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Thursday, May 07, 2026

Thirtieth Legislative Day

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by The Honorable Matthew L. LaMountain, Deputy Senate President Pro Tempore, at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

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

ABSENT – 3: Senators Gallo, Morgan, and Thompson.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Pastor David de la Cruz of Awakening Church to deliver the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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



APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Twenty-Ninth Day of the 2026 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communications:

<p style="text-align: center;">SENATOR HANNA M. GALLO <i>President Pro Tempore</i> District 27</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p>285 Meshanicut Valley Parkway Cranston, Rhode Island 02920</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Room 318 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OFFICE: 401-222-4901 FAX: 401-222-2967</p> <p>sen-gallo@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">CHAIRPERSON Committee on Education</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Committee on Commerce</p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">Committee on Rules Government Ethics & Oversight</p>
<p>May 7, 2026</p>		
<p>The Honorable Valarie J. Lawson President of the Senate State House, Room 318 Providence, RI 02903</p> <p>Dear Madam President:</p> <p>Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Thursday, May 7, 2026.</p> <p>I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.</p> <p>Thank you for your attention to this matter.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p>  <p>Hanna M. Gallo Senator - District 27</p>		

Placed on file.

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May 7, 2026

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

Dear President Lawson:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber today,
Thursday, May 7, 2026.

Please record my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian J. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "B" and "T".

Brian J. Thompson
Senate District - 20

Placed on file.

State of Rhode Island

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Senate Chamber

May 7, 2026

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


Dear Madam President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from Senate session on Thursday May 7, 2026 due to illness. I will be voting by proxy.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted


Elaine J. Morgan
Deputy Minority Whip

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION**Senate Resolution No. 3270****BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING AND RECOGNIZING MAY 7, 2026, AS "NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC5162/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator de la Cruz requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator de la Cruz moves passage, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Britto, Burke, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, LaMountain, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, and Vargas.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator de la Cruz and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Rhode Island National Day of Prayer State Coordinator Jaime Lind, US Navy Veteran Tammy Iaverone, West Bay Christian Academy Team Leader Brooke Holbrook, Performers Liliana Iaverone, Hannah Carnevale, and Isabella Ritter.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026:**

1. *The Appointment of Christine West VICE Mary Brewster to the RI Board of Examination & Registration of Architects for a term expiring March 4, 2031.*

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

2. *The Appointment of Kevin Farrell (Public Member) VICE An Le to the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2030.*

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

3. **2026-S 3266**
BY Felag
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF CHARLIE'S OIL CO., INC.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

4. **2026-S 3267**
BY Raptakis
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 19TH OF 2026 AS "GREEK AND PONTIC GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

5. **2026-S 3268**
BY Euer
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF PAMELA F. KELLEY

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

6. **2026-S 3269**
BY Lawson
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ARTHUR PAIVA

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

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

NAYS – 0:

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 7, 2026:

1. 2026-S 3073

BY Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGES OF REAL PROPERTY

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, Valverde, and Zurier.

Senator Britto offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2026 -- S 3073

AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGES OF REAL PROPERTY

Madam President:

I hereby move to amend 2026 -- S 3073, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGES OF REAL PROPERTY", as follows:

1. On page 2, line 13, by deleting the period ".", and by inserting in place thereof the following language:

"only if:

(1) The terms, conditions and amount of the prepayment penalty or other similar charges are prominently and conspicuously disclosed

in writing to the borrower;

(2) The borrower agrees and consents to be bound by these terms and conditions; and

(3) Provided no prepayment penalty shall be imposed for any prepayment occurring more than sixty (60) months after the date of such loan."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Britto

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LC005273/2
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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 and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 32: Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED -1: Senator Pearson.

Senator Britto moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

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 Senator abstaining as follows:

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

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED -1: Senator Pearson.

2. 2026-S 2208

BY Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COOPERATIVE SERVICE AMONG SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Bell moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, LaMountain, Mack, Murray, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

Senators Zurier and Bell speak on the act.

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 J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, and Vargas.

NAYS – 2: Senators Pearson, and Zurier.

3. 2026-S 2212 SUB A**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS

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

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, 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 1 member voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS – 1: Senator Morgan.

4. 2026-S 3214**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Pearson, Quezada, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senators Acosta and DiPalma speak on the act.

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 J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Acosta and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber Mayor Maria Rivera of Central Falls.

5. 2026-S 3184 SUB A**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
NURSES

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

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, LaMountain, Mack, Murray, Patalano, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, and Urso.

Senators Ciccone and Lauria speak on the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 27 members voting in the affirmative and 9 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 27: The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, and Vargas.

NAYS – 9: Senators Acosta, DiMario, Euer, Lauria, Mack, Pearson, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

6. 2026-S 2042**BY** Rogers**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- SIDEWALKS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

7. 2026-S 2264**BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:**8. 2026-S 3185****BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- DAM MANAGEMENT DISTRICTS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

9. 2026-S 3186**BY** Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TO FUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$3,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Euer moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Britto, Burke, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, 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 J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, de la Cruz, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 1: Senator Ciccone.

10. 2026-S 2126**BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- THE RHODE ISLAND WORKS PROGRAM

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

11. 2026-S 2318**BY** Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- WORKERS' COOPERATIVES

Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.

Senator Acosta moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Sosnowski, Ujifusa, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

The act is read and passed, 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 J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Euer, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

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

12. 2026-S 2744**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- THE RHODE ISLAND OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP ACT

Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection, recommitted to the Senate Committee on Labor and Gaming.

13. 2026-S 2922**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND CENTER FOR EMPLOYEE OWNERSHIP

Committee on Labor & Gaming recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Ciccone and by unanimous consent, the Honorable Senate President, welcomes to the Chamber the 70th Lieutenant Governor of Rhode Island, Sabina Matos.

14. 2026-S 2177**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- DECORATIONS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

15. 2026-S 2627 SUB A**BY** LaMountain**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- TEMPORARY EXTENDED SERVICE HOURS

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

Senator LaMountain moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, Lauria, McKenney, Murray, Patalano, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, Vargas, and Zurier.

Senators Raptakis, Ujifusa, and Bell speak on the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 30 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 30: The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, DiMario, Dimitri, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Morgan, Murray, Patalano, Pearson, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Urso, Valverde, Vargas, and Zurier.

NAYS – 6: Senators Bell, de la Cruz, Euer, Paolino, Raptakis, and Ujifusa.

16. 2026-S 2754**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT THE MAJOR RICHARD STAR ACT

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

17. 2026-S 2756**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
MILITARY CHILD ACT

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by The Honorable President Valarie J. Lawson, Senators Acosta, Appollonio, Bell, Bissaillon, Britto, Burke, Ciccone, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Famiglietti, Felag, Gu, LaMountain, Lauria, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Patalano, Pearson, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, 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:

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NAYS – 0:**18. 2026-S 2996****BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
DECORATIONS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

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

NAYS – 0:

19. **2026-S 3002**
BY McKenney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Tikoian and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 14th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Tikoian wishes a Happy Mother's Day to all mothers this Sunday, May 10th.

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

Senator DiMario announces that the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government will meet at the Rise of the Senate in Room 212.

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

TRANSMITTAL

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

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

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

Senate Bill No. 2073

BY Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and tangible personal property of Community MusicWorks located in the city of Providence.)

{LC3970/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 3241**BY** DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT TO FINANCE THE EQUIPPING, EXPANSION, IMPROVEMENT AND RENOVATION OF FIRE STATIONS IN THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$3,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR (Authorizes the town of Narragansett to issue up to \$3,000,000 in bonds and notes to finance the equipping, expansion, improvement and renovation of fire stations in the town.)
{LC6415/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 3242**BY** Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SERVING THE TOWNS OF CHARLESTOWN, RICHMOND AND HOPKINTON, CONSISTING OF ONE OR MORE BUILDINGS ON A SINGLE CAMPUS, AND IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SWITCH ROAD CAMPUS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF LAND ACQUISITION, DEMOLITION, DESIGN, HEALTH AND SAFETY PROJECTS, PLAYGROUNDS, LANDSCAPING, PAVING, AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENTAL THERETO, BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$116,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 61% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE, WHICH RATE OR RATIO MAY INCREASE TO 65% AT PROJECT COMPLETION (Authorizes the Chariho Regional School District to finance the construction, furnishing and equipping of an elementary school and to issue not more than \$116,000,000 bonds and/or notes.)
{LC6408/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 3243

(by request)

BY Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$41,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, ADDITIONS, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN (Authorizes the Town of Portsmouth to issue bonds and notes in amount not exceeding \$41,000,000 to finance construction, additions, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair, furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities throughout the town.)
{LC6382/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 3271****BY** Valverde, DiMario, Lawson**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JEANNETTE D. ALYWARD
{LC6227/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 3272**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD (Requires the electric distribution companies to offer system owner/operators 30 year contracts, with various terms including guaranteeing the delivery of net metering credits valued at \$0.19, with an annual escalation of 2.75%.)
{LC6452/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Resolution No. 3273**BY** Raptakis, Dimitri**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF MARY LOU DI PADUA
{LC6437/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 3274**BY** Lauria**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF MAY 6TH THROUGH MAY 12TH OF 2026, AS "NATIONAL NURSES WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC6451/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 3275**BY** LaMountain**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT TO GIVE A WRITTEN OPINION UPON CERTAIN QUESTIONS OF LAW (Requests that the Supreme Court provide a written opinion on matters related to Senate bill 2026-S 2616 relating to Courts and Civil Procedure -- Procedure Generally -- Causes of Action.)
{LC6446/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 3276**BY** Thompson, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Removes the fiscal year 2026 fourteen percent (14%) limitation for reduction to the local per-pupil funding for charter schools.)

{LC6438/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
TRANSFER OF BILLS**

Senator Britto, In accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bill from the Senate Committee on Commerce to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2764**BY** Tikoian, Burke, Raptakis, Ciccone, Patalano, Famiglietti, Gallo, Thompson, Dimitri, Appollonio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD (Expands RI's Renewable Energy Standard to include nuclear and hydroelectric power as eligible zero-emission resources and sets rules for how they qualify.)

{LC5662/1}

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Tikoian, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the Senate adjourns at 5:28 o'clock P.M.

HELENA S. REID
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION
PASTOR DAVID DE LA CRUZ

Thank you, Madam President and senators. It's a great honor to be able to offer today's prayer in this assembly on this day, a national day of prayer.

After George Washington's inauguration in 1789, he and his government called for, "a day of public thanksgiving and prayer... to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor."

Washington understood that the work of governing a nation is too heavy for any man or woman to carry alone. And he was right to be humble: like him, each of us will need God's help to serve, lead, and improve our state.

Out of reverence or respect, I invite you to please bow your heads and pray with me...

Father in heaven,

We pause in the middle of all the business and work of this place to acknowledge that you are God and we are not. We see your faithfulness in our nation's history and in our state's history. We recall Roger Williams' flight from religious persecution and his wandering for fourteen weeks during a harsh winter until he received mercy from the Wampanoags and later Canonicus of the Narragansetts. We remember that this encounter with Canonicus led to a friendship that led to our state's founding and provided a safe haven for people who were fleeing religious persecution. We see your mercy and provision even there in the infancy of our state.

As much as we are grateful for this state and its rich history, we want to seek your face. The psalmist prayed, "Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!" (Psalm 143:10). So I pray the same for every man and woman in this chamber; that as they search for wisdom and try to discern what is best for this state, that publicly or privately, they would seek your face and your will. I ask that before every vote, every negotiation and every decision is made that they would seek what is true and right and honorable.

So Lord, we do not ask that you would bless our plans, but that our plans would align with yours.

And Father, protect these lawmakers and their staffs. Protect their families, their children, their marriages, their minds. Guard their integrity and their hearts. But we ask for more than protection — we ask for your favor. The kind of favor that opens new doors, that makes the impossible possible and that attracts wisdom, courage and goodness. I pray that each of them will experience and see your grace and favor in their lives.

I ask all of this in the good and perfect name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026:**

1. **2026-S 3271**
 BY Valverde
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE
 PASSING OF JEANNETTE D. ALYWARD

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. **2026-S 3273**
 BY Raptakis
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE
 PASSING OF MARY LOU DI PADUA

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

3. **2026-S 3274**
 BY Lauria
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF MAY 6TH
 THROUGH MAY 12TH OF 2026, AS "NATIONAL NURSES WEEK" IN THE STATE
 OF RHODE ISLAND

 Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026:****1. 2026-S 2011 SUB A****BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE-CASUALTY INSURANCE
GENERALLY-LIMITATIONS ON POLICY CANCELLATIONS AND RENEWALSCommittee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.**2. 2026-S 2775 SUB A****BY** McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- DOMESTIC INSURANCE
COMPANIESCommittee on Commerce recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.**3. 2026-S 2073 SUB A****BY** Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATIONCommittee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends indefinite postponement
of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.**4. 2026-S 3241****BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT TO
FINANCE THE EQUIPPING, EXPANSION, IMPROVEMENT AND RENOVATION
OF FIRE STATIONS IN THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT AND TO ISSUE NOT
MORE THAN \$3,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

5. 2026-S 3242**BY** Gu

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CHARIHO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SERVING THE TOWNS OF CHARLESTOWN, RICHMOND AND HOPKINTON, CONSISTING OF ONE OR MORE BUILDINGS ON A SINGLE CAMPUS, AND IMPROVEMENTS AT THE SWITCH ROAD CAMPUS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, COSTS OF LAND ACQUISITION, DEMOLITION, DESIGN, HEALTH AND SAFETY PROJECTS, PLAYGROUNDS, LANDSCAPING, PAVING, AND ALL EXPENSES INCIDENTAL THERETO, BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT MORE THAN \$116,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 61% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE, WHICH RATE OR RATIO MAY INCREASE TO 65% AT PROJECT COMPLETION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

6. 2026-S 3243**BY** Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$41,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, ADDITIONS, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE TOWN

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

7. 2026-S 2047**BY** Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 14, 2026:

- 1. 2026-S 3002**
BY McKenney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE,
WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

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Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine J. Morgan

Senator Elaine J. Morgan

Date 05/07/26

Senate District 34

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State of Rhode Island
County of Providence

On this 7th day of May, 2026 before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Elaine J. Morgan, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.



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Senate Chamber

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Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

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- 2026-S-3073
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Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

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 2026-S-2208
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 2026-S-2212 Sub A
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- 34 2026-H
- 2026-S - 3214
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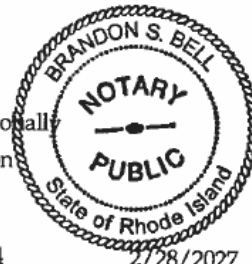
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 2026-S-2042
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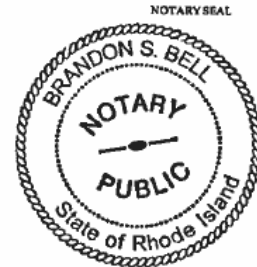
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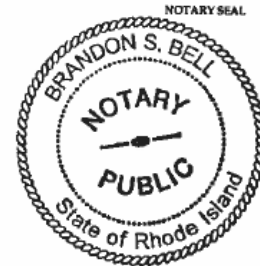
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VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

- #8 2026-H
- 2026-S -3186

(Bill Number)

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Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine J. Morgan

Senator Elaine J. Morgan

Date 05/07/26

Senate District 34

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On this 7th day of May, 2026 before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Senator Elaine J. Morgan, personally known to me to be the person whose name is signed on this document in my presence.

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Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

HD 2026-H
 2026-S 2126
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Pursuant to Rule 8.13 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2025-2026, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

- 2026-H
- 2026-S 2318
(Bill Number)

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#13 2026-H
 2026-S-2922
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H4 2026-H
 2026-S -2177
(Bill Number)

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#15 2026-H
 2026-S-2627 Sub A
(Bill Number)

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 2026-S - 2754
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#17 2026-H
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#18 2026-H
 2026-S-2996
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