

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. 52 Wednesday, May 31, 2000 Fifty-second Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, at 4:16 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, Coderre. Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Donelan, Enos, Felag, Flynn, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Graziano, Iglioizzi, Irons, issa, Izzo. Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McCaffrey, McDonald, Montalbano, Oster, Paiva Weed, Parella, Patterson, Perry Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sasso, Sosnowski, Tocco, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

ABSENT - 2. Senators Gibbs, McBurney

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 30, 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.

COMMUNICATION

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

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

SENATE CHAMBER

May 31, 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 Wednesday, May 31, 2000, due to matters at home. I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

JUNE N. GIBBS

Senator District 48

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

FROM THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

(2000-H 7308) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to cities and towns - Rhode Island Development Fee Act.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also:

(2000-H 7430) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Also:

(2000-H 7987) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to alcoholic beverages transportation of beverages.

Read and referred to the Committee on Special Legislation.

Also:

(2000-H 7640) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to waters and navigation boating safety.

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

Also:

(2000-H 8093) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to air and water quality protection.

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS

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

(00-S 2929) An Act relating to the Bradford Fire District.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

(00-S 2972) An Act relating to the town of Jamestown.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

(00-S 2974) An Act establishing the Burrillville Land Trust.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

(00-S 2862) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to personal watercraft regulations.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2940 as amended) An Act relating to taxation Gateways to Change, Inc.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2968) An Act in amendment of Sections 4, 7 and 10 of An Act passed at the January session 1930, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Saylesville Fire District in the town of Lincoln" as amended.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2969) An Act relating to the town of Smithfield to be allowed to accept Plan C of Section 45-21-52(a)(3) for certain employees.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2971) An Act authorizing the town of Jamestown to finance the installation, expansion, construction and improvement of sewers, storm drains, pumping stations and sewage treatment and disposal facilities, to issue not more than \$5,500,000 bonds and notes therefor and to impose additional sewer service charges under Chapter 233 of the Public Laws of 1973, as amended, to pay the principal and interest on such bonds and notes.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(00-S 2980) An Act relating to businesses and professions- second-hand dealers.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(2000-H 7647) An Act relating to insurance.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(2000-H 7651) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to state affairs and government.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Senator Kelly presents (00-S 2991 An Act relating to property subject to taxation.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senator Kelly presents (00-S 2992) An Act relating to levy and assessment of local taxes.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

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

1. (00-S 2934) Senate Resolution creating a special Senate commission to study the structure, administration, and operation of the Rhode Island Human Rights Commission.

CALENDAR

in order for the day is taken up as follows:

1.(2000-H 6715) An Act relating to taxation.

Committee on Corporations recommends pas sage in concurrence.

Senator Lenihan moves passage, seconded by Senator Kells.

The act is read and passed, in concurrence, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 46 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

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2. (00-S 2958) An Act authorizing the city of Warwick to issue bonds and notes in an amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 (\$3,500,000 of which shall be to preserve open space and \$500,000 of which shall be to acquire recreation land).

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Enos, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, June 1, 2000.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Cote announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet on Thursday, June 1. 2000, at 3:30 o'clock P.M. 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 35 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Izzo announces that the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare 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, and upon suggestion of Senator Walsh, the Senate adjourns at 4:24 o'clock P.M., on a unanimous rising vote, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the men and women who died in service to our country.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR ELEANOR C. SASSO

Almighty God, Touch our minds with light, create in us a clearer insight, a just and true spirit that we may be led to sound conclusions. Grant us mutual trust and good will. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

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Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2.(2000-H 7011 as amended) An Act relating to housing maintenance and occupancy code.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

3.(2000-H 7142) (Substitute -'A"] An Act relating to deceptive trade practices - appliances.

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

4. (200~H 7440) (Substitute "A" as amended) Joint Resolution creating a special legislative commission to study the licensing of private detectives.

Committee on Corporations recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A" as amended in concurrence.

5.(2000-H 8041) An Act authorizing the town of Coventry to finance the acquisition and improvement of land for recreational purposes by the issuance of not more than \$2,000,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

6.(2000-H 8154) An Act amending the charter of North Providence.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

1.(00-S 2704) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to criminal offenses sex offender central registry.

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

8.(00-S 2874) An Act relating to mandated benefits review act.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

9.(2000-H 6879) (Substitute "B") An Act relating to business corporations.

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

10.(2000-H 6880) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to business corporations.

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

11.(2000-H 7020) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to businesses and professions -pharmacy.

Committee on Corporations recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A" as amended in concurrence.

12.(2000-H 7676) An Act relating to refuse disposal licenses.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

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CALENDAR

In order for Tuesday, June 6, 2000:

1.(00-S 2862) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to personal watercraft regulations.

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

2.(00-S 2940 as amended) An Act relating to taxation - Gateways to Change, Inc.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage as amended.

3. (00-S 2968) An Act in amendment of Sections 4, 7 and 10 of An Act passed at the January session 1930, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Saylesville Fire District in the town of Lincoln" as amended.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

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9. (00-S 2971) An Act authorizing the town of Jamestown to finance the installation, expansion, construction and improvement of sewers, storm drains, pumping stations and sewage treatment and disposal facilities, to issue not more than \$5,500,000 bonds and notes therefor and to impose additional sewer service charges under Chapter 233 of the Public Laws of 1973, as amended, to pay the principal and interest on such bonds and notes.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

6. (00-S 2980) An Act relating to businesses and professions- second-hand dealers.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

7.(2000-H 7647) An Act relating to insurance.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

8.(2000-H 7651) (Substitute "A" An Act relating to state affairs and government.

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

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.

Clerk of the Senate

Wednesday, May 31, 2000

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

Thank you for stopping by!

