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Thirty-sixth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:17 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 33 Senators present and 5 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 33: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 5: Senators Bates, Ciccone, DaPonte, Doyle, Metts

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 the Thirty-fifth Legislative Day of the 2007 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.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Perry, Lanzi, McBurney, Sosnowski, Issa, Fogarty and Jabour and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber William Hochstrasser- Walsh, Executive Director, CCAP Family Health Services, Sarah Nottage, Board Chair, Northwest Health Center, Jerald Fingerut, MD, Medical Director, Blackstone Valley Community Health Care, Cindy Gardiner, Social Services Manager, Wood River Health Services, Louise Ornstein, Executive Director, Chad Brown Health Center, Maria Montanaro, Executive Director, Thundermist Health Centers, Loretta Tharp, Development Director, Providence Community Health Centers, Joseph DeSantis, Executive Director, Tri-Town Health Center, Monty Stover, Executive Director, Block Island Health Services, Christine Richard, Business Manager, RI Health Center Association, Sally Mendzela, Cancer Carer Coordinator, RI Health Center Association and Marie Ghazal, RN, M.S. Vice President of Patient Care and Chief Nursing Officer.

Upon suggestion of Senator Fogarty and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Paul Whelan and Michelle Whelan.

Upon suggestion of Senator Blais and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Sandy Rosa, President RIPA and students Jennifer Newell, Daniel Lefkowitz, Dean Don Letendre, URI, Jack Autson, Executive Director RIPA, William A. Beaulieu, and Heather Larch Past President RIPA.

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
STATE HOUSE**

April 23, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 46-15.1-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Water Resources Board:

William Penn of Block Island
(Member with expertise in financial planning)
(Mr. Penn was formerly designated as a Public Member on the Board)
(New Seat)

for a term expiring March 1, 2010.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

April 23, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 46-15.1-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Water Resources Board:

Harold Ward of Hope Valley
(Member of Conservation Organization – Recommended by the Environmental Council)
(New Seat)

for a term expiring March 1, 2010.

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.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

April 23, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 5-71-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the State Board of Examiners for Interpreters for the Deaf:

Christopher Haas of Wakefield
(National Certified Interpreter)
(formerly the appointee of the Senate President)

for a term expiring November 1, 2010.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

April 23, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 5-71-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the State Board of Examiners for Interpreters for the Deaf:

Debra J. Raiche of Wakefield
(Representing Specialized Communication Modalities)

for a term expiring November 1, 2009.

To this reappointment, I request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
STATE HOUSE**

April 23, 2007

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 23-28.2-23 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Fire Education and Training Coordinating Board:

John Silva of North Providence
(Representing RI Association of Firefighters)

VICE
Oscar Elmasian

for a term expiring January 31, 2008.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS**

Senator Walaska, from the Committee on Corporations, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Nomination of A. Michael Marques of Coventry as Director of the Department of Business Regulation.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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

Nomination of Corinne Calise Russo of North Providence as Director of the Department of Elderly Affairs.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Sosnowski, from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Nomination of Dr. W. Michael Sullivan of Richmond as Director of the Department of Environmental Management.

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 measure:

Nomination of Patricia Martinez of Pawtucket as Director of the Department of Children Youth and Families

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

TRANSFER OF BILLS

Senator Sosnowski, in accordance with Senate Rule 6.14, moves to transfer the following bill from the Committee on Environment and Agriculture to the Committee on Corporations

Senate Bill No. 58

BY Senators Walaska, McCaffrey, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - EXCAVATION NEAR UNDERGROUND UTILITY FACILITIES (lengthen hours of advance notification to the Dig Safe Association)

Read and referred to the Committee on Corporations

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 943**

BY Senators Algieri, Montalbano J, Walaska, Sosnowski, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT (create the Rhode Island Power Authority Act) {LC2855/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 944

BY Senators Walaska, Cote, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO INCORPORATE NATIONAL GRID GAS COMPANY {LC2670/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 945

BY Senators Perry, Levesque C, Sheehan, Miller, Pichardo

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE RHODE ISLAND EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES TO MAKE THE QUALIFICATION OF APPLICANTS FOR MEDICAID AND RITE CARE A TOP PRIORITY AND TO EXPEDITIOUSLY REMEDY STATE SYSTEMS AND POLICIES THAT ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ELIGIBLE PERSONS LOSING THEIR HEALTH INSURANCE {LC2770/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 946**BY** Senators Jabour, McBurney, Levesque C, McCaffrey, Maselli**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES (create a retailer's Class AS license that authorizes the licensee to sell at retail, wines to be used for sacramental purposes only, to any duly ordained priest, minister or rabbi or to any church or religious society) {LC2904/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Constitutional and Regulatory Issues.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 947**BY** Senator Levesque C**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (exempt the town of Portsmouth from the maximum tax levy in 2008 the year it performs a full tax revaluation) {LC2681/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 948**BY** Senators Blais, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX (allow an individual to subtract from federal adjusted gross income up to \$10,000 if he or she, while living, donates one of his or her organs to another human being for human organ transplantation) {LC2867/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 949**BY** Senators Gibbs, Perry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - CONFIDENTIALITY OF HEALTH CARE COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ACT (clarify the circumstances under which a health care professional may share confidential health care information with the DCYF or a law enforcement agency when reporting suspected child abuse) {LC2874/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 950**BY** Senators Pichardo, Miller, Perry, Metts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MISCLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES (create a new chapter of the general laws to address misclassification of employees and a penalty for a violation hereof) {LC2844/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 951

BY Senators Pichardo, Miller, Perry, Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE PROTECTION (protect temporary employees by preventing them from being employed as independent contractors if they fail to meet the requirements of an independent contractor) {LC2845/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 952

BY Senator Alves

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF JOHNSTON TO IMPOSE A SUPPLEMENTAL TAX FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 {LC2934/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 953

BY Senator Alves

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FOUNDATION LEVEL SCHOOL SUPPORT {LC2924/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 954

BY Senators Perry, Goodwin, Gallo, Miller, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 26, 2007 AS "HEALTH CENTERS RECOGNITION DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2929/1}

Senator Perry requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 955**BY** Senators Gallo, Lanzi, Gibbs, Sosnowski, Paiva-Weed**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2007 AS THE "GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2928/1}

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 956**BY** Senator Tassoni**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 26 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2007 AS "ADVANCE CARE PLANNING AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2886/1}

Senator Tassoni requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 957**BY** Senators Gibbs, Paiva-Weed, Perry**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 22ND THROUGH THE 28TH OF 2007 AS "THE WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2977/1}

Senator Gibbs requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gibbs moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a voice vote.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 958

BY Senator Connors

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RULES OF THE SENATE {LC2907/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Rules.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

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

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2007:

- 1 Reappointment of Rene R. Coutu (Permanent Fire Chief) of Lincoln to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2012 .**
- 2 Reappointment of Marion C. Filippi (Public Member) of Lincoln to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2013.**
- 3 Appointment of James B. Jackson (Labor Representative) of West Warwick VICE George Farrell to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2008.**
- 4 Appointment of William R. Jasparro (Public Member) of North Scituate VICE William Keith Burlingame to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2013.**
- 5 Reappointment of Stuart Pearson (Volunteer Fire Chief Represenative) of Mapleville to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2012 .**
- 6 Appointment of Anthony J. DiGiulio (Representing the Rhode Island Fire Safety Association) of North Providence VICE David Costa (retired) to the Fire Education and Training Coordinating Board for a term expiring January 31, 2009..**
- 7 Reappointment of Henry Richard, Jr. (Representing Industry) of Lincoln to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review for a term expiring March 1, 2012..**
- 8 Reappointment of Chief Scott G. Kettelle (Representing Regional Firemens League) of Exeter to the Fire Education and Training Coordinating Board for a term expiring January 31, 2010.**

9 2007-H 6274**BY O'Neill****ENTITLED,** AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF LAFRAMBOISE WELL DRILLING, INC.**10 2007-H 6275****BY O'Neill****ENTITLED,** AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF LAFRAMBOISE WATER SERVICE, INC.**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2007:****1 2007-S 666 SUB A as amended****BY Algieri****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INCORPORATION OF THE DUNN'S CORNERS FIRE DISTRICT

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

Senator Algieri, moves passage, seconded by Senator Breene.

Senator Algieri, seconded by Senator Breene, offers the following written motion to amend.

F L O O R A M E N D M E N T

2007 -- S 666 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED

AN ACT RELATING TO INCORPORATION OF THE DUNN'S CORNERS FIRE DISTRICT

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2007 -- S 666 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO INCORPORATION OF THE DUNN'S CORNERS FIRE DISTRICT", as follows:

(1) On page 9, line 1, by deleting the underline below the language "the district and".

(2) On page 11, lines 16 and 17, by deleting the underline below the language and punctuation "; thence northerly along the easterly side of Route 78".

(3) On page 12, line 1, by deleting the underline below the language "along the easterly side".

- (4) On page 12, line 20, by deleting the underline below the letter "h" contained in the word "Quonochontaug".
- (5) On page 12, line 21, by deleting the underline below the letter "h" contained in the word "Quonochontaug".
- (6) On page 12, line 26, by deleting the underline below the letter "h" contained in the word "Quonochontaug".
- (7) On page 13, line 12, by deleting the underline below the letter "h" contained in the word "Quonochontaug".
- (8) On page 13, line 13, by deleting the underline below the letter "h" contained in the word "Quonochontaug".
- (9) On page 13, line 17, by deleting the stricken word "hold".
- (10) On page 13, line 17, by deleting the underline below the word "hole".
- (11) On page 13, line 19, by deleting the stricken word "angel".
- (12) On page 13, line 19, by deleting the underline below the word "angle".
- (13) On page 13, line 21, by deleting the stricken word "angel".
- (14) On page 13, line 21, by deleting the underline below the word "angle".
- (15) On page 13, line 23, by deleting the stricken word "fifty".
- (16) On page 13, line 23, by deleting the underline below the word "twenty".
- (17) On page 13, line 23, by deleting the stricken numeral "(552.26)".
- (18) On page 13, line 23, by deleting the underline below the numeral "(522.26)".
- (19) On page 13, line 25, by deleting the stricken word "Quonocontaugh".
- (20) On page 13, line 25, by deleting the underline below the word "Quonochontaug".

Respectfully submitted,
Minority Leader Algieri
LC02121/2

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 31 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 31: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Algieri moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senator Breene.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 32: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Badeau, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli,

McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

TRANSMITTAL

By unanimous consent, all matters on the Secretary's desk are ordered to be transmitted to His Excellency, the Honorable Secretary of State the Governor or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

Senator Levesque announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet today, at the rise of the Senate, in Room 313 of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Pichardo, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:40 o'clock P.M.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR LEO R. BLAIS**

Dear Lord, enable us to share our own good fortune with those of us who are less fortunate. As we lead our state, may we never be too proud to seek help or advice from those more fortunate or more knowledgeable than we. Amen.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2007:****1 2007-S 237****BY Breene****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SPORTS, RACING, AND ATHLETICS**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

2 2007-S 308**BY Felag****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES**

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

3 2007-S 438**BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage.

4 2007-S 495**BY Badeau****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -
BOILER INSPECTION AND PRESSURE VESSELS**

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

5 2007-S 500**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CAUSES OF ACTION**

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

6 2007-S 531**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RETAIL LICENSES - ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGES**

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

7 2007-S 577 as amended**BY Fogarty P****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -
STATE PURCHASES

Committee on Finance recommends passage as amended.

8 2007-S 620**BY Doyle****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- EXEMPTING FOR
ARTISTIC COMMUNITIES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

9 2007-S 898**BY Sheehan****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - - RENAMING
THE NORTH WOODS RESIDENCE A

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

10 2007-S 905**BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
NEWPORT COUNTY CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU

Committee on Government Oversight recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 2, 2007:**1 Nomination of A. Michael Marques of Coventry as Director of the Department of Business Regulation.**

Committee on Corporations recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

2 Nomination of Dr. W. Michael Sullivan of Richmond as Director of the Department of Environmental Management.

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

3 Nomination of Corinne Calise Russo of North Providence as Director of the Department of Elderly Affairs.

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

4 Nomination of Patricia Martinez of Pawtucket as Director of the Department of Children Youth and Families.

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

5 2007-S 134 SUB A

BY Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES

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

6 2007-S 181

BY Issa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

7 2007-S 260

BY Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000 TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF A WIND TURBINE AT PORTSMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL AND/OR A WIND TURBINE AT PORTSMOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

8 2007-S 20

BY Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

9 2007-S 121

BY McBurney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PARTY COMMITTEES AND CONVENTIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

10 2007-S 189**BY Felag****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - LOCAL CANVASSING
AUTHORITY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

11 2007-S 196**BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

12 2007-S 725**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND
CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES
REPORTING

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

13 2007-S 740 SUB A**BY Raptakis****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PRIMARY ELECTIONSCommittee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.**14 2007-S 760****BY Goodwin****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- NOMINATION OF
PARTY AND INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

15 2007-S 506**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
MEDIATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

16 2007-S 507**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR -- HOISTING ENGINEERS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

17 2007-S 869**BY Cote**

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE DEMOLITION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS AND SITE PREPARATION, AND THE CONSTRUCTION, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF TWO NEW MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND RELATED SCHOOL FACILITIES AND THE REHABILITATION OF APPURTENANT HISTORIC BUILDINGS, IF ANY, IN THE CITY AND TO ISSUE NOT MORE THAN \$80,000,000 BONDS AND/OR NOTES THEREFOR INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY BONDS OR NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate