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Sixty Sixth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:51 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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 Doyle.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Sixty-Fourth Legislative Day of the 2017 proceedings is read in part. Upon suggestion of Senator Metts and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal is approved as recorded.

COMMUNICATION

The Honorable President presents the following communication:

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

June 28, 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 28, 2017, due to illness.

Sincerely,

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

Read and placed on file.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**House Bill No. 5664**

BY Handy, Amore, O'Brien, Marshall, Marszalkowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM (Requires the department of education to consider incorporating media literacy education in the basic education program.)

{LC1285/1}

Placed on the Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 5326**BY** Solomon, Edwards, O'Brien, Williams, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS

(Requires that the sheltering and nourishment of dogs conform to the industry standards established by the Tufts Animal Care and Conditions Scale regarding outside sheltering, proper nourishment, sanitary conditions, and physical condition.)

{LC204/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 994****BY** Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF

MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND CLOSED MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT PLANS (Allows locally administered Central Falls retirement plans to join the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) by providing greater flexibility in funding policies.)

{LC2956/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 995**BY** Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CENTRAL FALLS POLICE

AND FIRE RETIREE PENSION BENEFITS (Provides that all city employees covered by Central Falls retirees' settlement agreement would have benefits gradually increased over five years from 75% base to 87.5% base pension benefit amount.)

{LC2958/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

CONSENT CALENDAR**IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2017:**

1. The Reappointment of Alan Nathan to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

2. The Reappointment of Bruce Campbell to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

3. The Reappointment of James Bennett to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

4. The Reappointment of Joseph Kimball to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

5. The Reappointment of Richard D. Worrell to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

6. The Appointment of Jina N. Petrarca, Esq. VICE Richard Burroughs to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

7. The Appointment of Jennifer R. Cervenka (Chair) (Public Member) VICE Anne Maxwell Livingston to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

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

8. The Reappointment of Mario Carlino to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

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

9. The Appointment of Michelle E. Collie (Public Member) VICE Paul Beaudette to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

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

10. The Appointment of Lisette Gomes (Public Member) VICE Dr. Tony Affigne to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

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

11. The Reappointment of Judith Kawa (Johnston Resident) to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020.

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

12. Reappointment of Michael Sabitoni (Johnston Resident) to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020.

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

13. Appointment of Rhonda Sasa (Johnston Resident) VICE Lori Ann Pezzullo to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020.

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

14. Appointment of David P. Martland (Fort Adams Trust Board of Directors) VICE Greg Hall to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

15. Reappointment of J. Michael Abbot (Architect/Architectural Historian) to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

16. Appointment of Bayard Clarkson Schoettle (Private Nonprofit Historic Preservation Organization) VICE Morgan Devlin to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

17. Appointment of John W. Smith (Museologist) VICE Pieter Roos to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

18. Appointment of Lucie G. Searle (Public Member) VICE Patrick Malone to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

19. Appointment of Morgan Grefe (Historian) VICE Ronald Onorato to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

20. Appointment of R. Tripp Evans (Public Member) VICE Mohamad Farzan to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

21. Appointment of Tanya Kelley (Landscape Historian) VICE Karst Hoogeboom to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

22. **2017-S 992**

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES TO UTILIZE FUNDING FROM SECTION 40-8.9-4 OF THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE RHODE ISLAND AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER AND TO CONVENE A STAKEHOLDER GROUP ON LONG-TERM CARE REBALANCING REFORM

Ordered on the Consent Calendar

23. **2017-S 993**

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE OFFICE OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM PLAN

Ordered on the Consent Calendar

24. **2017-H 5351**

BY Bennett

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS RESIDENCY

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

25. 2017-H 6206 SUB A**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS

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

26. 2017-H 5300 SUB A**BY** Maldonado**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING CRIMINAL OFFENSES - UNIFORM ACT ON THE PREVENTION OF AND REMEDIES FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING

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

27. 2017-H 6095 SUB A as amended**BY** Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAXATION OF FARM, FOREST, AND OPEN SPACE LAND

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

28. 2017-H 6251**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- EXPIRATION DATES

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

29. 2017-H 6288**BY** Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK - RATIFICATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS

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

30. 2017-H 6300**BY** Shekarchi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE I-195 REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2011

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

31. **2017-H 6301**
 BY Shekarchi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
 APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONS

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

32. **2017-H 6170 SUB A**
 BY Serpa
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE

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

33. **2017-H 6315**
 BY Vella-Wilkinson
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE --
 VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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

34. **2017-H 6361**
 BY Solomon
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

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

35. **2017-H 5314 SUB A**
 BY Bennett
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE
 ACCESSIBILITY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE ACT

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

36. **2017-H 5904**
 BY Marszalkowski
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT

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

37. **2017-H 5280 SUB A**
 BY Morin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS

Ordered to be placed on the Consent Calendar for 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 - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 2017:

**1. The Appointment of Marie L. Ganim, Ph.D (Health Insurance Commissioner)
VICE Dr. Kathleen Hittner to the Health Insurance Commissioner**

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

Senator Goodwin moves that advice and consent of the Senate be given this appointment, seconded by Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

Senator Miller, Metts, Lunch Prata, Algieri, Sosnowski, DiPalma, Crowley, Sheehan, Goldin, Gallo, Nesselbush, Lombardi, Ruggerio discuss the appointment.

The advice and consent of the senate is given this appointment, by unanimous consent, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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 Pearson, and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President welcomes to the Chamber the newly appointed Health Insurance Commissioner Marie L. Ganim, Ph.D.

2. 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.

Senator Jabour moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, McCaffrey, Ciccone, Lombardi, Coyne, DiPalma.

Senator Jabour, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Lombardi offer the following written motion to amend.

Senator Miller and Jabour discuss the amendment.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2017 -- S 0390 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED

AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0390 SUBSTITUTE A AS AMENDED, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS", as follows:

1. By deleting all of the language after the enactment clause, and by inserting in place thereof the following language:

"SECTION 1. Sections 4-1-1, 4-1-3, 4-1-22 and 4-1-42 of the General Laws in Chapter 4-1 entitled "Cruelty to Animals" are hereby amended to read as follows:

4-1-1. Definitions -- Responsibility for agents and employees.

(a) In this chapter and in §§ 4-4-9, 4-4-10, and 23-19-8:

(1) "Animal" and "animals" means every living creature except a human being;

(2) "Licensed graduate veterinarian" or "veterinarian" means a person licensed to engage in the practice of veterinary medicine, surgery, and dentistry in this state who is a graduate of an accredited veterinary medical, surgical, and dental school or college of a standard recognized by the Rhode Island veterinary medical association; and

(3) "Owner", "person", and "whoever" means corporations as well as individuals.

(4) "Guardian" shall mean a person(s) having the same rights and responsibilities of an owner, and both terms shall be used interchangeably. A guardian shall also mean a person who possesses, has title to or an interest in, harbors or has control, custody or possession of an animal and who is responsible for an animal's safety and well-being.

(5) Except for livestock as defined in subsection 4-26-3(6), "adequate living conditions" shall mean a sanitary environment which is dry and free of accumulated feces and free of debris and garbage that may clutter the environment, pose a danger or entangle the animal. The environment in which the animal is kept must be consistent with federal regulatory requirements, where applicable or generally recognized professional standards, where applicable, or otherwise be of sufficient size so as not to inhibit comfortable rest, normal posture or range of movement, and suitable to maintain the animal in a good state of health. "Adequate living conditions" for livestock as defined in subsection 4-26-3(6) shall mean best management practices established, no later than July 1, 2014, by the Rhode Island livestock welfare and care standards advisory council.

(6) Except for livestock as defined in §4-26-3, "hazardous accumulation of animals" means the accumulation of a large number of animals, to a point where the owner, possessor or person having the charge of custody of the aforementioned animals fails to or is unable to provide "adequate living conditions" as defined herein, resulting in harm or danger to the health and wellbeing of the animals.

(b) The knowledge and acts of agents of and persons employed by corporations in regard to animals transported, owned or employed by or in the custody of that corporation are held to be the acts and knowledge of that corporation.

4-1-3. Unnecessary cruelty.

(a) Every owner, possessor, or person having the charge or custody of any animal, who cruelly drives or works that animal when unfit for labor; or cruelly abandons that animal; or who carries that animal or who fails to provide that animal with adequate living conditions as defined in § 4-1-1; or who engages in the hazardous accumulation of animals as defined in §4-1-1, or causes that animal to be carried, in or upon any vehicle or otherwise, in a cruel or inhuman manner; or willfully, intentionally, maliciously, recklessly, and/or knowingly authorizes or permits that animal to be subjected to unnecessary torture, suffering, or cruelty of any kind; or who places, or causes to have placed, on any animal any substance that may produce irritation or pain or that is declared a hazardous substance by the U.S. food and drug administration or by the state department of health, shall be punished for each offense in the manner provided in § 4-1-2. If the offense described in this section results in the death of the animal, the person shall be punished in the manner provided in § 4-1-5. If any owner, possessor, or person having the charge or custody of any animal who is found guilty of or pleads nolo contendere to a violation of this section and said violation involves the hazardous accumulation of animals, the court shall, in imposing a penalty under this section, take into account whether the defendant's conduct could be considered to be the result of a mental health disorder as defined in §27-38.2-2.

(b) The substances proscribed by subsection (a) do not include any drug having curative and therapeutic effect for disease in animals and that is prepared and intended for veterinary use.

(c) University, college, or hospital research facilities licensed and/or inspected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture or the U.S. Public Health Service of the department of health and human services shall be exempt from the provisions of subsection (a) provided that they are in good standing with the federal agency responsible for licensing or assurance of the facility.

4-1-22. Care of neglected animals by society -- Forfeiture of owner's rights --

Expenses.

(a) An officer or agent of the Rhode Island Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals may lawfully take charge of any animal found abandoned or neglected or hazardously accumulated as defined in §4-1-1, or that in the opinion of that officer or agent, is aged, maimed, disabled, lame, sick, diseased, injured, unfit for the labor it is performing, or cruelly treated, and shall give notice to the owner, if known, or his or her agents, and may provide suitable care.

(b) Every owner or agent, upon conviction, plea of guilty, or plea of nolo contendere, of abandonment, neglect, hazardous accumulation as defined in §4-1-1, or otherwise cruel treatment of any animal taken charge of by the Rhode Island Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals under this section, forfeits the rights to ownership or control of that animal to the Society for disposition in any manner deemed suitable for that animal.

(c) Whenever any officer or agent of the Rhode Island Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals lawfully takes charge of any animal under this section, all reasonable expenses for the care and treatment of the animal(s), while in the custody of the Society during this time, shall be paid for by the owner, guardian, or his or her agent upon conviction, plea of guilty, or plea of nolo contendere. The Society has the authority to commence a civil action for damages against the owner or his or her agent thirty (30) days after a written demand for payment of the expense of the suitable care of that animal has been sent and no payment has been received.

4-1-42. Care of neglected animals by Department -- Forfeiture of owner's rights --**Expenses.**

(a) The director of environmental management, or any veterinarian employed by the department of environmental management ("department"), may lawfully take charge of any animal found abandoned or neglected or hazardously accumulated as defined in §4-1-1, or that, in the

opinion of the department, is aged, maimed, disabled, lame, sick, diseased, injured, unfit for the labor it is performing, or cruelly treated, and shall give notice to the owner, if known, or his or her agents, and may provide suitable care.

(b) Every owner, guardian, or agent, upon conviction, entry of a guilty plea, or plea of nolo contendere, of abandonment, neglect, hazardous accumulation as defined in §4-1-1, or otherwise cruel treatment of any animal taken charge of by the department under this section, forfeits the right to ownership or control of that animal to the department for disposition in any manner deemed suitable for that animal.

(c) Whenever the department lawfully takes charge of any animal under this section, all reasonable expenses for the care and treatment of the animal(s), while in the custody of the department during this time, shall be paid for by the owner, guardian, or his or her agent, upon conviction, a plea of guilty or plea nolo contendere. The department has the authority to commence a civil action for damages against the owner or his or her agent thirty (30) days after written demand for payment of the expense of the suitable care of that animal has been sent and no payment received.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage."

2. By deleting the language on page 3, lines 1 through 3, and by inserting in place thereof the following language:

"This act would add hazardous accumulation of animals to the list of cruelty to animal offenses, and would require any sentencing judge to consider whether such conduct is the result of a mental health disorder as defined in §27-38.2-2."

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Jabour

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 senators voting the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

Senator Jabour moves the passage of the act as amended seconded by Senator Lombardi.

Senator Conley, Calkin, Goldin and Quezada discuss the act.

The act is read and passed as amended upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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 341 SUB A

BY Ruggerio

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

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

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

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

4. 2017-S 486 SUB B

BY McCaffrey

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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

Senator McCaffrey moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Miller, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Nesselbush, Archambault.

The bill marked substitute "B" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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 446 SUB A as amended

BY Ruggerio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WORKPLACE SAFETY ACT

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

Upon suggestion of Senator Goodwin and without objection, recommitted to the senate committee on health and human services.

6. 2017-S 300 SUB A

BY Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION

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

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Satchell,

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

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

7. 2017-S 443

BY Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
RHODE ISLAND MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Pearson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Felag, Picard, satchell, Archambault, DiPalma, Goodwin.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote with 32 Senators voting in the affirmative and 4 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

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

NAYS - 4: Senators Gee, Kettle, Morgan, Paolino.

8. 2017-S 789 SUB A

BY Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

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

Senator Lombardo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gee, DaPonte, Seveney, Goodwin, Ciccone, Quezada, Lombardi, Archambault and Nesselbush.

Senator Lombardo, seconded by Senators Ciccone and Lombardi, Nesselbush offer the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2017 -- S 0789 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0789 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES", as follows:

1. On page 1, by deleting all the language on lines 3 through 10, inclusive, and by inserting in place thereof the following:

"27-18-25. Unfair discrimination prohibited.

Notwithstanding any provision of any policy of insurance, certificate, or service contract issued in this state, whenever the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract provides for reimbursement for any services which may be legally performed by any person licensed under the provisions of chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5, reimbursement under the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract shall be based upon a determination of medical necessity and shall not be denied because of race, color, or creed, nor shall any insurer make or permit any unfair discrimination against particular individuals or persons licensed under chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5."

2. On page 1, by deleting all the language on lines 13 through 19 inclusive.

3. On page 2, line 1, by deleting all the language on said line, and by inserting in place thereof the following:

"27-19-74. Unfair discrimination prohibited.

Notwithstanding any provision of any policy of insurance, certificate, or service contract issued in this state, whenever the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract provides for reimbursement for any services which may be legally performed by any person licensed under the provisions of chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5, reimbursement under the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract shall be based

upon a determination of medical necessity and shall not be denied because of race, color, or creed, nor shall any insurer make or permit any unfair discrimination against particular individuals or persons licensed under chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5."

4. On page 2, by deleting all the language on lines 4 through 11 inclusive, and by inserting in place thereof the following:

"27-20-70. Unfair discrimination prohibited.

Notwithstanding any provision of any policy of insurance, certificate, or service contract issued in this state, whenever the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract provides for reimbursement for any services which may be legally performed by any person licensed under the provisions of chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5, reimbursement under the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract shall be based upon a determination of medical necessity and shall not be denied because of race, color, or creed, nor shall any insurer make or permit any unfair discrimination against particular individuals or persons licensed under chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5."

5. On page 2, by deleting all the language on lines 14 through 21 inclusive, and by inserting in place thereof the following:

"27-41-87. Unfair discrimination prohibited.

Notwithstanding any provision of any policy of insurance, certificate, or service contract issued in this state, whenever the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract provides for reimbursement for any services which may be legally performed by any person licensed under the provisions of chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5, reimbursement under the insurance policy, certificate, or service contract shall be based upon a determination of medical necessity and shall not be denied because of race, color, or creed, nor shall any insurer make or permit any unfair discrimination against particular individuals or persons licensed under chapters 29, 30, 35 and 37 of title 5."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Lombardo

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 senators voting the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

Senator Lombardo moves the passage of the act as amended seconded by Senators Nesselbush and Lombardi, DiPalma.

The act is read and passed as amended upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

9. 2017-S 55 SUB A

BY Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL
OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

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

Senator Lomabrdi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Felag, Picard, McCaffrey, Archambault, Coyne, DiPalma, Goodwin.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

RECONSIDERATION

Senator Lombardi requests that the item is reconsidered and placed at the bottom of the calendar.

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

10. 2017-S 337

BY Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE UNIFORMED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Seveney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Jabour, Miller, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Satchell, Conley, Lombardi, Fogarty and Metts.

Senator Miller discusses the bill.

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

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

11. 2017-S 427 SUB A

BY Conley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT

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

Senator Conley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Felag, Picard, McCaffrey, Archambault, Coyne, DiPalma, Goodwin.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

12. 2017-S 658

BY DiPalma

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator DiPalma moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Calkin, Quezada, Gallo, Felag, Picard, McCaffrey, Archambault, Coyne, DiPalma, Goodwin.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

13. 2017-S 811 SUB A

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- DELINQUENT
AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN-- CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION--
SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN

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

Senator Goodwin moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Calkin, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Nesselbush, Archambault, Jabour and Metts.

The bill marked substitute "A" is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

14. 2017-S 290 SUB A

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES AND WORKPLACES ACT

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

Senator Goodwin moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Conley, Jabour, Lombardi, Quezada, Metts, Satchell, DiPalma, Goldin.

Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Conley, Jabour, Lombardi, Quezada, Metts, Satchell, DiPalma, Goldin offer the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES
AND WORKPLACES ACT

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES AND WORKPLACES ACT", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 22, after the language "counted" by inserting the language "in accordance with regulations of the department of labor and training".

2. On page 4, line 30, after the language "paid" by inserting the language "or unpaid".

3. On page 5, line 2, after the language "use" by inserting the language "all paid sick time accrued since the first day of employment and".

4. On page 5, line 6, after the language "use" by inserting the language "all paid sick time accrued since the first day of employment and".

5. On page 11, line 32, by deleting the language "the attorney general".

6. On page 14, line 4, by deleting the language "or allow any rollover" and inserting in its place thereof the language ", allow any carryover, or payout".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Goodwin

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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 35 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 senators voting the negative and 1 member abstained as follows:

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED – 1: Senator Picard.

Senator Raptakis, seconded by Senator Kettle offer the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES
AND WORKPLACES ACT

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES AND WORKPLACES ACT", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 16, by deleting the language "eleven (11)", and by inserting in place thereof the language "fifty (50)".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Raptakis

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The motion to amend fails upon a roll call vote with 3 Senators voting in the affirmative and 32 senators voting the negative and 1 member abstained as follows:

YEAS - 3: Senator DaPonte, Paolino, Raptakis.

NAYS - 32: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Pearson, Quezada, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

RECUSED – 1: Senator Picard.

Senator DaPonte, seconded by Senator Raptakis offer the following written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT

TO

2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A/2

AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES
AND WORKPLACES ACT

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0290 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO

LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- HEALTHY AND SAFE FAMILIES AND WORKPLACES

ACT", as follows:

1. On page 2, line 5, after the language "work" by inserting the language "full-time".
2. On page 3, lines 21 through 22, after the language "full-time" by deleting the language, "part-time, or temporary".
3. On page 4 and 5, lines 32 through 34, by deleting all the language in its entirety.
4. On page 5, lines 1 through 7, by deleting all the language in its entirety.
5. On page 5, line 8 by deleting "(m)" and inserting in place thereof "(l)".
6. On page 5, line 16, by deleting "(o)" and inserting in place thereof "(m)".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator DaPonte

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The motion to amend fails upon a roll call vote with 6 Senators voting in the affirmative and 29 senators voting the negative and 1 member abstained as follows:

YEAS - 6: Senator Cote, DaPonte, Gee, Kettle, Paolino, Raptakis.

NAYS - 29: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Pearson, Quezada, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

RECUSED – 1: Senator Picard.

Senators Goodwin, Calkin, Raptakis, Kettle, Morgan, Goldin, DiPalma, Metts, Crowley, Quezada, Miller, Lombardi, Satchell discuss the bill.

Senator Goodwin moves the passage of the act as amended seconded by Senators Sosnowski.

The act is read and passed as amended upon a roll call vote with 27 Senators voting in the affirmative and 8 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 27: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 8: Senators Algiere, Cote, DaPonte, Gee, Kettle, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis.

RECUSSED – 1: Senator Picard.

15. 2017-S 917 SUB A

BY Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
WORKERS' COMPENSATION--BENEFITS

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

Senator Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Lombardi Gallo, Goodwin and Coyne.

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 Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

16. 2017-S 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

Committee on Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight recommends passage.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Jabour.

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

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:**17. 2017-S 940****BY Metts****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES**

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Metts moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Felag, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Jabour.

Senator Felag, Jabour and Quezada discuss the act.

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

NAYS - 0:**18. 2017-S 166****BY Satchell****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - CHILD PRODUCTS AND UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Satchell moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Lynch Prata.

The act is read and passed in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

19. 2017-S 174**BY** Satchell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - SAFETY BELTS IN SCHOOL BUSES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Senator Satchell moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Lombardi Lombardo.

The act is read and passed in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 35 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 35: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.**NAYS - 1:** Senator Gee.**20. 2017-S 960****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Conley, Quezada.

The act is read and passed in concurrence, on a roll call vote, 35 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:****21. 2017-H 5347 SUB B****BY** Lima**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS -- 38 STUDIOS, LLC

Committee on Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and the Substitute A and passage of Substitute B.

Senator Lombardi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Archambault and McCaffrey.

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

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algiere, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

22. 2017-H 5397 SUB A

BY Morin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE

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

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Metts, Lynch Prata, Jabour.

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 and 2 abstained as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSSED: 2 Senators Algiere, Pearson.

23. 2017-H 5488

BY Coughlin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - BARBERS AND HAIRDRESSERS

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Fogarty moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Nesselbush, Calkin.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative 1 member abstained as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED -1: Senator Lombardi.

24. 2017-H 6004

BY Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' ARBITRATION

Committee on Labor recommends passage in concurrence.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Nesselbush, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Lombardo.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative 2 members abstained as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED -2: Senator Kettle and Satchell.

25. 2017-S 893

BY Crowley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS
INSURANCE POLICIES

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Crowley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sosnowski, Satchell, Quezada.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 35 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

26. 2017-H 5695 SUB A**BY** Kennedy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - FRAUD AND FALSE DEALING

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

Senator Quezada moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Metts, Calkin, Lynch Prata.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 34 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative 2 members abstained as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED -2: Senator Algieri, Pearson.

BOTTOM OF THE CALENDAR**9. 2017-S 55 SUB A****BY** Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL OFFENDER REGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION

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

Senator Lomabrdi moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, Felag, Picard, McCaffrey, Archambault, Coyne, DiPalma, Goodwin.

The act is read and passed upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS - 36: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DaPonte, DiPalma, 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:

RECONSIDERATION

Senator McCaffrey requests that the following item be reconsidered and placed on the Thursday Calendar.

2. 2017-S 390 SUB A

BY Jabour

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

Placed on the Thursday Calendar.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Cote announces that the Committee on Commerce will meet today at the rise, in Room 212 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 Goldin announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet today at the rise, in the senate lounge 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 Lombardo announces that the Committee on Labor will meet today at the rise, in Room 212 of the State House.

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today at the rise, in Room 211 of the State House.

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

RECESS

The Senate stands in recess at 6:32pm.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Bill No. 6279

BY Maldonado

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.)
{LC2807/1}

Referred to Senate Finance.

House Bill No. 5640 SUB A**BY** Corvese, McNamara, Azzinaro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS - PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Places an energy efficiency charge cap on the 2018 state energy efficiency program plan and require the office of energy resources to conduct a study to verify the energy savings measures from the state energy efficiency programs.)
{LC1810/A/1}

Referred to Senate Commerce.

House Bill No. 6171 SUB A

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Messier, Fellela, McLaughlin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE (Expands the competitive retail purchase of electricity by authorizing the creation of a purchase of receivables program which requires electric distribution companies to make timely payments to the suppliers of their electricity.)
{LC2578/A/1}

Referred to Senate Commerce.

House Bill No. 6190 SUB A

(Lieutenant Governor)

BY Ruggiero, Barros, Handy, Hearn, Chippendale**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS --DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS (Requires pub. utilities/electric distribution cos. to provide prompt/adequate service to ratepayers for new service/upgrades with penalty up to \$10,000 with electric distribution cos. to provide written estimates/itemized bill for work in excess of \$500.)
{LC2640/A/1}

Referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 742 SUB A**BY** Nesselbush, Lombardi, Fogarty, Quezada, Crowley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Modernizes the definition of physical therapy, the right to use the title of physical therapist and includes practice beyond the scope of physical therapy as a grounds for discipline.)
{LC2473/A/1}

Senate passed Sub A in concurrence.

House Bill No. 5444

(by request)

BY McEntee, Craven, McKiernan, O'Brien

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE - LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS (Increases the guardianship ad litem maximum fee from \$400 to \$800 in guardian/limited guardianship proceedings.)
{LC1260/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6302**BY** Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- STOPPING, STANDING, AND PARKING RESTRICTIONS (Creates a prohibition on parking in electric vehicle charging stations without using the charging apparatus.)
{LC2817/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6103 SUB A**BY** Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- BLOCK ISLAND UTILITY DISTRICT ACT OF 2017 (Creates the Block Island utility district to provide utility products and services to the town of New Shoreham.)
{LC2445/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6246**BY** O`Grady, Ackerman, Costantino

ENTITLED, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF LINCOLN TO ISSUE BONDS AND NOTES IN AN AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING \$60,000,000 TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR, IMPROVEMENTS, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF AND/OR ADDITIONS TO LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL AND SCHOOL FACILITIES IN THE TOWN (Authorizes the town of Lincoln to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$60,000,000 to finance the improvements to Lincoln High School and school facilities in the town.)
{LC2738/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6284 SUB A**BY** Johnston, Tobon, Messier, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HOSPITAL CONVERSIONS (Streamlines the procedure for the approval of mergers of not-for-profit hospitals and unaffiliated community hospitals.)
{LC2796/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6287**BY** Keable, Newberry, Edwards, Chippendale, Price**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO THE BURRILLVILLE LAND TRUST (Increases the tax exemption for real property held by the Burrillville Land Trust to two million dollars (\$2,000,000).)
{LC2700/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6297**BY** Shanley, Casimiro, Carson, Ackerman, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- INSPECTIONS OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (Makes changes to the licensing procedures for health care facilities.)
{LC2838/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6305**BY** Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RESILIENT RHODE ISLAND ACT OF 2014 - CLIMATE CHANGE COORDINATING COUNCIL (Directs the climate change coordinating council to study a carbon pricing program.)
{LC2814/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6307**BY** Diaz, Slater, Perez, Maldonado, Barros**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Requires health care professionals upon issuance of initial opioid prescription to discuss with patient/parent/guardian risk of developing dependence/addiction/potential of overdose/death/adverse risks of concurrent use of alcohol/other psychoactive drugs)
{LC2823/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6310**BY** Casimiro, Shanley, Marszalkowski, Donovan, Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - HOME-VISITING SYSTEM COMPONENTS (Directs the department of health to obtain an annual estimate of the number of children born to Rhode Island families who face significant risk factors known to impair child development.)

{LC2818/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6311**BY** Phillips, Morin, Casey, Marshall, Solomon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS (Establishes a process by which a virtual education plan may be established and used by school districts during inclement weather which would count as a school day, provided that the plan is approved by the council on elementary and secondary education.)

{LC2815/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6312**BY** O'Brien, Marshall, Keable, Slater, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS BOARD (Creates a reporting requirement for the commissioners of education and the council on elementary and secondary education concerning teacher training and the effect of new regulations.)

{LC2812/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6313**BY** Donovan, Blazejewski, Ranglin-Vassell, Amore, Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - SOCIAL SERVICES (Defines and declares the purpose of child opportunity zones and would provide for annual reporting from the commissioner of elementary and secondary education to the general assembly on each zone.)

{LC2813/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6324**BY** Cunha, Shanley, Barros, Tobon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CIVIC EDUCATION COMMISSION (Alters the membership, reporting protocol, and meeting requirements of the civic education commission.)

{LC2863/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6345**BY** Ruggiero, Casimiro, Donovan, Regunberg, Marszalkowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY --

AGRICULTURAL FUNCTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL

MANAGEMENT (Authorizes the directors of the departments of environmental management and health to enforce the Federal Food Safety Modernization Act as it pertains to commercial growers of fruits and vegetables.)

{LC2897/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Resolution No. 6351**BY** Azzinaro, Tobon, Fellela, Messier, McLaughlin**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATION

COMMISSION TO STUDY VETERAN AND MILITARY SPOUSE EDUCATION &

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (Creates a 13 member commission to study of veteran and military spouse education and employment opportunities, and who would report to the General Assembly by April 30, 2018, and expire on July 30, 2018.)

{LC2908/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 6364**BY** Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Jared Saletin to join Kelsey Lucas and Brendon Duprey in marriage on or about July 7, 2018, within the City of Providence, Rhode Island.)

{LC2949/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5424**BY** McNamara, Vella-Wilkinson, Bennett, Solomon, Morgan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --

REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES--GASPEE DAY COMMITTEE (Creates a special fundraising license plate for the Gaspee Days committee.)

{LC189/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5683**BY** Maldonado, Diaz, Kazarian, Barros, Tobon**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE RHODE ISLAND CHILDREN'S CRUSADE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (Establishes the college crusade of Rhode Island, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization registered with the Rhode Island secretary of state, as the entity that will administer and operate all program services and manage scholarship resources.)

{LC1872/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5710**BY** Kennedy, Johnston, Kazarian, Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE - LIMITED GUARDIANSHIP AND GUARDIANSHIP OF ADULTS (Provides persons under limited guardianship, guardianship conservatorship with rights designed to protect them from mental, physical and financial abuse by guardians and conservators retroactively and prospectively.)
{LC1797/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5766 SUB A

(Office of Veterans' Affairs)

BY Casimiro, Walsh, Donovan, Barros, Vella-Wilkinson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- GOLD STAR FAMILIES (Creates and expands eligibility for a special license plate for Gold Star Families.)
{LC1767/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5805 SUB A

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Handy, Carson, McEntee, Fogarty, Donovan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT (Creates a division of marine fisheries within DEM to manage salt water fish and plant harvesting.)
{LC1735/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5824**BY** Ucci, Winfield, Costantino, Corvese**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENTS OF STATE GOVERNMENT (Requires that an information technology project manager be assigned for all requests for proposals for information technology projects.)
{LC1952/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE**

Chairman Picard, from the Committee on Commerce, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 719 SUB A

(Secretary of State)

BY Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT (Requires the tax administrator to file a public list with the secretary of state of corporations and limited liability companies that have failed to pay required fees and taxes.)
{LC2225/A/2}

Placed on Senate Calendar

House Bill No. 5646 SUB B

(Secretary of State)

BY Marszalkowski, McLaughlin, Quattrocchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS, ASSOCIATIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS -- RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT (Substitutes CPA certification that a corporation/limited partnership/limited liability company owes no taxes/fees to the state in place of a certificate of good standing from tax division for conversions/dissolutions/withdrawals/cancellations.)
{LC1758/B/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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

Reappointment of Jo Eva Gaines (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Reappointment of Amy Beretta (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2019.

Reappointment of Colleen A. Callahan, Ed.D. (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Reappointment of Lawrence E. Purtill (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2019.

Appointment of Gara Brooke Field, Ph. D. (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) VICE Joyce L. Stevos, Ph. D. to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2019.

Appointment of Karen Davis (Council on Elementary and Secondary Education) VICE Karin Forbes to the Board of Education for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Reappointment of Joseph L. Dowling, Jr., M.D to the Rhode Island State Council for the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2020.

Appointment of Kara Milner VICE Alison Vareika to the Rhode Island State Council for the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2020.

Appointment of Kate Petrie VICE Michelle Kwan to the Rhode Island State Council for the Arts for a term expiring March 1, 2018.

Placed on Senate Consent 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:

Reappointment of Alan Nathan to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020. Reappointment of Bruce Campbell to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

Reappointment of James Bennett to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020. Reappointment of Joseph Kimball to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

Reappointment of Mario Carlino to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020. Reappointment of Richard D. Worrell to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

Appointment of Jina N. Petrarca, Esq. VICE Richard Burroughs to the Narragansett Bay Commission for a term expiring April 1, 2020.

Appointment of Jennifer R. Cervenka (Chair) (Public Member) VICE Anne Maxwell Livingston to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

Appointment of Michelle E. Collie (Public Member) VICE Paul Beaudette to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020. Appointment of Lisette Gomes (Public Member) VICE Dr. Tony Affigne to the Coastal Resources Management Council for a term expiring January 1, 2020.

Reappointment of Judith Kawa (Johnston Resident) to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020. Reappointment of Michael Sabitoni (Johnston Resident) to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020.

Appointment of Rhonda Sasa (Johnston Resident) VICE Lori Ann Pezzullo to the Resource Recovery Corporation for a term expiring July 1, 2020.

Placed on Senate Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chairman Conley, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

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}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Chairman Miller, from the Committee on Health and Human Services, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 497 SUB A

BY Lynch Prata, Doyle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Permits an audit or claims investigation for a pattern of inappropriate billing only if it is determined that the claims are known by the provider to be inappropriate.)

{LC1759/A/3}

Placed on Senate Calendar

Senate Bill No. 862 SUB A

BY Gallo, Goodwin, Miller, Satchell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE - ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES - STEP THERAPY PROTOCOL (Allows for a step therapy exception determination when coverage of a prescription drug for the treatment of a medical condition is restricted for use by an insurer, health plan, or utilization review organization.)

{LC2482/A/2}

Placed on Senate Calendar

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}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

House Bill No. 5455 SUB A

(by request)

BY Shekarchi, Marshall, Casimiro, McEntee, Tanzi**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.)

{LC1294/A/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

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}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Chairman Ciccone, from the Committee on Housing and Municipal Government, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

House Bill No. 5837

(by request)

BY Tanzi, Amore, Regunberg, Barros, Kazarian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES & CARRIERS - RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Authorizes RIPTA to provide an open-door service to all passengers to and from Rhode Island to locations within five (5) miles of the Rhode Island boarder into Massachusetts and Connecticut.)

{LC1362/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Adam Anderson (Public Member) VICE Myrna George to the Scenic Roadways Boards for a term expiring January 31, 2020. Appointment of Charles C. Newton (Public Member) VICE Sue Barker to the Scenic Roadways Boards for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Pamela Sherrill (Grow Smart RI) VICE Vacant to the Scenic Roadways Boards for a term expiring January 31, 2020. Appointment of Ronald J. Smith (RI Builders Association) VICE Vacant to the Scenic Roadways Boards for a term expiring January 31, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appointment of David P. Martland (Fort Adams Trust Board of Directors) VICE Greg Hall to the Fort Adams Foundation for a term expiring January 31, 2020. Reappointment of J. Michael Abbot (Architect/Architectural Historian) to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appointment of Bayard Clarkson Schoettle (Private Nonprofit Historic Preservation Organization) VICE Morgan Devlin to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020. Appointment of John W. Smith (Museologist) VICE Pieter Roos to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appointment of Lucie G. Searle (Public Member) VICE Patrick Malone to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appointment of Morgan Grefe (Historian) VICE Ronald Onorato to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020. Appointment of R. Tripp Evans (Public Member) VICE Mohamad Farzan to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Appointment of Tanya Kelley (Landscape Historian) VICE Karst Hoogeboom to the Historical Preservation & Heritage Commission for a term expiring June 1, 2020.

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

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}

Placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Chairman Lynch Prata, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measures:

Senate Bill No. 236 SUB A**BY** Metts, Crowley, Jabour, Ciccone, Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES

(Prohibits discrimination in housing against those persons who have a lawful source of income.)

{LC1113/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 348 SUB A**BY** DaPonte, Cote, Crowley, Picard, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS'

AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES (Exempts individuals validly licensed in their country and holding a validly issued study or work Visa from the State's licensing requirements.)

{LC1512/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar .

Senate Bill No. 394 SUB A as amended**BY** Sheehan, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Jabour, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS'

AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES (Allows the holder of a level 2-limited provisional license to drive from the holder's home to a school event for which no transportation is provided by the school, between 4:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.)

{LC227/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar

Senate Bill No. 757 SUB A**BY** Seveney, DiPalma, Coyne, Calkin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE,

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS - MENTAL HEALTH LAW

(Articulates the role of police officers in obtaining treatment for those showing symptoms of mental illness.)

{LC2248/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 806 SUB A

(Board of Elections)

BY Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE (Provides additional guidance concerning the proposed disposition of remaining campaign funds of a deceased candidate or officeholder, former candidate or former officeholder.)

{LC1853/A/2}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 896 SUB A**BY** Archambault, Lombardi, Lombardo, Jabour, Metts**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - OPTIONAL RETIREMENT FOR MEMBERS OF POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS (Adds illness sustained while in the performance of duty to the definition of accidental disability.)
{LC2670/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

House Resolution No. 5551 SUB A as amended**BY** Canario, Nardolillo, Craven, Hull, Casimiro**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY THE EFFECTS OF LEGALIZING MARIJUANA (Creates a 19 member commission to review and make recommendations on the effects of legalizing marijuana, and who would report back to the General Assembly by March 1, 2018, and expire on July 1, 2018.)
{LC1373/A/4}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

House Bill No. 6084

(by request)

BY Regunberg**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - EMERGENCY POLICE POWER (Amends the provisions regarding emergency police powers to clarify that higher learning institutions with special police officers are authorized to enter into mutual aid agreements for the purpose of providing emergency assistance.)
{LC2410/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 5326**BY** Solomon, Edwards, O'Brien, Williams, Serpa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- DOGS (Requires that the sheltering and nourishment of dogs conform to the industry standards established by the Tufts Animal Care and Conditions Scale regarding outside sheltering, proper nourishment, sanitary conditions, and physical condition.)
{LC204/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent 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 measures:

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}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 984**BY** Felag, Coyne, Seveney, Raptakis, 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 (Provides that one of the two (2) conference rooms in the new Rhode Island Veterans Home shall be named and known as the "1st Sergeant P. Andrew McKenna US Army 7th Special Forces Group Memorial Conference Room.")
{LC2878/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

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}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 903 SUB A**BY** Gallo, Pearson, Lombardi, Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Amends the number of occasions upon which a Class A license holder under this chapter may dispense unlimited samples of wine products.)
{LC2666/A/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 9:00pm.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2017:**2. Senate Bill No. 117****BY** Kettle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - INCOME TAX REFUNDS - STATE TAX OFFICIALS (Gives all state income tax return filers the option to have their tax refund directly deposited into their bank account.)
{LC559/1}

Senator Kettle moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Algieri, Felag and Lombardi.

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

NAYS - 0:

3. Senate Resolution No. 968**BY** Conley

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

Senator Conley moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, and Kettle.

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, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

4. 2017-S 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/A/1}

Senator Sosnowski moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffery and Lombardi.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 33 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

5. 2017-S 972

BY Kettle

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}

Senator Kettle moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Morgan, Gee and Paolino.

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

NAYS - 0:

6. 2017-S 147

BY Kettle

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- DELEGATION OF NON-ABLATIVE TREATMENTS (Provides guidelines for the delegation by licensed health care professionals of non-ablative laser or energy-based treatments to a properly-qualified delegate.)
{LC697/1}

Senator Kettle moves passage of the act, seconded by Senator Miller.

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

NAYS - 0:

7. 2017-S 974

BY Felag

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}

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffery and Seveney.

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

NAYS - 0:

8. 2017-S 236 SUB A

BY Metts

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES (Prohibits discrimination in housing against those persons who have a lawful source of income.) {LC1113/A/1}

Senator Metts moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Jabour, and Goldin.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 34 members voting in the affirmative and 1 members voting in the negative as follows.

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

NAYS - 1: Senator Morgan.

9. 2017-S 348 SUB A**BY** Cote

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES (Exempts individuals validly licensed
in their country and holding a validly issued study or work Visa from the State's licensing
requirements.)
{LC1512/A/1}

Senator Cote moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Sheehan, and Sosnowski.

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

NAYS - 0:

10. 2017-S 394 SUB A**BY** Sheehan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES (Allows the holder of a level 2-limited
provisional license to drive from the holder's home to a school event for which no
transportation is provided by the school, between 4:00 a.m. to 5:00 a.m.)
{LC227/A/1}

Senator Sheehan moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffery.

Senator Sheehan, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata and McCaffrey, offers the following
amendment written motion to amend.

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO**

2017 -- S 0394 SUBSTITUTE A

AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS'
LICENSES

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2017 -- S 0394 SUBSTITUTE A, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- OPERATORS' AND CHAUFFEURS' LICENSES", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 4, after the language "sponsored" by adding the language "athletic".

Respectfully submitted,

Senator Sheehan

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LC000227/2
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The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call with 35 senators voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative

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

NAYS - 0:

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

NAYS - 0:

11. 2017-S 757 SUB A

BY Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE,
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS - MENTAL HEALTH LAW
(Articulates the role of police officers in obtaining treatment for those showing symptoms
of mental illness.)
{LC2248/A/1}

Senator Seveney moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Satchell, Gee and Felag.

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

NAYS - 0:

12. 2017-S 806 SUB A

BY Lynch Prata

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- CAMPAIGN FINANCE

(Provides additional guidance concerning the proposed disposition of remaining campaign funds of a deceased candidate or officeholder, former candidate or former officeholder.)

{LC1853/A/2}

Senator Lynch Prata moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Satchell, Sheehan and Lombardi. The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

13. 2017-S 896 SUB A

BY Archambault

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - OPTIONAL

RETIREMENT FOR MEMBERS OF POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS (Adds illness sustained while in the performance of duty to the definition of accidental disability.)

{LC2670/A/1}

Senator Archambault moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardo, Lynch Prata, Goodwin, Ciccone, Lombardi, and Jabour.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 29 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 29: The Honorable President Ruggerio and Senators Algieri, Archambault, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Nesselbush, Picard, Quezada, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 5: Senators Cote, Gee, Kettle, Morgan, and Paolino

15. 2017-S 903 SUB A**BY** Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Amends the number of occasions upon which a Class A license holder under this chapter may dispense unlimited samples of wine products.)
{LC2666/A/1}

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Ciccone, and Lombardi.

The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 35 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, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

16. 2017-S 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}

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Lombardi, Nesselbush, Ciccone, Archambault, Satchell, Seveney, and Goodwin.

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

NAYS - 0:

17. 2017-S 984**BY** Felag

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 (Provides that one of the two (2) conference rooms in the new Rhode Island Veterans Home shall be named and known as the "1st Sergeant P.

Andrew McKenna US Army 7th Special Forces Group Memorial Conference Room.")
{LC2878/1}

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Fogarty, Archambault, Gee, Raptakis, Nesselbush, Metts, and Picard.

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

NAYS - 0:

18. 2017-S 985

BY Felag

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}

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lynch Prata, Gallo, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Fogarty, Gee, Seveney, DiPalma.

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

NAYS - 0:

19. 2017-S 742 SUB A

BY Nesselbush

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Modernizes the definition of physical therapy, the right to use the title of physical therapist and includes practice beyond the scope of physical therapy as a grounds for discipline.)
{LC2473/A/1}

Senator Nesselbush moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Lombardi, Fogarty, Jabour, Miller, Lombardo, and Archambault.

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

NAYS - 0:

19. 2017-H 5664

BY Handy

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - CURRICULUM

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

Senator Kettle moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Algieri, Felag and Lombardi. The act is read and passed, on a roll call vote, 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, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, DiPalma, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

NAYS - 0:

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Bill No. 994

BY Crowley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- RETIREMENT OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND CLOSED MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT PLANS (Allows locally administered Central Falls retirement plans to join the Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) by providing greater flexibility in funding policies.)
{LC2956/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 995**BY** Crowley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- CENTRAL FALLS POLICE AND FIRE RETIREE PENSION BENEFITS (Provides that all city employees covered by Central Falls retirees' settlement agreement would have benefits gradually increased over five years from 75% base to 87.5% base pension benefit amount.)
{LC2958/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Resolution No. 996**BY** Ruggerio, Gallo, Lombardi, Miller, Ciccone

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE HONORABLE MICHAEL A. TRAFICANTE, DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT AND FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, ON HAVING THE SENIOR CENTER IN CRANSTON RE-NAMED THE "MICHAEL A. TRAFICANTE ENRICHMENT CENTER" IN HIS HONOR
{LC2965/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage seconded by Senator Miller, Jabour, Lombardi, Felag, Archambault, Algieri.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Felag announces that the Committee on Finance will meet tomorrow at 5:15pm, in Room 211 of the State House.

Senator Archambault announces that the Committee on Judiciary will meet tomorrow at 7:15pm, in Room 313 of the State House.

Senator Goldin announces that the Committee on Health and Human Services will meet tomorrow at 5:30pm, in The Lounge of the State House.

Senator Coyne announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet tomorrow at 6:00pm, in Room 212 of the State House.

RECESS

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Algieri the senate stands in recess at 9:28pm.

Appendix**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON THURSDAY, JUNE 29th****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}

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}

Senate Bill No. 742 SUB A

BY Nesselbush, Lombardi, Fogarty, Quezada, Crowley

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICAL THERAPISTS (Modernizes the definition of physical therapy, the right to use the title of physical therapist and includes practice beyond the scope of physical therapy as a grounds for discipline.)

{LC2473/A/1}

House Bill No. 5280 SUB A

BY Morin, Casey, Phillips, Barros, McLaughlin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS (Creates a veteran's preference in the issuance of state contracts.)

{LC1093/A/1}

House Bill No. 5290

BY Edwards, Maldonado, Coughlin, Casey, Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - ELECTRICIANS (Includes within the licensing and certification process required by the board of electricians the maintenance of certain electrical components.)

{LC352/1}

House Bill No. 5314 SUB A

BY Bennett, Slater, Marshall, Canario, Barros

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE ACCESSIBILITY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE ACT (Requires health care facilities to report to the department of health the use of non-Rhode Island licensed nurses.)

{LC1078/A/1}

House Bill No. 5351

BY Bennett, Marshall, Canario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES - POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS RESIDENCY (Prohibits municipal charters and ordinances from requiring that their police officers and firefighters reside within the state of Rhode Island.)
{LC1109/1}

House Bill No. 5397 SUB A

BY Morin, Messier, Phillips, Casey, Johnston

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND SALE (Imposes a penalty of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) upon financial institutions failing to promptly record foreclosure deeds and pay outstanding taxes.)
{LC1133/A/1}

House Bill No. 5470

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Shekarchi, Bennett, Shanley, Cunha, Filippi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- VETERINARY PRACTICE (Removes certain restrictions on who can perform routine husbandry procedures on livestock and allows a licensed human medical practitioner to assist a licensed veterinarian.)
{LC1340/1}

House Bill No. 5488

(by request)

BY Coughlin, Johnston, Keable

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - BARBERS AND HAIRDRESSERS (Reduces the number of hours of instruction required to obtain a hairdresser's and cosmetician's license from fifteen hundred (1,500) to twelve hundred (1,200) hours.)
{LC1447/1}

House Bill No. 5578

(Dept. of BHDDH)

BY Donovan, Casimiro, Carson, Ackerman, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON BEHAVIOR HEALTH (Increases membership of council from 26 to 31 voting members with amendments to reflect current names of state depts./divisions/agencies listed in statute.)
{LC1328/1}

House Bill No. 5609

(Dept. of Environmental Management)

BY Kazarian, Winfield, Maldonado, Hearn, Fogarty

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL VIOLATIONS (Increases the administrative penalties that the director of DEM may impose for violations of environmental regulations up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000).)
{LC1338/1}

House Bill No. 5695 SUB A

(Attorney General)

BY Kennedy, O`Grady, Johnston, Kazarian, Messier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - FRAUD AND FALSE DEALING (Criminalizes residential mortgage fraud and extend the statute of limitations for certain offenses regarding financial and banking fraud.)

{LC1230/A/2}

House Bill No. 5733 SUB A

BY McEntee, Shekarchi, Knight, McKiernan, Craven

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN (Requires all CASA (court-appointed special advocate) volunteers to first pass DCYF clearance as well as a national criminal background check before qualifying for appointment by the court.)

{LC1966/A/1}

House Bill No. 5904

BY Marszalkowski, Ackerman, McLaughlin, Phillips

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE CUMBERLAND FIRE DISTRICT (Establishes that membership on the Cumberland Fire District Fire Committee constitutes holding a public office and that the elections of the Fire Committee are governed by state election laws.)

{LC2079/1}

House Bill No. 6004

BY Craven, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' ARBITRATION (Allows the bargaining agent for the correctional officers and the state authority to extend, by agreement in writing, the thirty (30) day period to reach an agreement on a contract, before submitting unresolved issues to arbitration.)

{LC2278/1}

House Bill No. 6095 SUB A as amended

BY Handy, Giarrusso

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAXATION OF FARM, FOREST, AND OPEN SPACE LAND (Exempts land previously classified as farm, forest or open space land from land use change tax if the landowner converts no more than twenty percent (20%) acreage to install a renewable energy system.)

{LC2387/A/1}

House Bill No. 6170 SUB A

BY Serpa, Bennett, McNamara, Solomon, Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (Mandates insurance coverage for medically necessary expenses for standard fertility preservation services when a medical treatment may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility.)

{LC2543/A/1}

House Bill No. 6206 SUB A

BY Fogarty, Tanzi, Craven, McEntee, Carson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Renames the College of Pharmacy building on Greenhouse Road at the University of Rhode Island in Kingston, as "Paramaz Avedisian '54 Hall.")

{LC2667/A/1}

House Bill No. 6251

BY Kennedy, Azzinaro, Fogarty, Craven, McEntee

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- EXPIRATION DATES (Grants the administrator of the division of motor vehicles the power to extend the expiration dates up to ninety (90) days of permits, licenses, registrations, certificates, placards, and other privileges, under limited circumstances.)

{LC2734/1}

House Bill No. 6288

BY Serpa, Morgan, Nunes

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK - RATIFICATION OF CHARTER AMENDMENTS (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of West Warwick, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of West Warwick on May 19, 2016.)

{LC2801/1}

House Bill No. 6300

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE I-195 REDEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2011 (Requires the I-195 commission to conduct training for new commission members which would include training in ethics.)

{LC2833/1}

House Bill No. 6301

BY Shekarchi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- APPOINTMENTS COMMISSIONS (Changes the responsibility of making appointments to certain advisory and exchange commissions from the lieutenant governor to the senate president.)

{LC2824/1}

House Bill No. 6315

BY Vella-Wilkinson, Phillips, Shanley, Jacquard, Ackerman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- VETERANS' AFFAIRS (Provides for changes to the veterans' services strategic plan advisory committee to provide coordination of state, federal, and private veterans' services.)

{LC2839/1}

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:29 o'clock P.M. on Thursday, June 29th.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Senator Lynch Prata the Senate adjourns at 4:32 o'clock P.M.

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR STEPHEN R. ARCHAMBAULT**

Lord, today we express to you our profound gratitude and thanks for the friendships we have formed and for the fruits of our efforts. As we depart from this chamber today, grant us your peace and grace. Enable us to enjoy the days ahead, and be ever mindful of your presence in our lives. Amen.