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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:59 o'clock P.M.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 34 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

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

ABSENT –3: Senator, Doyle, Goldin and McCaffrey.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President presents the following communications:

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

June 21, 2017

The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio
President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised that I will be unable to attend Senate session on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, due to illness.

Sincerely,

James E. Doyle, II
Senator, District- 8
Pawtucket

Read and placed on file.

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

June 21, 2017

The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio
President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, as I will be in Washington, DC testifying.

Sincerely,

Gayle L. Goldin
Senator, District- 3

Read and placed on file.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 6183**BY** Coughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SIMON'S SUPPLY, CO., INC.

{LC2615/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5272**BY** Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION--TOWN OF FOSTER (Authorizes the town of Foster to provide tax credits to the elderly and disabled.)

{LC910/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Finance.

House Bill No. 5368**BY** Jacquard, Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES - RETIREMENT SYSTEM - CONTRIBUTION AND BENEFITS (Increases the maximum post retirement employment earnings from \$15,000 to \$18,000 a year for retired educators who provide instruction at state colleges.)

{LC284/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Finance.

House Bill No. 6130 as amended**BY** Keable, Johnston, Blazejewski, O'Grady, Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM--CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS (Allows retired nurses to be employed at state colleges for up to 75 days or 150 half days before their pension payment would be suspended.)

{LC2515/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Finance.

House Bill No. 5219 SUB A**BY** McKiernan, O'Brien, Regunberg, Ranglin-Vassell, Williams**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Requires a health care entity or health plan to issue a decision regarding the credentialing of a health care provider within forty-five (45) calendar days of receiving a complete credentialing application.)
{LC820/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Health and Human Services.

House Bill No. 5935**BY** Williams, Slater, Ranglin-Vassell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - NURSING FACILITIES BED CAPACITY MORATORIUM (Establishes limited conditions that must be satisfied to permit an increase in the bed capacity of existing nursing facilities, despite the moratorium on expansion.)
{LC994/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Health and Human Services.

House Bill No. 5932 SUB A as amended**BY** Craven, McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - PAYMENT OF WAGES (Prohibits employers from making deductions from an employee's wages except for those deductions authorized or required by law, or as expressly authorized in writing by the employee.)
{LC2015/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Health and Human Services.

House Bill No. 5825 SUB A**BY** Ucci, Barros, Solomon, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIABILITY INSURANCE (Insurance coverage for rental motor vehicles without regard to negligence, would include loss of use.)
{LC1953/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Commerce.

House Bill No. 6088 SUB A**BY** Azzinaro, Corvese, McNamara, McLaughlin, Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (Benefits for students with disabilities continue until the end of the public school calendar semester when the student turns 21 or when the student's program ends in accordance with the student's (IEP), whichever occurs earlier.)
{LC2368/A/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Education.

House Bill No. 5618 SUB A as amended**BY** Regunberg, Knight, Handy, Carson, Ruggiero**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- NET METERING (Makes educational institutions and nonprofit corporations established pursuant to chapter 6 of title 7 eligible for net-metering financing arrangements.)

{LC1560/A/2}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Finance.

House Bill No. 5923

(General Treasurer)

BY Carson, Lima, Maldonado, Fogarty, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- DISCLOSURE BY THE STATE INVESTMENT COMMISSIONS OF PERFORMANCE AND EXPENSES OF RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENT MANAGERS (Requires the general treasurer to maintain its transparent treasury initiative to assist the public in accessing information regarding how state pension investments are managed and performing.)

{LC2044/1}

Read and ordered to be placed on the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

House Bill No. 6252

(by request)

BY Fogarty, Ucci, Tanzi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- LOCAL CANVASSING AUTHORITIES (Clarifies that the authority of the president of a city or town council to nominate the members of a local canvassing authority only applies to a municipality that does not have a mayoral form of government.)

{LC2639/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 6216 SUB A**BY** Lima, Shekarchi, Winfield, Slater, Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL CARE (Prohibits the rental, lease, or finance of any sale of a cat or dog, with exceptions for animals used for breeding, shows and work.)

{LC2664/A/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 6258**BY** Amore, O'Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM (Requires that all persons serving on boards and commissions appointed by the governor have a connection to the state through residence or licensure.)

{LC2762/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 6104**BY** Ruggiero, McKiernan, McEntee, Craven, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- ELECTRONIC RECORDING

(Authorizes a city or town clerk/recorder of deeds, at the clerk's/recorder's option, to accept electronic documents for recording real property and land records and to index and store those documents.)

{LC2435/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 5826 SUB A**BY** Tanzi, Carson, Ranglin-Vassell, McEntee, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -

CONTRACTORS' REGISTRATION AND LICENSING BOARD (Provides that elderly persons may, absent an emergency, cancel any agreement for contractor services within three (3) days if the contract originated in an in-home solicitation by the contractor.)

{LC1826/A/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 5055**BY** McNamara, Diaz, Amore, O'Brien, Ackerman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - DRIVER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (Requires driver's instruction courses and tests to include instruction and information on a driver's responsible conduct during a traffic stop.)

{LC262/1}

Referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 6197**BY** Edwards, Cunha, O'Grady, Coughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS-STATE

PURCHASES (Requires the state to procure professional architectural, engineering, and consultants services through a Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) process as required by the federal government for federally funded projects under the Brooks Act.)

{LC2646/1}

Referred to Senate Labor.

House Bill No. 6335**BY** Keable, Marshall**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows The Honorable John M. Xifaras to join Sarah J. Lang and Scott Levy in marriage on or about July 15, 2017, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.)

{LC2872/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6303**BY** Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Robert E.P. Elmer, III, to join Angela Giuffrida and Cuan Coulter in marriage on or about August 12, 2017, within the Town of Westerly, Rhode Island.)

{LC2854/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 446 SUB A as amended**BY** Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Miller, Coyne, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT (Amends the definitions of "smoking" and "retail tobacco store" to include electronic smoking devices, electronic nicotine delivery system products and other products that rely on vaporization or aerosolization.)

{LC1772/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 341 SUB A**BY** Ruggerio, Sosnowski, Miller, Pearson, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL CARE (Requires that municipal animal control officers be certified by the National Care & Control Association.)

{LC1540/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 486 SUB B**BY** McCaffrey, Lombardi, Conley, Nesselbush, Archambault**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (Determine reimbursement rates for medical records copies from health care providers including those that utilize an electronic health records system.)

{LC1303/B/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

- 1. The Appointment of Danielle Loughlin, MSW, LICSW (Consumer Member) VICE Vacant to the Board of Examiners of Interpreters for the Deaf for a term expiring November 1, 2022.**

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

2. **The Appointment of Heather Anderson National Certified Interpreter VICE Carol Fay to the Board of Examiners of Interpreters for the Deaf for a term expiring November 1, 2022.**

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

3. **The Reappointment of Kevin D. Orth to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2021.**

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

4. **The Appointment of Karen Hammond VICE Paula Murray McNamara to the State investment Commission for a term expiring March 1, 2020.**

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

5. **The Reappointment of David Sholes, Esq. to the Board of Elections for a term expiring June 1, 2026.**

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

6. **2017-S 962**

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF GLORIA A. FISHPAW

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

7. **2017-S 964**

BY Ruggerio

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING JAMES V. ROSATI OF NARRAGANSETT, RHODE ISLAND, ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER ELEVEN YEARS OF OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP OF THE BEACON MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

8. **2017-S 919 SUB A**

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THAT THE RI CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION WORK TO REVISE THE FOOD SAFETY MODERNIZATION ACT AND TO DELAY ITS IMPLEMENTATION

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

9. 2017-H 6078**BY** Casey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- BARBERS, HAIRDRESSERS, COSMETICIANS, MANICURISTS AND ESTHETICIANS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage in concurrence.

10. 2017-H 5453 SUB A**BY** Diaz**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- ALL STUDENTS COUNT ACT

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

11. 2017-H 5661**BY** Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Committee on Education recommends passage in concurrence.

12. 2017-H 5483 SUB B**BY** Marshall**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS

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

13. 2017-H 6144 SUB A as amended**BY** Bennett**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LONG-TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL

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

14. 2017-H 5655**BY** Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - RHODE ISLAND DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE ACT

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage in concurrence.

15. 2017-H 5098**BY** McEntee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS - ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

16. 2017-H 5714**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT -- GENERAL PROVISIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

17. 2017-H 5715**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS -- COURT ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

18. 2017-H 5738**BY** Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

19. 2017-H 5818 SUB A**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - THE RHODE ISLAND PATIENT SAFETY ACT OF 2008

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

20. 2017-H 5855**BY** Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE-- PROCEDURE GENERALLY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, 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 Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

1. 2017-S 96 SUB A

BY Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Picard moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Lombardi

The act is read and passed in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

2. 2017-S 168 SUB A

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS

Ordered to be placed on the Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, Lynch Prata, and Cote.

The act is read and passed in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

3. 2017-S 21 SUB A**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CARDIAC ARREST PREVENTION IN SCHOOL SPORTS

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

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, Satchell, Gee, Coyne, and DiPalma.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

4. 2017-S 944**BY** Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - CITY OF PAWTUCKET -- NEIL J. HOUSTON, JR. RESIDENTIAL RE-ENTRY CENTER

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Crowley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Conley and DiPalma

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

5. 2017-S 945**BY** Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Crowley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Nesselbush and Conley

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

6. 2017-S 349

BY Archambault

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

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Archambault moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Lombardi, Lombardi, and Sosnowski.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

7. 2017-S 395

BY Conley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Conley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata and Lombardi

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

8. 2017-S 406 SUB A**BY** Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - CHILD SUPPORT

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

Senator Lynch Prata moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardi, Felag, Archambault, Calkin, Goodwin, Quezada and Metts.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

9. 2017-S 928**BY** McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Lynch Prata moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Ciccone, Archambault, Paolino and Coyne.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

10. 2017-S 350 SUB A**BY** Lombardi**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 Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Archambault, Coyne, Fogarty, and Metts

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

11. 2017-S 540 SUB A

BY Lynch Prata

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- GOLD STAR FAMILIES

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 Sheehan, Satchell, Coyne, Seveney, Felag, Sosnowski, Nesselbush, and Metts.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

12. 2017-S 541

BY Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - RHODE ISLAND VETERANS' HOME - ADVISORY COUNCIL

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Seveney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Ciccone, Nesselbush, Lombardi, gee, Archambault, Lynch Prata, Sosnowski and Metts.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

13. 2017-S 951

BY Felag

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATION COMMISSION TO STUDY VETERAN AND MILITARY SPOUSE EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Fogarty, Lombardo, Lombardi, Metts, Sosnowski, Jabour, Morgan, Sheehan, Cote, Seveney and Gee.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

14. 2017-H 5348

BY Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Archambault and Gee

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

15. 2017-H 5656**BY** Blazejewski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES - PROVIDENCE

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Jabour

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 33 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 33: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 1: Senator Metts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Metts announces that the Committee on Education will meet today at the rise, in Room 310 of the State House.

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

Senator Raptakis announces that the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs' will meet today at the rise, in Room 211 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 Sheehan announces that the Committee on Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight will meet today at the rise, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Archambault announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet tomorrow at the rise, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet tomorrow at the rise, in Room 211 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.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Algieri the Senate stands in recess at 5:20 o'clock P.M.,

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 966**

BY Ciccone, Gallo, McCaffrey, Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LENDERS AND LOAN BROKERS (Permits a borrower and a licensee to agree to interest and fees charged by the licensee if disclosure is made pursuant to 12 CFR Part 1026.)
{LC2804/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 967

BY Cote, Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Provides for-profit hospitals that are converted to not-for-profit hospitals would remain subject to municipal taxation.)
{LC2892/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Resolution No. 968

BY Conley, Gallo, Goodwin, Felag, Paolino

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO PAY CERTAIN CLAIMS
{LC2855/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 969

BY Sosnowski, Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from taxation the real and personal property located at 321 Main Street, South Kingstown, Rhode Island, belonging to the Contemporary Theatre Company, a qualified tax exempt corporation under §501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.)
{LC2900/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 970

(General Treasurer)

BY DaPonte

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES – RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND CLOSED MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT PLANS (Makes it more efficient for municipal retirement plans to join the state municipal employees retirement system, by providing greater flexibility in funding policies depending on the circumstances of each municipal plan.)
{LC2203/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 971**BY** Crowley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Amends from ten (10) years to twelve (12) years the period which the city of Central Falls may authorize a stabilization of taxes on qualifying property located in the city of Central Falls.)
{LC2881/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 972**BY** Kettle, Paolino

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF SCITUATE TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,900,000 TO FINANCE REPLACEMENTS, RENOVATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDING A NEW TRACK AND FIELD AT THE SCITUATE PUBLIC SCHOOLS (Authorizes the town of Scituate to issue not more than \$4,900,000 bonds and notes to finance various improvements at the town of Scituate's schools.)
{LC2795/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 973**BY** Picard, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE (Authorizes the RI health benefit exchange to seek a waiver under the Affordable Care Act, allow qualified small business owners/sole proprietors to purchase qualified health benefit plans offered by the exchange & not be forced into the individual market.)
{LC2894/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 974**BY** Felag, Seveney, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON (Validates and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Tiverton, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of Tiverton on November 8, 2016.)

{LC2916/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 975**BY** Coyne, Seveney, Satchell, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION (Relieves bargaining agent from obligation to represent firefighters who have not maintained membership for 90 days prior to grievance event.)

{LC2566/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 976**BY** Coyne, Seveney, Satchell, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR RELATIONS - STATE EMPLOYEES ARBITRATION (Relieves state employee unions of their obligation to represent non-member employees, in the grievance process, if they haven't been union members for 90 days before the grievance event.)

{LC2568/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 977**BY** Coyne, Seveney, Satchell, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION (Relieves municipal police unions of their obligation to represent non-member employees, in the grievance process, if they haven't been union members for 90 days before the grievance event.)

{LC2567/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 978**BY** Coyne, Seveney, Satchell, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION (Relieves municipal employees' unions of their obligation to represent nonmember employees, in the grievance process, if they haven't been union members for 90 days before the grievance event.)

{LC2569/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 979**BY** Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CREATING THE RHODE ISLAND COMMISSION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (Creates a 25 member RI commission for national community service in the department of education to work with a nonprofit corporation of the same name created in 1994 to prepare and implement a 3 yr. community service plan.)
{LC2913/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Resolution No. 980**BY** Miller

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS PROFESSION
{LC2917/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 981**BY** Miller, Felag, Conley, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ISSUE A REPORT INDICATING HOW UTILITIES SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE DEPLOYMENT OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES
{LC2879/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Resolution No. 982**BY** Sosnowski, Coyne, Calkin, Kettle, Conley

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY PESTICIDE CONTROL REGULATIONS
{LC2888/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 983**BY** Jabour, Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows William J. Gately, Jr., Esq., to join Caroline Stewart Barr and James W. Gately in marriage on or about August 26, 2017, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.)
{LC2912/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 984**BY** Felag, Coyne, Raptakis, Seveney, Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS -- NEW RHODE ISLAND VETERANS HOME CONFERENCE ROOM

{LC2878/1}

Referred to the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 985**BY** Felag, Coyne, Seveney, Raptakis, Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS -- NEW RHODE ISLAND VETERANS HOME CONFERENCE ROOM (Names one of the two (2) new conference rooms at the Rhode Island Veterans Home as the "S. Michael Minutelli Memorial Conference Room".)

{LC2877/1}

Referred to the Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans' Affairs.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

Chairwoman Gallo, from the Committee on Education, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 300 SUB A**BY** Sosnowski, Goodwin, Ruggerio, Miller, Gee**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Has each public institution of postsecondary education establish a plan for addressing mental health needs of its students.)

{LC1521/A/2}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

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

The Appointment of Joseph F. Garlick, Jr. (Small Nonprofit Institutional User) VICE Vacant to the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resources Management Council for a term expiring April 1, 2022.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Alicia M. Eichinger (Member with Conservation Organization Experience) VICE Judith Hadley to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Sarah E. Knowlton Ph.D. (Representing an Institution of Higher Education in Rhode Island) VICE Ronald E. Pitt, Ph.D. to the Rhode Island Executive Climate Change Council Science and Technical Advisory Board for a term expiring January 30, 2021.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Shoshana M. Lew (Representing a State Agency with Expertise in and Responsibility for, Addressing Issues Pertaining to Climate Change) VICE Todd Anthony Bianco, Ph.D. to the Rhode Island Executive Climate Change Council Science and Technical Advisory Board for a term expiring January 30, 2021.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Laura A. Bozzi Ph.D. VICE George Mason to the Agricultural Lands Preservation Commission for a term expiring January 1, 2022.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

Chairman Fogarty, from the Committee on Labor, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

The Appointment of Kenneth B. Chiavarini (Representing Local Government) VICE Harry Winthrop to the Labor Relations Board for a term expiring August 1, 2023.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 917 SUB A

BY Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION--BENEFITS (Repeals a provision of the workers' compensation law that provides that for injuries on and after July 1, 2023, "material hindrance" includes only compensable injuries causing a greater than sixty-five percent (65%) degree of functional impairment.)

{LC2709/A/2}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON RULES, GOVERNMENT ETHICS AND OVERSIGHT

Chairman Lombardi, from the Committee on Rules, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Resolution No. 961

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF ENACTING A LINE ITEM VETO, POTENTIAL RHODE ISLAND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS FOR A GOVERNOR RUNOFF, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ELECTION OF THE GOVERNOR (Creates a 12 member commission to study enacting a line item veto, Rhode Island Constitutional Amendments for a Governor runoff, the election of the Governor and report by April 5, 2018, and expire on May 7, 2018.)

Placed on Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 5347 SUB B

BY Lima, Costantino, Serpa, Fellela, Coughlin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- 38 STUDIOS, LLC (Provides for the release of certain records pertaining to the investigation of 38 Studios, LLC.)
{LC86/B/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Chairman Felag, from the Committee on Special Legislation, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

Senate Bill No. 940

BY Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Provides that all Class A liquor license holders located in the city of Providence shall not be permitted to open for business until nine o'clock (9:00) a.m.)
{LC2799/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:41 o'clock P.M. on Thursday, June 22, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Lynch Prata the Senate adjourns at 4:42 o'clock P.M.

Robert L. Ricci
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR JAMES A. SEVENEY**

Almighty Father, remind us that we are governed by sympathy; and the extent of our sympathy is determined by that of our sensibility. Amen.

Appendix**CONSENT CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017:**

- 1. The Appointment of Abigail W. Anthony, Ph.D. VICE Herb DeSimone to the Public Utilities Commission for a term expiring March 1, 2023.**

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

- 2. The Appointment of Joseph F. Garlick, Jr. (Small Nonprofit Institutional User) VICE Vacant to the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resources Management Council for a term expiring April 1, 2022.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

- 3. The Appointment of Alicia M. Eichinger (Member with Conservation Organization Experience) VICE Judith Hadley to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

- 4. The Appointment of Sarah E. Knowlton Ph.D. (Representing an Institution of Higher Education in Rhode Island) VICE Ronald E. Pitt, Ph.D. to the Rhode Island Executive Climate Change Council Science and Technical Advisory Board for a term expiring January 30, 2021.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

- 5. The Appointment of Shoshana M. Lew (Representing a State Agency with Expertise in and Responsibility for, Addressing Issues Pertaining to Climate Change) VICE Todd Anthony Bianco, Ph.D. to the Rhode Island Executive Climate Change Council Science and Technical Advisory Board for a term expiring January 30, 2021.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

- 6. The Appointment of Laura A. Bozzi Ph.D. VICE George Mason to the Agricultural Lands Preservation Commission for a term expiring January 1, 2022.**

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

7. **The Appointment of Kenneth B. Chiavarini (Representing Local Government) VICE Harry Winthrop to the Labor Relations Board for a term expiring August 1, 2023.**

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

8. **2017-S 980**

BY Miller

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS PROFESSION

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

9. **2017-S 981**

BY Miller

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO ISSUE A REPORT INDICATING HOW UTILITIES SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE DEPLOYMENT OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

10. **2017-S 982**

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY PESTICIDE CONTROL REGULATIONS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

11. **2017-S 983**

BY Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

12. **2017-H 6231**

BY Marshall

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION--TOWN OF WARREN

Committee on Finance recommends passage in concurrence.

13. **2017-H 5222**

BY Morin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

14. 2017-H 5416**BY** Edwards**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

15. 2017-H 5713 SUB A**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

16. 2017-H 6059 SUB A**BY** Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF CRIMINALS

Committee on Judiciary recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A in concurrence.

17. 2017-H 6157**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- STATE CRIME LABORATORY

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

18. 2017-H 6138**BY** Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

19. 2017-H 6183**BY** Coughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SIMON'S SUPPLY, CO., INC.

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

20. 2017-H 6335**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

21. 2017-H 6303

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for passage in concurrence.

Appendix**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017:****1. 2017-S 231 SUB A****BY** Goldin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - EMERGENCY POLICE POWER

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

2. 2017-S 97**BY** Kettle**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WEIGHTS AND MEASURES - PRODUCE SCALES IN MARKETS

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

3. 2017-S 432 SUB A**BY** Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNFAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES

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

4. 2017-S 551**BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

5. 2017-S 729 SUB A**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- BLOCK ISLAND UTILITY DISTRICT ACT OF 2017

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

6. **2017-S 782**
 BY Picard
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES

Committee on Commerce recommends passage.

7. **2017-S 783 SUB A**
 BY Picard
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE ACT

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

8. **2017-S 880 SUB A**
 BY Coyne
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - NET METERING

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

9. **2017-S 888 SUB A**
 BY Lombardo
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- ELECTRONIC WASTE PREVENTION, REUSE AND RECYCLING ACT

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

10. **2017-S 41**
 BY Kettle
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION--TOWN OF FOSTER

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

11. **2017-S 115**
 BY Metts
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO RIPTA -- ELDERLY AND DISABLED BUS PASS ASSISTANCE

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

12. **2017-S 469**
 BY Sheehan
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE - STATE BUDGET-
 CITIZENS' BUDGET REPORT
- Committee on Finance recommends passage.
13. **2017-S 570 SUB A**
 BY Sosnowski
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAXATION OF FARM,
 FOREST, AND OPEN SPACE LAND
- Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.
14. **2017-S 571 SUB A**
 BY DaPonte
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT
 BENEFITS
- Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.
15. **2017-S 575**
 BY Lynch Prata
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - REAL ESTATE EXEMPTION
- Committee on Finance recommends passage.
16. **2017-S 739 SUB A**
 BY DiPalma
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - PERSONAL INCOME TAX
- Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.
17. **2017-S 956 SUB A**
 BY Conley
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES --
 LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION
- Committee on Finance recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and
passage of Substitute A.

18. **2017-S 71 SUB A**
 BY Archambault
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - GENERAL POWERS

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

19. **2017-S 226 SUB A**
 BY Quezada
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES - ROAD TEST LICENSE APPLICANTS

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

20. **2017-S 277 SUB A**
 BY Coyne
 ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF LEGALIZING MARIJUANA

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

21. **2017-S 388 SUB A**
 BY Quezada
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

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

22. **2017-S 390 SUB A**
 BY Jabour
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

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

23. **2017-S 595 SUB A**
 BY Goodwin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS - ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

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

24. 2017-S 656 SUB A**BY** Conley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

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

25. 2017-S 711**BY** Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE - LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

26. 2017-S 767 SUB A**BY** McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS -- THE PERMANENT AIR QUALITY MONITORING ACT

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

27. 2017-S 792 SUB A**BY** Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - CONDUCT OF ELECTION AND VOTING EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

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

28. 2017-S 798**BY** Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

29. 2017-S 807 SUB A**BY** Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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

- 30. 2017-S 949**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 31. 2017-S 950**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES -- EXPIRATION DATES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 32. 2017-H 5457 SUB A**
BY Shekarchi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES

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

- 33. 2017-H 5274 SUB A**
BY Ruggiero
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --
RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM

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

- 34. 2017-H 5821 SUB A as amended**
BY Tanzi
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PUBLIC HEALTH
AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT

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

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 2017:

- 1. The Appointment of Courtney E. Hawkins VICE Melba DePena as the Director of the Department of Human Services**

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

2. **2017-S 517**
 BY McCaffrey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE --
 LITIGATION LENDING AGREEMENTS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. **2017-S 546**
 BY Crowley
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM
 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT -- ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION OF
 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

4. **2017-S 720 SUB A**
 BY Sosnowski
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY --
 AGRICULTURAL FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
 MANAGEMENT

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

5. **2017-S 207 SUB A**
 BY Fogarty
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -
 RETIREMENT SYSTEM - CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS

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

6. **2017-S 471**
 BY DiPalma
 ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY URGING THE DEPARTMENT
 OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND
 HOSPITALS AND THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN
 SERVICES TO INCREASE CERTAIN DIRECT AND HOME CARE WORKER
 WAGES

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR****Senate Bill No. 96 SUB A****BY** Picard

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS (Defines the term an "opinion of value" to be an analysis, opinion, of conclusion prepared by a real estate broker pertaining to the price of property.)
{LC1046/A/1}

Senate Bill No. 168 SUB A**BY** Lombardi, McCaffrey, Lynch Prata, Archambault, Jabour

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS (Requires a real estate broker to release customer or client funds in an escrow account as instructed by the parties to a failed real estate transaction, within ten (10) days of receipt of a written release.)
{LC864/A/1}

House Bill No. 5098**BY** McEntee, Craven, Ruggiero, O'Brien, McKiernan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS - ACCESS TO PUBLIC RECORDS (Excludes preliminary drafts, notes, impressions, memoranda, working papers and work products involving research at state institutions of higher learning from the definition of a public record.)
{LC66/1}

House Bill No. 5348**BY** Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Provides that the department of business regulation administer alcoholic server training programs rather than the department of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals.)
{LC1162/1}

House Bill No. 5655**BY** Barros, Maldonado, Blazejewski, Regunberg, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - RHODE ISLAND DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE ACT (Amends several sections of the general laws pertaining to the calculation of impact fees by municipalities in the state by requiring that needs assessments of the fees be conducted every 5 years with certain exceptions.)
{LC1893/1}

House Bill No. 5656**BY** Blazejewski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES - RETAIL LICENSES - PROVIDENCE (Enables the city of Providence's board of licenses to approve the liquor license applications for a business at 100-102 Hope Street (Assessor's plat 16, lot 263), located within two hundred feet (200') of a church.)
{LC1886/1}

House Bill No. 5661

(Office of Postsecondary Commissioner)

BY Messier, Morin, Kazarian, McNamara, Fellela

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- PRIVATE SCHOOLS (Requires accreditation by a Regional Accrediting Agency recognized by the United States Department of Education for distance learning institutions to transact business or grant degrees in Rhode Island.)
{LC1366/1}

House Bill No. 5714

BY Keable, Solomon, Shanley, McEntee, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- UNIFORM INTERSTATE FAMILY SUPPORT ACT -- GENERAL PROVISIONS (Makes a technical correction to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.)
{LC1607/1}

House Bill No. 5715

(RI Supreme Court)

BY Shekarchi, Solomon, McEntee, Shanley, Keable

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - COURTS -- COURT ADMINISTRATION (Limits the judiciary's publicly available list of delinquent persons to the 100 delinquent persons owing the largest amount of court imposed or court related fees, and other monetary obligations which have been unpaid for a period in excess of 90 days.)
{LC1712/1}

House Bill No. 5738

(Attorney General)

BY Canario, Edwards, Bennett, Johnston, O'Grady

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Includes fentanyl analogs and synthetic opioids into Schedule I and Schedule II of the list of uniform controlled substances.)
{LC1921/1}

House Bill No. 5855

(RI Supreme Court)

BY Craven, Keable, McEntee, Knight

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY (Adds the Rhode Island traffic tribunal to the list of courts afforded the ability to dismiss cases for lack of prosecution.)
{LC1716/1}

House Bill No. 6078

BY Casey, Phillips, Morin, Kennedy, Keable

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.)
{LC2374/1}

House Bill No. 6144 SUB A as amended

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Bennett, McNamara, Hull, Costantino, Slater

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LONG-TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (Amends the membership of the long-term care coordinating council from forty-one (41) members to thirty-three (33) members.)

{LC2553/A/1}