

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 seventh day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and three.

Volume 130, No.45 Wednesday, May 7, 2003 Forty-fifth Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable William V. Irons, President of the Senate, at 4:26 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 Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT - 2: Senators Felag, Roberts.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Tuesday, May 6, 2003 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

SENATE CHAMBER

May 7, 2003

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

Dear Mr. President:

I would like the record to reflect that I was absent from the Senate session on Tuesday, May 6 because I was in court as a witness in the East Bay Redistricting case. Although I missed the session because of the court schedule, I did come directly to the State House when court recessed for the day and then attended the Senate Finance Committee meeting.

I respectfully request that this letter be recorded in the Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

MARY A. PARELLA
Senator, District 11

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

Also:

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

May 7, 2003

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

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised that I was in court yesterday, May 6th, for the East Bay redistricting case. Unfortunately, court did not adjourn until 4:30 p.m., hence my absence from the Senate session. I did, however, arrive in time to participate in my assigned committee meetings.

I would appreciate it if you would record this letter in the appropriate Senate Journal. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

JUNE N. GIBBS

Deputy Minority Leader

Received and ordered to be placed on file.

APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President 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**

Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

April 30, 2003

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 20-2.1-12 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Commercial Fishing License Review Board:

Michael L. Marchetti of Wakefield
(Representing Lobster Sector)

for a term expiring March 31, 2006.

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

Sincerely,

DONALD L. CARCIERI
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

**FROM THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

(03-H 6407) Joint Resolution proclaiming October 19 through October 25, 2003 as "Hospice Awareness Week" in the State of Rhode Island.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

(03-H 6408) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Quality Tile, Inc.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

(03-S 226) An Act relating to taxation - property subject to taxation.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 526) An Act relating to public officers and employees - federal old-age and survivors' insurance.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 777) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to monuments and memorials.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 957) An Act relating to taxation - Operation Stand Down Rhode Island.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 981) An Act relating to taxation - property subject to taxation.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 1026) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to the high school in the town and the equipping and furnishing thereof by the issuance of not more than \$5,500,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 1028) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to public schools and school facilities in the town by the issuance of not more than \$3,500,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

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 122) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to courts - judicial selection.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 123) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to elections - nomination papers.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 236) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to state affairs and government - lobbying of state employees.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 240) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to boats - title.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 334) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to selection of jury

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 337) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to courts and civil procedure - jury lists.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 469) An Act relating to property - residential landlord tenant act.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 471) An Act relating to property - residential landlord and tenant act.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 476) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to tax sales.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Appointment of Robert B. Holbrook of East Greenwich VICE Brenda J. Gaynor to the Public Utilities Commission for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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.

Senators Fogarty, Gallo and Walaska present (03-S 1065) An Act relating to towns and cities - optional retirement for police/fire fighters.

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

Senator Algieri presents (03-S 1066) An Act relating to taxation - town of Westerly.

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

Senators McBurney, Irons, Montalbano, Issa and Damiani present (03-S 1067) Joint Resolution expressing condolences on the passing of our colleague, the late Representative Mabel M. Anderson.

Senator McBurney requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

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

1. (03-S1063) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Snoopy's Diner Inc.
2. (03-S1064) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Delmar Aero Corp.

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. (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".

Upon suggestion of Senator Blais, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, May 14, 2003.

2. (03-S149) Joint Resolution making an appropriation to pay certain veterans' bonuses.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Walaska moves passage, seconded by Senator Damiani.

The resolution is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

3. (03-S150) Joint Resolution making an appropriation to pay certain veterans' bonuses.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators Damiani and Walaska.

The resolution is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

4. (03-S225) An Act relating to public officers and employees - retirement system - contributions and benefits.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Issa moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Gallo, Sosnowski, Alves and McCaffrey.

The act is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

5. (03-S370) An Act relating to towns and cities - relief of injured and deceased firefighters and police officers.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Breene moves passage, seconded by Senators Damiani, Walaska, Raptakis and Polisena.

The act is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

6. (03-S374) An Act relating to state affairs and government - pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly act.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Alves, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 13, 2003.

8. (03-S514) An Act relating to taxation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Breene, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Desk.

9. (03-S746) An Act relating to taxation - sales and use taxes - liability and computation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Issa, Paiva Weed, Breene and Blais.

The act is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

10. (03-S758) An Act relating to criminal procedure - criminal injuries compensation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senators Celona, Sheehan, Goodwin, Alves, Damiani and others.

Senators Perry, Sheehan and Polisena discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote with 27 Senators voting in the affirmative and 5 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 27:

The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Lanzi, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Polisena, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 5: Senators Connors, Gibbs, Parella, Perry, Pichardo.

11. (03-S143) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to indebtedness of towns and cities - municipal deficits.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A" as amended.

Senate Majority Leader Montalbano moves passage, seconded by Senators Celona, Damiani, Issa, Breene, Cote, Lenihan, Lanzi, Polisena and many others.

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 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

12. (03-S354) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to towns and cities.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator Celona moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, Sosnowski, Walaska, Connors and Lenihan.

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, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

13. (03-S80) An Act relating to criminal offenses.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, May 14, 2003.

14. (03-S244 as amended) An Act relating to criminal procedure - sentence and execution.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage as amended.

Senator Blais moves passage, seconded by Senators Breene, McCaffrey, Ruggerio, Damiani and Senate Majority Leader Montalbano.

The act is read and passed, as amended, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone,

Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

15. (03-S386) An Act relating to delinquent and dependent children - interstate compact on juveniles.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by Senator Paiva Weed and McCaffrey.

The act is read and passed, 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, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

16. (03-S463) An Act relating to sentence and execution.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator McBurney moves passage, seconded by Senators Damiani, Polisena, Cote, Badeau, McCaffrey and Walaska.

The act is read and passed, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

17. (03-S466) An Act relating to corporations, associations and partnerships - racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 13, 2003.

18. (03-S658) An Act relating to causes of action.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator McBurney moves passage, seconded by Senators Walaska, McCaffrey, Damiani and Polisen.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 33 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 33:

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

NAYS - 0.

7. (03-S501) An Act relating to public utilities and carriers - railroad preservation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator DaPonte moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed and Damiani.

Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senators Damiani, Connors and Ciccone, offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT
TO
(03-S 501)

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend (03-S 501) entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - RAILROAD PRESERVATION", as follows:

On page 1, line 17, by inserting after the acronym "MBTA" the following language: "in support of purchases and/or improvements for maintaining and/or improving commuter rail service to and/or within the state of Rhode Island,".

Respectfully submitted,

DANIAL DaPONTE
Senator, District 14

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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisen, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

Senators Sheehan and DaPonte discuss the act.

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senators Damiani, Connors and Ciccone, read and passed, as amended, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisen, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

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.

FROM THE DESK

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, the following act, having been previously passed in concurrence by the Senate, is removed from the desk and ordered transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor.

(03-H 6279) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Art's Tavern, Inc.

**FROM THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

(03-H 6413) Joint Resolution expressing condolences on the passing of our colleague, the late Representative Mabel M. Anderson.

Senator McBurney requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senator McBurney, seconded by the entire Senate, and by unanimous consent, read and passed, in concurrence, upon a rising vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator McBurney, the Senate adjourns at 5:04 o'clock P.M., in memory of the Honorable Mabel M. Anderson, former State Representative from the City of Pawtucket. Her commitment to her city and state and her lifelong devotion to always helping others will forever be remembered, and her legacy will live on in the hearts of those she touched.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR LEO R. BLAIS

Almighty God, we ask today that You help us to live wisely, to fight for justice and truth, and to always try to live up to the expectations of our constituents. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for Thursday, May 8, 2003:

1. (03-H6407) Joint Resolution proclaiming October 19 through October 25, 2003 as "Hospice Awareness Week" in the State of Rhode Island.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. (03-H6408) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of Quality Tile, Inc.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate
Wednesday, May 7, 2003

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Thursday, May 8, 2003:

1. (03-S983) (Substitute "A") Senate Resolution creating a special Senate commission to study the health effects of toxic mold.

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

2. (03-S464) An Act relating to criminal offenses - children.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. (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".

4. (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".

5. (03-S136) An Act relating to businesses and professions - health clubs.

Committee on Health and Human Services recommends passage.

6. (03-S1002) An Act relating to taxation - tax sales.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

7. (03-S1004) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of the local taxes.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

8. (03-S1024) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to public schools and school facilities and the renovation and repair of the public library in the town by the issuance of not more than \$3,900,000 bonds and/or notes therefor to be allocated as follows: \$3,500,000 to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to public schools and school facilities in the town and \$400,000 to finance the renovation and repair of the public library in the town.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

9. (03-S1027) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance road improvements by the issuance of not more than \$2,000,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

10. (03-S677) An Act relating to corporations, associations and partnerships - business corporations.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

11. (03-S929) An Act relating to incorporation of the Dunns Corners Fire District.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

12. (03-S944) An Act relating to establishing the Westerly Municipal Land Trust.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

13. (03-S472) An Act relating to property - mortgage foreclosures.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

14. (03-S480) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to criminal offenses - sexual offender registration and community

notification.

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

15. (03-S483) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public property and works - state purchases.

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

16. (03-S673) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to criminal law - theft and disruption of telecommunications and community antenna television services.

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

17. (03-S697) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of local taxes.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

18. (03-S702) An Act relating to probate practice and procedure - collection and management of decedents' estates.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

19. (03-S706) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to state affairs and government.

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

20. (03-S733) An Act relating to elections - voting districts and officials.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

21. (03-S736) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - confidentiality of health care communications and information act.

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

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Tuesday, May 13, 2003:

1.

Appointment of Robert B. Holbrook of East Greenwich VICE Brenda J. Gaynor to the Public Utilities Commission for a term expiring March 1, 2009.

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

2. (03-S374) An Act relating to state affairs and government - pharmaceutical assistance to the elderly act.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

3. (03-S466) An Act relating to corporations, associations and partnerships - racketeer influenced and corrupt organizations.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

4. (03-S1033) An Act relating to domestic relations - solemnization of marriages.

Ordered on the Calendar.

5. (03-S226 as amended) An Act relating to taxation - property subject to taxation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage as amended.

6. (03-S526) An Act relating to public officers and employees - federal old-age and survivors' insurance.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

7. (03-S777) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to monuments and memorials.

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

8. (03-S957) An Act relating to taxation - Operation Stand Down Rhode Island.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

9. (03-S981) An Act relating to taxation - property subject to taxation.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

10. (03-S1026) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to the high school in the town and the equipping and furnishing thereof by the issuance of not more than \$5,500,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

11. (03-S1028) An Act authorizing the town of Cumberland to finance the construction of additions, renovations, improvements, alterations and repairs to public schools and school facilities in the town by the issuance of not more than \$3,500,000 bonds and/or notes therefor.

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

12. (03-S122) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to courts - judicial selection.

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

13. (03-S123) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to elections - nomination papers.

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

14. (03-S236) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to state affairs and government - lobbying of state employees.

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

15. (03-S240) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to boats - title.

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

16. (03-S334) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to selection of jury

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

17. (03-S337) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to courts and civil procedure - jury lists.

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

18. (03-S469) An Act relating to property - residential landlord tenant act.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

19. (03-S471) An Act relating to property - residential landlord and tenant act.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

20. (03-S476) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to tax sales.

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

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Wednesday, May 14, 2003:

1. (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".

2. (03-S80) An Act relating to criminal offenses.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

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Secretary of the Senate

Wednesday, May 7, 2003

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