

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.

Volume 127, No. 23 Thursday, March 9, 2000 Twenty-third Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, at 4:09 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 48 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT - 48: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglioizzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Montalbano, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

ABSENT - 2: Senators Coderre, Patterson.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

CORRECTION

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 8, 2000 shall be corrected on page 4, column 2, lines 2 and 4, by replacing Judiciary with Finance.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, March 8, 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 corrected.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Raptakis and Alves, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Kristen Antonellis, Miss Ireland 2000, Friendly Sons of St. Patrick's Day Parade, her mother Pat Antonellis, Michael O'Connell and Scott Dolan.

Upon suggestion of Senator Enos, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Paula Kennedy from Rhode Island College.

Upon suggestion of Senator Enos, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Jerry and Nola O'Leary of Kinsale, Ireland.

Upon suggestion of Senator Cicilline, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Durinda Chace.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SENATE CHAMBER

March 8,2000

His Honor, Charles J. Fogarty
Lieutenant Governor
116 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Lt. Governor Fogarty:

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate session on Thursday, March 9, 2000, as I will be out of state. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate journal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

JOHN A. PATTERSON

Senator District 23

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATEHOUSE

Lincoln Almond

Governor

March 1,2000

The Honorable Charles J. Fogarty
Lieutenant Governor
State House, Room 116
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Lieutenant Governor Fogarty:

As required by the Public Corporation Debt Management Act, R.I. Gen. Laws Section 36-18-1 et seq., I am enclosing a letter requesting the approval of the General Assembly for the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation to borrow up to \$67 million for new capital projects. These amounts would be lent to the Rhode Island Airport Corporation and repayment thereof would be the sole responsibility of the Airport Corporation.

To assist the General Assembly in its review of the proposal, I am also enclosing Exhibits A and B, which would provide estimates as to the sources and uses of funds to carry out the projects to be financed from the borrowing. Of course, if one project runs under the estimate, the excess may be applied to other projects.

Very truly yours,

LINCOLN ALMOND
Governor

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR

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

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, PROVIDENCE

Lincoln Almond
Governor

March 7, 2000

To the HonorabLe, the Senate;

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-130-6 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Rural Development Council

Lisa W. Bryer of Jamestown
(local official from rural community)

for a term expiring July 1, 2003.

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

Sincerely,

LINCOLN ALMOND
Governor

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 8037) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Middletown Rescue Wagon Association.

Senator Gibbs requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senator Gibbs, seconded by the entire Senate, and by unanimous consent, read and passed in concurrence, under suspension of the rules, upon a roll call vote with 39 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS 39: Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, McCaffrey, McDonald, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Revens, Roney, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
TRANSFER OF BILLS

Senator Irons, from the Committee on Corporations, in accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bill from the Committee on Corporations to the Committee on Judiciary:

(00-S 2302) An Act relating to state affairs and government tests for law enforcement candidates.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Paiva Weed, from the Committee on Judiciary, in accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bills from the Committee on Judiciary to the Committee on Corporations:

(00-S 2551) An Act relating to the uniform commercial code- bulk transfers.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

(00-S 2602) An Act relating to the uniform commercial code.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

(00-S 2778) An Act relating to the uniform commercial code.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

Senator Irons, from the Committee on Corporations, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

(00-S 2702 as amended) An Act relating to taxation levy and assessment of local taxes.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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

(00-S 2556) An Act relating to criminal procedure sentence and execution.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2770) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to indictments, informations and complaints.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2792) An Act relating to criminal offenses --jails and prisons.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2199) An Act relating to criminal offenses - public utilities.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION

Senator Goodwin, from the Committee on Special Legislation, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(00-S 2204) An Act relating to the town of Bristol - alcoholic beverages.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2194 as amended) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages- regulation of sales.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2606 as amended) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Senator Paiva Weed, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation that confirmation of the Senate be given to the following: Appointment of Walter J. Lanni of Cranston (Representing Management) VICE Gina A. Vigliotti to the Rhode Island State Labor Relations Board for a term expiring August 1, 2002.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar. Appointment of Elizabeth Dolan of North Kingstown (Representing Management) VICE Paul Martineau to the Rhode Island State Labor Relations Board for a term expiring August 1, 2002.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Reappointment of Irving J. Owens of Warwick as State Fire Marshal for a term expiring July 1, 2004.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Reappointment of George W. Shuster of North Scituate to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2003.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar. Appointment of Douglas A. Sgarro of Barrington VICE Scott A. Gibbs to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2003.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Reappointment of James DiPrete of West Warwick to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2003.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Reappointment of Keith W. Stokes of Newport to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2004. Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

The following item s are received and referred to committee pending any objection of the body on the next legislative day.

Senators Cicilline, Kelly, Lenihan, Perry, Roney and others present (00-S 2829) Senate Resolution expressing condolences on the passing of Kenneth A. Payne.

Senator Cicilline requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

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

Without objection, the following acts are introduced after the deadline.

Senators Felag, Enos, Sosnowski, Tocco and DaPonte present (by request of the General Treasurer) (00-S 2830) An Act relating to retirement systems - contributions and benefits.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Paiva Weed and Cicilline present (00-S 2831) An Act relating to state affairs and government - tourism and development.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Roney, Perry and Connors present (00-S 2832) An Act relating to uniform controlled substances.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Paiva Weed and Cicilline present (00-S 2833) An Act relating to property - condominium law.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Sasso presents (00-S 2834) An Act relating to education- certification of teachers.

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

Senator Izzo presents (00-S 2835) An Act relating to businesses and professions - physician assistants.

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

Senator Sasso presents (00-S 2836) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Roberts presents (00-S 2837) An Act relating to criminal offenses - children.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Roberts, Izzo, Irons and Bates present (by request of the Governor and the Department of Business Regulation) (00-S 2838) An Act relating to insurance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Cote, Roberts and Gibbs present (by request of the Lieutenant Governor) (00-S 2839) An Act relating to taxation- personal income tax.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators DaPonte, Gallo, Kells and Walton present (00-S 2840) An Act relating to public assistance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Breene, Flynn and Blais present (00-S 2841) An Act relating to battery deposit and control.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Walaska, McBurney, Fogarty, Kells, McCaffrey and others present (00-S 2842) Senate Resolution proclaiming May 6, 2000 as National Day of Hearing Testing throughout the State of Rhode Island.

Read and referred to the Committee on Special Legislation.

Senator Kells presents (00-S 2843) Senate Resolution congratulating Lieutenant Timothy Lawlor on being named Junior Intelligence Officer of the Year.

Senator Kells requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senator Kelly, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed upon a voice vote:

- 1.(2000-H 6763) An Act reinstating and restoring forfeited or revoked corporate charters.
- 2.(2000-H 7248) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Save the Lost Souls International, Inc.
- 3.(2000-H 7431) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charters of: Aetna Mgf. Co., Inc., Alba Realty Inc., Circle Realty, Inc., GA-REL Mfg. Company, J & J Hardware Distributors, Inc., the Little Inn Restaurant, Inc., Mineral Enterprises, Inc., Orthopedic Walk-in Clinic, Inc., Post Road Liquor Mart, Inc., Partnership Ventures, Incorporated, 383 Corp., United Appraisal Group, Inc., Warren Nurseries, Inc.

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

- 1.(00-S 2328) An Act relating to community antenna television systems.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Algieri.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 41 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 41: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly,

McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Party, Raptakis, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

2.(00-S 2330) An Act relating to health and safety - health care quality steering committee.

Committee on Health, Education and Welfare recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Algieri.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 43 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 43: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglionzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

3.(00-S 2362) An Act relating to management and disposal of property.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Algieri.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 42 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 42: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglionzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

4.(00-S 2094) An Act relating to elections.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Enos, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, March 23, 2000.

5. (00-S 2213) An Act relating to taxation -levy and assessment of local taxes.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Lenihan moves passage, seconded by Senator Blais.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 43 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 43: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliozi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

6.(00-S 2311) An Act relating to health and safety - state building code.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Oster moves passage, seconded by Senators Graziano, Celona and others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 42 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 42: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliozi, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

7.(00-S 2331) An Act relating to businesses and professions- optometrists.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senators Algieri and Damiani.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 43 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 43: Senators Algieri, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliozi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

8.(00-S 2358 as amended) An Act relating to financial institutions- community obligations and banking offenses.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

Senator Breene moves passage, seconded by Senator Algieri.

The act is read and passed, as amended, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 42 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 42: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igliozi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

9. (00-S 2366) An Act authorizing the Audubon Society of Rhode Island to increase its holdings to an amount not exceeding fig million dollars (\$50,000,000).

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Irons moves passage, seconded by Senators Blais, Tocco, Perry and others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 42 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 42: Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglioizzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Parry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

10.(00-S 2392) An Act confirming property tax exemption of American Baptist Churches of Rhode Island.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Lenihan moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene and Sosnowski.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 42 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 42: Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglioizzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

11.(00-S 2481) An Act relating to judicial selection.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Enos, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, March 23, 2000.

12.

(00-S 2518) An Act relating to state affairs and government - open meetings.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Roberts moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Roney, Paiva Weed, Damiani and others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 43 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 43: Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan,

Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igl.iozzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

13.(00-S 2532 as amended) An Act relating to health and safety- vital records.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senators Irons and Breene.

The act is read and passed, as amended, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 45 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in tee negative as follows:

YEAS - 46: Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igl.iozzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS - 0.

14.(00-S 2710 as amended) An Act relating to the General Assembly - lobbying.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended.

Senator Paiva Weed moves passage, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Tocco and Igl.iozzi.

The act is read and passed, as amended, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 45 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 46: Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Igl.iozzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, McDonald, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Raptakis, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS -0.

15.(00-S 2746) An Act relating to elections -elective meetings.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Irons moves passage, seconded by Senators Oster, Paiva Weed, Gallo, Tocco, Celona, Walsh and others.

Senators Sasso, Irons, Cicilline, Raptakis, Kells, Perry and Donelan discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 10 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 33: Senators Algieri, Alves, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Cicilline, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Enos, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Graziano, Igl.iozzi, Irons, Issa, Kelly, Lenihan, McDonald, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Parry, Roney, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walsh, Walton.

NAYS - 10: Senators Donelan, Flynn, Gibbs, Izzo, Kells, McCaffrey, Raptakis, Ravens, Sasso, Walaska.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Irons announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet today at the rise of the Senate in Room 212 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Lenihan announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today at the rise of the Senate in Room 211 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Connors announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today 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 Kelly, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:49 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR V. SUSAN SOSNOWSKI

Guide us,
Lord, towards a deeper understanding of the needs of the people of our state; may we be instrumental in serving those needs. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for Tuesday, March 14, 2000:

1. Appointment of Douglas A. Sgarro of Barrington VICE Scott A. Gibbs to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2003.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

2. Appointment of Elizabeth Dolan of North Kingstown (Representing Management) VICE Paul Martineau to the Rhode Island State Labor Relations Board for a term expiring August 1, 2002.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

3. Reappointment of George W. Shuster of North Scituate to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2003.

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Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

5. Reappointment of James DiPrete of West Warwick to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2003.

Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

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Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

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Committee on Judiciary recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this appointment.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Clerk of the Senate
Thursday, March 9, 2000

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Tuesday, March 14, 2000:

1. (00-S 2325) An Act relating to credit unions.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2.(00-S 2333) An Act relating to real estate appraiser certification act.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3.(00-S 2337) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to financial institutions.

Committee on Corporations recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of the bill marked Substitute "A".

4.(00-S 2533) An Act relating to health and safety - respiratory care act.

Committee on Health, Education and Welfare recommends passage.

5.(00-S 2538) An Act relating to health and safety.

Committee on Health, Education and Welfare recommends passage.

6.(00-S 2540 as amended) An Act relating to long-term-care coordinating council.

Committee on Health, Education and Welfare recommends passage as amended.

7. (00-S 2303 as amended) An Act relating to health maintenance organizations - temporary credentials for providers.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

8.(00-S 2530) An Act relating to businesses and professions- athletic trainers.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

9.(00-S 2555 as amended) An Act relating to health and safety- amusement ride safety act.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

10.(00-S 2568) An Act relating to business corporations.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

11.(00-S 2630 as amended) An Act relating to towns and cities- district management authorities.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

12.(00-S 2665) An Act relating to incorporation of United Electric Power Company.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

13.(00-S 2695) An Act relating to insurance - prior notification requirement for notice of discontinuance.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

14.(00-S 2696) An Act relating to insurance - health maintenance organization.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

15.(00-S 2713) An Act relating to businesses and professions. Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

16.(00-S 2759) An Act relating to public officers and employees- retirement system -administration.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

17.(2000-H 6704 as amended) An Act relating to the General Assembly - fire safety issues commission.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

18.(2000-H 7978) An Act relating to the General Assembly- permanent joint committee on naming new buildings, bridges, edifices and other state constructions.

Ordered on the Calendar.

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Wednesday, March 15, 2000:

1. (0(1-5 2204) An Act relating to the town of Bristol - alcoholic beverages.

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage.

2.(00-S 2556) An Act relating to criminal procedure - sentence and execution.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3.(00-S 2606 as amended) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages.

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage as amended.

4.(00-S 2702 as amended) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of local taxes.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

5.(00-S 2770) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to indictments, informations and complaints.

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of the bill marked Substitute "A".

6.(00-S 2792) An Act relating to criminal offenses - jails and prisons.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

7.(00-S 2194 as amended) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages- regulation of sales.

Committee on Special Legislation recommends passage as amended.

8.(00-S 2199) An Act relating to criminal offenses - public utilities. Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Thursday, March 23, 2000:

1. (00-S 2094) An Act relating to elections.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

2.(00-S 2481) An Act relating to judicial selection.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

Thursday, March 9, 2000

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