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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable William V. Irons, President of the Senate, at 4:14 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 2 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT - 36: The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT - 2: Senators DaPonte, McBurney.

INVOCATION

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Ciccone, to deliver the invocation.

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Ciccone, to lead the Senate in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Thursday, April 24, 2003 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Alves, and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Todd Sanislow, Verizon Super Pages, Michelle Callan, Verizon, John Mudderidge, Fidelity Investments.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SENATE CHAMBER**

April 29, 2003

Honorable William V. Irons
President of the Senate
317 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Irons:

I was absent from the Senate April 22, 23 and 24, 2003, due to my presence being required in the Dominican Republic on business.

I participated in a business conference along with a bi-partisan delegation from the United States Congress.

Sincerely,

JUAN M. PICHARDO
Senator, District 2

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President 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**

Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

April 25, 2003

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Article 10, Section 4 of the Rhode Island Constitution entitled Judicial Selection, I have made the following appointment as Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court:

Paul A. Suttell of Little Compton
VICE
Associate Justice Victoria Lederberg

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

Sincerely,

DONALD L. CARCIERI
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, PROVIDENCE**

Donald L. Carcieri Governor

April 25, 2003

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Article 10, Section 4 of the Rhode Island Constitution entitled Judicial Selection, I have made the following appointment as Associate Justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court:

Allen P. Rubine of Cranston
VICE
Associate Justice Ronald Gagnon

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

Sincerely,

DONALD L. CARCIERI
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER, PROVIDENCE**

Donald L. Carcieri Governor

April 17, 2003

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 appointment to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education:

Ana M. Morgan of Cranston
VICE
Vidal P. Perez
(resigned)

for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

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

Sincerely,

DONALD L. CARCIERI
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND GAMING ISSUES

Senator Goodwin, from the Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(03-S 928) Senate Resolution proclaiming April 3, 2003, as "Rhode Island Pay Equity Day".

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

(03-S 888) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to alcoholic beverages.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Senator Alves, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(03-S 1011) An Act enabling the Rhode Island Lottery Commission to enter into a master contract with GTech.

Without objection, read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, April 30, 2003.

(03-S 192) An Act relating to taxation - sales tax.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 197) An Act relating to taxation - personal income tax.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 741) An Act relating to state affairs and government - jobs development act.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 915) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public utilities and carriers - taxicabs and limited public motor vehicles.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Senator Celona, from the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Reappointment of Douglas A. Sgarro of Barrington to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2007.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

(03-S 544) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of local taxes - Bristol.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 987) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles - lighting equipment and reflectors.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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

(03-S 16 as amended) An Act relating to privileges and immunities of militiamen.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 379) An Act relating to criminal procedure - arrest.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 380) An Act relating to Human Services - public assistance act.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 660) An Act relating to education - health and safety of pupils.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 663) An Act relating to criminal offenses - impersonation and identity fraud.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Senator Roberts, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(03-S 136) An Act relating to businesses and professions - health clubs.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 393) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 671) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - licensing of health care facilities.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 708) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to domestic relations - marriage licenses.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 810) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Blais, the following appointments on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are given the Advice and Consent of the Senate, upon a voice vote:

1. Reappointment of Kevin Flynn of Cranston (Local Planner) to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Commission for a term expiring January 31, 2006.

2. Reappointment of David Hammarstrom of Providence (Representative of Insurers) to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Commission for a term expiring January 31, 2006.

3.

Appointment of Brian Lombardi of Glocester (Local Building Official) VICE John Leyden to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Act for a term expiring January 31, 2006.

4. Reappointment of Mary Jane K. "Susan" Baxter of Providence as Chairperson to the Rhode Island Housing Resources Commission for a term expiring January 31, 2006.

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1.

Appointment of Ms. Christine S. Jabour of Barrington as Clerk/Magistrate of the District Court for a term of ten (10) years.

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

Senator Caprio, seconded by Senate Majority Leader Montalbano and Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Tassoni, Perry, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Revens, Breene, Bates, Badeau, Ciccone and many others, moves that Advice and Consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

Senate Majority Leader Montalbano discusses the appointment.

The Advice and Consent of the Senate is given this appointment, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Caprio and Ruggerio, and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Christine S. Jabour of Barrington, newly confirmed Clerk/Magistrate of the District Court, along with her husband Jerry Visconti, mother Adele Jabour, sister Claire Jabour, nieces Chelsey and Natilie-Joe Sidman, brother Paul Jabour and brother-in-law Eric Sidman.

CALENDAR

2. (03-S220) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to property.

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Connors, Gibbs and Breene.

Senator Gibbs, seconded by Senators Blais, Breene, Sosnowski and Algieri, offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

(03-S 220) (Substitute "A")

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend (03-S 220) (Substitute "A") entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY", as follows:

(1) On page 1, line 15, by inserting the words "Rhode Island licensed" after the words "animals in its custody to a".

(2) On page 1, line 16, by adding the words "society for the prevention of cruelty to animals," after the words "animal shelter".

Respectfully submitted,

JUNE N. GIBBS
Senator, District 12

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

Upon motion of Senator Sosnowski, seconded by Senators Gibbs, Connors and Blais, the bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

3. (03-S270) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to food and drugs - fruits and vegetables generally.

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Breene, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 1, 2003.

4. (03-S413) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - refuse disposal.

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Gibbs, Revens and Sheehan.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 35:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

5. (03-S579) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to agriculture and forestry - right to farm.

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Roberts, Blais, Breene and many others.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 35:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

6. (03-S850) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to state affairs and government - Department of Environmental Management.

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 35:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

7. (03-S28) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - sanitation standards for bathing beaches.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Upon suggestion of Senator Walaska, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 1, 2003.

9. (03-S132) An Act relating to businesses and professions.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene and Polisena.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 2 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 33:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 2: Senators Blais, Connors.

10. (03-S151) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - nursing working mothers.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by Senators Roberts, Parella and Gibbs.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 35:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

11. (03-S162) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Lanzi moves passage, seconded by Senators Connors, Gallo, Roberts, Ciccone and many others.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
SENATE CHAMBER**

STATEMENT OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT

To the Honorable Senate:

I, John A. Celona, under oath depose and say:

- 1. I am a duly elected member of the Rhode Island Senate.
- 2. This statement is made in accord with Rhode Island General Law section 36-14-6.
- 3. In my official capacity, I may be expected or required to vote or participate in the deliberation of bills (03-S 441) and (03-S 876), now pending before the Senate or a committee thereof.
- 4. I request that I be excused from voting, deliberating or taking action on the matter.
- 5. I do not desire to vote or deliberate because I have a conflict of interest as follows.

Consultant at the Village at Elmhurst.

- 6. This statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signed under penalties of perjury this 28th day of April, 2003.

JOHN A. CELONA
Senator, District 7

Ordered to be placed on file.

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- 13. (03-S441) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - assisted living residence licensing act.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

ABSTAINED - 1: Senator Celona.

14. (03-S445) (Substitute "A") Joint Resolution creating a special legislative commission to study the nursing crisis in Rhode Island nursing homes.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Alves moves passage, seconded by Senators Roberts, Perry, Felag, Sosnowski, Pichardo and others.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

15. (03-S872) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to human services - encouraging volunteer efforts of physicians and dentists - at free health clinics.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A". Senator Parella moves passage, seconded by Senators Roberts, Felag, Issa, Goodwin, Ruggerio, Damiani, Gibbs and many others.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 35:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

16. (03-S876) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to long-term care - ombudsperson.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A" as amended.

Senator Roberts moves passage, seconded by Senator Sosnowski, Gibbs and Sheehan.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, as amended, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 34 Senators voting in the affirmative, 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS - 34:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

ABSTAINED - 1: Senator Celona.

17. (03-S883) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to abused and neglected children.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 1, 2003.

8. (03-S105) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 1, 2003.

12. (03-S318) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - Department of Health.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senators Goodwin, Roberts, Fogarty, Celona and Damiani.

Senators Perry and Felag discuss the act.

Upon suggestion of Senator Tassoni, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 1, 2003.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Senators McCaffrey and Paiva Weed present (03-S 1033) An Act relating to domestic relations - solemnization of marriages.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Senators Gallo, Fogarty, Issa, Walaska and Sosnowski present (03-S 1034) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles - operators' and chauffeurs' licenses.

Read and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government.

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 Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 5:00 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR FRANK A. CICCONE, III

Almighty God, we ask that you aid us in putting forth our best efforts as leaders of our State, as we attempt to make Rhode Island a better place for our people to live. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for Wednesday, April 30, 2003:

- 1. Reappointment of Douglas A. Sgarro of Barrington to the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation for a term expiring February 1, 2007.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and

Consent to this Reappointment.

2. (03-S928) Senate Resolution proclaiming April 3, 2003, as "Rhode Island Pay Equity Day".

Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues recommends passage.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.

Secretary of the Senate

Tuesday, April 29, 2003

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Wednesday, April 30, 2003:

1. (03-S1011) (Substitute "A") An Act enabling the Rhode Island Lottery Commission to enter into a master contract with GTech.

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

2. (03-S821) An Act relating to taxation - property subject to taxation.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

3. (03-S926) An Act relating to taxation.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

4. (03-S137) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to insurance.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

5. (03-S279) An Act relating to banking law - dishonored checks.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

6. (03-S281) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to insurance - federal riot reinsurance reimbursement fund.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

7. (03-S402) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to regulating oversight.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

8. (03-S403) An Act relating to trust powers.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

9. (03-S431) An Act relating to insurance.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

10. (03-S433) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to insurance - insurance premium finance agreements.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

11. (03-S434) An Act relating to state affairs and government - Department of Business Regulation.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

12. (03-S435) An Act relating to insurance - producer licensing act.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

13. (03-S436) An Act relating to financial institutions - licensed activities.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

14. (03-S437) An Act relating to securities.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

15. (03-S559) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to financial institutions - licensed activities and regulating oversight.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

16. (03-S841) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to fiduciaries - uniform management of institutional funds.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

17. (03-S843) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public utilities and carriers.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

18. (03-S911) An Act relating to insurance - producer licensing act.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Thursday, May 1, 2003:

1. (03-S270) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to food and drugs - fruits and vegetables generally.

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

2. (03-S28) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - sanitation standards for bathing beaches.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

3. (03-S105) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

4. (03-S318) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - Department of Health.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

5. (03-S883) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to abused and neglected children.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

6. (03-S1033) An Act relating to domestic relations - solemnization of marriages.

Ordered on the Calendar.

7. (03-S192) An Act relating to taxation - sales tax.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

8. (03-S197) An Act relating to taxation - personal income tax.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

9. (03-S741) An Act relating to state affairs and government - jobs development act.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

10. (03-S915) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public utilities and carriers - taxicabs and limited public motor vehicles.

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

11. (03-S888) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to alcoholic beverages.

Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

12. (03-S544) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of local taxes - Bristol.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

13. (03-S987) An Act relating to motor and other vehicles - lighting equipment and reflectors.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

14. (03-S136) An Act relating to businesses and professions - health clubs.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends passage.

15. (03-S393) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

16. (03-S671) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety - licensing of health care facilities.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

17. (03-S708) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to domestic relations - marriage licenses.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

18. (03-S810) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

19. (03-S16 as amended) An Act relating to privileges and immunities of militiamen.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended.

20. (03-S379) An Act relating to criminal procedure - arrest.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

21. (03-S380) An Act relating to Human Services - public assistance act.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

22. (03-S660) An Act relating to education - health and safety of pupils.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

23. (03-S663) An Act relating to criminal offenses - impersonation and identity fraud.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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