

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 second day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and one.

Volume 128, No. 8 Thursday, January 18, 2001 Eighth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, Charles J. Fogarty, at 4:00 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, Fogarty, Gallo, Garabedian, Gibbs, Goodwin, Graziano, Hunter, Igliazzi, Irons, Issa, Izzo, Kells, Kelly, Lenihan, McBurney, McDonald, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Roney, Ruggerio, Sheehan, SosnowsKi, Tassoni, Walaska, Walsh, Walton.

ABSENT - 2; Senators McCaffrey, Perry.

INVOCATION

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senate Majority Leader Irons, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, by unanimous consent, presents Senate Majority Leader Irons, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, January 17, 2001 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senate Majority Leader Irons and Senator Coderre, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the

Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Elaine A. Coderre, State Representative from Pawtucket and newly elected Chair of the House Special Legislation Committee.

Also:

Upon suggestion of Senator Coderre, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Paul Bettencourt, a former member of the Pawtucket School Committee.

Also:

Upon suggestion of Senator Blais, and by unanimous consent, His Honor, the Lieutenant Governor, welcomes to the Chamber Anthony Colaluca of Coventry, who will be serving as a Senate page this year.

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

January 17, 2001

To the Honorable, the Senate;

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 3~1&1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority;

Anna F. Prager of Wakefield for a term expiring April 1, 2003.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

LINCOLN ALMOND
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

TRANSFER OF BILLS

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

(01-S 21) An Act creating a Sunset Law.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

NEW BUSINESS

Senators McDonald, Enos, Damiani, Polisena, Fogarty and others present (01-S 92) An Act relating to criminal procedure -- DNA detection of sexual and violent offenders.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Coderre, Parella, Walaska and McDonald present (01-S 93) An Act relating to fish and wildlife.

Read and referred to the Committee on Special Legislation.

Senators Graziano, Montalbano, Irons, Gallo, Hunter and others present (01-S 94) An Act relating to health and safety safe haven for infants act.

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

Senator Badeau presents (01-S 95) An Act relating to sales and use taxes.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Paiva Weed, Felag, Walsh, Algieri and Sosnowski present (by request of the Lieutenant Governor) (01-S 96) An Act relating to waters and navigation - coastal. and estuary habitat restoration program and trust fund.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Foggy, Tassoni, Walaska, Lenihan, Enos and others present (01-S 97) An Act relating to education.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Bates, Hunter, Celona, Walaska, Tassoni and others present (01-S 98) An Act relating to insurance.

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations.

Senators Igliozi, Graziano, Gallo, Walton, Kells and others present (01-S 99) An Act relating to the Rhode Island student investment initiative.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Damiani, Polisena, Montalbano, Celona, Walaska and others present (01-S 100) An Act relating to alcohol boating safety.

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Igliozi, Graziano, Walton, Gallo, Kells and others present (01-S 101) An Act relating to education - the Rhode Island student investment initiative.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Igliozi, Graziano, Walton, Gallo, Kells and others present (01-S 102) An Act relating to education aid - Rhode Island student investment initiative.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Walsh, Sosnowski, Paiva Weed and Roberts present (01-S 103) An Act relating to education.

Read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Senators Igliozi, Graziano, Gallo, Caprio, Kells and others present (01-S 104) An Act relating to school committees and superintendents.

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

Senators Walsh, Breene and Damiani present (01-S 105) An Act relating to furbearing animals.

Read and referred to the Joint Committee on Environment and Energy.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measure on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, is read and passed, in concurrence, upon a voice vote:

(01-H 5118) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Childs Realty Co., Inc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Also:

Senator Montalbano announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet on Tuesday, January 23, 2001, at 5:00 o'clock P.M. in Room 313 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Graziano announces that the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare will meet on Wednesday, January 24, 2001, at the rise of the Senate in Room 211 of the State House.

Also:

Senator Connors announces that the Rules Committee 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 Senate Majority Leader Irons, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:10 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATE MAJORITY LEADER WILLIAM V. IRONS

As we hear of Governor Almond's condition, let us all keep him in our thoughts and prayers. Dear Lord, we ask you to bless us all and to send a special blessing to those in our society who are afflicted with illness in any way. Please watch over them and keep them in your ever-loving care. Amen.

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