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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.57 Thursday, June 5, 2003 Fifty-seventh Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable William V. Irons, President of the Senate, at 4:06 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 38 Senators present and 0 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT - 38: The Honorable President Irons and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisen, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT - 0.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

CORRECTION

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 4, 2003 shall be corrected as recording all House acts that were passed in concurrence as being placed on the desk.

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of Wednesday, June 4, 2003 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Gallo, Polisena and Felag, and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Joseph Corrente, Chairman, Legislative Chairman, United Veterans Council, Disabled American Veterans; Ernest Pitochelli, Vice Chairman, Legislative Officer, AMVETS; and Michael Minutelli, ITAMS WWII Memorial Commission Member; who are here today with a replica of the future WWII monument that will be built on South Main Street near the current WWI monument.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
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 measure:

(03-S 831) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to insurance - nonprofit hospital corporations.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

Senator Badeau, from the Committee on Labor, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(03-S 599 as amended) An Act relating to businesses and professions - telecommunications.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 626) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to workers' compensation - benefits.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 861) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to labor and labor relations - transportation of workers.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5529) An Act relating to businesses and professions - electricians.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5675) An Act relating to public property and works - labor and payment of debts by contractors.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5989) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to employment security - general provisions.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5991) An Act relating to electricians.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5992) An Act relating to industrial legislation.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5993) An Act relating to employment security - taxable wage base.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5995) An Act relating to businesses and professions.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 6026) An Act relating to occupational safety.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

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 measure:

(03-S 1086) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages - retail licenses.

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 443) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - nurses.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 567) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to health and safety - Rhode Island Workers' Safety Act of 2003.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5840) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health care - home and community care services to the elderly.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OVERSIGHT

Senator Lenihan, from the Committee on Government Oversight, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

(03-S 205) (Substitute "A") Joint Resolution creating a special legislative commission to study the feasibility of establishing the Office of Inspector General.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-S 724) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public officers and employees - code of ethics.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

(03-H 5663) An Act relating to state affairs and government - open meetings.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

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

Senator Walaska presents (by request of the Department of Business Regulation) (03-S 1123) An Act relating to insurers' rehabilitation and liquidation act.

Read and referred to the Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues.

Senator Roberts presents (03-S 1124) Senate Resolution congratulating Jack and Barbara Hogan of Cranston, Rhode Island, on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Senator Roberts requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Upon motion of Senator Roberts, seconded by Senators McCaffrey and Ruggerio, 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 Senate Majority Leader Montalbano, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measure on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, is read and passed, upon a voice vote:

1. (03-S1120) An Act to vacate the forfeiture or revocation of the charter of R.D. Angell Masonry Co., Inc.

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1.

Appointment of Pierre L. LaPerriere of Exeter VICE Sarah Dowling (resigned) to the Board of Governors for Higher Education for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

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

Senator Breene, seconded by Senators Issa, Blais and Algiere, moves that Advice and Consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

The Advice and Consent of the Senate is given this appointment, 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, Caprio, Celona, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

2.

Appointment of Anne Szostak of Providence VICE Deborah A. Smith to the Board of Governors for Higher Education for a term expiring January 31, 2006.

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

Senator Perry, seconded by Senators Issa, Felag and Caprio, moves that Advice and Consent of the Senate be given this appointment.

The Advice and Consent of the Senate is given this appointment, 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, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisena, Raptakis, Revens, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

3.

Appointment of Ana M. Morgan of Cranston VICE Vidal P. Perez (resigned) to the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education for a term expiring January 31, 2004.

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

Upon suggestion of Senate Majority Leader Montalbano, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

4. (03-S1023) An Act relating to Family Court.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Lenihan, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Wednesday, June 11, 2003.

5. (03-S1073) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - telecommunications.

Committee on Financial Services, Technology and Regulatory Issues recommends indefinite postponement of the

original bill and passage of Substitute "A".

Senator DaPonte moves passage, seconded by Senator Tassoni.

Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Tassoni, offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

(03-S 1073) (Substitute "A")

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend (03-S 1073) (Substitute "A") entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - TELECOMMUNICATIONS", as follows:

(1) On page 1, lines 16 through 19, and on page 2, line 1, deleting the following language:

"Provided, however, that on or after January 1, 2006, all subcontractors performing work for a CATV system exempt under this section shall hold a Society of Cable Television Engineers (SCTE) Broadband Premises Special (BPS) certification or a telecommunications system contractor license issued by the Rhode Island telecommunications licensing board."

(2) On page 3, delete the following language on lines 19 through 23:

"(13) On or after January 1, 2004 and every five (5) years thereafter, all telephone and CATV companies exempt under this section shall submit their training curriculum to the state board of examination and licensing of telecommunications systems contractors, technicians, and installers for their advice on how best to update training to reflect changes in codes and technology."

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL DaPONTE
Senator, District 14

The motion to amend prevails 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 Algiere, Alves, Badeau, Bates, Blais, Breene, Caprio, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Damiani, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, McBurney, McCaffrey, Montalbano, Paiva Weed, Parella, Perry, Pichardo, Polisen, Raptakis, Revens, Roberts, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS - 0.

Senators Perry and DaPonte discuss the act.

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Tassoni, 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 37 Senators

voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 37:

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

NAYS - 0.

6. (03-S959) An Act relating to the town of Scituate - Juvenile Hearing Board.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

7. (03-S139) An Act relating to military affairs - continuation of employment.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

8. (03-S401 as amended) An Act authorizing the City of Providence to convey certain property dedicated for park purposes.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

9. (03-S408 as amended) An Act relating to the City of Providence.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage as amended.

Upon suggestion of Senator Perry, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the desk.

10. (03-S539) An Act relating to corporations, associations and partnerships - business corporations.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senate Majority Leader Montalbano moves passage, seconded by Senator Ruggerio.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 37:

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

NAYS - 0.

11. (03-S822) An Act relating to cities and towns - exempting from taxation property of the Newport, Rhode Island Young Men's Christian Association.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by Senators Bates, Parella, Algieri and Tassoni.

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

NAYS - 0.

12. (03-S826) An Act relating to cities and towns - exempting from taxation property of the Westerly, Rhode Island Young Men's Christian Association.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Algieri moves passage, seconded by Senators Felag, Bates, Tassoni and others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 37:

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

NAYS - 0.

13. (03-S1006) An Act relating to towns and cities - town housing authority.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Issa moves passage, seconded by Senator Tassoni.

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

NAYS - 0.

14. (03-S1037) An Act relating to cities and towns - exempting from taxation certain property of the Healing Co-Op, Inc.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni and Parella.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 37:

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

NAYS - 0.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all Senate matters and House matters that have been amended by the Senate on the Secretary's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith and all House matters, passed in concurrence, are ordered placed on the desk.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:35 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR V. SUSAN SOSNOWSKI

Dear God, keep alive our faith in You as we endeavor to perform our duties in order to ensure a better state of Rhode Island. Amen.

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Tuesday, June 10, 2003:

- 1.** (03-S400) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to insurance - health maintenance organizations.

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

- 2.** (03-S808) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health and safety.

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

- 3.** (03-S820) An Act relating to public utilities and carriers - Public Utilities Commission.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 4.** (03-S827) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - nurses.

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

- 5.** (03-S834) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to insurance - small employer health insurance.

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

- 6.** (03-S930) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to the town of South Kingstown.

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

- 7.** (03-S961) An Act relating to motor vehicles - size, weight and load limits.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 8.** (03-S1015) An Act relating to dissolution of the Tiverton Board of Water Commissioners.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 9.** (03-S1030) An Act relating to towns and cities - Shannock Water District.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

- 10.** (03-S1114) An Act relating to taxation - town of Lincoln.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage.

11. (03-H5064) An Act relating to validating and ratifying certain amendments to the home rule charter of the city of Newport.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

12. (03-H5370) An Act relating to state affairs and government - Economic Development Corporation.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

13. (03-H5702 as amended) An Act exempting the real, mixed and personal property of Woonsocket Young Men's Christian Association.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage as amended in concurrence.

14. (03-H5722) An Act exempting from taxation the real, mixed and personal property of the Darlington Braves, Inc. of Pawtucket.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

15. (03-H5745) (Substitute "A") 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" in concurrence.

16. (03-H5756) An Act relating to validating and ratifying amendments to the home rule charter of the town of Middletown.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

17. (03-H5761) An Act relating to taxation - levy and assessment of local taxes.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

18. (03-H5766) An Act relating to validating and ratifying amendments to the charter of the town of Jamestown.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

19. (03-H6179) An Act relating to incorporation of the Dunns Corners Fire District.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

20. (03-H6271) An Act relating to establishing the Westerly Municipal Land Trust.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

21. (03-H6300) An Act exempting from taxation the real, mixed and personal property of the Rhode Island Society of the Sons of the Revolution in Middletown.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

22. (03-H6356) An Act relating to taxation - town of Westerly.

Committee on Commerce, Housing and Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

23. (03-H6375) (Substitute "A") An Act exempting from taxation the real, mixed and personal property of Welcome House of South County.

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

Appendix

CALENDAR

In order for Wednesday, June 11, 2003:

1. (03-S1023) An Act relating to Family Court.

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

2. (03-S1086) An Act relating to alcoholic beverages - retail licenses.

Committee on Constitutional and Gaming Issues recommends passage.

3. (03-S831) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to insurance - nonprofit hospital corporations.

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

4. (03-S443) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to businesses and professions - nurses.

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

5. (03-S567) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to health and safety - Rhode Island Workers' Safety Act of 2003.

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

6. (03-H5840) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to health care - home and community care services to the elderly.

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

7. (03-S599 as amended) An Act relating to businesses and professions - telecommunications.

Committee on Labor recommends passage as amended.

8. (03-S626) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to workers' compensation - benefits.

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

9. (03-S861) (Substitute "A" as amended) An Act relating to labor and labor relations - transportation of workers.

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

10. (03-H5529) An Act relating to businesses and professions - electricians.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

11. (03-H5675) An Act relating to public property and works - labor and payment of debts by contractors.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

12. (03-H5989) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to employment security - general provisions.

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

13. (03-H5991) An Act relating to electricians.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

14. (03-H5992) An Act relating to industrial legislation.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

15. (03-H5993) An Act relating to employment security - taxable wage base.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

16. (03-H5995) An Act relating to businesses and professions.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

17. (03-H6026) An Act relating to occupational safety.

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

18. (03-S205) (Substitute "A") Joint Resolution creating a special legislative commission to study the feasibility of establishing the Office of Inspector General.

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

19. (03-S724) (Substitute "A") An Act relating to public officers and employees - code of ethics.

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

20. (03-H5663) An Act relating to state affairs and government - open meetings.

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage in concurrence.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate
Thursday, June 5, 2003

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

Thank you for stopping by!

