

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Thursday, January 19, 2017

Seventh Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Senate, at 4:21 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT – 3: Senators DaPonte, Doyle, and Paolino.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Sixth Legislative Day of the 2017 proceedings is read in part.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Calkin and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Capri Catanzaro and Enzo Cuzeo.

Upon suggestion of Senator Ruggerio and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Thomas Verdi, Providence Police Commander.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

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

January 19, 2017

The Honorable M. Teresa Paiva Weed
President of the Senate
318 State House
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Paiva Weed:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the chamber on Thursday, January 19, 2017, due to a work commitment. 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 placed on file.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 90**

BY Fogarty

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING
OF ROSE M. LAVOIE
{LC813/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration

Senator Fogarty requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Fogarty moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Algieri, Nesselbush, Gallo, Lynch Prata, Crowley, Lombardi, Felag, McCaffrey, Gee, Lombardo, Calkin, and Coyne.

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

Senate Bill No. 91

BY Goldin, Miller, DaPonte, Goodwin, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES

(Requires all candidates for United States President and Vice President file copies of their last five (5) years of federal income tax returns with the state board of elections no later than fifty (50) days prior to the general election.)
{LC169/1}

Introduced, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2017-S 18

BY Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF KCI TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. 2017-S 19

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE TASSONI FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF BRUNO TASSONI, JR.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. Appointment of Colonel Ann C. Assumpico VICE Colonel Steven O'Donnell Director of Public Safety.

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

Senators McCaffrey, Nesselbush, Coyne and Raptakis speak on the appointment.

Senator Raptakis moves passage of the Advice and Consent, seconded by Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Crowley, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, and Sosnowski.

Advice and Consent is granted, on a roll call vote, with members voting in the affirmative and members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 35: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Raptakis and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Colonel Ann C. Assumpico, Director of Public Safety.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

TRANSMITTAL

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

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Kettle, and upon suggestion of Senator Fogarty the Senate stands adjourn at 4:41 o'clock P.M.in memory of Rose M. Lavoie.

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR PAUL W. FOGARTY**

Dear Lord, We pray that you bless this Senate. Help us to work with a real commitment to resolving the problems that face our State and remind us to always treat each other with dignity and respect. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2017:

- 1. 2017-S 87**
BY Picard
ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF MOSLEM GROTTO MYSTIC ORDER VEILED PROPHETS OF THE ENCHANTED REALM

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 2. 2017-S 88**
BY Sosnowski
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING CHIEF VINCENT VESPIA, JR., ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT ON NOVEMBER 1, 2016, AFTER FIFTY-SEVEN YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.
- 3. 2017-S 89**
BY Sosnowski
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING CHRISTOPHER NADEAU UPON ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S MOST DISTINGUISHED HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.