

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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Fourth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, January 13, 1998, and is called to order at 5:15 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable John B. Harwood, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 98 members present and 2 members absent as follows:

PRESENT - 98: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Aiken-Salandria, Ajello, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, S., Anzeveno, Barone, Barr, Benoit, Benson, Bierman, Burlingame, Callahan, Cambio, Campbell, Carpenter, Carroll, Carter, Caruolo, Castro, Cicilline, Coderre, Coelho, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, DeSimone, Faria, Farrell, Ferguson, Flaherty, Fleury, Fox, Garvey, George, Giannini, Ginaitt, Heffner, Henseler, Hetherington, Iannitelli, Inman, Iwuc, Jacquard, Kelley, Kelso, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Lanzi, Levesque, C., Levesque, G., Lima, Little, Long, Lopes, Lowe, Malik, Martineau, McCauley, McGowan, McNamara, Menard, Mesoella, Metts, Millard, Montalbano, Montanaro, Moura, Munsch, Murphy, Naughton, Palangio, Palumbo, Picard, Pires, Pisaturo, Quick, Rabideau, Reilly, Rose, Russo, Salisbury, San Bento, Scott, Shavers, Sherlock, Simonian, Slater, Smith, Voccola, Walter, Wasylyk, Watson, Williams, Williamson, Winfield.

ABSENT - 2: Representatives Bramley, Panciera.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Shavers, who delivers the Invocation and leads the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

APPROVAL OF RECORD

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Thursday, January 8, 1998, is approved as printed.

ANNOUNCEMENT

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

January 13, 1998

ANNOUNCEMENT

Today's session will be adjourned in memory of Gilbert W. Kollet of Pawtucket. Received and ordered to be placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS

Representative S. Anderson introduces (98-H 7223) An Act relating to insurance - temporary disability insurance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representative S. Anderson introduces (98-H 7224) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles registration of vehicles.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Farrell and Iwuc introduce (98 H 7225) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,500 for St. Patrick's Church Seniors.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Farrell and Faria introduce (98-H 7226) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$5,000 for Channel 1.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Rabideau and Kelley introduce (98-H 7227) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$5,000 for the William C. Callahan School/Multicultural Curriculum and Experimental Learning Project.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Giannini, Costantino, Palangio, Wasylyk and Slater introduce (98-H 7228) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,000 for Concerned Citizens of Mt. Pleasant.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Giannini, Palangio, Wasylyk, Slater and Costantino introduce (98-H 7229) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$500 for the Sheffield Street Neighborhood Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Giannini, Palangio, Costantino, Wasylyk and Slater introduce (98-H 7230) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$75,000 for the Mount Pleasant/Elmhurst Senior Center - Community Center.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Giannini, Palangio, Costantino, Wasylyk and Slater introduce (98-H 7231) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$1,000 for Mount Pleasant Crime Watch.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Giannini, Palangio, Wasylyk, Slater and Costantino introduce (98-H 7232) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,000 for the Elmhurst Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7233) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$15,000 for the Central Senior Center in Central Falls.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7234) An Act relating to public assistance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7235) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Academy.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7236) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$25,000 for the Central Falls Community Center.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7237) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$75,000 for the Talbot House.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7238) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Central Falls Recreation Department.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7239) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$22,000 for the Central Senior Center, Inc.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7240) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$25,000 for Progreso Latino (Central Falls).

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Costantino introduces (98-H 7241) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$5,000 for Federal Hill Tutorial.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Costantino introduces (98-H 7242) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for Sister Dominica Manor.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Costantino introduces (98-H 7243) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$1,000 for Federal Hill Little League.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Pires introduces (98-H 7244) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Van Pelt Realty Corp.

Representative Pires requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on motion of Representative Pires, seconded by Representative Salisbury, and by unanimous consent, on a roll call vote, 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS 72: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Aiken.Salandria, Ajello, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, S., Anzeveno, Barone, Barr, Benoit, Bierman, Burlingame, Cambio, Carroll, Caruolo, Cicilline, Coderre, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, Faria, Farrell, Flaherty, Fleury, Fox, Garvey, Giannini, Ginaitt, Henseler, Hetherington, Iannitelli, Iwuc, Kelley, Kelso, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Lanzi, Levesque, G., Lima, Little, Malik, Martineau, McCauley, McNamara, Menard, Mesolella, Metts, Millard, Montalbano, Montanaro, Moura, Munschy, Murphy, Naughton, Palangio, Palumbo, Pires, Pisaturo, Quick, Rabideau, Reilly, Rose, Salisbury, San Bento, Scott, Sherlock, Simonian, Slater, Watson, Williams, Williamson.

NAYS - -0.

Representatives Ferguson, Crowley and Sherlock introduce (98-H 7245) An Act relating to education - prepaid tuition plan.

Representative Ferguson requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on motion of Representative Ferguson, seconded by Representative Sherlock, and by unanimous consent, on a roll call vote, 83 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS 83: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Aiken-Salandria, Ajello, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, S., Barone, Barr, Benoit, Benson, Bierman, Burlingame, Callahan, Cambio, Campbell, Carroll, Carter, Caruolo, Coderre, Coelho, Costantino, Crowley, Dennigan, DeSimone, Faria, Farrell, Flaherty, Fleury, Fox, Garvey, George, Giannini, Ginaitt, Henseler, Hetherington, Iannitelli, Inman, Iwuc, Jacquard, Kelso, Kennedy, Kilmartin, Lally, Lanzi, Levesque, C., Levesque, G., Little, Long, Lopes, Malik, Martineau, McCauley, McGowan, McNamara, Menard, Mesolella, Metts, Millard, Montalbano, Montanaro, Moura, Munschy, Murphy, Naughton, Palangio, Palumbo, Picard, Pires, Pisaturo, Quick, Rabideau, Reilly, Rose, San Bento, Scott, Shavers, Sherlock, Simonian, Slater, Smith, Walter, Watson, Williams.

NAYS - -0.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor, and to the Honorable Senate forthwith.

NEW BUSINESS

Representative Costantino introduces (98-H 7246) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$20,000 for the Federal Hill House.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Costantino and AikenSalandria introduce (98-H 7247) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of\$5,000 for St. Francis Chapel and City Ministry,

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Kelley, Scott, Carter, Lally, Garvey and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7248) House Resolution extending the reporting date of the special House commission to study rail service to South Kingstown.

Representative Kelley requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on motion of Representative Kelley, seconded by the entire House of Representatives, and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Clerk's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor, and to the Honorable Senate forthwith.

ANNOUNCEMENT

By the agreement of the majority and the minority, the Parliamentarian will read the remaining New Business into the record.

There is no objection.

NEW BUSINESS

Representatives Costantino and Giannini introduce (98-H 7249) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Olney Towers Tenants' Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7250) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$30,000 for the Spirit Education Corporation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Costantino introduces (98-H 7251) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Father Parenti Villa Tenants' Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7252) An Act relating to taxation on beverages.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7253) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$25,000 for the Central Falls Library.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Ginaitt, Naughton, Henseler, Costantino and Fox introduce (98-H 7254) An Act relating to pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Moura introduces (98-H 7255) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Newgate Theatre.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Aiken-Salandria, McNamara, McGowan, Flaherty, Ginaitt and Sherlock introduce (98-H 7256) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$150,000 for the Warwick Central Geriatric Day Care,

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Aiken-Salandria, McNamara, McGowan, Flaherty, Ginaitt and Sherlock introduce (98-H 7257) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$20,000 for the Warwick Museum.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Aiken-Salandria, McNamara, McGowan, Flaherty, Ginaitt and Sherlock introduce (98-H 7258) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$13,600 for the Warwick Coalition to Prevent Child Abuse.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Aiken-Salandria, McNamara, McGowan, Flaherty, Ginaitt and Sherlock introduce (98-H 7259) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for the Greenwood Volunteer Firefighters Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Moura, Smith, Montanaro and McGowan introduce (98-H 7260) An Act relating to public finance - state funds.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Moura, Smith, Montanaro and McGowan introduce (98-H 7261) An Act relating to public finance - state funds.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7262) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$25,000 for the Central Falls Community Center.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Farrell and Faria introduce (98-H 7263) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,000 for D.A.R.E. Program.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7264) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$20,000 for Progreso Latino (Central Falls).

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Barr introduces (98-H 7265) An Act relating to state purchases engineering services.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Rose, Dennigan, Coelho, Barone and Lopes introduce (98-H 7266) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$10,000 for Handicap Transport Service.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Salisbury, Long and Kelley introduce (98-H 7267) An Act making revised appropriations for the support of the state for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Carter, Benson, Ginaitt, Garvey and Kelley introduce (98-H 7268) An Act relating to health and safety.

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7269) An Act relating to housing maintenance and occupancy code.

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representatives Faria and Farrell introduce (98-H 7270) Joint Resolution creating a special legislative commission to study unemployment insurance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representatives Henseler, George, Costantino, Giannini, Naughton and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7271) An Act relating to state affairs and government - administrative procedures.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representatives Palumbo, McNamara, Picard, Martineau and Hetherington introduce (98-H 7272) An Act relating to criminal offenses -sexually violent predators.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representatives Flaherty, Aiken-Salandria, Lally and Iannitelli introduce (98-H 7273) An Act relating to solemnization of marriages.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representatives Giannini, Carpenter, Montanaro, Palangio and Slater introduce (98-H 7274) An Act relating to criminal procedure - sentence and execution.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representative Faria introduces (98-H 7275) An Act relating to municipal detention facilities.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representatives Palumbo, Pisaturo, Lanzi, Coderre and Barone introduce (98-H 7276) An Act relating to motor vehicles.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives McNamara, Aiken-Salandria, Bramley, Sherlock, Palumbo and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7277) An Act relating to the Airport Corporation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives Farrell and Faria introduce (98-H 7278) An Act relating to municipal detention facilities.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives Menard, Lowe and Barr introduce (98-H 7279) An Act relating to zoning ordinances.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives Long and Anzeveno introduce (98-H 7280) An Act relating to Public Finance Management Board.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives McNamara, Bramley, Flaherty, Ginaitt, Palumbo and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7281) House Resolution respectfully requesting the city of Warwick and the Rhode Island Airport Corporation to extend the hours of their voluntary curfew agreement.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives McNamara, Aiken-Salandria, Bramley, Ginaitt, Sherlock and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7282) An Act relating to airports - airport noise.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives McNamara, Aiken-Salandria, Bramley, Sherlock, Hetherington and McGowan introduce (98-H 7283) House Resolution respectfully requesting the Department of Health to conduct an environmental impact study on airport expansion on surrounding communities.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives McGowan, Ginaitt, Aiken-Salandria, Palumbo, Bramley and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7284) An Act relating to aeronautics - permanent noise monitoring act.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives Giannini, Henseler, Benoit, Carpenter, Pisaturo and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7285) An Act relating to health and safety of pupils.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives Carter, Benson, Garvey, Ginaitt, Reilly and Kelley introduce (98-H 7286) An Act relating to health and safety.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representatives Henseler, Naughton, Jacquard, Cambio, Simonian and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 7287) An Act relating to health and safety health care liability.

Read and referred to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare.

Representative S. Anderson introduces (98-H 7288) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$716.23 to pay the claim of Pamela J. Lennon of 104 Lake Drive, West Greenwich, Rhode Island 02817.

Read and referred to the Joint Committee on Accounts and Claims.

Representatives Palumbo, Lanzi and Hetherington introduce (98-H 7289) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles - registration of vehicles.

Read and referred to the Joint Committee on Veterans Affairs.

Representatives Palumbo, Ginaitt, Sherlock, Flaherty and Lally introduce (98-H 7290) An Act relating to hazardous waste management.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Representatives Costantino, Williams and Slater introduce (98-H 7291) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$20,000 for the West Broadway Neighborhood Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:28 o'clock P.M. on motion of the Honorable Speaker Harwood, and as a further mark of respect to the memories of Gilbert W. Kollet of Pawtucket and Eleanor Quinn; on motion of Representative Rabideau, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of William Lappin; on motion of Representative Long, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Stanley "Ski" Karpus; on motion of Representative Garvey, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Phyllis Queally, seconded by Representatives Caruolo and Long, the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

LINDA McELROY
Recording Clerk

Appendix

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE MAXINE L. SHAVERS

Almighty God, bless those who serve in this House. Inspire us with your truth, and fill us with your grace. Amen.

As always, your [comments](#) concerning this page are welcomed and appreciated.

Thank you for stopping by!

