

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Twenty Eighth 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 4:33 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 34 Senators present and 4 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 34: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, , Crowley, DaPonte, , Doyle, , Fogarty, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT – 4: Senators Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, and Gallo.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

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

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

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

March 23, 2017

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

Dear Madam President,

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Wednesday, March 22nd and Thursday, March 23rd for a professional obligation which requires me to be out of state.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cynthia A. Coyne
Senator, District 32

Read and placed on file.

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

March 22, 2017

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

Dear Madam President,

Please be advised that I will be absent from the Senate session on March 22-23, 2017, due to a professional obligation.

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

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Senator Louis P. DiPalma
District 12

Read and placed on file.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE**

Senator Picard, from the Committee on Commerce, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 20

BY Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND ESTHETICIANS (Permits grandfathering the licensing of barbers, hairdressers, cosmeticians, manicurists and estheticians on the basis of work experience or work in another state.)
{LC370/1}

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 measures:

Senate Bill No. 373

BY Nesselbush, Lombardi, Archambault, Lynch Prata, DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Requires that any applicant or holder of a retail license for the sale of alcoholic beverages be required to file a certificate of insurance evidencing liability insurance coverage in certain minimum amounts.)
{LC1302/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 70

BY Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINALS - CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS - PAROLE BOARD (Requires that parole board members appointed by the governor require the advice and consent of the senate.)
{LC534/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 278**BY** Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW - PAROLE BOARD (Prospectively limits appointments and reappointments to the parole board to 3 years.)
{LC536/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 281**BY** Lynch Prata

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE REPEALER (Creates joint committee to compile suggestions for repeal of statutes, regulations, and executive orders.)
{LC992/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 423**BY** Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Christopher A. Frost to join Sarah Ann Strachan and Jennifer Arnold Ernst in marriage on or about September 30, 2017, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)
{LC1824/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5509**BY** Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Julia L. Aurigemma to join Kathryn Abbott DeNapoli and James Michael Mathews in marriage on or about May 20, 2017, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)
{LC1469/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5737**BY** Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable William J. McGovern III to join Lauren Elaine Provini and Nathaniel David Robinson in marriage on or about April 29, 2017, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 624****BY** Lombardo, Gee**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF LEONARDO GIARRUSSO

{LC2112/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Lombardo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lombardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Crowley, DaPonte, Doyle, Fogarty, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, and Sosnowski.

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

Senate Resolution No. 520**BY** Morgan, Algiere, Sosnowski, Paolino, Kettle**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MARCH TO BE "MAPLE SYRUP MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC1441/1}

Senator Goodwin requests to remove the item from the desk.

Senator Morgan requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Lombardo moves passage, seconded by Senators Ruggerio, Kettle, DaPonte, Fogarty, Metts, Gee and Ciccone.

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

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Morgan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Thomas Buch, President of RI Maple Syrup Association, his wife Lois Buch, Joshua Drake, Barbara, Thornton, Wayne Richmond and Maryse Richmond.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2017-S 623

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF NELSON W. BOUCHER, JR.

Upon motion of Senator Ruggerio, seconded by Senator Algieri, the following measures on today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

YEAS – 34: The Honorable President Paiva Weed and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, , Crowley, DaPonte, , Doyle, , Fogarty, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Ruggerio, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS – 0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Morgan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Kyle Soltys Exeter Job Corps Academy Culinary Team, Shane Cha, Katherine Cabrera- Sencion, Gregory Stephens, Arianna Agilly, Mathew Lenno, Mark Bennison, Chef, Linda Soderberg, Deputy Center Director, Jennifer O'Neal, Center Director, Linda Musch, Chef Chariho Career & Tech, Susan Votto, Director

Upon suggestion of Senator Crowley and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Lorraine Savard, from Central Falls.

Upon suggestion of Senator Goodwin and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber the stepdaughter of the Senate President, Nicole Beede.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Metts announces that the Committee on Education will meet today at the rise, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Lombardo announces that the Committee on Labor will meet today at the rise, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Conley announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet today at the rise, in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Goldin announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet tomorrow at the rise, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Goldin announces that the Woman's History Month Celebration will be on March 25th at the Roger Williams Memorial Park in Downtown Providence.

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 Senators Algieri and Ruggerio, and upon suggestion of Senator Lombardo the Senate adjourns at 4:50 o'clock P.M, in memory of *Leonardo Giarrusso*.

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR JAMES C. SHEEHAN**

We ask, you, Lord, to show us in this chamber our place, define our duties, direct our energies, and guide us as we work. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017:

- 1. 2017-S 423**
BY Pearson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 2. 2017-H 5509**
BY Carson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
- 3. 2017-H 5737**
BY Carson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017:**

1. **2017-S 257**
 BY Satchell
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
 TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017:

1. **2017-S 20**
 BY Cote
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --
 BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND
 ESTHETICIANS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

2. **2017-S 70**
 BY Doyle
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINALS - CORRECTIONAL
 INSTITUTIONS - PAROLE BOARD

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. **2017-S 278**
 BY Doyle
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL LAW - PAROLE BOARD

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

4. **2017-S 281**
 BY Lynch Prata
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - JOINT COMMITTEE
 OF THE REPEALER

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 5. 2017-S 373**
BY Nesselbush
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
LICENSES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.