

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 6:17 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, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Coderre, Gate, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Montalbano, Oster, Paiva Weed, Patterson, Perry, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Roney, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

ABSENT - 4; Senators Alves, Connors, Parella, Ruggerio.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, February 2, 2000 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Coderre, McBurney, Irons, Perry and Kelly, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the

Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable James E. Doyle, Mayor of the City of Pawtucket.

Upon suggestion of Senators Tocco, Igliazzi, Graziano and Kelly, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable William Macera, Mayor of the Town of Johnston.

**APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR**

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, presents the following communication from His Excellency, the Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**EXECUTIVE CHAMBER PROVIDENCE**

Lincoln Almond  
Governor

February 1,2000

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 16-60-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

James DiPrete of West Warwick for a term expiring January 31,2003.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

LINCOLN ALMOND  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

**EXECUTIVE CHAMBER PROVIDENCE**

Lincoln Almond  
Governor

February 1,2000

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 29-3.1-2.2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Library Board of Rhode Island:

Madelyn Rumowicz of Bristol (Representing General Public)

for a term expiring December 31, 2002.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

LINCOLN ALMOND  
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE**

Senator Paiva Weed, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

(00-S 2117 as amended) An Act relating to elections.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Senators Celona, Graziano, Tocco, Oster, Montalbano and others present (00-S 2279) An Act relating to criminal offenses - sexual offender registration and community notification.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Bates, Sosnowski, Roberts and Celona present (00-S 2280) An Act relating to taxation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Bates presents (00-S 2281) An Act relating to Rhode Island Insurers' Insolvency Fund.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Bates, Badeau, Celona and Cote present (00-S 2282) An Act relating to workers' compensation - leased employees.

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

Senator Oster presents (00-S 2283) An Act relating to boats.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Kelly, Enos, Algieri, Gallo, Felag and others present (by request of the Governor and the Department of Economic Development) (00-S 2284) An Act relating to taxation - sales and use taxes - equipment used in research and development. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Iglioizzi, Tocco and Celona present (00-S 2285) An Act relating to state affairs and government pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Iglioizzi, Tocco and Celona present (00-S 2286) Senate Resolution creating a special Senate commission to study lead poisoning in the city of Cranston.

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

Senators Kells, Perry, Montalbano and Gallo present (00-S 2287) An Act relating to birds.

Read and referred to the Committee on Special Legislation.

Senators Bates and Celona present (00-S 2288) An Act creating a sunset law.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Perry, Gallo, Walsh and Gibbs present (00-S 2289) An Act relating to housing and conservation trust fund act.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Kells, Fogarty, Montalbano, Walton, Felag and others present (00-S 2290) An Act relating to human services - medical assistance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Oster presents (00-S 2291) An Act relating to unfair sales practices.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Gallo and Izzo present (00-S 2292) An Act relating to education.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Gallo and Izzo present (00-S 2293) An Act relating to state funds.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senator Gallo presents (00-S 2294) An Act relating to education- standardized testing.

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

Senators Gallo, Fogarty, Ruggerio and Kells present (00-S 2295) An Act relating to towns and cities - relief of injured and deceased firefighters and police officers.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Gallo, Ruggerio and Perry present (00-S 2296) An Act relating to teacher assistants.

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

Senators Cote, Ruggerio, Irons, Walaska, McBurney and others present (00-S 2297) An Act relating to taxation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Cicilline, Perry and Walton present (00-S 2298) An Act relating to education - student identification numbers.

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

Senators Walsh, Sosnowski, Coderre, Perry, Goodwin and others present (by request of the Lieutenant Governor) (00-S 2299) An Act relating to health insurance coverage.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Cicilline and Paiva Weed present (00-S 2300) An Act relating to property taxes.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Paiva Weed and Cicilline present (00-S 2301) An Act relating to status and taxation of time-share estates.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Cicilline, Paiva Weed, Walton and Izzo present (00-S 2302) An Act relating to state affairs and government - tests for law enforcement candidates.

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

Senators Gibbs, Blais, Patterson, Gallo and Bates present (00-S 2303) An Act relating to health maintenance organizations- temporary credentials for providers.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senator Oster presents (00-S 2304) An Act relating to towns and cities - zoning ordinances - permitted uses federal preemption.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

## **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 Kelly, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator Kells, the Senate adjourns

at 6:31 o'clock P.M., on a unanimous rising vote, as a further mark of respect to the memory of Sergeant Cornel Young, Jr., of the Providence Police Department, whose young life was lost in a tragic accident while he was coming to the aid of the Police Department he so proudly served.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.  
Clerk of the Senate

**Appendix**

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**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR JUNE N. GIBBS**

Lord, we seek today your wisdom, strength, and courage, as we endeavor to meet the needs of all the people of our State, regardless of color, race, gender, disabilities or other unimportant differences. May we do whatever is necessary to wipe out prejudice wherever it may exist.Amen.

**Appendix**

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**CALENDAR**

In order for Tuesday, February 8, 2000:

**1.** Appointment of 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.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its advice and consent to this appointment.

**2.** Appointment of Gilbert V. Indeglia of Kingston Vice Associate Justice Henry Gemma, Jr. as Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Superior Court.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its advice and consent to this appointment.

**3.** (00-S 2030) An Act relating to school districts - Chariho.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

**4.** (00-S 2078) An Act relating to health and safety.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

5. (00-S 2092 as amended) An Act relating to the Charlestown Fire District.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

6. (00-S 2111) An Act relating to business corporations - continuing corporate powers.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

**Appendix**

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**CALENDAR**

In order for Wednesday, February 9, 2000:

1. (00-S 2117 as amended) An Act relating to elections.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.  
Clerk of the Senate  
Thursday, February 3, 2000

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

Thank you for stopping by!

