

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Journal of the Senate

JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the fourth day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand.

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, at 4:02 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 46 Senators present and 4 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT 46: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Coderre, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Donelan, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglioizzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Montalbano, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Patterson, Perry, Raptakis, Revens, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

ABSENT - 4: Senators Damiani, Enos, Kelly, Roberts.

INVOCATION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Walton, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Walton, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, January 12, 2000 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Irons, Paiva Weed and Coderre, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant

Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Donna Capello and John Kent of Bell Atlantic.

COMMUNICATION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SENATE CHAMBER

January 13, 2000 The Honorable Charles J. Fogarty President of the Senate Senate Chamber, State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear

Mr. President:

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate Session on Tuesday, January 18, 2000, as I will be out of the state. Please make the appropriate notation in the Senate Journal. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

PAUL S. KELLY
Senate Majority Leader

Received and ordered to be placed on file

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SENATE CHAMBER

January 13, 2000

The Honorable Charles J. Fogarty
President of the Senate
Senate Chamber, State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate Session on Tuesday, January 18, 2000, as I will be out of the state.

Please make the appropriate notation in the Senate Journal.(Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM ENOS

Senate Majority Whip

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

APPOINTMENT

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, presents the following communication:

THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
ONE DORRANCE PLAZA,
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

January 14, 2000 Hon, Paul S. Kelly
Senate Majority Leader
The State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Senator Kelly:

By this letter (and by my letter of July, 1999), I am appointing the Honorable Joseph P. Ippolito of Warwick, District Court Magistrate, to the position of District Court Magistrate for a term of twelve years and until a successor is appointed and qualified pursuant to the provisions of R.I. General Laws Section 8.8.8.1(b), as amended. To this appointment I ask the advice and consent of the Senate.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. DeROBBIO
Chief Judge

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

FROM THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

(2000-H 6703) An Act relating to the General Assembly Fire Safety Issues Commission.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also:

(2000-H 6704 as amended) An Act relating to the General Assembly Fire Safety Issues Commission.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

NEW BUSINESS

Senators McDonald and Oster present (00-S 2091) An Act relating to financial institutions -ATM.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Walsh, Sasso, Roberts, Breene and Blais present (00-S 2092) An Act relating to Charlestown Fire District.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Felag, Sosnowski, Paiva Weed, Parella and DaPonte present (00-S 2093) An Act relating to waters and navigation- Coastal Resources Management Council.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Roney presents (00-S 2094) An Act relating to elections.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Felag, Iglioizzi, Tocco, DaPonte and Gallo present (00-S 2095) An Act relating to the pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly program - persons eligible.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Felag, Iglioizzi, Tocco, DaPonte and Gallo present (00-S 2096) An Act relating to the pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly program state's share of payment.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Raptakis, Kells, Issa, Celona and Tocco present (00-S 2097) An Act relating to the motor vehicle emissions inspection program.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Enos, Fogarty, Walton, Coderre and Goodwin (by request of the Lieutenant Governor) present (00-S 2098) An Act relating to state agencies and public corporation financial integrity and accountability.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Felag, Sosnowski, Paiva Weed, Parella and DaPonte present (00-S 2099) An Act relating to fish and wildlife - licensing.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Graziano, Alves, Montalbano, Oster, McCaffrey and others present (00-S 2100) Senate Resolution recognizing May 6-12th as National Nurses Week.

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

Senators Celona, Graziano, Tocco, Montalbano, Iglioizzi and others present (00-S 2101) An Act relating to the Superfund Pollution Tax Relief.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Tocco, Igliazzi and Graziano present (00-S 2102) Senate Resolution expressing most profound sympathy on the passing of Ralph aRusso, the Honorable Mayor of Johnston.

Senator Tocco requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senator Tocco, seconded by the entire Senate, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, under suspension of the rules, upon a rising vote.

Senators Kells, Walton, Cicilline, Ruggerio and Goodwin present (00-S 2103) An Act relating to human services - community health centers.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators McDonald, Sosnowski and Walsh present (00-S 2104) An Act relating to state aid.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators McDonald and Sosnowski present (00-S 2105) An Act relating to towns and cities -state aid.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators McDonald, Sosnowski and Walsh present (00-S 2106) An Act relating to state aid.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Oster, McDonald and Graziano present (00-S 2107) An Act relating to taxation - new employment credit.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Sasso, Montalbano, Celona, Ruggerio, Caprio and others present (00-S 2108) An Act relating to insurance - premium increase -notice.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Irons announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet on Thursday, January 20, 2000, at the rise of the Senate in Room 212 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Paiva Weed announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet on Thursday, January 20, 2000, at the rise of the Senate in Room 313 of the State House.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Coderre, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator Celona, the Senate adjourns at 4:12 o'clock P.M., on a unanimous rising vote, as a further mark of respect to the memory of Gerald A. "Jerry" Mamis, a close friend and constituent.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR CHARLES D. WALTON

Lord of Truth, establish in us the knowledge of Your will. Make known to us any truths and insights which will enable us to serve You, and therefore, our constituents, wisely and well. Amen.

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

Thank you for stopping by!

