

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

JOURNAL
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the sixth day of January in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-eight.

Volume 125, No. 16 Tuesday, February 10, 1998 Sixteenth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, February 10, 1998, and is called to order at 5:11 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable John B. Harwood, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 95 members present and 5 members absent as follows:

PRESENT - 95: The Honorable Speaker Harwood and Representatives Aiken-Salandria, Ajello, Amaral, Anderson, M., Anderson, S., Barone, Barr, Benoit, Benson, Bierman, Bramley, Burlingame, Cambio, Carpenter, Carroll, Carter, Caruolo, Castro, Cicilline, Coderre, Coelho, Costantino, 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, McCauley, McGowan, McNamara, Menard, Mesolella, Metts, Millard, Montalbano, Montanaro, Moura, Munschy, Murphy, Naughton, Palangio, Palumbo, Panciera, 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 - 5: Representatives Anzeveno, Callahan, Campbell, Crowley, Martineau.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Bierman, 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, February 5, 1998, is approved as printed.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measures:

(98-S 2507) An Act reinstating and restoring forfeited or revoked corporate charters.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

(98-S 2179) An Act relating to appointment, qualification, and tenure of officers.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

(98-S 2176) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to criminal offenses assaults.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

(98-S 2157 as amended) An Act relating to emergency medical transportation services.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

(98-S 2281) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to insurance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

(98-S 2191) An Act providing for remodeling, renovating, equipping and furnishing and making certain additions and improvements to the existing Clayville Elementary School by the town of Scituate and authorizing the financing thereof, including the issue of note more than \$2,535,000 bonds therefor.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

(98-S 2131) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to motor vehicles - registration fees.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Representative Ferguson, for the Joint Committee on Veterans Affairs, reports back the following measure (98-H 7684), with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Corporations:

(98-H 7684) An Act relating to taxation. Received and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

NEW BUSINESS

Representatives Lanzi, Bierman, Winfield, Coderre, Ferguson and several other members of the House introduce (98-H 8384) House Resolution recognizing February 12-18 as National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week.

Representative Lanzi requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on motion of Representative Lanzi, seconded by Representative Long, and by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

Representatives Munschy, Burlingame, Iwuc, Benoit, Picard and Malik introduce (98-H 8385) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,500 for Woonsocket Police Department Color Guard.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Watson, Murphy, Williamson, Russo and Rabideau introduce (98-H 8386) An Act relating to motor vehicle offenses.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representatives Iannitelli and Winfield introduce (98-H 8387) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$500.00 for Smithfield Lions Club.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Iwuc, Reilly, Menard and Farrell introduce (98-H 8388) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,000 for Chimney Hill Tenants' Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Iwuc, Reilly, Menard and Farrell introduce (98-H 8389) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$2,000 for 1 Mendon Road Tenants' Association.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representatives Iwuc, Reilly, Menard and Farrell introduce (98-H 8390) Joint Resolution making an appropriation of \$5,000 for Our Lady of Fatima Church Senior's Group.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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.

NOTICES OF BILL/RESOLUTION

INTRODUCTION

Representative Sherlock gives notice that on the next legislative day he will introduce a measure concerning family support council for families of persons with developmental disabilities. This notice is given in compliance with House Rule 41.

PAUL V. SHERLOCK
Representative, District 30

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

Representative Lowe gives notice that on the next legislative day he will introduce a measure concerning gambling. This notice is given in compliance with House Rule 41.

ROBERT B. LOWE
Representative, District 61

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

Representative Bierman gives notice that on the next legislative day he will introduce a measure concerning property tax relief. This notice is given in compliance with House Rule 41.

BROCK D. BIERMAN
Representative, District 23

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

Representative Inman gives notice that on the next legislative day he will introduce a measure concerning chemical companies. This notice is given in compliance with House Rule 41.

EDWARD S. INMAN, III
Representative, District 41

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

Representative Moura, on behalf of the entire House of Representatives extends a special thank you to Legislative Council - John O'Connor, Harry Hoopis, all the attorneys and especially the four typists Emma Sandbach, Linda Zanni, Donna Drapeau and Lori Catuagno, for all their hard work in drafting the House Bills for the deadline last week.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:20 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Giannini, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Tessie Puleo, seconded by Representatives Henseler and Long, the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

LINDA McELROY
Recording Clerk

Appendix

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE BROCK D. BIERMAN

Heavenly Father, look with favor on our deliberation and assist us by your grace to do what is just and wise.Amen.

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

Thank you for stopping by!

