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Forty-fifth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Joseph A. Montalbano, President of the Senate, at 4:11 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 Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Alves, Bates, Blais, Breene, Ciccone, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Goodwin, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Moura, Paiva Weed, Perry, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

ABSENT – 0:

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Forty-fourth Legislative Day of the 2008 proceedings is read in part.

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

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2995****BY** Senators Gallo, Goodwin, Fogarty P, Levesque C, Connors**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY AS "BETTER SPEECH AND HEARING MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber DeAnne Owre, Pattie Bellini, Brenda Mallicoat, Nancy Pariseault Cordy, Ellen Connery, Al Lake, Kathy Lake, Eve Sadd, Ellen Moore, Alan Gravell and Elizabeth Cavanaugh.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES**

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

Senate Resolution No. 2955**BY** Senators Doyle, Issa, Tassoni, Connors, Bates**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO UNDERTAKE A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE PROJECTED NURSING SHORTAGE IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC2708/1}

Senator Doyle requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Doyle moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senators Doyle and Miller and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Peter Fontaine, RN, & Chairman of the Government Affairs Committee for RISNA, Donna Policastro, RN & Executive Director for RISNA, Janet Haebler, RN & Assistant

Director of Government Affairs for ANA Headquarters in Washington, Celia Gomes-McCgilvary, RN
& President of RISNA, Ann Neuville, Nurse Practitioner.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 2996

BY Senators Issa, Moura, Jabour, Cote

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 8, 2008 AS "CHARTER PUBLIC
SCHOOL DAY IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND" {LC2863/1}

Senator Issa requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Issa moves passage, seconded by the entire Senate.

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

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

May 7, 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 Thursday, May 8, 2008. I will be out of state.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Rhoda E. Perry
District 3

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES**

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

Senate Resolution No. 2951

BY Senators Raptakis, Levesque C, McCaffrey, Maselli, Blais

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO AUTHORIZE AIRLINE PASSENGERS RIGHTS LEGISLATION {LC2689/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2970

BY Senators Ciccone, Miller, Metts, Pichardo, Ruggerio

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS ADOPT AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECT-BASED SECTION 8 HOUSING {LC2781/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

Senate Resolution No. 2952

BY Senators Perry, Goodwin, Doyle, Tassoni, Alves

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN 2010 {LC2697/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

Also:

House Bill No. 7683

BY Shanley, Naughton, Walsh, Lally, Scott

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (rename URI Independence Hall as Swan Hall) {LC2206/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2008:

1. 2008-S 2442 SUB A

BY McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND AUTOMOBILE
REPOSSESSION ACT

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

Senator McCaffrey moves passage, seconded by Senator Ruggerio.

Senator McCaffrey, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Jabour and Levesque, offers the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2008 -- S 2442 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND AUTOMOBILE REPOSSESSION ACT

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2008 -- S 2442 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO THE RHODE ISLAND AUTOMOBILE REPOSSESSION ACT", as follows:

On page 2, line 13, by deleting the word "delivering" and substituting in place thereof the word "delivery".

Respectfully submitted,
SENATOR WALASKA

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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Jabour and Levesque

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, as amended, 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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

2. 2008-S 2444

BY Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Breene moves passage, seconded by Senator Blais.

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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

3. 2008-S 2447

BY Bates

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Senator Bates moves passage, seconded by Senators Blais and Walaska

The act is read and passed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Algiere

4. 2008-S 2956

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- HORSE RIDING SCHOOLS ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL CARE

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Breene, Ruggerio, Tassoni and Sheehan.

Senator Sosnowski, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Ruggerio and Tassoni, offers the following written motion to amend.

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

TO

2008 -- S 2956

AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- HORSE RIDING SCHOOLS ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL CARE

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2008 -- S 2956, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- HORSE RIDING SCHOOLS ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- ANIMAL CARE", as follows:

1. On page 7, line 14, by deleting the language "upon passage." and inserting in place thereof the following language: "on July 1, 2009."

Respectfully submitted,
SENATOR SOSNOWSKI

The motion to amend prevails 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 Algiere, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators Paiva Weed, Ruggerio and Tassoni.

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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

5. 2008-S 2160 SUB A as amended

BY Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- UMBILICAL
CORD BLOOD BANK ACT

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 15, 2008.

6. 2008-S 2481 SUB A as amended

BY Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH
CARE QUALITY PROGRAM

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Thursday, May 15, 2008.

7. 2008-S 2693 SUB A

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.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio, and without objection, ordered to be placed on the Calendar for Tuesday, May 13, 2008.

8. 2008-S 2077 SUB A**BY Connors****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

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

Senator Connors moves passage, seconded by Senators Gallo, Ruggerio, Levesque and Miller.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative and 1 Senator abstaining as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

ABSTAINED- 1: Senator Revens.

9. 2008-S 2109 SUB A**BY Miller****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT

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

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, Ruggerio, Levesque, Jabour and Pichardo.

Senators Blais and Miller discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, 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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

10. 2008-S 2289 SUB A**BY Tassoni****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
DEFENSE CIVIL PREPAREDNESS

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

Senator Tassoni moves passage, seconded by Senators Felag and Doyle.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, 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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

11. 2008-S 2367**BY Connors****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - FIRE SAFETY
CODE BOARD OF APPEAL AND REVIEW

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Connors moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, Sosnowski, Doyle, Sheehan and DaPonte.

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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

12. 2008-S 2697 SUB A**BY Levesque C****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING
ORDINANCES

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

Senator Levesque moves passage, seconded by Senators Tassoni, Paiva Weed, Cote and Jabour.

Senators Gibbs and Levesque discuss the act.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote with 30 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS- 30: The Honorable President Montalbano and Senators Algieri, Bates, Blais, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

13. 2008-S 2962

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Felag, Sheehan and Levesque.

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, Bates, Blais, Breene, Connors, Cote, DaPonte, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gibbs, Issa, Jabour, Lanzi, Lenihan, Levesque, Maselli, McBurney, McCaffrey, Miller, Paiva Weed, Picard, Pichardo, Raptakis, Revens, Ruggerio, Sheehan, Sosnowski, Tassoni, Walaska.

NAYS- 0:

14. 2008-S 2963 SUB A as amended

BY Lenihan

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- ACCESS TO
PUBLIC RECORDS**

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Lenihan announces that the Committee on Government Oversight will meet on Monday, May 12, at 3:30 o'clock P.M. in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

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.

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Sheehan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President, welcomes to the Chamber Max Winograd, from Brown University, who has served as a Senate intern this year.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Senator Connors announces that Senator Paiva Weed will be participating this weekend in the Lions Club Soap Box Derby to benefit local charity's. She will be joined by several Senate staff members who have volunteered their time to be her pit crew. The entire Senate joins in wishing Senator Paiva Weed, the Senate's version of Danica Patrick, who recently became the first women to win an Indy car race, all the best in crossing the finish line in record time.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate stands at recess at 4:46 o'clock P.M.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable John C. Revens, President Pro Tempore of the Senate, on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 4:14 o'clock P.M.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 2997**

BY Senator Blais

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY (would provide that the Scituate town council may provide by ordinance for an animal license fee not to exceed twenty (\$20.00) dollars for all dogs.) {LC2758/1}

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2998

BY Senators McCaffrey, Walaska

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO NAMING THE NEW KENT COUNTY COURTHOUSE (would name the new Kent County Courthouse "The Governor Philip W. Noel Judicial Complex.") {LC2796/1}

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2999

BY Senators Sosnowski, Raptakis, Lenihan, Issa, Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES (submit to the qualified electors a non-binding question as to whether all 36 public school districts should be consolidated into five (5) regional districts based on county boundaries.) {LC2570/1}

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3000

BY Senators Lenihan, Paiva-Weed, Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RETIRED AIRCRAFT CARRIER USS SARATOGA {LC2769/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3001

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS SECTION 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$350,000 BONDS BY THE TOWN OF PORTSMOUTH TO FINANCE IMPROVEMENTS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BONDS AND NOTES ISSUED PURSUANT TO FINANCING AGREEMENTS WITH THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION (would serve as the enabling act required by Rhode Island General Laws section 16-7-44 in order for the interest on bonds issued in support of school housing projects to be eligible for state housing aid reimbursement.) {LC2840/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3002**BY** Senators Fogarty P, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES (would allow dam management districts within the towns of Burrillville and Glocester to be exempt from taxation. The act would also permit the towns to charge dam management district fees.) {LC2766/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3003**BY** Senators Alves, McCaffrey, Walaska, Sosnowski, Perry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES --TAXATION-EMPLOYER PUBLIC HEALTH ACCESS BILL (would provide that any employer appearing in the public health access beneficiary report shall not qualify for certain tax credits or rate reductions.) {LC2493/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3004**BY** Senator Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LOCAL REAL ESTATE MAXIMUM LEVY (would allow the town of New Shoreham to exempt itself from the yearly legal maximum real estate tax levy by an affirmative vote of its residents voting at its annual financial town meeting.) {LC2822/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3005**BY** Senators Miller, Goodwin, Pichardo, Levesque C, Perry**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- MANAGEMENT AND SALE OF PROPERTY -- J. JOSEPH GARRAHY COMPLEX (would provide for a partnership between the state and a quasi-public agency to solicit requests for proposals for the sale of the J. Joseph Garrahy Courthouse parking lot for \$6.9 million to a private developer for a mixed use project. {LC2845/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3006**BY** Senators Gibbs, Paiva-Weed**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - FAMILY INDEPENDENCE ACT (would make substantial revisions to the employment standards and the assessment of a parent's educational and vocational abilities, in order to qualify for public assistance.) {LC2912/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3007 (General Treasurer)

BY Senator Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS -- RETIREMENT FROM STATE SERVICE (would clarify the rights of those whose employment with the state or a political subdivision thereof has been interrupted by military service.) {LC2786/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3008

BY Senator Fogarty P

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES (would allow dam management districts within the towns of Burrillville and Glocester to be exempt from taxation. The act would also permit the towns to charge dam management district fees.) {LC2924/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3009

BY Senators Levesque C, Bates, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BRISTOL SENIOR RESIDENT PROPERTY TAX SERVICE PROGRAM (would permit the town of Bristol to grant tax credits to qualified senior residents in exchange for services provided to the town of Bristol municipal government.) {LC2750/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3010

BY Senators Alves, Perry, Paiva-Weed

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION {LC2658/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3011

BY Senator Breene

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS (would authorize the Town of Richmond to enact a noise abatement ordinance and establish the parameters of said ordinance.) {LC2788/1}

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

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3012

BY Senator Levesque C

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE (would allow the issuance of a court ordered certificate of rehabilitation. This certificate would enable those who have successfully completed their court-imposed sentences to more easily gain re-entry into society.) {LC2149/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3013

BY Senator Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - DRIVER'S LICENSE (would permit restricted drivers licenses to individuals whose license has previously been suspended if the license is required for certain specified reasons. It would also describe the procedure for the issuance of such licenses.) {LC2147/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3014

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- SENTENCE AND EXECUTION (require the termination of imprisonment relative to a probationary period suspended sentence/info has not been filed or the defendant found not guilty on charge/specifically alleged/constituted violation of probationary period or suspended sentence) {LC2866/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3015

BY Senator Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - CITIES AND TOWNS (would reduce the statutory interest assessed against gov. entities on court judgments, would limit instances when gov. employees can be sued in their individual capacity, and would limit the liability of gov. entities with the joint tortfeasors law. {LC2869/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3016**BY** Senator Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2871/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3017**BY** Senator Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS (would provide that classes at the Block Island School would not need to be cancelled or postponed on days of general elections and/or statewide primaries.) {LC2868/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3018**BY** Senator Tassoni**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES {LC2860/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3019**BY** Senator Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION (would provide that the use of eminent domain by the Narragansett Bay Commission would be limited to the acquisition of private rights or private property.) {LC2870/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3020**BY** Senator Connors**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS (would add deputy sheriffs to the definition of law enforcement officers covered by the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights.) {LC1402/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3021 (by request)**BY** Senators Connors, Issa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFITS (would prevent injured in the line of duty personnel who receive full pay and benefits for their work related disability from simultaneously receiving temporary disability insurance benefits.) {LC2823/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 3050**BY** Senator Alves**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE'S RETIREMENT (would enable comprehensive substantive changes to municipal retirement benefits and employee's contributions to them.) {LC2862/1}

Read and referred to the Senate Committee on Finance

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Senator Issa, from the Committee on Education, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 2010**BY** Senators Bates, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES (would place the office of library and information services under the direction of a chief library officer. New name "office of library and information services". It would delete the position of chief information officer)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2450 SUB A**BY** Senators Paiva-Weed, Algiere, Revens, Walaska, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT (would establish the Community College of Rhode Island twenty-first century work force commission.) {LC2162/2/A}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

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

Senate Bill No. 2050**BY** Senator Algieri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - VETERANS' BENEFITS - WESTERLY (increase the amount of veterans, veterans' widows, totally disabled veterans, POW's, gold star parents exemptions and exemptions for the blind in Westerly)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

Senate Bill No. 2939**BY** Senator Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION (would allow non-profit clinical laboratories to receive financing from the Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation) {LC2629/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Also:

House Bill No. 7852**BY** Fox**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION {LC2190/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 7621**BY** DeSimone, Petrarca**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- RHODE ISLAND SALVAGE LAW (repeal the law which provides for two different classifications for salvage vehicles; good for parts only, and vehicles that are repairable) {LC2174/1}

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

Also:

House Bill No. 7312**BY** Caprio D, Palumbo, Ucci, McNamara, Gemma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (name a certain unnamed street as "Ginsu Way) {LC1063/1}

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

Also:

House Bill No. 7266 SUB A**BY** Lima, Coderre E, Naughton, Ajello, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL LAW -- UNFAIR SALES PRACTICES (define the term regular price for purposes of the law regulating discount price advertisements) {LC1049/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7806**BY** Rice, Kennedy, Fox, Segal, Ajello**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS (would establish a municipal renewable energy fund for the purpose of providing grants for municipal renewable energy projects) {LC1582/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7482**BY** Caprio D, Ucci, Fox**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- SECOND-HAND DEALERS (require purchasers of second-hand materials to maintain identification records of the sellers of second-hand materials) {LC1330/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7869**BY** Handy, Slater, Dennigan, Lewiss, Pacheco**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- RHODE ISLAND FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT (require all debt collectors to completely identify themselves and the person or company that they represent, including a phone number. It would also make debt collector civilly liable to non-consumers for violations) {LC1608/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7948 SUB A

BY Lewiss, Jackson, Scott

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (would adopt nonprobate transfers on Death Act 1991 relating to pay on death accounts) {LC1308/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7154

BY Rice, Segal, Walsh, Gallison, Diaz

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- RETAIL SALE OF GASOLINE (end fractional pricing of gasoline by requiring whole -cent pricing)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Corporations.

Also:

House Bill No. 7786 SUB A (Environmental Management)

BY Story, McManus

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FISH AND WILDLIFE -- BIRDS (define birds not protected by this act as those birds listed under the migratory bird treaty reform act of 2004 as not being protected {LC1921/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

House Bill No. 7242

BY Gallison, Rice, Jackson, Gablinske, Malik

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (require approval General Assembly/Bristo/Jamestown/Middletown/Newport/Portsmouth/Tiverton/Warren of any emergency response plan/RI Emerg Mngt Agency for the transp of liquefied natural gas through Narragansett Bay/Mount Hope Bay)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

House Bill No. 7338

BY Scott, Lewiss, Carter, Shanley, Walsh

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - UNIFORM ENVIRONMENTAL COVENANTS ACT (establish rules and regulations relating to environmental covenants)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Agriculture.

Also:

House Bill No. 7936

BY Baldelli-Hunt

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE (allow the Woonsocket school department or school committee to accept any and all donations, gifts and grants of money, equipment, supplies, materials and services, conditional or otherwise, from any state) {LC2341/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

Also:

House Bill No. 7250

BY McNamara, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (require education collaboratives to file a yearly expense and investment report with health, education and welfare, and finance, along with the board of regents, the senate committee on education and local school committees)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Education.

Also:

House Bill No. 7464

BY McNamara, Corvese, Malik, Lewiss, Naughton

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY (define a mobile health screening vehicle and would provide that such vehicles would be deemed to be health care facilities) {LC1254/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

House Bill No. 7734 (Health)

BY Story, Long

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- OFFICE OF STATE MEDICAL EXAMINERS (would clarify the statute to bring into compliance with accepted standards of practice of forensic medicine as defined by the national association of medical examiners) {LC1894/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

House Bill No. 7733 (Health)**BY** Story, Long**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (would authorize the director of health to grant temporary Rhode Island licenses to health care providers licensed in other state in the event of a public health emergency) {LC1897/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services.

Also:

House Bill No. 8060**BY** Vaudreuil, Menard**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) {LC2485/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 8096**BY** Walsh, Scott, Coderre E**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TOWNS AND CITIES -- ORDINANCES {LC2576/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 8081**BY** Vaudreuil, Menard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- THE TOWN OF CUMBERLAND -- HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION (allow the Cumberland town council to provide a yearly homestead exemption to owners of qualifying residential and mixed use property) {LC2484/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 8095**BY** Lewiss**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE HOLDINGS OF THE WATCH HILL CHAPEL SOCIETY (increase the limit on the amount of property that may be held by the Watch Hill Chapel Society from \$1,500,000 to \$10,000,000) {LC2609/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 7147 SUB A**BY** Gemma, Picard, Flaherty, McNamara, Naughton**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- REAL ESTATE {LC533/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 8119**BY** Gablinske

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 {LC2607/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 7050**BY** Rose, Savage, Dennigan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - SIZE, WEIGHT AND LOAD LIMITS

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

Also:

House Bill No. 7288 SUB A**BY** Ajello, Picard, Williams, Slater, Coderre E

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC1032/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 7363**BY** Mattiello, Giannini, Almeida, Ferri, Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES (create the online property offenses act and would make it a criminal offense to use Internet access to obtain, sell, or fence stolen property)

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 7148 SUB A as amended

BY Kilmartin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - EMERGENCY POLICE POWER (grant police officers from out of state limited emergency police powers to transport, guard and maintain custody of an arrestee who is arrested out of state but transported to a Rhode Island medical facility for treatment) {LC506/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 7109 SUB A

BY Lewiss, Kennedy, Walsh

ENTITLED, AN ACT ENABLING BUILDING CODE VIOLATIONS TO BE PROSECUTED IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE TOWN OF WESTERLY {LC494/1/A}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Also:

House Bill No. 7775 (Labor and Training)

BY Ehrhardt

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- EMPLOYMENT SECURITY -- BENEFITS (amend the availability for work requirement to allow an individual who has worked less than full-time for the majority of weeks during his or her base period to meet the availability for work requirement by seeking part-time work) {LC1920/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

Also:

House Bill No. 7931 as amended

BY Jacquard, Walsh

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - APPRENTICES (permit students who successfully complete an authorized vocational program to receive credit for apprenticeship instruction in certain trades and vocations) {LC2237/1}

Received and referred to the Senate Committee on Labor.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Algieri, the Senate adjourns at Tuesday, May 13, 2008, 4:15 o'clock P.M.

GABRIEL REI
Deputy Clerk of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR DAVID E. BATES

Dear Lord, please give us the patience and perseverance to be tolerant of the views and opinions of others. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008:

1. 2008-S 2952

BY Perry

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A WHITE HOUSE
CONFERENCE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN 2010

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

2. 2008-S 2970

BY Ciccone

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT
THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS ADOPT AN EMERGENCY
APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECT-BASED SECTION 8 HOUSING

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2008:****1. 2008-S 2693 SUB A****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.

2. 2008-S 2448**BY Levesque C****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS --
MANAGEMENT AND DISPOSAL OF STATE PROPERTY

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

3. 2008-S 2599 SUB A**BY Bates****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRODUCER LICENSING
ACT

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

4. 2008-S 2601 SUB A**BY Pichardo****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED
ACTIVITIES

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

5. 2008-S 2951**BY Raptakis****ENTITLED,** SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES
CONGRESS TO AUTHORIZE AIRLINE PASSENGERS RIGHTS
LEGISLATION

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 2008:**1. 2008-S 2010****BY Bates****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES**

Committee on Education recommends passage.

2. 2008-S 2450 SUB A**BY Paiva-Weed****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT**

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

3. 2008-S 2050**BY Algieri****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - VETERANS' BENEFITS - WESTERLY**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

4. 2008-S 2939**BY Goodwin****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION**

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

5. 2008-H 7683**BY Shanley****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS**

Committee on Constitutional & Regulatory Issues recommends passage in concurrence.

6. 2008-H 7852**BY Fox****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION**

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2008:**1. 2008-S 2160 SUB A as amended****BY Blais****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- UMBILICAL
CORD BLOOD BANK ACT

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

2. 2008-S 2481 SUB A as amended**BY Levesque C****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH
CARE QUALITY PROGRAM

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

3. 2008-S 2665**BY Goodwin****ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
DISTRESSED AREAS ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION ACT

Committee on Finance recommends passage.