grow food and food ingredients" shall not include marijuana seeds or plants.

(66) Feminine hygiene products. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption of tampons, panty liners, menstrual cups, sanitary napkins, and other similar products the principal use of which is feminine hygiene in connection with the menstrual cycle.

(67) "Breast pump collection and storage supplies" means items of tangible personal property used in conjunction with a breast pump to collect milk expressed from a human breast and to store collected milk until it is ready for consumption. "Breast pump collection and storage supplies" include, but are not limited to, breast shields and breast shield connectors; breast pump tubes and tubing adaptors; breast pump valves and membranes; backflow protectors and backflow protector adaptors; bottles and bottle caps specific to the operation of the breast pump; breast milk storage bags; and related items sold as part of a breast pump kit pre-packaged by the breast pump manufacturer. "Breast pump collection and storage supplies" does not include: bottles and bottle caps not specific to the operation of the breast pump; breast pump travel bags and other similar carrying accessories, including ice packs, labels, and other similar products, unless sold as part of

a breast pump kit pre-packed by the breast pump manufacturer; breast pump cleaning supplies, unless sold as part of a breast pump kit pre-packaged by the breast pump manufacturer; nursing bras, bra pads, breast shells, and other similar products; and creams, ointments, and other similar products that relieve breastfeeding-related symptoms or conditions of the breasts or nipples.

(68) Trade-in value of motorcycles. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of so much of the purchase price paid for a new or used motorcycle as is allocated for a trade-in allowance on the motorcycle of the buyer given in trade to the seller, or of the proceeds applicable only to the motorcycle as are received from the manufacturer of motorcycles for the repurchase of the motorcycle whether the repurchase was voluntary or not towards the purchase of a new or used motorcycle by the buyer. For the purpose of this subsection, the word "motorcycle" means a motorcycle not used for hire and does not refer to any other type of motor vehicle.

(69) Firearm safety equipment. From the sale and from the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of guns safes, gun cabinets, gun vaults, gun cases, strong boxes, cable locks and biometric locks."

2. In Article 5, page 10, by renumbering sections 5 through 18, sequentially beginning with section number 5, on page 10, line 2 and ending with section number 18.

3. In Article 1, page 4, line 19, by deleting the number "2,308,469" and by inserting in place thereof the number "2,222,755".

4. In Article 1, page 4, line 32, by deleting the number "3,872,370" and by inserting in place thereof the number "3,786,666".

5. In Article 1, page 4, line 33, by deleting the number "430,628,941" and by inserting in place thereof the number "430,543,227".

6. In Article 1, page 34, line 9, by deleting the number "14,334,691,026", and by inserting in place thereof the number "14,334,605,312".

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Paolino

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 6 Senators voting in the affirmative, 25 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 6: Senators de la Cruz, Lauria, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

NAYS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Mack, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator Acosta, seconded by Senators Kallman, Ujifusa, Urso, Lauria, and Mack offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED****AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled “AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026”, as follows:

1. In Article 10, page 24, by inserting the following language after line 19:

“SECTION 9. Section 35-4-27 of the General Laws in Chapter 35-4 entitled "State Funds" is hereby amended to read as follows:

35-4-27. Indirect cost recoveries on restricted receipt accounts. [Effective January 1, 2025.]

Indirect cost recoveries of ten percent (10%) of cash receipts shall be transferred from all restricted receipt accounts, to be recorded as general revenues in the general fund. However, there shall be no transfer from cash receipts with restrictions received exclusively: (1) From contributions from nonprofit charitable organizations; (2) From the assessment of indirect cost-recovery rates on federal grant funds; or (3) Through transfers from state agencies to the department of administration for the payment of debt service. These indirect cost recoveries shall be applied to all accounts, unless prohibited by federal law or regulation, court order, or court settlement. The following restricted receipt accounts shall not be subject to the provisions of this section:

Executive Office of Health and Human Services

Organ Transplant Fund

HIV Care Grant Drug Rebates

Health System Transformation Project

Health Care Entity Fiscal Integrity, Transparency and Accountability Act

Rhode Island Statewide Opioid Abatement Account

HCBS Support-ARPA

HCBS Admin Support-ARPA

Department of Human Services

Veterans' home — Restricted account

Veterans' home — Resident benefits

Pharmaceutical Rebates Account

Demand Side Management Grants

Veteran's Cemetery Memorial Fund

Donations — New Veterans' Home Construction

Commodity Supplemental Food Program-Claims

Department of Health

Pandemic medications and equipment account

Miscellaneous Donations/Grants from Non-Profits

State Loan Repayment Match
Healthcare Information Technology
Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals
Eleanor Slater non-Medicaid third-party payor account
Hospital Medicare Part D Receipts
RICLAS Group Home Operations
Group Home Facility Improvement Fund
Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Emergency and public communication access account
Department of Environmental Management
National heritage revolving fund
Environmental response fund II
Underground storage tanks registration fees
De Coppet Estate Fund
Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission
Historic preservation revolving loan fund
Historic Preservation loan fund — Interest revenue
Department of Public Safety
E-911 Uniform Emergency Telephone System
Forfeited property — Retained
Forfeitures — Federal
Forfeited property — Gambling
Donation — Polygraph and Law Enforcement Training
Rhode Island State Firefighter's League Training Account
Fire Academy Training Fees Account
Attorney General
Forfeiture of property
Federal forfeitures
Attorney General multi-state account
Forfeited property — Gambling
Department of Administration
OER Reconciliation Funding
Health Insurance Market Integrity Fund
RI Health Benefits Exchange
Information Technology restricted receipt account
Restore and replacement — Insurance coverage
Convention Center Authority rental payments
Investment Receipts — TANS
OPEB System Restricted Receipt Account
Car Rental Tax/Surcharge-Warwick Share
Grants Management Administration
RGGI-Executive Climate Change Coordinating Council Projects
Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Operating and Maintenance Account
Department of Housing
Housing Resources and Homelessness Restricted Receipt Account

Housing Production Fund
Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Fund
Department of Revenue
DMV Modernization Project
Jobs Tax Credit Redemption Fund
Legislature
Audit of federal assisted programs
Department of Children, Youth and Families
Children's Trust Accounts — SSI
Military Staff
RI Military Family Relief Fund
RI National Guard Counterdrug Program
Treasury
Admin. Expenses — State Retirement System
Retirement — Treasury Investment Options
Defined Contribution — Administration - RR
Violent Crimes Compensation — Refunds
Treasury Research Fellowship
Business Regulation
Banking Division Reimbursement Account
Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner Reimbursement Account
Securities Division Reimbursement Account
Commercial Licensing and Racing and Athletics Division Reimbursement Account
Insurance Division Reimbursement Account
Historic Preservation Tax Credit Account
Marijuana Trust Fund
Social Equity Assistance Fund
Judiciary
Arbitration Fund Restricted Receipt Account
Third-Party Grants
RI Judiciary Technology Surcharge Account
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Statewide Student Transportation Services Account
School for the Deaf Fee-for-Service Account
School for the Deaf — School Breakfast and Lunch Program
Davies Career and Technical School Local Education Aid Account
Davies — National School Breakfast & Lunch Program
School Construction Services
Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner
Higher Education and Industry Center
IGT STEM Scholarships
Department of Labor and Training
Job Development Fund
Contractor Training Restricted Receipt Account
Rhode Island Council on the Arts

Governors' Portrait Donation Fund

Statewide records management system account

SECTION 10. Section 42-7.2-5 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-7.2 entitled "Office of Health and Human Services" is hereby amended to read as follows:

42-7.2-5. Duties of the secretary.

The secretary shall be subject to the direction and supervision of the governor for the oversight, coordination, and cohesive direction of state-administered health and human services and in ensuring the laws are faithfully executed, notwithstanding any law to the contrary. In this capacity, the secretary of the executive office of health and human services (EOHHS) shall be authorized to:

(1) ~~Coordinate~~ Oversee and direct the administration and financing of healthcare benefits, human services, systems of care, and programs including those authorized by the state's Medicaid section 1115 demonstration waiver and, as applicable, the Medicaid state plan under Title XIX of the U.S. Social Security Act. However, except as explicitly set forth herein, nothing in this section shall be construed as transferring to the secretary the powers, duties, or functions conferred upon the departments by Rhode Island public and general laws for the administration of federal/state programs financed in whole or in part with Medicaid funds or the administrative responsibility for the preparation and submission of any state plans, state plan amendments, or authorized federal waiver applications, once approved by the secretary.

(2) Serve as the governor's chief advisor and liaison to federal policymakers on Medicaid reform issues as well as the principal point of contact in the state on any such related matters.

(3)(i) Review and ensure the coordination of the state's Medicaid section 1115 demonstration waiver requests and renewals as well as any initiatives and proposals requiring amendments to the Medicaid state plan or formal amendment changes, as described in the special terms and conditions of the state's Medicaid section 1115 demonstration waiver with the potential to affect the scope, amount, or duration of publicly funded healthcare services, provider payments or reimbursements, or access to or the availability of benefits and services as provided by Rhode Island general and public laws. The secretary shall consider whether any such changes are legally and fiscally sound and consistent with the state's policy and budget priorities. The secretary shall also assess whether a proposed change is capable of obtaining the necessary approvals from federal officials and achieving the expected positive consumer outcomes. Department directors shall, within the timelines specified, provide any information and resources the secretary deems necessary in order to perform the reviews authorized in this section.

(ii) Direct the development and implementation of any Medicaid policies, procedures, or systems that may be required to assure successful operation of the state's health and human services integrated eligibility system and coordination with HealthSource RI, the state's health insurance marketplace.

(iii) Beginning in 2015, conduct on a biennial basis a comprehensive review of the Medicaid eligibility criteria for one or more of the populations covered under the state plan or a waiver to ensure consistency with federal and state laws and policies, coordinate and align systems, and identify areas for improving quality assurance, fair and equitable access to services, and opportunities for additional financial participation.

(iv) Implement service organization and delivery reforms that facilitate service integration, increase value, and improve quality and health outcomes.

(4) Beginning in 2020, prepare and submit to the governor, the chairpersons of the house

and senate finance committees, the caseload estimating conference, and to the joint legislative committee for health-care oversight, by no later than September 15 of each year, a comprehensive overview of all Medicaid expenditures outcomes, administrative costs, and utilization rates. The overview shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- (i) Expenditures under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act, as amended;
- (ii) Expenditures, outcomes, and utilization rates by population and sub-population served (e.g., families with children, persons with disabilities, children in foster care, children receiving adoption assistance, adults ages nineteen (19) to sixty-four (64), and elders);
- (iii) Expenditures, outcomes, and utilization rates by each state department or other municipal or public entity receiving federal reimbursement under Titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act, as amended;
- (iv) Expenditures, outcomes, and utilization rates by type of service and/or service provider;
- (v) Expenditures by mandatory population receiving mandatory services and, reported separately, optional services, as well as optional populations receiving mandatory services and, reported separately, optional services for each state agency receiving Title XIX and XXI funds; and
- (vi) Information submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for the mandatory annual state reporting of the Core Set of Children's Health Care Quality Measures for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program, behavioral health measures on the Core Set of Adult Health Care Quality Measures for Medicaid and the Core Sets of Health Home Quality Measures for Medicaid to ensure compliance with the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018, Pub. L. No. 115-123.

The directors of the departments, as well as local governments and school departments, shall assist and cooperate with the secretary in fulfilling this responsibility by providing whatever resources, information and support shall be necessary.

(5) Resolve administrative, jurisdictional, operational, program, or policy conflicts among departments and their executive staffs and make necessary recommendations to the governor.

(6) Ensure continued progress toward improving the quality, the economy, the accountability, and the efficiency of state-administered health and human services. In this capacity, the secretary shall:

(i) Direct implementation of reforms in the human resources practices of the executive office and the departments that streamline and upgrade services, achieve greater economies of scale and establish the coordinated system of the staff education, cross-training, and career development services necessary to recruit and retain a highly-skilled, responsive, and engaged health and human services workforce;

(ii) Encourage EOHHS-wide consumer-centered approaches to service design and delivery that expand their capacity to respond efficiently and responsibly to the diverse and changing needs of the people and communities they serve;

(iii) Develop all opportunities to maximize resources by leveraging the state's purchasing power, centralizing fiscal service functions related to budget, finance, and procurement, centralizing communication, policy analysis and planning, and information systems and data management, pursuing alternative funding sources through grants, awards, and partnerships and securing all available federal financial participation for programs and services provided EOHHS-wide;

(iv) Improve the coordination and efficiency of health and human services legal functions by centralizing adjudicative and legal services and overseeing their timely and judicious administration;

(v) Facilitate the rebalancing of the long-term system by creating an assessment and coordination organization or unit for the expressed purpose of developing and implementing procedures EOHHS-wide that ensure that the appropriate publicly funded health services are provided at the right time and in the most appropriate and least restrictive setting;

(vi) Strengthen health and human services program integrity, quality control and collections, and recovery activities by consolidating functions within the office in a single unit that ensures all affected parties pay their fair share of the cost of services and are aware of alternative financing;

(vii) Assure protective services are available to vulnerable elders and adults with developmental and other disabilities by reorganizing existing services, establishing new services where gaps exist, and centralizing administrative responsibility for oversight of all related initiatives and programs.

(7) Prepare and integrate comprehensive budgets for the health and human services departments and any other functions and duties assigned to the office. The budgets shall be submitted to the state budget office by the secretary, for consideration by the governor, on behalf of the state's health and human services agencies in accordance with the provisions set forth in § 35-3-4.

(8) Utilize objective data to evaluate health and human services policy goals, resource use and outcome evaluation and to perform short and long-term policy planning and development.

(9) Establishment of an integrated approach to interdepartmental information and data management that complements and furthers the goals of the unified health infrastructure project initiative and that will facilitate the transition to a consumer-centered integrated system of state-administered health and human services.

(10) At the direction of the governor or the general assembly, conduct independent reviews of state-administered health and human services programs, policies and related agency actions and activities and assist the department directors in identifying strategies to address any issues or areas of concern that may emerge thereof. The department directors shall provide any information and assistance deemed necessary by the secretary when undertaking such independent reviews.

(11) Provide regular and timely reports to the governor and make recommendations with respect to the state's health and human services agenda.

(12) Employ such personnel and contract for such consulting services as may be required to perform the powers and duties lawfully conferred upon the secretary.

(13) Assume responsibility for complying with the provisions of any general or public law or regulation related to the disclosure, confidentiality, and privacy of any information or records, in the possession or under the control of the executive office or the departments assigned to the executive office, that may be developed or acquired or transferred at the direction of the governor or the secretary for purposes directly connected with the secretary's duties set forth herein.

(14) Hold the director of each health and human services department accountable for their administrative, fiscal, and program actions in the conduct of the respective powers and duties of their agencies.

(15) Identify opportunities for inclusion with the EOHHS' October 1, 2023 budget submission, to remove fixed eligibility thresholds for programs under its purview by establishing

sliding scale decreases in benefits commensurate with income increases up to four hundred fifty percent (450%) of the federal poverty level. These shall include but not be limited to, medical assistance, childcare assistance, and food assistance.

(16) Promote fiscal integrity, transparency, and accountability in the state's health care system by implementing the provisions of chapter 7.5 of title 42.

SECTION 11. Title 42 of the General Laws entitled "STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

CHAPTER 7.5

HEALTH CARE ENTITY FISCAL INTEGRITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND
ACCOUNTABILITY

42-7.5-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

(1) Adverse change in financial condition" means material, negative changes in a nursing facility's financial condition that may include, but not be limited to, changes in financial position, marginal financial status, cash flow or operation results, severe financial difficulties or other events that could affect the delivery of essential care and services that initiate the provisions of § 23-17-12.7.

(2) "Audited financial statement" means the complete set of financial statements of a health care entity, including notes to the financial statements, which are subject to an independent audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Auditing Standards that certain reporting covered entities are required to submit to state and federal authorities. The quarterly reports required in this section should be approved by the governing board of the reporting covered entity although they are a supplement to and not a substitute for existing audited financial statement reporting requirements.

(3) "Assessment" means review of the financial reports submitted by reporting covered entities for the purposes of identifying financial strengths, weaknesses, and risks, tracking utilization and capacity, and initiating any authorized remedies or corrective actions deemed necessary and appropriate to address financial risks in accordance with implementing regulations promulgated by the secretary of EOHHS.

(4) "Bad debt" means loans or outstanding balances owed that are no longer deemed recoverable and are journaled as uncollectible accounts.

(5) "Department" or "Office" means the executive office of health and human services.

(6) "Financial risk" means the possibility of facing adverse financial and/or operational consequences based on criteria established by regulations promulgated pursuant to this chapter by the secretary of EOHHS.

(7) "Fiscal integrity" means a financial system that operates in a transparent, and accountable way that promotes stability and solvency and in accordance with widely accepted financial rules and standards.

(8) "Imminent financial jeopardy" means an assessment finding indicating that a reporting covered entity is in financial distress that poses an immediate threat and significant likelihood of financial insolvency, the ceasing of operations or admissions, the loss of licensure, accreditation, or certification for third party reimbursement, and/or the reduction of access to health care services to the extent that public health and safety may be adversely affected.

(9) "Parent organization" means an entity that has a controlling interest in one or more subsidiary reporting covered entities.

(10) "Quarterly financial report" means detailed information about a reporting covered

entity's finances prepared by the entity in accordance with a format and/or set of specific auditing principles to be determined by the secretary.

(11) "Reporting covered entity" means: (i) Hospitals and their parent organizations licensed by the department of health and actively operating under § 23-17-4 and the associated implementing regulations established in 216-RICR-40-10-4; and

(ii) Federally qualified community health centers, hereinafter referred to as "FQHCs," licensed by the state as a type of "organized ambulatory facility" in accordance with § 23-17-10 and implementing regulations at 216-RICR40-10-3 and certified by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid and the executive office of health and human services.

(12) "Rhode Island code of regulations" or "RICR" means the online, uniform code maintained by the secretary of state that provides access to all proposed and final regulations filed by state agencies, boards, and commissions under the state's Administrative Procedures Act to make government more transparent, accessible, and efficient.

(13) "Secretary" means the secretary of the executive office of health and human services. 42-7.5-2. Quarterly reporting required.

(a) Beginning October 1, 2025, reporting covered entities are required to submit quarterly financial reports including but not limited to, balance sheet and income statement information showing cash on hand, accounts payable and accounts receivable, gross and net patient revenues, other income, operating costs by category, other expenses, investment income and non-patient services revenues, assets, liabilities, and net surplus or profit margin, uninsured and bad debt costs, and net charity care and any other information as may be required by the secretary.

The secretary shall consider ease of data collection, submission, and analysis from the perspective of both the reporting covered entities and the EOHHS when selecting a report format and shall pursue electronic formats to the full extent feasible.

(b) Reporting covered entities shall submit quarterly reports to the secretary no later than sixty (60) business days after the end date of the preceding filing quarter. Quarters are as follows: Q1: January 1– March 31; Q2: April 1–June 30; Q3: July 1–September 30; Q4: October 1–December 31.

(c) Quarterly reports shall be signed by a reporting covered entity's chief financial officer or authorized financial signatory and include an attestation to the truthfulness and validity of the information contained in the report at the time it was filed with the secretary.

(d) The quarterly reports shall be reviewed and provide the basis for an assessment and analysis of each reporting covered entity's financial status and capacity. The secretary shall develop a process for conducting assessments and analyses of the reports in a systematic, objective, and timely manner that assures each reporting covered entity receives feedback of any noteworthy findings at least thirty (30) days prior to the deadline for the next quarterly report submission. The secretary may seek technical advice and support to assist in establishing this process and ensuring that it leverages existing information technology to the full extent feasible, and utilizes available objective data analytic tools. The secretary shall request that reporting covered entities provide quarterly financial statements in a mutually agreed upon format until such time as a permanent format is required.

42-7.5-3. Penalties for non-compliance – fines.

(a) A reporting covered entity that fails to submit a quarterly report on the date due without good cause is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500) per day for each business day the report is past due. Good cause exceptions shall be defined in the regulations promulgated by the

secretary.

(b) Fines are to be paid to the secretary at the time the past due report is submitted to EOHHS. The fines shall be deposited into a restricted receipt account created in subsection (c) of this section.

(c) There is hereby created a restricted receipt account in the general fund housed within the budget of EOHHS to be known as the “health care entity fiscal integrity, transparency and accountability account” which shall be used to carry out the provisions, policies, and purposes of this chapter. This account shall be exempt from the indirect cost recovery provisions of § 35-4-27.

42-7.5-4. Notification, remedies, and corrective actions.

(a) Each reporting covered entity shall be notified of the dates of receipt of the report and completion of the assessment and analyses. Such notification shall include any findings which require additional information from or actions by the reporting covered entity. Consistent with the intent to ensure solvency of reporting covered entities, as an initial step upon finding financial risk or significant financial jeopardy, EOHHS representatives shall meet with the reporting covered entity’s leadership to identify and document strategies to address financial risks.

(b) If EOHHS makes a finding of financial risk or significant financial jeopardy, the notice shall provide that the provisions of § 23-17-12.7 have been initiated and include any actions that may be deemed necessary and appropriate in addition to, or in lieu of, the requirements herein. In all other instances in which the assessment and analyses findings indicate that the financial status of a reporting covered entity is at significant risk or poses imminent financial jeopardy, the notification shall indicate:

(1) The range of corrective actions that the reporting health care entity is required to take, the obligations of their owner(s)/operator(s) to cooperate, and any actions that may be imposed for failing to do so.

(2) The type of corrective action plan and follow-up reports the reporting covered entity is required to submit to the secretary in response, associated due dates, and any additional documentation that may be required.

(3) Any reporting covered entity that is required to provide an independent or other additional analyses including forensic audits as part of a corrective action plan developed in accordance with this chapter, is responsible for paying all associated costs. The secretary may use the restricted receipt account to subsidize the costs of such analyses for a reporting covered entity that has insufficient resources to pay all associated costs.

(4) Any fiscally sound necessary and appropriate actions the secretary and/or the health and human services directors are authorized to take to mitigate the risk or imminent jeopardy and secure health system stability and the corresponding obligations of the reporting covered entity; and/or;

(5) In circumstances in which government action is deemed warranted and no authority for such exists within the EOHHS or the health and human services departments, any recommendations that will be made to the governor for the prompt resolution of any imminent risks identified.

42-7.5-5. Restrictions.

Nothing in this chapter obligates the secretary, the directors of the health and human services departments, or any other state official to provide financial assistance to a reporting covered entity identified as at serious financial risks even in instances in which the continued viability of an entity is in immediate jeopardy.

42-7.5-6. Disclosure.

The secretary shall make available the findings from the required reports that is not otherwise protected as confidential or deemed non-disclosable by federal or state law and regulations.

42-7.5-7. Federal authorities and financing opportunities.

In addition to the fines collected as described in § 42-7.2.1-3, the secretary is authorized to pursue additional funding, including, but not limited to, authorized Medicaid Federal Match opportunities, grants, and foundation awards to stabilize reporting covered entities in imminent jeopardy and promote fiscal integrity, transparency and accountability in the state's health care system. Any additional funds received for the purposes of this chapter that are eligible shall be deposited in the restricted receipt account established pursuant to § 42-7.2.1-3(c).

42-7.5-8. Rules and regulations.

The secretary is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions, policies, and purposes of this chapter."

2. In Article 10, page 24, line 20, by deleting the language "SECTION 9" and inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 12".

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Acosta

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 11 Senators voting in the affirmative, 20 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 11: Senators Acosta, Britto, DiMario, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 20: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, and Tikoian.

Senator Zurier, seconded by Senators Acosta, Paolino, and Ujifusa offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED**

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled "AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026", as follows:

1. Article 11, page 11, line 18, by deleting the language "eleven and seventy-five hundredths cents (\$0.1175)" and by inserting in place thereof the following language "twelve and seventy-five hundredths cents (\$0.1275)".
2. Article 11, page 23, line 26, by deleting the language "ten percent (10%)" and by inserting in place thereof the language "fifteen percent (15%)".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Zurier

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 16 Senators voting in the affirmative, 20 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 16: Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, de la Cruz, DiMario, Euer, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Paolino, Quezada, Ujifusa, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 20: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Burke, Ciccone, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, and Urso.

Senator de la Cruz, seconded by Senators offers the following written motion to amend:

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED**

AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL
YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5076 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled “AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026”, as follows:

1. In Article 3, page 24, line 10, by striking the language "the office of management and budget", and by inserting in place thereof the language "the office of the inspector general established pursuant to chapter 9.4 of title 42 ("inspector general")".

2. In Article 3, page 34, by inserting the following language between lines 12 and 13:
"SECTION 17. Title 42 of the General Laws entitled "STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following chapter:

CHAPTER 9.4
INSPECTOR GENERAL

42-9.4-1. Purpose.

The office of inspector general shall be an independent administrative agency charged with the purpose of preventing and detecting fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in the expenditure of public funds, whether federal, state, or local, and relating to any and all state programs and operations as well as the procurement of any supplies, services, or construction, by agencies, bureaus, divisions, sections, departments, offices, commissions, institutions and activities of the State of Rhode Island, including those districts, authorities, or political subdivisions created by the general assembly, the governor, and any court, including any city or town within the State of Rhode Island. Investigations may include the expenditures by nongovernmental agencies of federal, state, and local public funds.

42-9.4-2. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(1) "Construction" means the process of building, altering, repairing, improving, or demolishing any public structure or building, or other improvements of any kind to any public property.

(2) "Contract" means all types of agreements, including grants and orders, for the purchase or disposal of supplies, services, construction, or any other item. It includes:

(i) Awards;

(ii) Contracts of a fixed-price, cost, cost-plus-a-fixed-fee, or incentive type;

(iii) Contracts providing for the issuance of job or task orders;

(iv) Leases;

(v) Letter contracts;

(vi) Purchase orders; and

(vii) Construction management contracts. It also includes supplemental agreements with respect to any of the foregoing agreements.

(3) "Contractor" means any person, corporation, partnership, business, union, committee, or other organization entity or group of individuals performing any tasks, or duties defined under a written or oral contract with and for the State of Rhode Island or the joint committee on legislative services.

(4) "Procurement" means the purchasing, buying, renting, leasing, or otherwise obtaining any supplies, services, or construction. It also includes all functions that pertain to the obtaining of any supply, service, or construction item, including a description of requirements, selection and solicitation of sources, preparation, and award of contract, and all phases of contract administration.

(5) "Public funds" means state, federal or local funds, either appropriated, non-appropriated or given under right of grant.

(6) "Services" means the rendering by a contractor of its time and effort rather than the furnishing of a specific end product, other than reports which are merely incidental to the required performance of services.

(7) "Supplies" means all property, including, but not limited to, leases of real property, printing, and insurance, except land or permanent interest in land.

42-9.4-3. Establishment of office -- Appointment and removal of inspector general.

(a) There is hereby established an office of inspector general, (hereinafter referred to as the "office"). There shall be in the office an inspector general, who shall be the administrative head of the office and who shall be appointed by a majority vote of the governor, the attorney general, and the general treasurer for a five (5) year term to begin July 1 and end June 30, five (5) years later. The five (5) year term shall constitute a pilot program. The person so appointed shall be selected without regard to political affiliation and with a demonstrated ability in more than one of the following areas: accounting, auditing, financial analysis, law, management analysis, public administration, investigation and criminal justice administration.

(b) The selection process of a qualified inspector general shall include at least one public forum. If an inspector general is not selected within one month of a new inspector general term, the governor shall appoint an inspector general. The inspector general shall have at least five (5) years' experience in accounting, criminal justice, or a closely related profession and a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a major in accounting, criminal justice, or a closely related field of study.

(c) No inspector general shall hold, or be a candidate for, any other elective or appointed public office while an inspector general and for one year prior. No inspector general shall hold a position in any political party or political committee, or participate in any political campaign of any candidate for public office while an inspector general.

(d) In case of a vacancy in the position of inspector general, their successor shall be appointed in the manner described in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, and shall serve from their date of appointment until the fifth June 30th following their appointment. If this vacancy is not filled within one month, then the governor shall appoint an inspector general.

(e) The person so appointed may be removed from office for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the governor, the attorney general, the general treasurer, the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, the speaker and the minority leader of the house of representatives and the president and minority leader of the senate. Cause may include substantial neglect of duty, gross misconduct or conviction of a crime whether or not it is work related. The reasons for removal of the inspector general shall be stated in writing and shall include the basis for such removal. The writing shall be a public document. The inspector general shall have ten (10) days to submit a written appeal, which shall be a public document. If no appeal is made, the inspector general shall be dismissed from office. If an appeal is made, a vote shall be taken in the senate and two-thirds (2/3) vote of the senate shall be required to dismiss the inspector general.

42-9.4-4. Employees -- Appointment and removal, salaries, qualifications.

(a) The inspector general may appoint and remove such employees as deemed necessary to perform the duties of the office, including, but not limited to, assistant inspectors general, chief and deputy counsels, clerks, paralegals, accountants, auditors, financial management analysts and investigators. The inspector general may determine their salaries and duties; provided, however, that the total amount of all such salaries shall not exceed the sum appropriated therefor by the general assembly.

(b) The inspector general shall file an annual personnel report not later than the first Wednesday in February with the senate and house finance committees containing the job classifications, duties and salary of each officer and employee within the office together with personnel regulations applicable to said officers and employees. The inspector general shall file amendments to such report with the senate and house finance committees whenever any change becomes effective.

(c) No officer or employee of the office of inspector general shall hold, or be a candidate for, any elective public office while an officer or employee, or for one year thereafter, nor shall they hold a position in any political party or political committee, or participate in any political campaign of any candidate for public office while an officer or employee.

42-9.4-5. Inspector general -- Salary and budget.

The general assembly shall annually set the salary of the inspector general and shall appropriate sufficient funds for the total budget for the office.

42-9.4-6. Rules and regulations.

The office shall, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 35 of title 42, ("administrative procedures act"), promulgate rules and regulations which shall govern its proceedings.

42-9.4-7. Duties.

(a) The inspector general shall supervise, coordinate and/or conduct audits, criminal, civil and administrative investigations and inspections or oversight reviews, when necessary, relating to programs and operations listed in § 42-9.4-1. The inspector general shall review laws and regulations relating to programs and operations listed in § 42-9.4-1 and shall determine if public bodies listed in § 42-9.4-1 are in compliance, and shall make recommendations concerning the effect of such laws or regulations on the prevention and detection of fraud, waste and abuse. The inspector general may recommend policies that will assist in the prevention or detection of fraud,

waste and abuse and mismanagement. The person in charge of, or the governing body of any public body listed in § 42-9.4-1, may request the assistance of the inspector general with respect to implementation of any reviews, audits, and/or investigations as deemed appropriate, and implement suggested policy or procedure changes. In such events the inspector general may assign personnel to conduct, supervise, or coordinate such activity as deemed necessary and appropriate to perform their duties in a diligent and prudent manner. The inspector general may recommend policies for the conduct, supervision or coordination of relationships, between state and municipal agencies and other state and local governmental agencies, as well as federal governmental agencies and nongovernmental entities with respect to all matters relating to the prevention and detection of fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in or relating to any and all programs and activities of the State of Rhode Island as set forth in § 42-9.4-1.

(b) The inspector general shall establish and maintain an information system to receive communications from the general public relating to the duties of the office to guarantee the anonymity of the individual supplying the information consisting of the transmission by email, regular mail or other electronic system that does not involve the use of a telephone line.

42-9.4-8. Inspection of records and papers – Investigations – Subpoenas.

(a) The inspector general, in carrying out the duties outlined in this chapter, shall have access to all records, reports, audits, reviews, papers, books, documents, recommendations, correspondence, including information relative to the purchase of services or anticipated purchase of services from any contractor by any public body set forth in § 42-9.4-1, and any other data and material that is maintained by or available to any public body, regardless of the media in which it is maintained which is, in any way, related to the programs and operations with respect to the State of Rhode Island, including any local town, municipality or city.

(b) The inspector general may request information, cooperation and assistance from any state or local governmental agency as may be necessary for carrying out their duties and responsibilities. Upon receipt of such request, each person in charge of, or the governing body of any public body set forth in § 42-9.4-1, shall furnish to the inspector general or their authorized agent or representative such information, cooperation, and assistance, including information relative to the purchase of services or anticipated purchase of services from any contractor by any public body within ten (10) business days of receipt of the inspector general's request. If the request for the information requested cannot be complied with, within ten (10) business days, the senior official of the governmental agency shall notify the inspector general before the expiration of the ten (10) business days as to the reason that the request cannot be complied within the time frame of this section, and shall provide a specific date for expected compliance.

(c) The inspector general may initiate and conduct investigations, audits, and compliance reviews, and shall prepare detailed reports relating to findings and conclusions concerning the administration of the programs and operations of the applicable public bodies listed in § 42-9.4-1, as are in the judgment of the inspector general necessary and may conduct an examination of any public documents, and any information with respect to whether internal quality controls are in place and operating.

(d) The inspector general shall have direct and prompt access to the head of any public body set forth in § 42-9.4-1 when necessary for any purpose pertaining to the performance of their duties and responsibilities under this chapter.

(e) The inspector general may request the production, on a voluntary basis, of testimony or documents from any individual, firm or nongovernmental entity which relate to actions or matters

that pertain to state or municipal governmental agencies as dictated by their duties and responsibilities.

(f)(1) The inspector general may issue a subpoena for the production of all records, reports, audits, reviews, papers, books, documents, recommendations, correspondence and any other data and material relevant to any matter under audit or investigation pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, no matter in which media the information is maintained.

(2) A subpoena may be issued only when a person, corporation or other entity under investigation or being audited refuses to voluntarily comply with a request from the inspector general.

(3) The subpoena shall be served in the same manner as a subpoena for the production of documents in civil cases issued on behalf of the State of Rhode Island, and all provisions of law relative to the subpoena shall apply to a subpoena issued pursuant to this chapter. Any justice of the superior court may, upon application by the inspector general, issue an order to compel the production of records, reports, audits, reviews, papers, books, documents, recommendations, correspondence, and any other data and material as aforesaid in the same manner and to the same extent as before said superior court. Any failure to obey the order may be punished by the superior court as a contempt of court.

(4) Any subpoena issued pursuant to this section shall not be made public by the inspector general or any officer or employee of that office, nor shall any documents or records provided pursuant to this section be made public until such time as it is necessary for the inspector general to do so in the performance of their official duties. The production of documents or records pursuant to subpoena shall be governed by the same provisions with reference to secrecy, which govern the proceedings of a grand jury. Disclosure of such production, attendance, and testimony may be made to such members of the staff of the office of the inspector general as is deemed necessary in the performance of the inspector general's duties and responsibilities under this chapter, and such members of the staff may be present at the production of records.

42-9.4-9. Subpoena for witness testimony and for release of material evidence.

(a) Whenever the inspector general has reason to believe that a person has information or evidence in their possession with respect to any matter which is within the inspector general's jurisdiction to investigate, a subpoena must issue for the attendance and testimony under oath of any person as designated, or the surrender of identified items of evidence; provided, however, that the subpoena may be issued by the inspector general only in the performance of official duties relating to the detection of fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement. The subpoena for testimony or specific items identified as needed in support of an investigation shall include: the name and address of the prospective witness or specific items identified as needed for the investigation and the reasons for requesting a subpoena for testimony or production of items deemed necessary to support the investigation.

(b) The inspector general or any other person duly authorized by law shall serve a subpoena. Once the subpoena is served, the serving officer shall annotate the time and date served, the person served and the location of service.

(c) A witness required by subpoena to attend and testify under oath and/or produce books and records or other items as demanded, shall be given not less than forty-eight (48) hours' notice of the time and place for the taking of testimony or delivery of subpoenaed items, unless such notice shall unduly interfere with the conduct of the investigation.

(d) The witness, at the time of service of a subpoena, shall be notified of the matter under

investigation concerning which the witness will be required to testify. A subject of an investigation is a person whose conduct is within the scope of the investigation and is suspected of committing or being party to an offense under investigation. The failure to furnish the witness with any notice or information required to be given by this section shall cause the issued subpoena to be invalid.

(e) A person subpoenaed to testify under oath shall appear and testify under oath at the time and place designated on the subpoena. In addition, the witness shall be notified that they have a right to consult with and to have an attorney present at the time the testimony is taken, and that they have a constitutional right not to furnish or produce evidence that may tend to incriminate the person.

(f) The terms of any such subpoena shall be reasonable and focused on specific testimony or evidence sought and shall directly relate to the matters under investigation. A subpoena issued that is broad in nature is not considered valid. No subpoena shall be issued for purposes of harassment or for any illegitimate or improper purpose. All constitutional and statutory rights and privileges which exist with respect to any subpoena issued by the inspector general, including the privilege against self-incrimination, shall have the same force and effect with any and all existing laws and constitutional rights.

(g) A subpoenaed person may object to the subpoena served upon them in advance of the return date of the subpoena by a motion to quash filed in the superior court of the State of Rhode Island. The filing of a motion to quash shall stay all pending subpoenas until further order of the superior court. Any justice of the superior court may, upon application by the inspector general, issue an order to compel the attendance of witnesses subpoenaed, and the giving of testimony under oath in furtherance of any audit or investigation under this chapter in the same manner and to the same extent as before the superior court. Failure to obey any order of the court with respect to a subpoena may be punished by the court as contempt.

(h) Any subpoena issued pursuant to this section shall not be made public by the inspector general or any persons subject to their direction or by any member of the inspector general's office designated to hear testimony under this section, and the same provisions with reference to secrecy, which govern grand jury proceedings, shall govern testimony given. Whoever violates the provisions of this subsection shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or both. Disclosure of such testimony may be made to such members of the staff of the office of inspector general as is deemed necessary by the inspector general to assist in the performance of the office's duties and responsibilities and such members of the staff may be present at the taking of such testimony.

42-9.4-10. Compact – Investigation.

(a) The inspector general shall accept and may investigate or audit complaints or information from any individual concerning the possible existence of any activity constituting fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement relating to programs and operations as set forth in § 42-9.4-1.

(b) The inspector general shall not, after receipt of a complaint or information from an employee, contractor or private citizen who requests confidentiality, disclose the identity of that individual without the written consent of said individual, unless the inspector general determines such disclosure is necessary and unavoidable during the course of an investigation. In such event, the individual shall be notified immediately of the disclosure. The inspector general shall set up an anonymous hotline for reporting possible wrongdoings.

(c) Employees are protected under chapter 50 of title 28, the ("Rhode Island

Whistleblower's Protection Act").

42-9.4-11. Reports to the attorney general or United States Attorney.

(a) In carrying out their duties and responsibilities, the inspector general shall report to the attorney general, the United States Attorney or both whenever the inspector general has reasonable grounds to believe there has been a violation of federal or state criminal law. The attorney general shall institute appropriate proceedings in the furtherance of completing an investigation and, if warranted, refer a matter for prosecution.

(b) The inspector general shall refer audit or investigative findings to the state ethics commission, or to any other federal, state or local agency, which has an interest in said findings.

(c) Any referrals made under this section shall not be made public.

42-9.4-12. Coordination with other state agencies.

The inspector general may coordinate with other state agencies that are responsible for investigating, auditing, reviewing or evaluating the management of state agencies for the purpose of sharing information and avoiding duplication of effort.

42-9.4-13. Civil actions.

(a) The inspector general shall have the authority to institute a civil recovery action if authorized by the attorney general. In any case where the inspector general has discovered fraudulent acts and believes that civil recovery proceedings may be appropriate, the matter shall be referred to the attorney general. The attorney general may institute whatever proceedings deemed appropriate, may refer the matter to another state or local agency, may authorize the initiation of appropriate civil proceedings by the inspector general, may retain the matter for further investigation, or may remand the matter to the inspector general for further investigation.

42-9.4-14. Annual and interim reports.

(a) The office of inspector general shall, no later than April 1 of each year, prepare a report summarizing the activities of the office for the prior calendar year. The office may also prepare interim reports. These reports shall be forwarded to the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, secretary of state, general treasurer and the general assembly, and shall be made available to the public.

(b) The report shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) A description of significant problems in the areas of fraud, waste and abuse within programs and operations within the jurisdiction of the office;

(2) A description of the recommendations for corrective action made by the office during the reporting period with respect to significant deficiencies in the areas of fraud, waste and abuse;

(3) The identification of each significant recommendation described in previous annual reports on which corrective action has not been completed;

(4) A summary of matters referred to prosecuting authorities and the prosecutions and convictions which have resulted;

(5) A summary of any matters concerning the recovery of monies as a result of a civil suit by the office or a referral to another agency for the purposes of such suit; and

(6) A list of all audit reports completed by the office during the reporting period and a statement of recommendations of amendments to this chapter or the rules, regulations or procedures governing the office of inspector general which would improve the effectiveness or the operation of the office.

(c) The head or governing body of each public body may, within sixty (60) days of receipt, comment upon any references to the public body contained within the report. The comment, if any,

shall be forwarded to the governor, the attorney general, the general assembly and the office of inspector general.

(d) The report of the inspector general shall be made public on the day of filing; provided, that the report shall not list the names of individuals or corporations, nor describe them with sufficient particularity as to readily identify them to the general public in those cases in which no official disposition has been made by the office of inspector general, the department of the attorney general or the local office of the United States Attorney.

42-9.4-15. Sunset.

The provisions of this chapter shall sunset and expire on July 1, 2030, unless extended by the general assembly.

SECTION 18. Sections 22-13-1, 22-13-2, 22-13-3, 22-13-4, 22-13-9 and 22-13-10 of the General Laws in Chapter 22-13 entitled "Auditor General" are hereby amended to read as follows:

22-13-1. Appointment — Qualifications — Oath — Bond — Office space — Rules and regulations.

(a)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the The auditor general shall be appointed by the joint committee on legislative services, referred to in this chapter as "the committee." inspector general and head a division within the office of the inspector general. At the time of appointment, the auditor general shall have had active experience in general accounting principles and practices in this state for a total period of at least five (5) years. Vacancies in the office shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall be appointed by the joint committee on legislative services, referred to in this chapter as "the committee." At the time of appointment, the auditor general shall have had active experience in general accounting principles and practices in this state for a total period of at least five (5) years. Vacancies in the office shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

(b)(1)(i) Until July 1, 2030, the The committee inspector general shall employ qualified persons necessary for the efficient operation of the office and shall fix their duties and compensation and those persons shall be in the unclassified service.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, the committee shall employ qualified persons necessary for the efficient operation of the office and shall fix their duties and compensation and those persons shall be in the unclassified service.

(2) No person shall be employed as an auditor who does not have adequate technical training and proficiency, and a baccalaureate degree from a college or university, and no person shall be employed or retained as legal advisor on either a full-time or a part-time basis who is not a member of the Rhode Island bar.

(c) The auditor general, before entering upon the duties of his or her office, shall take and subscribe to the oath of office required of state officers by the state constitution.

(d) The auditor general shall be covered by the state's blanket position bond and conditioned that he or she will well and faithfully discharge the duties of his or her office; promptly report any delinquency or shortage discovered in any accounts and records audited by him or her; and promptly pay over and account for any and all funds that shall come into his or her hands as auditor.

(e)(1) All auditors employed by the auditor general shall be covered by a blanket position bond. The bonds or bond shall meet and contain the same conditions as are required in the bond of the auditor general.

(2)(i) Until July 1, 2030, all ~~All~~ bonds shall be filed with the ~~committee~~ inspector general. If an auditor is not covered in the blanket position bond, an individual bond shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the employee received notice of his or her employment. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the auditor general. Failure to file an individual bond or to be covered in the blanket position bond shall terminate his or her employment.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, all bonds shall be filed with the committee. If an auditor is not covered in the blanket position bond, an individual bond shall be filed within thirty (30) days after the employee received notice of his or her employment. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the auditor general. Failure to file an individual bond or to be covered in the blanket position bond shall terminate his or her employment.

(f) The annual premium of all bonds shall be paid out of any funds provided for the operation of the office of the inspector general.

(g)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the ~~The~~ auditor general shall be provided with suitable quarters, but to facilitate auditing and to eliminate unnecessary traveling, the ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general may establish divisions, including a performance investigation division, and assign auditors to each division and determine their duties and the areas of the state to be served by the respective divisions. The auditor general shall be provided and furnished with any space that may be necessary to carry out his or her functions in other areas of the state.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall be provided with suitable quarters, but to facilitate auditing and to eliminate unnecessary traveling, the joint committee on legislative services may establish divisions, including a performance investigation division, and assign auditors to each division and determine their duties and the areas of the state to be served by the respective divisions. The auditor general shall be provided and furnished with any space that may be necessary to carry out his or her functions in other areas of the state.

(h)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the ~~The~~ auditor general may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations necessary to facilitate audits and investigations that the ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general authorizes the auditor general to perform. This includes the post-audit of the financial transactions and accounts of the state that is provided for by the finance committee of the house of representatives.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations necessary to facilitate audits and investigations that the joint committee on legislative services authorizes the auditor general to perform. This includes the post-audit of the financial transactions and accounts of the state that is provided for by the finance committee of the house of representatives.

(i) No full-time employee of the office of auditor general shall serve as an executive, officer, or employee of any political party committee, organization, or association. Neither the auditor general nor any employee of the auditor general shall become a candidate for election to public office unless he or she shall first resign from his or her office or employment.

22-13-2. Termination of appointment.

(a) Until July 1, 2030, failure ~~Failure~~ on the part of the auditor general to perform the mandatory duties under the direction of the ~~committee~~ inspector general shall constitute cause for termination of appointment. The appointment of the auditor general may be terminated at any time by a majority vote of the ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ the inspector general.

(b) On and after July 1, 2030, failure on the part of the auditor general to perform the mandatory duties under the direction of the committee shall constitute cause for termination of

appointment. The appointment of the auditor general may be terminated at any time by a majority vote of the joint committee on legislative services.

22-13-3. Salaries and expenses.

(a)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the ~~The~~ expenses of the members of the committee shall be approved by the ~~chairperson of the committee~~ inspector general and paid from the appropriation for ~~legislative expense~~ the office of the inspector general.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the expenses of the members of the committee shall be approved by the chairperson of the committee and paid from the appropriation for legislative expense.

(b)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the ~~The~~ auditor general shall prepare and annually submit to the ~~committee~~ inspector general a proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The ~~committee~~ inspector general shall review the budget request and may amend or change the budget request as it deems necessary. The budget request, as amended or changed by the ~~committee~~ inspector general, shall become the operating budget of the auditor general for the ensuing fiscal year; provided, that the budget so adopted may subsequently be amended under the same procedure.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall prepare and annually submit to the committee a proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year. The committee inspector general shall review the budget request and may amend or change the budget request as it deems necessary. The budget request, as amended or changed by the committee, shall become the operating budget of the auditor general for the ensuing fiscal year; provided, that the budget so adopted may subsequently be amended under the same procedure.

(c)(1) Until July 1, 2030, within ~~Within~~ the limitations of the approved operating budget, the salaries and expenses of the auditor general and his or her staff shall be paid from the appropriation for ~~legislative expense or any other moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose~~ the office of the inspector general. The ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general shall approve all bills for salaries and expenses.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, within the limitations of the approved operating budget, the salaries and expenses of the auditor general and his or her staff shall be paid from the appropriation for legislative expense or any other moneys appropriated by the legislature for that purpose. The joint committee on legislative services shall approve all bills for salaries and expenses.

22-13-4. Definitions — Duties of auditor general — Investigations by committee.

(a) The following words and phrases have the following meanings unless a different meaning is required by the context:

(1) “Performance audit” means an examination of the effectiveness of administration and its efficiency and adequacy in terms of the program of the state agency authorized by law to be performed. The “performance audit” may also include a review of the agency in terms of compliance with federal and state laws and executive orders relating to equal employment opportunities and the set aside for minority businesses.

(2) “Political subdivision” means a separate agency or unit of local government created or established by law and includes, but is not limited to, the following and the officers of the following: authority, board, branch, bureau, city, commission, council, consolidated government, county, department, district, institution, metropolitan government, municipality, office, officer, public corporation, town, or village.

(3) “Post-audit” means an audit made at some point after the completion of a transaction or a group of transactions.

(4) "State agency" means a separate agency or unit of state government created or established by law and includes, but is not limited to, the following and the officers of the following: authority, board, branch, bureau, commission, council, department, division, institution, office, officer, or public corporation, as the case may be, except any agency or unit within the legislative branch of state government.

(b)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the The auditor general shall make post-audits and performance audits of public records and perform related duties as prescribed by the ~~committee~~ inspector general. He or she shall perform his or her duties independently but under the general policies established by the ~~committee~~ inspector general.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall make post-audits and performance audits of public records and perform related duties as prescribed by the committee. He or she shall perform his or her duties independently but under the general policies established by the committee.

(c)(1) The auditor general shall have the power and duty to make post-audits and performance audits of the accounts and records of all state agencies, including the board of governors for higher education and the board of regents for elementary and secondary education, as defined in this section.

(2)(i) Until July 1, 2030, the The auditor general shall have the power, when requested by a majority of the ~~committee~~ inspector general, to make post-audits and performance audits of accounts and records of any other public body or political subdivision, or any association or corporation created or established by any general or special law of the general assembly, or any person, association, or corporation to which monies of the state have been appropriated by the general assembly. Nothing in the subdivision shall be construed to apply to public utilities.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall have the power, when requested by a majority of the committee, to make post-audits and performance audits of accounts and records of any other public body or political subdivision, or any association or corporation created or established by any general or special law of the general assembly, or any person, association, or corporation to which monies of the state have been appropriated by the general assembly. Nothing in the subdivision shall be construed to apply to public utilities.

(3)(i) Until July 1, 2030, the The auditor general shall perform or have performed annually a complete post-audit of the financial transactions and accounts of the state when approved by the ~~chairperson of the joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general shall perform or have performed annually a complete post-audit of the financial transactions and accounts of the state when approved by the chairperson of the joint committee on legislative services.

(d)(1) Until July 1, 2030, the The ~~committee~~ inspector general may at any time, without regard to whether the legislature is then in session or out of session, take under investigation any matter within the scope of an audit either completed or then being conducted by the auditor general, and in connection with that investigation may exercise the powers of subpoena vested by law in a ~~standing committee of the legislature~~ the office of the inspector general.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, the committee may at any time, without regard to whether the legislature is then in session or out of session, take under investigation any matter within the scope of an audit either completed or then being conducted by the auditor general, and in connection with that investigation may exercise the powers of subpoena vested by law in a standing committee of the legislature.

(e)(1)(i) Until July 1, 2030, the ~~The~~ auditor general may, when directed by the ~~committee~~ inspector general, designate and direct any auditor employed by him or her to audit any accounts or records within the power of the auditor general to audit. The auditor shall report his or her findings for review by the auditor general, who shall prepare the audit report.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, the auditor general may, when directed by the committee, designate and direct any auditor employed by him or her to audit any accounts or records within the power of the auditor general to audit. The auditor shall report his or her findings for review by the auditor general, who shall prepare the audit report.

(2) The audit report shall make special mention of:

(i) Any violation of the laws within the scope of the audit; and

(ii) Any illegal or improper expenditure, any improper accounting procedures, all failures to properly record financial transactions, and all other inaccuracies, irregularities, shortages, and defalcations.

(3) At the conclusion of the audit, the auditor general or his or her designated representative will conduct an exit conference with the official whose office or department is subject to audit and submit to him or her a draft report which includes a list of findings and recommendations. If an official is not available for the exit conference, delivery of the draft report is presumed to be sufficient notice. The official must submit to the auditor general within sixty (60) days after the receipt of the draft report his or her written reply as to:

(i) Acceptance and plan of implementation of each recommendation;

(ii) Reason(s) for non-acceptance of a recommendation.

(4)(i) Until July 1, 2030, should ~~Should~~ the auditor general determine that the written explanation or rebuttal of the official whose office is subject to audit is unsatisfactory, he or she shall, as soon as practicable, report his or her findings to the ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, should the auditor general determine that the written explanation or rebuttal of the official whose office is subject to audit is unsatisfactory, he or she shall, as soon as practicable, report his or her findings to the joint committee on legislative services.

(f) On and after July 1, 2030, a ~~A~~ copy of the audit report shall be submitted to each member of the committee.

(g) If the auditor general discovers any errors, unusual practices, or any other discrepancies in connection with his or her audit or post-audit of a state agency or state officers, the auditor general shall, as soon as practicable, notify in writing the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives, respectively.

(h) The auditor general shall annually review the capital development program to determine: (1) the status of all projects included in the program; (2) whether the funds are being properly expended for their intended purposes; (3) the completion date or projected completion date of the projects; (4) which projects require professional services and to determine the identity of individuals or firms appointed; and (5) the expended and unexpended funds. This report shall be annually submitted to the general assembly on the first Wednesday in February.

(i) The auditor general shall supervise, coordinate, and/or conduct investigations and inspections or oversight reviews with the purpose of preventing and detecting fraud, waste, abuse and mismanagement in the expenditure of public funds.

22-13-9. Access to executive sessions of a public agency — Access to records — Disclosure by the auditor general.

(a) Whenever a public agency goes into executive session, the auditor general or his or her designated representative shall be permitted to attend the executive session or if the auditor general or his or her designee is not in attendance at the executive session, the auditor general or his or her designee, upon written request, shall be furnished with copies of all data or materials furnished to the members of the public agency at the executive session. If the auditor general or his or her designee attends the executive session, the auditor general shall be furnished the same data in the same form and at the same time as members of the public agency.

(b) Within three (3) working days of a written request by the auditor general, the public agency shall furnish a copy, whether approved by the agency or not, of the minutes of any meeting, including any executive session of the public agency.

(c) The auditor general shall have full and unlimited access to any and all records of any public agency, in whatever form or mode the records may be, unless the auditor general's access to the records is specifically prohibited or limited by federal or state law. In no case shall any confidentiality provisions of state law be construed to restrict the auditor general's access to the records; provided, the auditor general's access to any confidential data shall not in any way change the confidential nature of the data obtained. Where an audit or investigative finding emanates from confidential data, specific confidential information will not be made public. The records shall include those in the immediate possession of a public agency as well as records which the agency itself has a right to. In the event of a dispute between the agency involved and the auditor general as to whether or not the data involved are confidential by law, the matter will be referred to the attorney general for resolution.

(d)(1)(i) Until July 1, 2030, if ~~if~~ in the course of an executive session any fact comes to the attention of the auditor general or his or her designated representative, which in his or her judgment constitutes an impropriety, irregularity, or illegal transaction, or points to the onset of an impropriety or illegal transaction, then the auditor general shall disclose that information to the ~~joint committee on legislative services~~ inspector general, the director of administration, and the chairperson of the public agency involved. Where the facts or the data upon which the facts are based are deemed confidential pursuant to the provisions of federal or state law, the auditor general's access to the information shall not in any way change the confidential nature of the data obtained.

(ii) On and after July 1, 2030, if in the course of an executive session any fact comes to the attention of the auditor general or his or her designated representative, which in his or her judgment constitutes an impropriety, irregularity, or illegal transaction, or points to the onset of an impropriety or illegal transaction, then the auditor general shall disclose that information to the joint committee on legislative services, the director of administration, and the chairperson of the public agency involved. Where the facts or the data upon which the facts are based are deemed confidential pursuant to the provisions of federal or state law, the auditor general's access to the information shall not in any way change the confidential nature of the data obtained.

(2) In the event of a dispute between the agency involved and the auditor general as to whether or not the data involved are confidential by law, the matter will be referred to the attorney general for resolution.

(e) The auditor general or his or her designated representative shall be immune from any liability to any party for claims arising out of disclosure authorized by this section.

(f) For the purposes of this section, the phrase "public agency" shall include the following: the Rhode Island industrial building authority, the Rhode Island recreational building authority,

the Rhode Island commerce corporation, the Rhode Island industrial facilities corporation, the Rhode Island refunding bond authority, the Rhode Island housing and mortgage finance corporation, the Rhode Island resource recovery corporation, the Rhode Island public transit authority, the Rhode Island student loan authority, the water resources board, the Rhode Island health and educational building corporation, the Rhode Island turnpike and bridge authority, the Narragansett Bay commission, the convention center authority, their successors and assigns, and any other body corporate and politic which has been or which is subsequently created or established within this state.

22-13-10. Audit of information security systems.

(a) The general assembly recognizes that the security of government computer systems is essential to ensuring the stability and integrity of vital information gathered and stored by government for the benefit of the citizenry and the breach of security over computer systems presents a risk to the health, safety, and welfare of the public. It is the intent of the legislature to insure that government computer systems and information residing on these systems are protected from unauthorized access, compromise, sabotage, hacking, viruses, destruction, illegal use, cyber attack or any other act which might jeopardize or harm the computer systems and the information stored on them.

(b) In conjunction with the powers and duties outlined in this chapter, the auditor general may conduct reviews and assessments of the various government computer systems and the security systems established to safeguard these computer systems. Computer systems subject to this section shall include systems which pertain to federal, state, or local programs, and quasi-governmental bodies, and the computer systems of any entity or program which is subject to audit by the office of the auditor general. The auditor general's review may include an assessment of system vulnerability, network penetration, potential security breaches, and susceptibility to cyber attack and cyber fraud.

(c)(1) Until July 1, 2030, in the event the review by the auditor general indicates a computer system is vulnerable, or security over the system is lacking, those findings shall not be disclosed publicly and shall not be considered public records. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the workpapers developed in connection with the review of the computer system and the security over the system shall not be deemed public records and are not subject to disclosure. The auditor general's findings may be disclosed at the discretion of the auditor general to the chief information officer of the state as well as the joint committee on legislative services inspector general. Unless the auditor general authorizes the release of information or findings gathered in the conduct of a review of computer system security, all such information shall be deemed classified, confidential, secret, and non-public.

(2) On and after July 1, 2030, in the event the review by the auditor general indicates a computer system is vulnerable, or security over the system is lacking, those findings shall not be disclosed publicly and shall not be considered public records. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the workpapers developed in connection with the review of the computer system and the security over the system shall not be deemed public records and are not subject to disclosure. The auditor general's findings may be disclosed at the discretion of the auditor general to the chief information officer of the state as well as the joint committee on legislative services. Unless the auditor general authorizes the release of information or findings gathered in the conduct of a review of computer system security, all such information shall be deemed classified, confidential, secret, and non-public.

(d) In order to maintain the integrity of the computer system, the auditor general may procure the services of specialists in information security systems or other contractors deemed necessary in conducting reviews under this section, and in procuring those services shall be exempt from the requirements of the state purchasing law or regulation.

(e) Any outside contractor or vendor hired to provide services in the review of the security of a computer system shall be bound by the confidentiality provisions of this section."

3. In Article 3, page 34, line 13, by deleting the language "SECTION 17", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 19".

4. In Article 3, page 36, line 34, by deleting the language "SECTION 18", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 20".

5. In Article 3, page 38, line 23, by deleting the language "SECTION 19", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 21".

6. In Article 3, page 46, line 10, by deleting the language "SECTION 20", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 22".

7. In Article 3, page 46, line 24, by deleting the language "SECTION 21", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 23".

8. In Article 3, page 49, line 3, by deleting the language "SECTION 22", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 24".

9. In Article 3, page 49, line 10, by deleting the language "SECTION 23", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 25".

10. In Article 3, page 50, line 3, by deleting the language "SECTION 24", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 26".

11. In Article 3, page 50, line 15, by deleting the language "SECTION 25", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 27".

12. In Article 3, page 50, line 21, by deleting the language "SECTION 26", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 28".

13. In Article 3, page 57, line 12, by deleting the language "SECTION 27", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 29".

14. In Article 3, page 58, line 14, by deleting the language "SECTION 28", and by inserting in place thereof the language "SECTION 30".

15. In Article 1, page 2, between lines 4 and 5, by inserting the following language:

"Provided, however, that funds appropriated for the Office of Internal Audit and Program Integrity shall be transferred to the Office of Inspector General established pursuant to the provisions of chapter 9.4 of title 42."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator de la Cruz

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 8 Senators voting in the affirmative, 25 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 8: Senators de la Cruz Euer, Morgan, Paolino, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, and Valverde.

NAYS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Kallman, Tikoian, Bissaillon, Britto, Ciccone, Felag, and Gallo.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

3. *The Appointment of Jason P. Macari VICE Michael A. Solomon to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2029.*

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

Senator Britto moves that the advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Gallo, Kallman, Ciccone, and DiMario.

The advice and consent of the Senate is given, 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, DiMario, 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 1125**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES-CENTRAL FALLS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Felag.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz and Morgan.

5. 2025-S 893**BY** Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- QUALIFYING LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING -- TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH -- TAX STABILIZATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Lauria, Mack, Valverde, Tikoian, Rogers, and Urso.

Senator Raptakis, seconded by Senators Lauria, Mack, Valverde, Vargas, and Kallman offers the following written motion to amend:

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2025 -- S 0893**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- QUALIFYING LOW- AND MODERATE-
INCOME HOUSING -- TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH -- TAX STABILIZATION

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0893, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- QUALIFYING LOW- AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING -- TOWN OF WEST GREENWICH -- TAX STABILIZATION”, as follows:

1. By deleting all the language in the title of the act, and by inserting in place there of the following language: "AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO

TAXATION".

2. On page 1, by deleting all the language after the enactment clause, and by inserting in place thereof the following language:

"SECTION 1. Chapter 44-3 of the General Laws entitled "Property Subject to Taxation" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

44-3-9.8.1. Exemption or stabilization of tax on qualified property used for residential purposes in the town of West Greenwich.

(a) Except as provided in this section, in order to address the longstanding challenges faced by the town of West Greenwich to meet state and local needs for low- and moderate-income housing pursuant to the provisions of chapter 53 of title 45 and the town of West Greenwich code of ordinances, the town council of the town of West Greenwich may vote to authorize, subject to the conditions in this section, to exempt from payment, in whole or in part, real qualified property, or to determine a stabilized amount, notwithstanding the valuation of the property or the rate of tax; provided that, after a public hearing, ten (10) days' notice of which shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the town, and upon a determination by the town council that the granting of the exemption and/or stabilization of taxes for a qualified property shall inure to the benefit of the town of West Greenwich including, without limitation, by reason of the town of West Greenwich achieving, exceeding, or furthering its realization of its goal of ten percent (10%) of its year round housing units constituting low- and moderate-income housing units pursuant to the provisions of chapter 53 of title 45.

(b) For purposes of this section, "qualifying property" means property for which there is an approved comprehensive permit project pursuant to chapter 53 of title 45, in which final plan approval has been recorded. Qualified property may be comprised of one or more contiguous lots and may have multiple owners. Nothing in this section shall prevent the town from approving any exemption or agreement under this section prior to final plan approval and recording, as long as the period in which the taxes are exempt and/or stabilized does not begin until the final plan is

recorded.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the town council may vote to authorize an agreement under this section for a period of up to thirty (30) years.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in this section, property for which taxes have been exempted and/or stabilized, in whole or in part, pursuant to this section shall not, during the period for which taxes have been so exempted and/or stabilized, be further liable to taxation by the town as long as such property shall remain qualified property as defined in this section.

(e) Notwithstanding this section, owners of qualifying low-income housing in the town of West Greenwich under §44-5-13.11 shall be entitled to the tax treatment provided under such section and may, but need not, seek or obtain tax exemption and/or stabilization under this section. With respect to all qualifying low-income housing in the town of West Greenwich under the provisions of §44-5-13.11, the town council's grant of exemption and/or stabilization under this section shall result in taxation of such qualifying low-income housing that is no less favorable than the taxation otherwise provided under §44-5-13.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Raptakis

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 0:

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators DiMario, Burke, Valverde, Rogers, and Sosnowski.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

6. 2025-S 600 SUB A

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- VOLUNTARY
RESTRUCTURING OF SOLVENT INSURERS

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, Britto, Lauria, Urso, and LaMountain.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 229 SUB A**BY** Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES

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

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, Mack, Raptakis, Gallo, McKenney, Murray, and Thompson.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 28 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 6: Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

8. 2025-S 603 SUB A**BY** Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators LaMountain, Kallman, Lauria, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 970**BY Murray****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- ESTATES IN REAL PROPERTY

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 439 SUB A**BY Sosnowski****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

11. 2025-S 761 SUB A**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- RHODE ISLAND
BABY BOND TRUST

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

12. 2025-S 783**BY** Vargas**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
SOLICITATION BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

13. 2025-S 1156**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RETURN OF CENTRAL FALLS SCHOOLS TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators 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 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, 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 – 1: Senator de la Cruz.

14. 2025-S 479**BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Mack moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, 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 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 2: Senators de la Cruz, and Morgan.

15. 2025-S 497**BY Mack****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Mack moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, 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 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, 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 – 1: Senator de la Cruz.

16. 2025-S 136**BY E Morgan****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ELECTRONIC IMAGING DEVICES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Morgan moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

17. 2025-S 206 SUB A**BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
COURTS -- JUDICIAL SELECTION

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

18. 2025-S 513**BY** Patalano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND
OFFICIALS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

19. 2025-S 525**BY** Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Raptakis, 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 and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:**ABSTAINED – 1:** Senator Bissaillon.**20. 2025-S 529****BY** LaMountain**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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

Senator LaMountain, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Gallo, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, and Thompson offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 0529**

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND
RULES OF THE ROAD

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0529, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD”, as follows:

1. On page 1, line 11, by deleting the language “[shall](#)” and by inserting in place thereof the language “[may](#)”.
2. On page 1, line 11, by deleting the language “[and](#)” and by inserting in place thereof the language “[or](#)”.
3. On page 1, line 12, after the language “months” by inserting the language “, or both”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator LaMountain

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 LaMountain moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Burke, Valverde.

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 and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

ABSTAINED -1: Senator Bissaillon.

21. 2025-S 581 SUB A

BY Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
COURTS -- COURT ADMINISTRATION

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

Senator Burke moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 0:

22. 2025-S 816 SUB A**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- DECEPTIVE AND FRAUDULENT SYNTHETIC MEDIA IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

23. 2025-S 901 SUB A**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE APPRAISAL PROVISION

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

24. 2025-S 984 SUB A**BY** Britto**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION PROVIDE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON LEGISLATION TO REGULATE AND LICENSE CANNABINOIDS AND HEMP-DERIVED BEVERAGES

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

25. 2025-S 945 SUB A**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- RHODE ISLAND ANTI-BID-RIGGING ACT

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

26. 2025-S 1152**BY** Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
COURTS -- DOMESTIC ASSAULT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Tikoian moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, 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 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Gallo.

27. 2025-H 5017 SUB A**BY** Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY
PROVISIONS -- RIGHT TO CONSUMER ACCESS TO POWERED WHEELCHAIR
REPAIRSCommittee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of
Substitute A.

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

28. 2025-H 5300 SUB A**BY** Dawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- THREATS AND EXTORTION

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

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

29. 2025-H 5892 SUB B**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- COURT ADMINISTRATION

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

Senator Burke moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators 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 “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

ABSTAINED – 1: Senator Bissaillon.

30. 2025-H 5043 SUB A**BY** Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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 DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

31. 2025-H 5351 SUB A as amended**BY** Baginski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MEDICAL SPAS SAFETY ACT

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

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 24 members voting in the affirmative and 11 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 24: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

NAYS – 11: Senators Acosta, Bell, DiMario, Lauria, Mack, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

32. 2025-H 6244 SUB A**BY** Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

33. 2025-H 5506 SUB A**BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT -- EMPLOYEE FREE SPEECH RIGHTS

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

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

34. 2025-H 6388**BY Slater****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
VIDEO LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING

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

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators Mack, Ujifusa, and Valverde.

35. 2025-H 6079 SUB A**BY Baginski****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE --
RENTAL VEHICLE COVERAGE

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

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

36. 2025-H 6383 SUB A**BY** Furtado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
ANIMAL CARE

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

37. 2025-H 6053 SUB A**BY** O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR CLAIMS
SETTLEMENT PRACTICES ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Vargas.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers, and Zurier.

38. 2025-H 5701 SUB A**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CANCER BENEFITS FOR FIRE FIGHTERS

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

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers.

39. 2025-H 5372**BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIRE FIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS

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

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 29 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 29: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 6: Senators de la Cruz, Lauria, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers, and Valverde.

40. 2025-H 6283**BY** Place**ENTITLED**, AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BURRILLVILLE LAND TRUST

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

Senator de la Cruz moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, and Tikoian.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 22 members voting in the affirmative and 13 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 22: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, and Tikoian.

NAYS – 13: Senators Acosta, Bell, DiMario, Gallo, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Murray, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

41. 2025-H 6394 SUB A**BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan Paolino, and Rogers.

42. 2025-H 5956 SUB A**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
RHODE ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators Bell, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

43. 2025-H 5165 SUB A**BY** Cotter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAMS

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

Senator Appollonio moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

44. 2025-H 6162**BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 28 members voting in the affirmative and 7 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Zurier.

NAYS – 7: Senators Bell, Britto, Mack, Morgan, Paolino, Quezada, and Vargas.

45. 2025-S 996 SUB A**BY** McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

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

Senator McKenney, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, 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:

<p>FLOOR AMENDMENT</p>

<p>TO</p>

<p>2025 -- S 0996 SUBSTITUTE A</p>

AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT
FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0996 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN", as follows:

1. On page 1, for the heading delete the language "RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN" and inserting in place thereof the language "RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN".

2. On page 1, line 4, by deleting the language "NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN" and inserting in place thereof the language "IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN".

3. On page 1, lines 6 and 7, by deleting the language "[Needs Assessment for a Redemption and Recycling Plan](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[Implementation Analysis for a Beverage Container Redemption, Packaging, and Recycling Plan](#)".

4. On page 1, line 8, by deleting the language "[Statewide needs assessment for a redemption and recycling plan](#)", and inserting in place thereof the language "[Statewide implementation analysis for a beverage container redemption, packaging, and recycling plan](#)".

5. On page 1, line 12 by deleting the language "[state-wide](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[statewide](#)".

6. On page 1, line 16, by deleting the language "[\(b\) The](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[\(b\) By October 29, 2025, the](#)".

7. On page 3, between lines 4 and 5, by inserting the following language:
"[\(iv\) Consideration of recommendations provided in the final report of the special joint legislative bottle waste commission to study and provide recommendations to protect our environment and natural resources from plastic waste.](#)

[\(v\) Consideration of the program proposed in H6207/S0996 as introduced in the general assembly January session AD. 2025."](#)

8. On page 3, between lines 12 and 13 by inserting the following language:
"[\(iv\) An analysis of the performance targets and implementation timelines proposed in H6207/S0996 as introduced in the general assembly January session AD. 2025."](#)

9. On page 3, line 13, by deleting the language "[needs assessment](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[implementation analysis](#)".

10. On page 3, line 17, by deleting the language "[island](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[Island](#)".

11. On page 3, lines 21 and 22, by deleting all language therein, and by inserting in place thereof the following language:

["\(1\) One representative from each of the five \(5\) counties of the State of Rhode Island,](#)

including Bristol County, Kent County, Newport County, Providence County and Washington County from the public works department or with waste management authority;"

12. On page 3, line 26, by inserting the language "and" after the language "operator;".

13. On page 3, line 27, by deleting all the language thereon.

14. On page 3, line 28, by deleting the language "(7)" and inserting in place thereof the language "(6)".

15. On page 3, line 29, by deleting the language "; and" and inserting in place thereof the language ":".

16. On page 3, lines 30 and 31, by deleting all the language thereon.

17. On page 3, line 34 by deleting the language "needs assessment" and inserting in place thereof the language "implementation analysis".

18. On page 3, after line 34, by inserting the following language:

"(b) An interim status report shall be submitted to the governor, the speaker of the house, the senate president, and the chairs of the house and senate environment committees no later than April 1, 2026."

19. On page 4, line 1, by deleting the language "(b)" and inserting in place thereof the language "(c)".

20. On page 4, line 3, by deleting the language "December 28, 2026" and inserting in place thereof the language "December 1, 2026".

21. On page 5, for the heading delete the language "RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR A REDEMPTION AND RECYCLING PLAN" and inserting in place thereof the language " RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE

CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN".

22. On page 5, lines 2 and 3, by deleting the language " a needs assessment to support a redemption program for recycling" and inserting in place thereof the language "a statewide implementation analysis for a beverage container redemption, packaging, and recycling plan".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator McKenney

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LC002805/3

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 McKenney moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, 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 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

46. 2025-S 1142**BY** Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

47. 2025-S 1155**BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

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

Senator de la Cruz, seconded by Senators 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:

<p style="text-align: center;">FLOOR AMENDMENT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TO</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2025 -- S 1155</p>

AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1155, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES”, as follows:

1. On page 1, by deleting the language on lines 4 through 7 and by inserting in place thereof the language: “Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the town of Glocester is authorized to levy a supplemental tax, by voter referendum, that exceeds the current tax cap of four percent (4%) by not more than an additional three percent (3%) for fiscal year 2026, in order to fund school department operations and to avoid loss of critical town services. For purposes of the levy calculation required by § 44-5-2(b), supplemental taxes levied pursuant to this section shall be included in the total amount levied and certified by the town of Glocester for fiscal year 2026”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator de la Cruz

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LC003060/2
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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 de la Cruz moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators 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, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

48. 2025-H 5640

BY Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray.

Senator LaMountain, seconded by Senator offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- H 5640

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND
RULES OF THE ROAD

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5640, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND
OTHER VEHICLES -- PASSING, USE OF LANES, AND RULES OF THE ROAD”, as follows:

1. On page 1, line 11, by deleting the language “[shall](#)” and by inserting in place thereof the language

“[may](#)”.

2. On page 1, line 11, by deleting the language “[and](#)” and by inserting in place thereof the language

“[or](#)”.

3. On page 1, line 12, after the language “months” by inserting the language “, or both”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator LaMountain

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LC001498/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

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

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED -1: Senator Bissaillon.

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

ABSTAINED -1: Senator Bissaillon.

49. 2025-S 174**BY** Urso**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

*Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection ordered to Calendar #2.***50. 2025-S 421 SUB A****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND FOOD BANK

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

Senator Mack moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

51. 2025-S 654 SUB A**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- PILOT PROGRAM FOR VIRTUAL REALITY LEARNING PLATFORM

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

52. 2025-S 784

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$750,000 TO WATERFIRE PROVIDENCE

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Rogers.

53. 2025-S 868 SUB A

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$250,000 TO 401 TECH BRIDGE TO STUDY AND EXPLORE SEAGLIDERS IN RHODE ISLAND

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

54. 2025-S 871

BY Britto

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO THE UNITED WAY OF RHODE ISLAND FOR THE 2-1-1 HUMAN SERVICES HOTLINE

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

55. 2025-S 892 SUB A**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- 988
SUICIDE AND CRISIS LIFELINE CALL CENTER FUNDING AND OPERATIONAL
INDEPENDENCE

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

56. 2025-S 339**BY** Lauria**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THUNDERMIST FAMILY
MEDICINE RESIDENCY PROGRAM

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Lauria moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, 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 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

57. 2025-S 1159

BY Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM

Ordered on the Calendar.

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection ordered to Calendar #2.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Ciccone the Senate stands in recess at 6:47 o'clock P.M.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

House Bill No. 6321

BY Kennedy, Cotter

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Hopkinton, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Hopkinton.)

{LC2872/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 6207 SUB A as amended

BY McEntee, Knight, Bennett, Boylan, Carson, McGaw, Cortvriend, Donovan, Handy, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN (Provides extended producer responsibility for packaging and paper, recycling of beverage containers, and provides general provisions for oversight of single-stage producer organizations.)

{LC2622/A/2}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 6409 as amended**BY** Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Authorizes the town of Glocester to levy a supplemental tax, by voter referendum, that exceeds the current tax cap by three percent (3%) for fiscal year 2026, to fund school operations and avoid the loss of critical town services.)
{LC3054/1}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 5769**BY** Costantino, Santucci, Hull, Phillips, Baginski, Shallcross Smith, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION FEES (Provides that when a registrant voluntarily cancels the registrant's motor vehicle registration, that person receives a credit for the time remaining on the original registration to be applied to a future registration.)
{LC868/1}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 5768**BY** Costantino, Santucci, Hull, Phillips, Baginski, Shallcross Smith, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (DMV to provide credit for portions of unused voluntarily cancelled vehicle registrations.)
{LC869/1}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 6065 as amended**BY** Giraldo, Furtado, Handy, Alzate, Cruz, McGaw, Potter, McNamara, Speakman, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE--BENEFITS (Mandates paid leave by allowing qualified employees to take medical leave to undergo donation procedures, medical tests, and recovery related to being a living organ donor, or bone marrow transplant donor.)
{LC2041/1}

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar #3.

Senate Bill No. 610 SUB B

(OHIC)

BY Lawson, Tikoian, Murray, Lauria, Britto, Burke, Bissaillon, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT

INSURANCE POLICIES (Adds several consumer protections to existing Medicare Supplement law.)

{LC1359/B/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 5494 SUB A

(OHIC)

BY Fogarty, Donovan, Hull, Spears, Carson, Bennett, Dawson, Noret, Handy, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT

INSURANCE POLICIES (Adds several consumer protections to existing Medicare Supplement law.)

{LC1358/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

Senate Bill No. 716 as amended**BY** Gu, Sosnowski, McKenney, Euer, DiMario, Mack, Bissaillon, Britto, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides a procedure for parking modifications near shoreline rights of way.)

{LC2184/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 6093 SUB A as amended**BY** Cortvriend, Carson, Speakman, Spears, Boylan, McGaw, Dawson, Edwards, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL

RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides a procedure for parking modifications near shoreline rights-of-way.)

{LC2183/A/3}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

Senate Bill No. 843 as amended**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}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 5580**BY** Potter, Boylan, Solomon, Cotter, Handy, Knight, Cortvriend, Speakman, McGaw, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET-METERING (Prohibits utility companies from limiting the eligibility of a net metering site based on prior consumption and requires excess energy not consumed under the net metering system to be credited to the consumer.)
{LC2112/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 5464 SUB A as amended**BY** Tanzi, Chippendale, McGaw, Edwards, Shallcross Smith, Ajello, Fogarty, Hull, Blazejewski, Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT (Repeals the exemption granted to pari-mutuel facilities and casinos from the smoke free workplace requirement and provides for a one time appropriation of \$1,000,000 to inform patrons of the smoke free policy within the casino.)
{LC856/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 6126 SUB A**BY** Finkelman, Cortvriend, Dawson, Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Reforms the composition of the coastal resources management council to seven (7) members.)
{LC2481/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

Senate Bill No. 1048 as amended**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 in excess of 90 days.

The sunset provision is extended from June 20, 2025 until July 1, 2026.)

{LC2855/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 6071 SUB A

(General Treasurer)

BY Giraldo, Stewart, Voas, Potter, Alzate, Felix, Tanzi, Solomon, Kislak, Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- RHODE ISLAND BABY

BOND TRUST (This pilot program would create a \$3,000 trust for each Rhode Island child ages zero to one year born to a family enrolled in the Rhode Island Works Program ("RI Works")

during the preceding calendar year.)

{LC1696/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

Senate Bill No. 974 as amended**BY** Lawson, Bissaillon, Tikoian, Lauria, DiMario, Euer, Urso, Felag, Murray, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --

TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE --CONTRIBUTIONS (Increases the taxable wage base for TDI claims from \$38,000 to \$100,000 or the annual earnings needed by an individual to qualify for the maximum weekly benefit amount and the maximum duration under chapters 39 through 41 of this title.)

{LC2731/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 5594 SUB A**BY** DeSimone, Biah, Slater, Kazarian, Hull, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE PAUL W. CROWLEY RHODE

ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE (Requires the board of regents to adopt support and intervention strategies consistent with Comprehensive Education Strategy and SALT in one district at a time.)

{LC1690/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

Senate Bill No. 940 SUB A as amended

BY Bissaillon, Lawson, Tikoian, DiPalma, Ciccone, Thompson, Britto, Patalano, Urso, Dimitri
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDITS 2013 (Amends sections of law relative to historic tax credits including increasing the maximum project credit and implementing requirements relative to following prevailing wage requirements..)
{LC1980/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar #4.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, on Friday, June 20th at 7:44 o'clock P.M

Appendix**CALENDAR # 2****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-S 471 SUB A**

BY Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 476**BY Kallman****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES**

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, 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 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

3. 2025-S 692 SUB A**BY Murray****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES**

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

4. 2025-S 120**BY** Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 481**BY** Lauria**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND
PROGRAM TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Lauria moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, 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:

6. 2025-S 790**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
LICENSING OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Euer, Felag, 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 792 SUB A**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND
KRATOM ACT

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, LaMountain, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Urso, and Vargas.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 22 members voting in the affirmative and 9 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 22: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, LaMountain, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Urso, Vargas.

NAYS – 9: Senators Bell, Euer, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Patalano, Quezada, Ujifusa, and Zurier.

8. 2025-S 628**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGULATION OF BUSINESS PRACTICES AMONG MOTOR VEHICLES
MANUFACTURES, DISTRIBUTORS, AND DEALERS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 0 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, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

9. 2025-S 998 SUB A**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 26 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 26: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

NAYS – 10: Senators Acosta, DiMario, Euer, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Morgan, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

10. 2025-S 168 SUB B**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

11. 2025-H 5120 SUB A**BY** Potter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 172 SUB A**BY** Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTEREST AND USURY

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

Senator Burke moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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-H 5235 SUB A**BY** Shallcross Smith**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTEREST AND USURY

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

Senator Burke moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 263 SUB A**BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McKenney, Morgan, Murray, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

15. 2025-H 6118 SUB A**BY** Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection ordered to Calendar #3.

16. 2025-S 602 SUB A**BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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

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

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by

unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, 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.

NAYS – 0:

17. 2025-H 5869 SUB A

BY Stewart

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 559 SUB A

BY Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

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

Senator Dimitri moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

19. 2025-H 6089 SUB A

BY O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

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

Senator Dimitri moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

20. 2025-S 568 SUB A as amended

BY Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ENFORCEMENT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

21. 2025-H 5421 SUB A as amended

BY Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ENFORCEMENT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

22. 2025-S 238 SUB B**BY** McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- THE FREEDOM TO READ ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

23. 2025-H 5726 SUB A**BY** Morales**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- THE FREEDOM TO READ ACT

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

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Patalano, Quezada, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

24. 2025-S 122 SUB A as amended**BY Kallman****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
HOUSING LAND BANK PROGRAM

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

25. 2025-H 5955 SUB A**BY Speakman****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
HOUSING LAND BANK PROGRAM

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

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

26. 2025-S 124 SUB B as amended**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 31: Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

ABSTAINED -1: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson.

27. 2025-H 5187 SUB A as amended**BY** Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT

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

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 31: Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

ABSTAINED -1: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson.

30. 2025-S 169 SUB A**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

31. 2025-H 5184 SUB A**BY** Shallcross Smith**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

32. 2025-S 679 as amended**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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 2 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 2: Senators Gu and Morgan.

33. 2025-H 5098 SUB A as amended**BY** Cotter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 3 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators Euer, Gu, and Morgan.

34. 2025-S 70 SUB A as amended**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
PAYMENT OF WAGES

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

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

35. 2025-H 5679 SUB A as amended**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
PAYMENT OF WAGES

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

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

36. 2025-S 712 SUB A as amended**BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT -- NEW SHOREHAM

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

Senator Dimario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

37. 2025-H 6069 SUB A**BY** Spears**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT -- NEW SHOREHAM

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

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, FelagLaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

38. 2025-S 474 as amended**BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RARE DISEASE
ADVISORY COUNCIL

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, and Rogers.

The act is read and passed, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

39. 2025-H 5023 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RARE DISEASE
ADVISORY COUNCIL

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

40. 2025-S 174**BY Urso****ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

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

Senator Urso, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier offers the following written motion to amend:

**FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
2025 -- S 0174**

**JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE
MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0174, entitled "JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM", as follows:

1. In the title of the resolution, by deleting the language "MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM", and by inserting in place thereof "TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM".

2. On page 2, between lines 5 and 6, by inserting the language:

"WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island currently has a Main Street Rhode Island Improvement Fund within the Commerce Corporation as set forth in chapter 64.27 of title 42 to foster private-public partnerships in relation to improvement of streetscapes in local business districts; and"

3. On page 2, between lines 10 and 11, by inserting the language:

"WHEREAS, Collaboration between the Commerce Corporation and Grow Smart RI on the use of the Main Street Improvement Fund has the potential to stimulate investment and generate substantial economic activity and otherwise yield many benefits to the State and its municipalities; and"

WHEREAS, These potential benefits demonstrate the need for the formal establishment of a Main Street Rhode Island program and the collaboration of the Commerce Corporation and Grow Smart RI; and"

On page 2, lines 11 through 13, by deleting all language therein.

3. On page 2, line 14, by deleting the language "\$500,000 for the".

4. On page 2, lines 30 through 34, by deleting all language therein.

5. On page 3, line 1, by deleting all language therein, and by inserting in place thereof the following:

"RESOLVED, That a program is hereby established called "Main Street Rhode Island" to be managed by Grow Smart Rhode Island. The commerce corporation is hereby empowered:

(1) To accept monies from federal sources, grants, private entities or other sources intended for Main Street Rhode Island; and

(2) To disburse all such monies received and intended for Main Street Rhode Island to Grow Smart Rhode Island; and

(3) To appropriate any portion of the monies held in the fund created pursuant to Chapter 64.27 of Title 42 to Grow Smart Rhode Island to support expenditures related to the administration of and execution of the Main Street Four Points Approach.

The state controller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so much thereof as may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated vouchers."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Urso

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LC000611/4
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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, and Paolino.

Senator Urso moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, and Paolino.

41. 2025-S 1159

BY Vargas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM

Ordered on the Calendar.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

28. 2025-S 114 SUB A**BY** Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
DEFENDING AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT

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

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

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

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 0114 SUBSTITUTE A**

AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DEFENDING AFFORDABLE
PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 0114 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DEFENDING AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT", as follows:

1. On page 2, line 2 by deleting the language "[.distributes](#)".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Valverde

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 Valverde moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

29. 2025-H 5634 SUB A

BY J. Brien

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
DEFENDING AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT**

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

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

Senator Valverde, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, and Zurier offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5634 SUBSTITUTE A****AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DEFENDING AFFORDABLE
PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5634 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- DEFENDING AFFORDABLE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS ACT”, as follows:

1. On page 2, line 2 by deleting the language "[.distributes](#)".

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR VALVERDE

LC 000919/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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 Valverde moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, 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:

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR # 2

IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:

1. **2025-S 1161**
 BY Kallman
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF ENERGY RESOURCES TO UNDERTAKE A REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF BENCHMARKING PROGRAMS FOR MUNICIPAL AND PRIVATE BUILDINGS GREATER THAN 25,000 SQUARE FEET

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. **2025-S 1162**
 BY Sosnowski
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING DATE AND AMENDING THE LANGUAGE OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAMS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Ciccone, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the following measures on Today's Consent Calendar #2, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Ciccone the Senate stands in recess at 8:47 o'clock P.M.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 622 as amended

(Dept. of Labor and Training)

BY Burke, Tikoian, Appollonio, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS (Eliminates the "until June 30, 2025" sunset on the increase in the total amount of earnings a partial-unemployment insurance claimant can receive before being entirely disqualified for unemployment insurance benefits.)

{LC1365/1}

Placed on Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 5448 as amended

(Dept. of Labor and Training)

BY McEntee, Caldwell, Craven, Morales, Kislak, Diaz, Slater, Bennett, Edwards, Noret

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --

EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS (Eliminates the "until June 30, 2025" sunset on the increase in the total amount of earnings a partial-unemployment insurance claimant can receive before being entirely disqualified for unemployment insurance benefits.)

{LC1339/1}

Placed on Calendar #4.

House Bill No. 6054 as amended

BY Baginski, Kazarian, Corvese, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE APPRAISAL

(Changes the process by which a dispute between the insured and their insurance company, concerning property damages and requires that the umpire appraisers shall be disinterested and the cost shared equally.)

{LC2260/1}

Placed on Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 5130 SUB A

BY Boylan, Knight, Tanzi, Craven, McEntee, Dawson, Cruz, Ajello, Caldwell, Felix
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS (Crime gun ballistic evidence to be submitted to NIBIN.)
{LC134/A/2}

Placed on Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 6032 SUB A

BY Voas, Casey, DeSimone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE (Requires at fault insurance companies to provide to any claimant whose vehicle is damaged in an accident, to provide a vehicle that is comparable to the claimant's vehicle and that rental charges shall be based on local retail prices.)
{LC2280/A/1}

Placed on Calendar #3.

House Bill No. 5522 SUB A

BY Corvese, Solomon, Azzinaro, Serpa, DeSimone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Requires the rule adopting agency to send a copy of the certified rule to all members of the general assembly, within twenty (20) days of filing a final rule.)
{LC1599/A/1}

Placed on Calendar #3.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, on Friday, June 20th at 10:14 o'clock P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Upon Suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection, remove House Bills 6173, 6270, 6136, 5046, 5218, 5517, 5562, 5557, 5619, 5635, 5872, 5967, 6038, 6343, 5415, 5570, and 5548 from Calendar #3 and ordered to the Consent Calendar #3.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR #3****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-H 6207 SUB A as amended****BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN

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

2. 2025-H 6409 as amended**BY** Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

3. 2025-H 5769**BY** Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION FEES

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

4. 2025-H 5768**BY** Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

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

5. 2025-H 6065 as amended**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE--BENEFITS

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

6. 2025-H 6173 SUB A**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS --
RHODE ISLAND ANTI-BID-RIGGING ACT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

7. 2025-H 6270 SUB A**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CANNABIS
CONTROL COMMISSION PROVIDE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH
RECOMMENDATIONS ON LEGISLATION TO REGULATE AND LICENSE
CANNABINOIDS AND HEMP-DERIVED BEVERAGES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

8. 2025-H 6136 SUB A**BY** Roberts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

9. 2025-H 5046**BY** Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ELECTRONIC
IMAGING DEVICES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

10. 2025-H 5218**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

11. 2025-H 5517**BY** Baginski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND
OFFICIALS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

12. **2025-H 5562**
 BY Caldwell
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
 SOLICITATION BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
13. **2025-H 5557 SUB A**
 BY Shallcross Smith
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
 PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE
 PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
14. **2025-H 5619**
 BY Ackerman
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND
 PROGRAM TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
15. **2025-H 5635**
 BY Spears
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
 LICENSING OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
16. **2025-H 5872 SUB A**
 BY Baginski
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- DECEPTIVE AND
 FRAUDULENT SYNTHETIC MEDIA IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
17. **2025-H 5967 SUB A**
 BY Speakman
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT
 OF LOCAL TAXES

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

18. 2025-H 6038**BY** Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

19. 2025-H 6343**BY** Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

20. 2025-H 5415 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED
ACTIVITIES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

21. 2025-H 5570 SUB B**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CASUALTY INSURANCE
RATING

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

22. 2025-H 5548 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- VOLUNTARY
RESTRUCTURING OF SOLVENT INSURERS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Ciccone, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the following measures on Today's Consent Calendar #3, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

Appendix**CALENDAR #4****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-S 610 SUB B****BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “B” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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-H 5494 SUB A**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

3. 2025-S 716 as amended

BY Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

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

The act is read and passed, as amended 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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-H 6093 SUB A as amended

BY Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, 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, in concurrence, 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 Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 843 as amended

BY Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET-METERING

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

6. 2025-H 5580

BY Potter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET-METERING

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 29 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 29: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

7. 2025-H 5464 SUB A as amended

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

8. 2025-H 6126 SUB A

BY Finkelman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 25 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

NAYS – 10: Senators Acosta, DiMario, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Morgan, Quezada, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

9. 2025-S 1048 as amended

BY Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Acosta, Bissaillon, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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, as amended, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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-H 6071 SUB A

BY Giraldo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- RHODE ISLAND
BABY BOND TRUST

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

11. 2025-S 974 as amended

BY Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE --CONTRIBUTIONS

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

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

The act is read and passed, as amended, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

12. 2025-H 5594 SUB A

BY DeSimone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE PAUL W. CROWLEY
RHODE ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Vargas.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 29 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 29: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Vargas.

NAYS – 6: Senators Acosta, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers, and Zurier.

13. 2025-S 940 SUB A as amended

BY Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX CREDITS 2013

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, 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” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 622 as amended

BY Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

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

The act is read and passed, as amended 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

15. 2025-H 5448 as amended

BY McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

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

The act is read and passed, as amended 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

SENATE STANDS AT EASE

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Ciccone the Senate stands at ease at 10:33 o'clock P.M.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, on Friday, June 20th at 11:02 o'clock P.M.

Appendix**CALENDAR #3****IN ORDER FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025:****1. 2025-S 17 SUB A****BY** Ujifusa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL
REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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

Senator Ujifusa moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, 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 33 members voting in the affirmative and 0 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, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

2. 2025-S 166 SUB B**BY** Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “B” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

3. 2025-S 314 SUB A**BY** Ujifusa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

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

Senator Ujifusa moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 495 SUB A as amended**BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, 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” as amended, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 1006 SUB A**BY** Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Patalano, Quezada, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 1083 SUB A**BY** Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Gallo, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, 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 23 members voting in the affirmative and 12 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 23: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 12: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

7. 2025-S 1084 SUB A**BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, 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 29 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 29: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 6: Senators de la Cruz, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

8. 2025-S 1085**BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Felag, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 25 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 10: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, and Tikoian.

9. 2025-S 1086 SUB A**BY** McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION

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

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators

Senator Bissaillon, seconded by Senators Ciccone, Gallo, Tikoian, and McKenney offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A****AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR
COMMISSION**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION”, as follows:

1. On page 34, line 34, by restoring the stricken language "~~by~~".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bissaillon

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative, 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, and Paolino.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION”, as follows:

1. On page 31, line 19, after the language, “zoning districts.” by inserting the language: “However, a municipality may, through regulation or ordinance, provide for any and all of the following with respect to ADUs: (1) Require that primary residences with ADUs shall be owner-occupied; and (2) Require that ADUs shall be occupied by family members and caretakers. The provisions of this subsection (e) shall be enabling and not mandatory.”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 11 Senators voting in the affirmative, 23 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 11: Senators de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Gu, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

NAYS – 23: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senators de la Cruz, Paolino, and Rogers offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1086 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION”, as follows:

1. On page 33, line 22, by deleting the language, “[shall](#)” and by restoring the stricken language, “may”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 5 Senators voting in the affirmative, 29 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

NAYS – 29: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator McKenney moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 22 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 12 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 22: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 12: Senators de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Gu, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

10. 2025-S 1087

BY Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

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

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Paolino.

11. 2025-S 1088**BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 1088**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1088, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING”, as follows:

1. On page 2, line 18, after the language “census” by inserting the language “, or the city or town has adopted an inclusionary zoning ordinance requiring that all housing developments include at least forty-five percent (45%) low- or moderate-income housing units”.

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 5 Senators voting in the affirmative, 28 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 5: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, and Rogers.

NAYS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- S 1088

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1088, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING”, as follows:

1. On page 17, lines 8 through 25, by restoring all the stricken language thereon.
2. On page 19, lines 1 through 6, by restoring all the stricken language thereon.
3. On page 19, line 7, by deleting the language "(10)" and by restoring the stricken language "(11)".
4. On page 19, line 10, by deleting all the language "(11)" and by restoring the stricken language "(12)".
5. On page 19, lines 22 through 34, by deleting all the language thereon.
6. On page 20, lines 1 and 2, by deleting all the language thereon.
7. On page 20, lines 3 through 10, by restoring all the stricken language thereon.
8. On page 20, lines 11 through 18, by deleting all the language thereon.
9. On page 20, line 19, by deleting the language "increase in the allowed dwelling units per acre (DU/A)." and by restoring all the stricken language thereon.
10. On page 20, line 20, by deleting the language "At" and by restoring the stricken language "at".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 4 Senators voting in the affirmative, 30 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

NAYS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senator Rogers, seconded by Senator de la Cruz offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2025 -- S 1088

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1088, entitled “AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING”, as follows:

1. On page 19, line 23, by deleting the language "[ten percent \(10%\)](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[five percent \(5%\)](#)".

2. On page 19, lines 25 and 26, by deleting the language "[ten percent \(10%\)](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[five percent \(5%\)](#)".

3. On page 20, lines 11 and 12, by deleting the language "[ten percent \(10%\)](#)" and inserting in place thereof the language "[five percent \(5%\)](#)".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Rogers

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The motion to amend fails passage upon a roll call vote with 13 Senators voting in the affirmative, 21 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 13: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, and Zurier.

NAYS – 21: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Vargas.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote, with 20 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 15 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 20: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 15: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Gu, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, and Valverde.

12. 2025-S 1089 SUB A**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Bissaillon, seconded by Senator Ciccone offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- S 1089 SUBSTITUTE A/2****AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- S 1089 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE", as follows:

1. In the title of the bill by deleting the language "HEATH" and by inserting in place thereof the language "HEALTH".

2. On page 3, line 10 by striking the language "one".

3. On page 3, line 10, by deleting the comma ", " before the language "two" and by inserting in place thereof the language "[: \(1\) one](#)".

4. On page 3, line 11, by striking the language "; to" and by inserting in place thereof the language "[and any amendments thereto adopted by the state building code standards committee; \(2\) To](#)".

5. On page 3, line 13, after the language "motels", by inserting the language "[and other](#)

[commercial structures](#)".

6. On page 3, line 13, by striking the language "; to", and by inserting in place thereof the language "and any amendments thereto adopted by the state building code standards committee; and (3) To"

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bissaillon

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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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 Bissaillon moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 1090 SUB A**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 25 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 10: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, and Tikoian.

14. 2025-S 1091**BY** Bissaillon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

15. 2025-S 1092**BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 23 members voting in the affirmative and 12 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 23: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 12: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

16. 2025-S 1163**BY** Morgan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON

Ordered on the Calendar.

Senator Morgan moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator de la Cruz.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 – 1: Senator Burke.

17. 2025-H 5031**BY** Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

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

Senator Tikoian moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, DiPalma, 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-H 5042 SUB A**BY** Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 2 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 2: Senators Ciccone and Tikoian.

19. 2025-H 5046**BY** Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ELECTRONIC IMAGING DEVICES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

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

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, DiPalma, 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:

20. 2025-H 5130 SUB A**BY** Boylan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS

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

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

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 – 1: Senator Bell.

40. 2025-H 5794 SUB B**BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Bissaillon, seconded by Senator Ciccone offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5794 SUBSTITUTE B**

AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5794 SUBSTITUTE B, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOCAL PLANNING BOARD OR COMMISSION", as follows:

1. On page 34, line 34, by restoring the stricken language "~~by~~".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bissaillon

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative, 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, and Paolino.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 21 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 14 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 21: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 14: Senators de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Gu, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujufusa, and Valverde.

41. 2025-H 5795 SUB A

BY Spears

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 28 members voting in the affirmative and 7 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 7: Senators de la Cruz, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, and Ujifusa.

44. 2025-H 5798 SUB A as amended**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Bissaillon, seconded by Senator Ciccone offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5798 SUBSTITUTE A****AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5798 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES", as follows:

1. On page 4, line 12 by deleting the language "to less than three (3) stories, restrict its" and by inserting in place thereof the language " unit's".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bissaillon

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 1 Senator voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 – 1: Senator Bell.

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 21 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 13 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 21: Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 13: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, and Valverde.

45. 2025-H 5800 SUB A

BY Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 25 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 25: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 10: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, and Tikoian.

48. 2025-H 5804 SUB B**BY Shekarchi****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE**

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

Senator Bissaillon, seconded by Senator Ciccone offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2025 -- H 5804 SUBSTITUTE B****AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE**

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2025 -- H 5804 SUBSTITUTE B, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO HEATH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE", as follows:

1. In the title of the bill by deleting the language "HEATH" and by inserting in place thereof the language "HEALTH".

2. On page 3, line 10 by striking the language "one".

3. On page 3, line 10, by deleting the comma ", " before the language "two" and by inserting in place thereof the language "[: \(1\) one](#)".

4. On page 3, line 11, by striking the language "; to" and by inserting in place thereof the language "[and any amendments thereto adopted by the state building code standards committee; \(2\) To](#)".

5. On page 3, line 13, after the language "motels", by inserting the language "[and other](#)

[commercial structures](#)".

6. On page 3, line 13, by striking the language "; to", and by inserting in place thereof the language "and any amendments thereto adopted by the state building code standards committee; and (3) To"

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Bissaillon

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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 Bissaillon moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative, and 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

34. 2025-H 5570 SUB B**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CASUALTY INSURANCE RATING

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

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “B” 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

21. 2025-H 5218**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

22. 2025-H 5229 SUB A as amended**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

23. 2025-H 5247 SUB A as amended**BY** Potter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL
REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES

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

Senator Ujifusa moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

24. 2025-H 5248 SUB A**BY** Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

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

Senator Ujifusa moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

25. 2025-H 5322 SUB A**BY** O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concuurecnce, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

26. 2025-H 5353 SUB A**BY** Casimiro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES

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

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, 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, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

27. 2025-H 5415 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED
ACTIVITIES

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, and Tikoian.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

28. 2025-H 5427 SUB A**BY McGaw****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES**

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

29. 2025-H 5517**BY Baginski****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND
OFFICIALS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Patalano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

30. 2025-H 5548 SUB A**BY Kennedy****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- VOLUNTARY
RESTRUCTURING OF SOLVENT INSURERS**

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

31. 2025-H 5557 SUB A**BY Shallcross Smith****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS**

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

32. 2025-H 5562**BY** Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
SOLICITATION BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Vargas moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

33. 2025-H 5565 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND
KRATOM ACT

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 23 members voting in the affirmative and 10 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 23: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Urso, and Valverde.

NAYS – 10: Senators Bell, Kallman, Lauria, Mack, Patalano, Quezada, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

35. 2025-H 5619**BY Ackerman****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND PROGRAM TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

36. 2025-H 5635**BY Spears****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LICENSING OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

37. 2025-H 5674**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT

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

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers.

38. 2025-H 5714 SUB A**BY** Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

39. 2025-H 5793 SUB A**BY** Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

42. 2025-H 5796 as amended**BY** Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The act is read and passed, as amended, upon a roll call vote, with 22 members voting in the affirmative and 12 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 22: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 12: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Morgan, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

43. 2025-H 5797 SUB A**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

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

Senator Gu moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 23 members voting in the affirmative and 12 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 23: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 12: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

46. 2025-H 5801 SUB A**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 21 members voting in the affirmative and 14 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 21: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Gallo, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Quezada, Sosnowski, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 14: Senators Appollonio, de la Cruz, Dimitri, Felag, Gu, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, and Ujifusa.

47. 2025-H 5803 SUB A as amended**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” as amended is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

49. 2025-H 5872 SUB A**BY** Baginski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- DECEPTIVE AND FRAUDULENT SYNTHETIC MEDIA IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

50. 2025-H 5967 SUB A**BY** Speakman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

51. 2025-H 6038**BY** Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Kallman moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

52. 2025-H 6054 as amended**BY** Baginski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE APPRAISAL

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

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, and Rogers.

53. 2025-H 6066 SUB A**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

54. 2025-H 6091**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES-CENTRAL FALLS

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

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Ciccone.

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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

55. 2025-H 6118 SUB A**BY** Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 27 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 27: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Thompson, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 6: Senators Ciccone, de la Cruz, Morgan, Patalano, Rogers, and Tikoian.

56. 2025-H 6136 SUB A**BY** Roberts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

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

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

57. 2025-H 6173 SUB A**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- RHODE ISLAND ANTI-BID-RIGGING ACT

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

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Bissaillon.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

58. 2025-H 6231**BY Corvese****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

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

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Bissaillon.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

59. 2025-H 6233**BY Biah****ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

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

Senator Mack moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Bissaillon.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

60. 2025-H 6255 SUB A**BY** Giraldo**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RETURN OF CENTRAL FALLS SCHOOLS TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE

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

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiPalma and Bissaillon.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

61. 2025-H 6270 SUB A**BY** Slater**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION PROVIDE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON LEGISLATION TO REGULATE AND LICENSE CANNABINOIDS AND HEMP-DERIVED BEVERAGES

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

62. 2025-H 6286**BY** Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
COURTS -- DOMESTIC ASSAULT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Tikoian moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Gallo.

63. 2025-H 6321**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE
HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON

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

Senator Morgan moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator de la Cruz.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

64. 2025-H 6343**BY** Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

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

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator de la Cruz.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

65. 2025-H 6385 SUB A**BY** Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY CONSTRUCTION

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

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

66. 2025-H 6032 SUB A**BY** Voas**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE

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

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, upon a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

67. House Bill No. 5522 SUB A**BY** Corvese, Solomon, Azzinaro, Serpa, DeSimone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Requires the rule adopting agency to send a copy of the certified rule to all members of the general assembly, within twenty (20) days of filing a final rule.)
{LC1599/A/1}

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

Senator Bissaillon moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, in concurrence, 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS**House Bill No. 6137**

(by request)

BY Noret, Read, Serpa, Chippendale, Roberts, Nardone

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

REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special registration plate for the private passenger motor vehicle for former fire chief of the Hopkins Hill Fire District, Frank M. Brown, Jr.)

{LC2604/1}

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 Senator DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 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, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, 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:

Senate Resolution No. 1164

BY Tikoian, Burke, Gallo, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Appollonio, Lawson, Gu, Thompson, Britto

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING DR. ROSEMARY A.

COSTIGAN, PH.D., RN, ON HER SELECTION AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC3083/1}

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 Senator Gallo.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

Senate Resolution No. 1165

BY Felag, Ciccone, Tikoian, Gallo, DiPalma, LaMountain, Appollonio, Sosnowski, Lawson, Raptakis

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION JOYOUSLY CELEBRATING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORDINATION OF FATHER BERNARD A. HEALEY TO THE PRIESTHOOD ON JUNE 24, 2025
{LC3086/1}

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 Senator Gallo.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

SENATE STANDS AT EASE

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Ciccone the Senate stands at ease at 1:08 o'clock A.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Valarie J. Lawson, President of the Senate, on Saturday, June 21st at 1:34 o'clock A.M.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

A message from the House of Representatives transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measure:

House Resolution No. 5477 as amended

BY Handy, Cortvriend, McEntee, Fogarty, Kislak, Cruz, Stewart, Kazarian, Paplauskas, Caldwell

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$500,000 for the formal establishment of “Main Street Rhode Island”.)
{LC1131/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Urso requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Urso moves passage, seconded by Senator DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 28 Senators voting in the affirmative and 3 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 28: The Honorable President Valarie Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissailon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Thompson, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 3: Senators de la Cruz, Paolino, and Rogers.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, and upon suggestion of Senator Murray the Senate adjourns at 1:37 o'clock A.M. *in memory of Roger Savini.*

HELENA S. REID

Secretary of the Senate

JOHN S. BAXTER

Reading Clerk

JOHN D. MANNI

Senate Voting Clerk

AL GREEN

Sound System Technician

GABRIEL REI

Deputy Clerk of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR MATTHEW L. LAMOUNTAIN**

We are grateful for the privilege and the opportunity to serve the public and to work with colleagues on all sides to find common ground. Real progress comes when we listen, collaborate and build solutions together. Keep us ever mindful that we are here to serve those who have elected us. Amen.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2025

House Bill No. 5076 SUB A as amended

(Governor)

BY Abney

ENTITLED, AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026 (MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026)

{LC670/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025****Senate Bill No. 266 as amended**

BY DiMario, Valverde, Sosnowski, Appollonio, Thompson, Lawson, Urso, Ujifusa, Lauria, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LICENSE PROCEDURE FOR SOCIAL WORKERS (Repeals the examination requirement in order to qualify for a clinical social workers license.)

{LC600/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5158 SUB A as amended

BY Shallcross Smith, Casimiro, Ajello, Nardone, Fogarty, Fellela, Hull, Alzate, Diaz, Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LICENSE PROCEDURE FOR SOCIAL WORKERS (Repeals the examination requirement in order to qualify for a clinical social workers license.)

{LC781/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 474 as amended

BY Lawson, Lauria, Tikoian, Murray, Sosnowski, Britto, DiMario, Valverde, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RARE DISEASE ADVISORY COUNCIL (Establishes a rare disease advisory council within the department of health to provide guidance and recommendations to educate healthcare providers and the citizens of the state.)

{LC2079/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5023 SUB A

BY Kennedy, Spears, Diaz, Donovan, Cotter, Carson, Azzinaro, Kazarian, Edwards, Serpa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RARE DISEASE ADVISORY COUNCIL (Establishes a rare disease advisory council within the department of health and provides guidance and recommendations to educate health care providers and the citizens of the state.)

{LC507/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 483 as amended

BY Lauria, Valverde, Kallman, Murray, Felag, DiMario, Bissaillon, Thompson, Urso, Acosta
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES (Authorizes pharmacists to dispense a one-time refill, for up to one hundred
days under certain specified conditions.)
{LC1776/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5633

BY McGaw, Boylan, Speakman, Kislak, Casimiro, Casey, DeSimone, Tanzi, Edwards,
Donovan
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES (Allows a pharmacist to dispense a one-time refill for certain medications for
continuation of therapy to patients under certain circumstances.)
{LC1849/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 622 as amended

(Dept. of Labor and Training)
BY Burke, Tikoian, Appollonio, Raptakis
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS (Eliminates the "until June 30, 2025"
sunset on the increase in the total amount of earnings a partial-unemployment insurance claimant
can receive before being entirely disqualified for unemployment insurance benefits.)
{LC1365/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5448 as amended

(Dept. of Labor and Training)
BY McEntee, Caldwell, Craven, Morales, Kislak, Diaz, Slater, Bennett, Edwards, Noret
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY --GENERAL PROVISIONS (Eliminates the "until June 30, 2025"
sunset on the increase in the total amount of earnings a partial-unemployment insurance claimant
can receive before being entirely disqualified for unemployment insurance benefits.)
{LC1339/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 679 as amended**BY** Bissaillon

ENTITLED, AN ACT AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a new motor vehicle registration for "forestry
vehicles" also provides that forest product operations are permitted uses within all zoning
districts of a municipality except where prohibited.)
{LC963/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5098 SUB A as amended**BY** Cotter, Chippendale, Speakman, McGaw, Donovan, Fogarty, Carson, Spears, Shanley,
Kislak

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a new motor vehicle registration for "forestry
vehicles.")
{LC539/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 716 as amended**BY** Gu, Sosnowski, McKenney, Euer, DiMario, Mack, Bissaillon, Britto, Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides a procedure for parking modifications
near shoreline rights of way.)
{LC2184/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6093 SUB A as amended**BY** Cortvriend, Carson, Speakman, Spears, Boylan, McGaw, Dawson, Edwards, Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Provides a procedure for parking modifications
near shoreline rights-of-way.)
{LC2183/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 843 as amended**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}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5580**BY** Potter, Boylan, Solomon, Cotter, Handy, Knight, Cortvriend, Speakman, McGaw, Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET-METERING (Prohibits utility companies from limiting the eligibility of a net metering site based on prior consumption and requires excess energy not consumed under the net metering system to be credited to the consumer.)
{LC2112/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 974 as amended**BY** Lawson, Bissaillon, Tikoian, Lauria, DiMario, Euer, Urso, Felag, Murray, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE --CONTRIBUTIONS (Increases the taxable wage base for TDI claims from \$38,000 to \$100,000 or the annual earnings needed by an individual to qualify for the maximum weekly benefit amount and the maximum duration under chapters 39 through 41 of this title.)
{LC2731/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6066 SUB A**BY** Giraldo, Potter, Voas, Stewart, Alzate, Morales**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE -- GENERAL PROVISIONS (Increases the taxable wage base for TDI claims from \$38,000 to \$100,000 or the annual earnings needed by an individual to qualify for the maximum weekly benefit amount and the maximum duration under chapters 39 through 41 of this title.)
{LC2030/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 1048 as amended**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 in excess of 90 days.

The sunset provision is extended from June 20, 2025 until July 1, 2026.)

{LC2855/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5322 SUB A**BY** O'Brien, Dawson, McNamara, Slater, Diaz, Solomon, Kazarian, Brien, Hull, Lombardi**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.)

{LC1139/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 169 SUB A**BY** Bissaillon, Ruggerio, Lawson, Murray, Tikoian, LaMountain**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Prohibits credit reporting, executions, attachments against a principal residence for judgments based on medical debt. Defines medical debt as an amount for the receipt of health care services, products, or devices.)

{LC1054/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5184 SUB A

(General Treasurer)

BY Shallcross Smith, Chippendale, Casimiro, Craven, Nardone, Fogarty, Ajello, Fellela, Hull, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Prohibits credit reporting, executions, attachments against a principal residence for judgments based on medical debt. Defines medical debt as an amount for the receipt of health care services, products, or devices.)

{LC727/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 172 SUB A

BY Burke, Tikoian, LaMountain, Felag, McKenney, Raptakis, Appollonio, Lawson, Murray, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTEREST AND USURY (Provides an interest rate cap on medical debt.) {LC878/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5235 SUB A

BY Shallcross Smith, Handy, Furtado, Read, Speakman, Noret, Casimiro, Finkelman, Baginski, Corvese

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- INTEREST AND USURY (Provides an interest rate cap on medical debt.) {LC986/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 263 SUB A

BY DiMario, Lauria, Urso, Appollonio, Valverde, Bissaillon, Lawson, Murray, Britto, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires coverage for acute mental health crisis mobile response and stabilization services to eligible individuals enrolled as plan beneficiaries.) {LC1160/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6118 SUB A

BY Tanzi, Potter, McGaw, Cruz, Morales, Kislak, Diaz, Casimiro, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires coverage for acute mental health crisis mobile response and stabilization services to eligible individuals enrolled as plan beneficiaries.) {LC2544/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 559 SUB A

BY Dimitri, Appollonio, Tikoian, Bissaillon, Patalano, Ciccone, Burke, Murray, Urso, Vargas
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Increases imprisonment penalties and adds mandatory community
service for violations of § 4-1-9.)
{LC1233/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6089 SUB A

BY O'Brien, Dawson, Slater, Solomon, Casimiro, Kazarian, Alzate, Stewart, Baginski, Biah
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Increases the imprisonment penalty for animal fighting from 2 to 5
yrs for a subsequent conviction under § 4-1-9 and would also require mandatory community
service)
{LC2380/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 602 SUB A

(Commerce)

BY Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL (Eliminates one of two (2) conflicting versions
of the science and technology advisory council authorizing statute, clarifying the structure of the
council.)
{LC2169/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5869 SUB A

(Commerce)

BY Stewart, Potter, Voas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COUNCIL (Eliminates one of two (2) conflicting versions
of the science and technology advisory council authorizing statute, clarifying the structure of the
council.)
{LC2093/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 70 SUB A as amended**BY** Acosta, Ciccone, Quezada, Kallman, Vargas, Pearson, Thompson, Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES (Requires employer, at the start of employment, furnish to their employees a written notice containing employment information relative to wages, rates of pay, allowances, benefits, deductions from pay, and identifying information relative to the employer.)

{LC210/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5679 SUB A as amended**BY** Giraldo, Alzate, Potter, Morales, Biah, Felix, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES (Requires employer, at the start of employment, furnish to their employees a written notice containing employment information relative to wages, rates of pay, allowances, benefits, deductions from pay, and identifying information relative to the employer.)

{LC1246/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 122 SUB A as amended**BY** Kallman, Bissaillon, DiMario, Mack, Gu, Urso, Pearson, Lawson, Vargas**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING LAND BANK PROGRAM (Establishes a program operated by the Rhode Island housing and mortgage finance corporation called the "housing land bank" to create affordable housing in RI with the authority to buy, receive, and hold real property for housing development.)

{LC177/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5955 SUB A**BY** Speakman, Giraldo, Voas, Alzate**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING LAND BANK PROGRAM (Creates the department of housing land bank program to allow for the deposit of title to real estate assets for the purpose of developing residential housing.)

{LC2033/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 464 SUB A as amended

BY Murray, DiMario, Euer, Gallo, Felag, LaMountain, Mack, Thompson, Acosta, Urso, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016 (Requires every college in RI to train staff members in the student residential department, including RAs, to administer of opioid antagonists with protection from liability and prosecution.)

{LC773/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 495 SUB A as amended

BY Gu, Burke, Kallman, Bissaillon, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING (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/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5229 SUB A as amended

BY Speakman, Boylan, Giraldo, Tanzi, Cortvriend, Ajello, Potter, McGaw

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING (Authorizes the establishment of a Rhode Island housing champion designation program and makes qualified municipalities eligible to receive preferential access to state resources, including discretionary state infrastructure funds, as available.)

{LC300/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 568 SUB A as amended

BY Tikoian, LaMountain, Ciccone, Burke, Felag, Dimitri, Rogers, Thompson, Gu, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ENFORCEMENT (Requires all school buses be equipped with video monitoring system.)

{LC1744/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5421 SUB A as amended

BY Noret, Read, Messier, Casimiro, Serpa, O'Brien, Corvese, Craven, Biah, Finkelman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ENFORCEMENT (Requires all school buses be equipped with video monitoring system.)
{LC1463/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 712 SUB A as amended

BY DiMario, Euer
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT -- NEW SHOREHAM (Provides that municipal water supply entities, including New Shoreham, be required to provide water service to only its designated service areas.)
{LC2323/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6069 SUB A

BY Spears
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT -- NEW SHOREHAM (Provides that the New Shoreham water district be required to provide water service to only its designated service areas.)
{LC2313/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5695

BY Voas, Messier, Stewart, Casey, Finkelman, Solomon, Casimiro, Slater, Hull, DeSimone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Permits municipalities to enact ordinances that provide them the authority to organize local tax amnesty events once every three (3) years.)
{LC808/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6123 SUB A as amended**BY** Voas, Giraldo, Alzate

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Defines Class 5 property to include the commercial portion of mixed use properties and fix the tax rate for Class 3 property at thirty-eight dollars and 33 cents (\$38.33) per one thousand dollars (\$1,000).)
{LC2515/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6162

(Providence)

BY Kislak, Slater, Ajello, Biah

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%).)
{LC2647/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6233**BY** Biah, DeSimone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of the Center for Southeast Asians.)
{LC2583/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6283**BY** Place, Newberry

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.)
{LC2817/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6343**BY** Noret, Serpa, Read

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Allows the town council of Coventry to make exemptions from taxation on real and personal property that has undergone environmental remediation. This act is subject to conditions as provided in this section.)
{LC2936/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6394 SUB A

(City of Providence)

BY Kislak, Diaz, Batista, Morales, Biah, Ajello, Sanchez, Slater, Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Adopts a new tax classification system for the city of Providence.)
{LC3024/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6395**BY** Santucci, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Authorizes the town of Smithfield to set rates that more closely relate to the changes in values and ensure that the tax classification system creates fair and equitable taxation between residential and commercial property.)
{LC3004/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6396**BY** Santucci, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Authorizes the town of Smithfield to provide a tax credit for any person with paraplegia and who by reason of the paraplegic disability requires specially adapted housing.)
{LC3005/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6408**BY** Santucci, Costantino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- FAMILY COURT (Authorizes the town of Smithfield to establish a juvenile hearing board.)
{LC3050/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6409 as amended**BY** Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Authorizes the town of Glocester to levy a supplemental tax, by voter referendum, that exceeds the current tax cap by three percent (3%) for fiscal year 2026, to fund school operations and avoid the loss of critical town services.)
{LC3054/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6419**BY** Casey, Phillips, Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET (Validates and ratifies the amendments to the Woonsocket Home Rule Charter which were approved by the electors of the city of Woonsocket on November 5, 2024.)
{LC3052/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6386 as amended**BY** Casey, Brien, Phillips**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Authorizes the city of Woonsocket to levy a tax for its fiscal year at a rate of five and one-half percent (5.5%) in excess of the amount levied and certified by the city for the prior year.)
{LC3028/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6136 SUB A**BY** Roberts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Authorizes the town council of West Greenwich to provide an exemption and/or stabilization of tax agreement on qualified property used for residential purposes inclusive of low- and moderate-income housing in the town of West Greenwich.)
{LC2545/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Resolution No. 6255 SUB A**BY** Giraldo, Voas, Alzate, Cruz, Morales, Biah, Felix, Shallcross Smith, Casimiro, Phillips

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE RETURN OF CENTRAL FALLS SCHOOLS TO LOCAL GOVERNANCE (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.)
{LC2669/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6321**BY** Kennedy, Cotter

ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Hopkinton, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Hopkinton.)
{LC2872/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2025****House Bill No. 5247 SUB A as amended****BY** Potter, Ajello, Diaz, Furtado, Handy, Fogarty, Kislak, Giraldo, Voas, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- GENERAL REGULATORY PROVISIONS -- DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES (Provides that advertising goods that don't include a price referencing all mandatory fees and charges shall be a deceptive trade practice.)
{LC1095/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5218**BY** McEntee, Donovan, Cortvriend, Azzinaro, Bennett, Edwards, Shallcross Smith, Serpa, Handy, Noret**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Increases insurance coverage for hearing aids from one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) to one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750), per ear, for all people regardless of age effective January 1, 2026.)
{LC949/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6384**BY** Dawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Grants the director of the department of health the authority to approve or deny any applications for professional licensure pending before certain boards of licensure that have been unable to establish a quorum for 30 business days.)
{LC2992/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Resolution No. 5477 as amended**BY** Handy, Cortvriend, McEntee, Fogarty, Kislak, Cruz, Stewart, Kazarian, Paplauskas, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE MAIN STREET COORDINATING PROGRAM (Authorizes the appropriation of the sum of \$500,000 for the formal establishment of "Main Street Rhode Island".)
{LC1131/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5042 SUB A

BY Alzate, Cruz, Newberry, Kazarian, Lombardi, Morales, Stewart, Batista, Giraldo, Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED
ACTIVITIES (Repeals the provisions of the general laws allowing deferred deposit providers,
also known as "payday lenders.")
{LC398/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5248 SUB A

BY Kislak, McGaw, Tanzi, Potter, Boylan, Cotter, Fogarty
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES (Restricts audits of pharmacists conducted by insurers and their intermediaries,
limiting audits to one per year unless an identified problem exists or fraud or misrepresentation is
suspected.)
{LC622/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6383 SUB A

BY Furtado, Alzate, Dawson, Boylan, Messier, Kazarian, Fascia, Cruz, Potter
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY --
ANIMAL CARE (Amends the definition of "hobby breeder" to limit the sale or offering for sale
to no more than two (2) litters of dogs or cats, or a combination thereof, in a three hundred and
sixty-five (365) day period.)
{LC2993/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5701 SUB A

BY Edwards, Casey, Diaz, Kennedy, Casimiro, Bennett, Ackerman, McEntee, Fogarty, Shanley
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CANCER BENEFITS FOR
FIRE FIGHTERS (Makes the provisions of §§ 45-19.1-3 and 45-19.1-4, benefits for firefighters
with cancer, effective regardless of any general, special or specific law, or any charter and/or
municipal ordinance to the contrary.)
{LC1606/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5557 SUB A

BY Shallcross Smith, Ackerman, Fellela, Perez, Baginski, Casimiro, Alzate, Fogarty
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE
PATHOLOGISTS AND AUDIOLOGISTS (Establishes prevailing standards and procedures for
licensing speech-language pathologists and audiologists in Rhode Island.)
{LC1844/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6038

BY Ajello, McGaw, Alzate, Speakman, Boylan, Donovan, Cotter, Carson, Tanzi, Felix
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES
(Amends current law so that initial contraceptive prescriptions would no longer be limited to a 3-
month supply.)
{LC2338/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5619

BY Ackerman, McNamara, Shallcross Smith, Casimiro, Dawson, McEntee, Bennett, Donovan,
Cotter, Fogarty
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND
PROGRAM TO ADDRESS ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE (Requires the department of health to
incorporate information about dementia risk factors and reduction into public education and
healthcare provider education materials.)
{LC1918/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6244 SUB A

BY Donovan, Speakman, Cotter, Boylan, Spears, Giraldo, Alzate, Furtado, Diaz, Morales
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF
HEALTHCARE FACILITIES (Prohibits any personnel, in any healthcare facility, from asking
the legal immigration status of any patient.)
{LC2749/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5841

BY Stewart, Cruz, Lombardi, Alzate, Shallcross Smith, Kislak, Potter, Felix, Kazarian, Casimiro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- OFFENSES PERTAINING TO SCHOOLS (Prohibits discrimination on the basis of race by expanding the definition of race to include traits historically associated with race, including, but not limited to, hair texture and protected hairstyles.)

{LC1904/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5353 SUB A

BY Casimiro, Noret, Spears, Donovan, Speakman, Morales, Solomon, Shanley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

PHARMACIES (Authorizes a pharmacy technician or pharmacy intern to perform technology-assisted dispensing process validation for medications prepared for distribution by another pharmacy technician or intern within an institutional pharmacy.)

{LC768/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5562

BY Caldwell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

SOLICITATION BY CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS (Provides that charitable organizations with a gross income of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) or less can meet the required reporting and records requirements by providing either an IRS Form 900 or other approved financial statements.)

{LC1409/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5635

BY Spears, Azzinaro, Fogarty, Cotter, Caldwell, Donovan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- LICENSING

OF APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS (Changes the name of "applied behavior assistant analyst" to "assistant applied behavior analyst" and makes several changes to provide consistency in the certification language for behavioral analysts.)

{LC1804/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6120 SUB A**BY** Batista

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT (Grants the family court jurisdiction to make findings for special immigrant juvenile status petitions, including determinations about dependency, parental reunification, and the child's best interest, for minors/petitioners under 21 years of age.)
{LC2539/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5372**BY** Craven, O'Brien, Shanley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RELIEF OF INJURED AND DECEASED FIRE FIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS (Includes police officers to fire fighters who are unable to perform duties as a result of heart disease, stroke or hypertension to be presumed to have suffered an in-the-line-of-duty disability, unless contrary evidence is presented.)
{LC1305/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6065 as amended**BY** Giraldo, Furtado, Handy, Alzate, Cruz, McGaw, Potter, McNamara, Speakman, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE--BENEFITS (Mandates paid leave by allowing qualified employees to take medical leave to undergo donation procedures, medical tests, and recovery related to being a living organ donor, or bone marrow transplant donor.)
{LC2041/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6122**BY** McNamara, Kislak, Chippendale, Casimiro, Spears, Knight, Potter, Carson, McEntee, Cortvriend

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- CIVIL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES (Protects against discrimination based on disability in federally funded programs and activities, even if there is a change in the federal law.)
{LC2429/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5594 SUB A**BY** DeSimone, Biah, Slater, Kazarian, Hull, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE PAUL W. CROWLEY RHODE ISLAND STUDENT INVESTMENT INITIATIVE (Requires the board of regents to adopt support and intervention strategies consistent with Comprehensive Education Strategy and SALT in one district at a time.)
{LC1690/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6406**BY** Batista, Casey, Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016 (Extends the immunity from alcohol- or drug-related offenses in cases of emergency overdose care to violations of bail conditions.)
{LC2994/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6173 SUB A

(Attorney General)

BY Serpa, Fellela, Casimiro, Messier, Carson, Speakman, Ajello, Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- RHODE ISLAND ANTI-BID-RIGGING ACT (Establishes the Rhode Island Anti-Bid-Rigging Act.)
{LC2672/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5351 SUB A as amended**BY** Baginski, Bennett, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MEDICAL SPAS SAFETY ACT (Mandates cosmetic medical procedures be performed by a physician, PA, APRN, or delegated to a qualified non-physician, non-PA or non-APRN under the supervision of a physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse.)
{LC1015/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6207 SUB A as amended

BY McEntee, Knight, Bennett, Boylan, Carson, McGaw, Cortvriend, Donovan, Handy, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE STATEWIDE IMPLEMENTATION ANALYSIS FOR A BEVERAGE CONTAINER REDEMPTION, PACKAGING, AND RECYCLING PLAN (Provides extended producer responsibility for packaging and paper, recycling of beverage containers, and provides general provisions for oversight of single-stage producer organizations.)

{LC2622/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6126 SUB A

BY Finkelman, Cortvriend, Dawson, Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Reforms the composition of the coastal resources management council to seven (7) members.)

{LC2481/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5714 SUB A

BY Kazarian, Dawson, Voas, Alzate, Stewart, Furtado, Giraldo, Cruz, Boylan, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS (Provides that a person eighteen (18) years or older could request that his or her race be modified or amended on their birth certificate.)

{LC2117/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5956 SUB A

BY Speakman, Casey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HOUSING RESOURCES ACT OF 1998 (Amends the definition of affordable housing to create separate categories for housing using private or state financing as opposed to financing from the federal government.)

{LC1347/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6388**BY** Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- VIDEO LOTTERY GAMES, TABLE GAMES AND SPORTS WAGERING (Allows the two (2) gaming facilities in the state to livestream images of gaming-related activities to one or more external jurisdictions for the purpose of facilitating external game play activities in external jurisdictions where gaming is permitted.)
{LC3011/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5797 SUB A**BY** McEntee, Caldwell, Phillips, DeSimone, Fogarty, Shallcross Smith, Spears, O'Brien, Morales, Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES (Adds a definition for "co-living housing" to the zoning ordinance provisions of the general laws and would include such housing as a special provision to be included in a zoning ordinance.)
{LC2157/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5803 SUB A as amended**BY** Shekarchi, Casey, Tanzi, Blazejewski, Speakman, Cotter, Dawson, Stewart, Finkelman, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE (Provides for the establishment and operation of an electronic permitting platform for all state and local permitting.)
{LC2163/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5801 SUB A**BY** Speakman, Tanzi, Alzate, Kislak, Spears, Dawson, Furtado, Casey, Boylan, Donovan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING (Amends several definitions relating to low- or moderate-income housing as well as the procedure for the approval of low- or moderate-income housing.)
{LC2161/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5793 SUB A**BY** Corvese, Kislak**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Amends the provisions under which a city or town may exceed the maximum levy for the assessment of local taxes.)

{LC2153/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5796 as amended**BY** Knight, Tanzi, Casey, Speakman, Cotter, Dawson, Stewart, Finkelman, Hull, Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES

(Adds an additional purpose to the standard provisions list that a zoning ordinance is required to address.)

{LC2156/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6286**BY** Knight, Boylan, McGaw, Read**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- DOMESTIC ASSAULT (Provides that law enforcement officers who appears before the court for prosecution of a violation of a protective order shall self-certify that the officer has successfully completed a specialized domestic violence prosecution training course.)

{LC2809/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025****House Bill No. 5506 SUB A****BY** Craven, O'Brien, Shanley, Dawson, Finkelman, Corvese, Potter**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT -- EMPLOYEE FREE SPEECH RIGHTS (Protects the rights of employees in the workplace relating to free speech, assembly and religion, as well as attendance at employer-sponsored meetings regarding political or religious matters.)
{LC1622/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5046**BY** Knight, Speakman, Kislak, Caldwell, Noret, Cortvriend, Kazarian, Casimiro, Alzate, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ELECTRONIC IMAGING DEVICES (Criminalizes the unauthorized dissemination of sexually explicit images of another person that are created by digital devices or created without the consent of the person depicted.)
{LC53/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5251 SUB A**BY** Read, Noret, Paplauskas, Baginski, Fascia, Hopkins, Brien, Chippendale, Casimiro, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RIGHTS AND DUTIES TEACHERS GENERALLY -- SEPTEMBER 11 CLASSROOM MOMENT OF SILENCE (Allows the school building administration or teachers in all grades to provide the opportunity for students to observe a brief moment of silence on every September 11.)
{LC1035/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5464 SUB A as amended

BY Tanzi, Chippendale, McGaw, Edwards, Shallcross Smith, Ajello, Fogarty, Hull, Blazejewski, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT (Repeals the exemption granted to pari-mutuel facilities and casinos from the smoke free workplace requirement and provides for a one time appropriation of \$1,000,000 to inform patrons of the smoke free policy within the casino.)
{LC856/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5165 SUB A

BY Cotter, Noret, Read, McNamara, Potter, Solomon, Casimiro, Spears, Carson, Kennedy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAMS (Requires the school board or committees of cities and towns to establish a safety and behavioral health committee and also lays out the representation requirements committee responsibilities to ensure a stable learning environment for all students.)
{LC761/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5674

BY Giraldo, Potter, Morales, Stewart, Biah, Tanzi, Felix

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Prohibits a landlord from inquiring about the immigration status of a tenant subject to any federal laws or regulations, but may request financial information or proof of identity.)
{LC1252/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5358 SUB A as amended

BY Ajello, Cruz, Felix, Tanzi, Craven, Shallcross Smith, Speakman, Boylan, McGaw, Furtado
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY (Under certain circumstances, provides immunity from arrest and prosecution for prostitution, procurement of sexual conduct for a fee, loitering for prostitution and soliciting from motor vehicles for indecent purposes.)
{LC440/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5967 SUB A**BY** Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Establishes that a renewable energy resource shall pay \$5.00 per kilowatt of alternating current nameplate capacity for tangible property and \$3.50 per kilowatt of alternating nameplate capacity for real property.)
{LC1743/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5517**BY** Baginski, Paplauskas, Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION -- VOTING DISTRICTS AND OFFICIALS (Increases the maximum number of voters that a polling place can accommodate 3,000 to 3,500 and provide for existing polling places that exceed the maximum number of voters, not be required to be changed until the next decennial redistricting.)
{LC1025/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5901 SUB A

(Judiciary)

BY Noret, Read, Corvese, Hull, Casey, Phillips, DeSimone, Kazarian, Speakman, Lima

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES (Provides additional exception to prohibition on usage of wireless communication device while driving and clarifies that use for purpose of navigation must be while the device is mounted or otherwise affixed to vehicle and not held in the motorist's hand.)
{LC1490/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5548 SUB A

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Kennedy, Azzinaro, Edwards, Solomon, O'Brien, Kazarian, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- VOLUNTARY RESTRUCTURING OF SOLVENT INSURERS (Makes numerous technical corrections related to insurance, provides a definition for "cybersecurity insurance", and would repeal the chapter relating to reciprocal exchanges and interinsurers.)
{LC1767/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5415 SUB A

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Kennedy, Solomon, Kazarian, Azzinaro, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES (Provides standards for developing, implementing, and maintaining reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality, and integrity of customer information.)

{LC1270/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5871

(Dept. of Health)

BY Cortvriend, Shanley, Tanzi, Dawson, Handy, McGaw**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- VITAL RECORDS (Provides that public historical vital records maintained by the state archives shall not be amended.)

{LC1415/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5569 SUB A**BY** Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PET INSURANCE ACT (Provides for the sale and regulation of pet insurance.)

{LC1722/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5157 SUB A**BY** Cotter, Bennett, Casimiro, Morales, Potter, Solomon, McNamara, Speakman, Fogarty, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (Provides that any disaster response worker shall, in the course of their duties, be considered a state employee and be entitled to all rights in like manner as state employees.)

{LC543/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5155 SUB A

BY Cotter, Bennett, Casimiro, Potter, Solomon, McNamara, Speakman, Fogarty, Slater, Giraldo
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- ARCHITECTS
(Provides that architects and other authorized disaster response workers, in the course of performing their duties, be entitled to all rights in like manner as state employees.)
{LC538/A/3}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6071 SUB A

(General Treasurer)

BY Giraldo, Stewart, Voas, Potter, Alzate, Felix, Tanzi, Solomon, Kislak, Diaz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- RHODE ISLAND BABY
BOND TRUST (This pilot program would create a \$3,000 trust for each Rhode Island child ages zero to one year born to a family enrolled in the Rhode Island Works Program ("RI Works") during the preceding calendar year.)
{LC1696/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5565 SUB A

BY Kennedy, Edwards, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE RHODE ISLAND
KRATOM ACT (Authorizes and regulates the distribution of the product known as "kratom.")
{LC1746/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5872 SUB A

(Secretary of State)

BY Baginski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- DECEPTIVE AND FRAUDULENT
SYNTHETIC MEDIA IN ELECTION COMMUNICATIONS (Creates the deceptive and
fraudulent synthetic media in election communications chapter to regulate the use of synthetic
media in elections.)
{LC2286/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5768

BY Costantino, Santucci, Hull, Phillips, Baginski, Shallcross Smith, Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (DMV to provide credit for portions of unused voluntarily
cancelled vehicle registrations.)
{LC869/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5769

BY Costantino, Santucci, Hull, Phillips, Baginski, Shallcross Smith, Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION FEES (Provides that when a registrant voluntarily cancels the registrant's
motor vehicle registration, that person receives a credit for the time remaining on the original
registration to be applied to a future registration.)
{LC868/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6054 as amended

BY Baginski, Kazarian, Corvese, Casey
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MOTOR VEHICLE APPRAISAL
(Changes the process by which a dispute between the insured and their insurance company,
concerning property damages and requires that the umpire appraisers shall be disinterested and
the cost shared equally.)
{LC2260/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6053 SUB A

BY O'Brien, Slater, Kazarian, Baginski, Biah, Casey, Craven, Dawson, DeSimone
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR CLAIMS SETTLEMENT
PRACTICES ACT (Makes it an unfair claims practice for insurer to designate a motor vehicle a
total loss if the cost to repair motor vehicle to its pre-accident condition is less than 75% to 80%
of the fair market value.)
{LC2258/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6399**BY** Shanley, Bennett, Solomon, McNamara, Read**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --

REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Repeals a provision of the minimum prepaid special motor vehicle registration plate orders law that was set to expire on December 31, 2025.)

{LC2995/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Resolution No. 6270 SUB A**BY** Slater, Diaz, Potter, Edwards, Bennett, McGaw**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION PROVIDE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH RECOMMENDATIONS ON LEGISLATION TO REGULATE AND LICENSE CANNABINOIDS AND HEMP-DERIVED

BEVERAGES (Requests that the Cannabis Control Commission conduct a study on statutory reform and rules and regulations to regulate the sale of hemp THC-infused beverages.)

{LC2778/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6079 SUB A**BY** Baginski, DeSimone, Kazarian, Corvese, Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE --

RENTAL VEHICLE COVERAGE (Restricts private vehicle property damage insurance coverage for a rental passenger vehicle, to the named insured and drivers on that private policy, unless the designated driver is specifically excluded.)

{LC2259/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6135**BY** DeSimone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

(Allows for the issuance of a Class B liquor license for the property located at 1039 Douglas Avenue in the city of Providence.)

{LC2472/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6291 SUB A**BY** Donovan, Speakman, Boylan

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.)
{LC2824/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6091**BY** Giraldo, Alzate, Voas

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES-CENTRAL FALLS (Allows Central Falls to exempt the property located at 913-915 Dexter Street, AP 7, Lot 156 from the law that prohibits any proposed retailers' license of any class located within two hundred feet (200') of the premises of a school or place of worship.)
{LC2433/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5025**BY** Edwards, Bennett, Spears, O'Brien, Hull, Newberry, Chippendale

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Provides that the trapping and subsequent release of any unowned feral or free roaming cat for the purpose of spaying or neutering of the cat would not be considered abandonment.)
{LC319/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 124 SUB B as amended**BY** Ciccone, Patalano, Burke, LaMountain, Dimitri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- LABOR RELATIONS ACT (Expands the definition of "employee," and clarifies that the board may defer a pending unfair labor practice charge to allow for the grievance and arbitration process to move forward pursuant to the charging parties collective bargaining agreement.)
{LC702/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 166 SUB B

BY Britto, Lawson, Murray, Tikoian, Urso, Dimitri, LaMountain, Ciccone, Ruggerio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES (Amends the definition of the practice of pharmacy to include the
administration of all forms of influenza immunizations including COVID-19 to
individuals over the age of 3 years pursuant to a valid prescription or prescriber
approved protocol.)
{LC1055/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 168 SUB B

BY Murray, Felag, Sosnowski, Vargas, Bissaillon, Ruggerio, Lawson, Tikoian
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT
DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT (Provides an insurer
would not impose prior authorization requirements for any service ordered by an in-
network primary care provider.)
{LC1207/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 238 SUB B

BY McKenney, Bissaillon, Gallo, Lauria, Gu, Lawson, Britto, Mack, Euer, DiMario
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- THE FREEDOM TO READ
ACT (Promotes free expression and access of information by prohibiting the
censorship of library materials.)
{LC1099/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 610 SUB B

(OHIC)

BY Lawson, Tikoian, Murray, Lauria, Britto, Burke, Bissaillon, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE

SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES (Adds several consumer protections to existing Medicare Supplement law.)

{LC1359/B/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5031**BY** Diaz, Slater**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL

LICENSES (Allows for the issuance of Class BV liquor licenses for the properties located at 94 Carpenter Street and 1023 Broad Street, both in the city of Providence.)

{LC435/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5120 SUB A**BY** Potter, Kislak, Donovan, Handy, Fogarty, Giraldo, Bennett, McGaw, Morales, Caldwell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- BENEFIT

DETERMINATION AND UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT (Provides an insurer would not impose prior authorization requirements for any service ordered by an in-network primary care provider.)

{LC753/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5130 SUB A**BY** Boylan, Knight, Tanzi, Craven, McEntee, Dawson, Cruz, Ajello, Caldwell, Felix**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- WEAPONS

(Crime gun ballistic evidence to be submitted to NIBIN.)

{LC134/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5187 SUB A as amended

BY Corvese, Brien, Noret, Azzinaro, DeSimone, Potter, Bennett, Hull, Read, O'Brien
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
LABOR RELATIONS ACT (Expands the definition of "employee," and clarifies that
the board may defer a pending unfair labor practice charge to allow for the grievance
and arbitration process to move forward pursuant to the charging parties collective
bargaining agreement.)
{LC633/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5427 SUB A

(Dept. of Health)

BY McGaw, Donovan, Kislak, Casimiro, Cotter, Fogarty, Carson, Batista, Potter,
Boylan
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
PHARMACIES (Includes the COVID-19 immunization under the consent and
reporting provisions required for pharmacy administered immunizations to individuals
between nine (9) and eighteen (18) years of age.)
{LC1417/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5494 SUB A

(OHIC)

BY Fogarty, Donovan, Hull, Spears, Carson, Bennett, Dawson, Noret, Handy,
Kazarian
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE
SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES (Adds several consumer protections to
existing Medicare Supplement law.)
{LC1358/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5522 SUB A**BY** Corvese, Solomon, Azzinaro, Serpa, DeSimone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES (Requires the rule adopting agency to send a copy of the certified rule to all members of the general assembly, within twenty (20) days of filing a final rule.)
{LC1599/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 5726 SUB A**BY** Morales, Stewart, Boylan, Carson, Cotter, Ajello, Speakman, Handy, Kislak, Giraldo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- THE FREEDOM TO READ ACT (Promotes free expression and access of information by prohibiting the censorship of library materials.)
{LC1273/A/2}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6032 SUB A**BY** Voas, Casey, DeSimone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE (Requires at fault insurance companies to provide to any claimant whose vehicle is damaged in an accident, to provide a vehicle that is comparable to the claimant's vehicle and that rental charges shall be based on local retail prices.)
{LC2280/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6086**BY** Cruz, Alzate, Stewart**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE KANE-BARRENGOS FOUNDATION
{LC2353/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6137

(by request)

BY Noret, Read, Serpa, Chippendale, Roberts, Nardone

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special registration plate for the private
passenger motor vehicle for former fire chief of the Hopkins Hill Fire District, Frank
M. Brown, Jr.)
{LC2604/1 }

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6231

BY Corvese, O'Brien, Hull

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
LICENSES (Allows for the issuance of a Class B liquor license for the property
located at 1441 Mineral Spring Avenue in the town of North Providence.)
{LC2743/1 }

Transmitted to the Governor.

House Bill No. 6385 SUB A

BY Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTES AND STATUTORY
CONSTRUCTION (Makes technical amendments to the general laws, prepared at the
recommendation of the law revision office.)
{LC2933/A/1 }

Transmitted to the Governor.

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, JULY 01, 2025

Senate Bill No. 940 SUB A as amended

BY Bissaillon, Lawson, Tikoian, DiPalma, Ciccone, Thompson, Britto, Patalano, Urso, Dimitri
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- HISTORIC PRESERVATION TAX
CREDITS 2013 (Amends sections of law relative to historic tax credits including increasing the
maximum project credit and implementing requirements relative to following prevailing wage
requirements..)
{LC1980/A/1}

Transmitted to the Governor.

APPENDIX**VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 02, 2025****Senate Bill No. 830**

BY Tikoian, Lawson, Felag, LaMountain, Morgan, Raptakis, Appollonio, Urso, Britto
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (DMV to provide credit for portions of unused voluntarily
cancelled vehicle registrations.)
{LC2447/1}

Vetoed by Governor.

Senate Bill No. 833

BY Tikoian, Lawson, Felag, LaMountain, Morgan, Raptakis, Appollonio, Urso, Britto
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION FEES (Provides that when a registrant voluntarily cancels the registrant's
motor vehicle registration, that person receives a credit for the time remaining on the original
registration to be applied to a future registration.)
{LC2448/1}

Vetoed by Governor.

APPENDIX
GOVERNORS VETO MESSAGE



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. McKEE

July 2, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

In accordance with the provisions of article IX, section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island and section 43-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I transmit, with my disapproval, 2025-S0830 – “An Act Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles – Registration of Vehicles.”

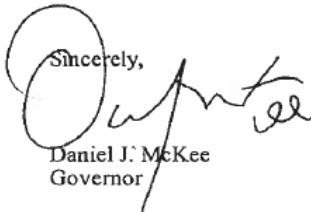
This act would authorize the Division of Motor Vehicles (“DMV”) to issue a one-year renewal registration for vehicles leased for a period of thirty-six months when the vehicle is registered in two-year cycles and to modify the fee for said renewal accordingly. This act would also enable the DMV to refund the registrant of a leased vehicle who voluntarily cancels the registration, certain portions of the registration fee paid.

This act would impose significant implementation burdens on the DMV. It would also have a negative fiscal impact. Implementation of the act would require substantial structural changes to the DMV’s computer system, “RIMS,” because registration expiration dates are not editable or optional under the current system. Significant RIMS programming would be required to build expiration date rules for leased vehicles across all forty-seven plate types. This major change would require a substantial diversion of resources currently dedicated to developing enhanced online transaction capabilities.

The act would also require modification to the title and registration process for leased vehicles. Currently, the DMV does not track the term of any leased vehicles as motor vehicle dealers and motorists are not required to submit a copy of a lease agreement at the time of initial registration. As a result, it would be impossible for the DMV to know the lease term at the time of renewal since most registrations are renewed online or through the mail. Even if the DMV were to require the submission of lease agreements at the time of initial registration, further RIMS programming would be necessary to add fields to the registration transaction to track the lease term and then perform calculations to ensure the proper renewal period and registration fee were assessed at the time of renewal.

Finally, this act would have a fiscal impact. In addition to the expenditures that would be needed to make changes to RIMS, discussed above, the act would lead to a reduction in registration fees and DOT surcharge fees collected on the renewal of leased vehicles.

For these reasons, I disapprove of this legislation and respectfully urge your support of this veto.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. McKEE

July 2, 2025

TO THE HONORABLE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

In accordance with the provisions of article IX, section 14 of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island and section 43-1-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I transmit, with my disapproval, 2025-S0833 – “An Act Relating to Motor and Other Vehicles – Registration Fees.”

This act would authorize the Division of Motor Vehicles (“DMV”) to provide a credit for motor vehicle registrants who voluntarily cancel their registration within the registration period. Registrants would receive a credit equal to that portion of the fee paid which covers the time left on the original registration. The credit would be applied to future registration fees incurred by the registrant.

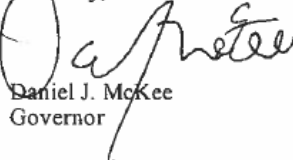
This act would impose significant implementation burdens on the DMV. It would also have a negative fiscal impact. Implementation of the act would require substantial structural changes to the DMV’s computer system, “RIMS,” because the concept of a credit does not presently exist within the system. Significant RIMS programming would be required to create a way to track when a customer is owed a credit and in what circumstances it should be applied. Provisions for credits would need to be programmed into the numerous different transactions which are considered to be “registration” transactions, including new title/registration, re-registration, registration renewals, and transfers. The checkout and cash-drawer reconciliation process utilized by the DMV customer service representatives would also have to be completely overhauled to create provisions for credits. As a further complication, many customers conduct registration transactions online, by mail, or lockbox drop-off – all situations which providing credits would be exceptionally difficult, time consuming, and costly. This major change would require a substantial diversion of resources currently dedicated to developing enhanced online transaction capabilities.

In addition to the burdens the DMV would face in implementation, it is important to note that the desired goal of this bill may never be realized for many citizens. The bill provides for credits to be issued to “the registrant” and those credits are to be applied to “future registration fees incurred by the registrant.” In the case of leased vehicles, the registrant is the leasing company. Therefore, the leasing company, rather than the lessee, would receive the credit, and that credit would be applied to future registration fees incurred by the leasing company.

Finally, this act would have a fiscal impact. In addition to the expenditures that would be needed to make changes to RIMS, discussed above, the act would lead to a reduction in registration fees and DOT surcharge fees collected.

For these reasons, I disapprove of this legislation and respectfully urge your support of this veto.

Sincerely,



Daniel J. McKee
Governor

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