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Forty Eighth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:13 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 Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT –1: Senator Ciccone.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

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

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

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 908****BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CELEBRATING AGRICULTURE DAY AND NATIONAL AGRICULTURE WEEK IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
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Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Sosnowski requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Sosnowski moves passage, seconded by Senators Lombardi, Metts, Fogarty, Quezada, Cote, Gallo, Felag, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Algieri, Lombardo, Calkin, Coyne, Metts and Goldin.

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

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2017-S 203 SUB A**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

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

Senator Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault Metts, Sosnowski, Lombardi, Quezada, Lynch Prata, Felag, Satchell, Lombardo, Coyne and Seveney.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 35: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.**NAYS - 0:**

2. 2017-S 733 SUB A**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PESTICIDE CONTROL

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardi, Nesselbush, Fogarty, Miller, Quezada, Calkin and Coyne.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

3. 2017-S 192 SUB A**BY** Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES

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

Senator Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardi, McCaffrey, Miller, Nesselbush, Metts, Sheehan, Lombardo, and Quezada

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, with 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 34: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

4. **2017-S 288**
 BY Goodwin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -
 FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Goodwin moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Satchell, McCaffrey, Felag, Conley, Gallo, Sheehan, Goldin, Coyne, Quezada, Fogarty, and Metts.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

5. **2017-S 506**
 BY Gallo
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -
 EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Conley, Lombardi, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Fogarty, DiPalma, and Goldin.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 32 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 32: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 3: Senators Gee, Morgan, Paolino.

6. 2017-S 363 SUB A**BY** Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES--GASPEE DAY COMMITTEE

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator Lynch Prata moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Calkin, Felag, Miller, Satchell, Lombardi, and Quezada.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and members voting in the negative as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

7. 2017-S 538 SUB A**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag and Pearson.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative and members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

8. 2017-S 816**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Goodwin, Gallo, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Metts, Morgan, Seveney, and DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Doyle, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

GUESTS

Upon suggestion of Senator Sheehan and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Jodi King, from the Station Night Club Memorial Fund.

Upon suggestion of Senator Fogarty and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber Judy Colaluca, from Save the Lakes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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

Senator Raptakis announces that the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs will meet today at the rise, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Lombardo announces that the Committees on Labor and Finance will meet today at the rise, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet tomorrow at the rise, in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Leader McCaffrey wishes a belated Happy Birthday to Senator Adam Satchell and a Happy Birthday today to Senator Erin Lynch Prata.

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 Algieri the Senate adjourns at 4:36 o'clock P.M

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR DONNA M. NESSELBUSH**

Gracious God, as we gather today to observe Rhode Island Agriculture Day. We thank you for the rich variety of our food from the many parts of our state. We pray for those who grow, prepare and distribute the food we eat. We thank you for the enjoyment and pleasure we find in sharing food in celebration and fellowship. Amen.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017:**

1. **The Appointment of Rebecca L. Boss, M.A Director VICE Maria Montanaro to the Director of the Department of Behavioral Health, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals**

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

2. **2017-S 442 SUB A**
BY Lynch Prata
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - THE CLIMATE CHANGE COASTAL ADAPTATION TRUST FUND

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

3. **2017-S 777**
BY Goodwin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS REQUIRED

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.