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Thirty-seventh Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:12 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT – 36: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 1: Senator DaPonte.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Honorable President, by unanimous consent, presents Senator Miller, 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 2008 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Issa and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber members of the International Rotary Group Study Exchange from India, Savitri Nagraja, Srinivas Kanula, Bidarakere Rangaswamy, Akkipeddi Swaroop and Baswaraj Gadgay.

Upon suggestion of Senators Raptakis and Blais and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber S.A.V.E.(Students Against Vandalism Everywhere), Mr. Blanchette - Advisor, Marco DelVecchio, Drew Chretien, Matt Devine, Taylor Therrien, Mr. Bradshaw - Advisor, Nathan Stinehour, Albert Kabbas, Mike Pesola, David Gorry, Ms. Chauvette - Advisor, Kriston Sutton, Catherine Morris, Torey Cotrone, Emily Gamage, Mrs. Lawrence - Advisor, Keshia Lawrence, Siara Padilla, Selena Fortes and Amber Dyer.

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Julia Harvey, Matthew Motta and Joyce Motta.

Upon suggestion of Senator Felag and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber the Honorable Jay Edwards, Councilman from the Town of Tiverton and Elena Andreyevna Mocharenko, Ukrainian exchange student.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2968**

BY Senators Montalbano J, Connors

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING BRIAN W. SULLIVAN ON BEING SELECTED AS CHIEF OF THE LINCOLN POLICE DEPARTMENT {LC2624/1}

Senator Connors requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Connors moves passage, seconded by Senators Issa, Jabour, Felag and Doyle.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Connors and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Brian W. Sullivan, Police Chief of the Town of Lincoln, along with his wife Shilpa Naik.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATION STATE HOUSE
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April 22, 2008

The Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano
President of the Senate
317 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the chamber on Tuesday April 22, Wednesday, April 23, and Thursday, April 24, 2008.

I would appreciate your recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Senator Daniel Da Ponte
Senate District 14

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

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

Senate Bill No. 2881 SUB A

BY Senators Gibbs, Sosnowski, Breene, Lenihan, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES (would create a committee to study alternative methods for state employees to travel to work {LC2543/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2625

BY Senators Sosnowski, Felag, McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM (place the position of marine infrastructure specialist within the coastal resources management council in the unclassified service) {LC2170/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2453 SUB A**BY** Senators Sosnowski, Revens, Breene, Blais, Miller**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REPORT ON ALTERNATIVES TO SODIUM CHLORIDE AS A DE-ICING AGENT {LC1863/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2454 SUB A as amended**BY** Senators Sosnowski, Breene, Blais**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES (add "farms" to the list of items necessary in a real estate disclosure form) {LC1644/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2566 SUB A**BY** Senators Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Connors, Perry, Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (provide that no person may transfer any equidae in a vehicle or trailer containing two (2) or more levels of equidae, or penalties shall be incurred for doing so) {LC554/2/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2369 SUB A**BY** Senators Fogarty P, Sosnowski, Breene, Raptakis, Tassoni**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - - GENERAL PROVISIONS (prohibit the importation, transportation, dispersion, distribution, introduction, selling, purchasing, or possessing of non-native (exotic) invasive aquatic plants) {LC1633/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

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

Senate Bill No. 2017 SUB A**BY** Senators Tassoni, Maselli, Doyle, McBurney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- PUBLIC BUILDINGS (require public buildings to provide designated parking spaces for motorcycles at the rate of one space per total of thirty (30) spaces) {LC35/1/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2928**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWER AND SANITATION SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$300,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2546/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2926**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$700,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2547/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2931**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2551/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2927**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND REPLACEMENT OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2552/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2929**BY** Senators Levesque C, Felag, Bates

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BRISTOL TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION THEREOF IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ANIMAL SHELTER IN BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THEREOF, AND THE PROVISION OF ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, SURVEYING AND OTHER SERVICES NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE THEREFORE {LC2640/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2930**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, DaPonte

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENOVATION AND RECONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$600,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2549/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2696 (be request)**BY** Senator Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SEWER CHARGES (provide for a real estate lien in the town of Cumberland for all properties which have unpaid sewer charges and would allow the town council to set and enforce sewer fees) {LC1301/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2163**BY** Senators Connors, Issa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND -- HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION {LC1074/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2910**BY** Senators Doyle, McBurney, Issa, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010 {LC2550/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2702**BY** Senators Goodwin, Ciccone, Metts, Jabour, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS (remove the fine of (\$500) that the bureau of licenses of the city of Providence is authorized to impose as a fine upon any person, firm, or corporation for the violation of any law, ordinance, condition, rule, or regulation applicable to the license) {LC1997/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Nomination of David X. Dias, Jr. (appointment) of East Greenwich VICE Richard A. O'Connell to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring July 1, 2012

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2969****BY** Senators Paiva-Weed, Montalbano J**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOSEPH T. HOULIHAN, ESQ. {LC2789/1}

Senator Paiva Weed requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Paiva Weed moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

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 18, 2008

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 42-75-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island State Council on the Arts:

William A. Brackett of Coventry

for a term expiring March 1, 2011.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Education.

Also:

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

April 18, 2008

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 46-12.2-3 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency:

Scott D. Lajoie of Warwick

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 18, 2008

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 13-8-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Parole Board:

Thomas Verdi of Warwick

for a term expiring January 31, 2011.

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

Sincerely,



Donald L. Carcieri
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Gallo and Jabour and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber members of the University of Rhode Island Swim Team, Tim Adams, Dan Backler, Matt Burak, Charles Clark, Dan Cousin, Robert Deering, Gerry Donlevy, DJ Eld, Mickey Ennis, Jason Jacintho, Joshua Jacintho, Kyle Levesque, Alex MacDonald, Jon Mastronardi, Logan Pearsall, Dan Perreault, Joe Sagginario, Ryan Sheatsley, Matt Zrada, Julie Kent, Cassie Mizia, Melissa Settar, Maria Cieslewski, Renee Lavoie, Cherisa Frielander, Jess Copertino, Caitlin Reagan, Kelly Mohr, Kelsey Foy, Tracey Cannon, Jenn McGlaufflin, Erica Courtmanche, Andrea LeBarge, Martha Ziolkowski, Kim Kreho, Anna Buchta, Haley Johnson, Maura Zaneski, Dana Sacerdote, Lindsay Heimburg, Christie Wilson, Kiersten Oresman, Rachel Leon, Sam Baylor, Lauren Sasso, Lilli Falconer, Melissa Flynn, Rossie Ennis, Alex Lalli, Samantha Veccia, Sarah Beth Slinkard, Kinsey Tarbell, Tory Waldeisen, Katie McKeon, Devin Smith, Jenna Waldron, Becca McSweeney and Megan Obrien.

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2008:**1 2008-S 2242****BY Perry****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
COURTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Perry moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, Sosnowski, Goodwin, Jabour and Miller.

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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

2 2008-S 2336**BY McCaffrey****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MECHANICS' LIENS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Jabour and Sheehan.

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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

3 2008-S 2543**BY Connors****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- VOTING DISTRICTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Issa, and without objection, ordered to be recommitted to the committee on Judiciary.

4 2008-S 2115**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -
LAND SURVEYORS

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Ruggerio moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Doyle, Tassoni, Ciccone and Metts.

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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Paiva Weed, Perry, Pichardo, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

5 2008-S 2760**BY Algieri****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Algieri moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Perry, Issa, Doyle, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Maselli, Gibbs, Breene, Metts, Ciccone, Jabour and many others.

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, 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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Paiva Weed, Perry, Raptakis, 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 Governor, the Honorable Secretary of State or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Bates 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 Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri, and upon suggestion of Senator Paiva Weed, the Senate adjourns at 4:40 o'clock P.M. in memory of Joseph T. Houlihan, Esq. of Newport.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR JOSHUA MILLER**

As we reconvene in the Senate Chamber, let us once again contemplate our reasons for being here. Let us also ask of our Creator that he bestow special blessings today on us all and properly guide us in serving the people of our State. Amen.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2008:**

- 1 Nomination of David X. Dias, Jr. (appointment) of East Greenwich VICE Richard A. O'Connell to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals for a term expiring July 1, 2012.**

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

- 2 2008-S 2880**

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 3 2008-S 2897**

BY Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2008:****1 2008-S 2009 SUB A****BY Moura****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

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

2 2008-S 2190**BY Perry****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ASSISTED HOUSING LIVING WAIVER

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

3 2008-S 2223 SUB A as amended**BY Perry****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - LONG-TERM CARE SERVICE AND FINANCE REFORM

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

4 2008-S 2284**BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE QUALITY PROGRAM -- MONITORING THE OCCURRENCE OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

5 2008-S 2404**BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

6 2008-S 2483**BY Algieri****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

7 2008-S 2672 SUB A**BY Breene****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PHARMACIES

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

8 2008-S 2680**BY Miller****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH INSURANCE AVAILABILITY ACT

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

9 2008-S 2688**BY Gibbs****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH, RETARDATION, AND HOSPITALS - MENTAL HEALTH LAW

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

10 2008-S 2693 SUB A as amended**BY Perry****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO THE EDWARD O. HAWKINS AND THOMAS C. SLATER MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT

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

11 2008-S 2865**BY Ruggerio****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- DONATED FOOD

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2008:

1 2008-S 2369 SUB A

BY Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE - - GENERAL PROVISIONS

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

2 2008-S 2453 SUB A

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REPORT ON ALTERNATIVES TO SODIUM CHLORIDE AS A DE-ICING AGENT

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

3 2008-S 2454 SUB A as amended

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES

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

4 2008-S 2566 SUB A

BY Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

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

5 2008-S 2625

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage.

6 2008-S 2881 SUB A

BY Gibbs

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

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

7 2008-S 2017 SUB A

BY Tassoni

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS --
PUBLIC BUILDINGS

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

8 2008-S 2163

BY Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- THE TOWN OF
CUMBERLAND -- HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

9 2008-S 2696

BY Connors

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SEWER
CHARGES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

10 2008-S 2702

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL
POWERS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

11 2008-S 2910

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE
FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES IN THE CITY OF
PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF,
INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS
AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009
AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

12 2008-S 2926

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$700,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

13 2008-S 2927

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AND REPLACEMENT OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$200,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

14 2008-S 2928

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWER AND SANITATION SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$300,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

15 2008-S 2929

BY Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF BRISTOL TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN ANTICIPATION THEREOF IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,000,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ANIMAL SHELTER IN BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND, INCLUDING THE FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING THEREOF, AND THE

PROVISION OF ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, SURVEYING
AND OTHER SERVICES NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE
THEREFORE

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

16 2008-S 2930

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENOVATION AND RECONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF PUBLIC RECREATION FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$600,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

17 2008-S 2931

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET AND AUTHORIZING THE FINANCING THEREOF, INCLUDING THE ISSUE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000,000 BONDS AND NOTES THEREFOR, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE TWO FISCAL YEARS 2009 AND 2010

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

RAYMOND T. HOYAS, JR.
Secretary of the Senate