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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 4:20 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 37 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Bell.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Resolution No. 2163****BY** Cano, DiMario, Acosta, Euer, Quezada**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 7TH THROUGH THE 14TH OF 2022, TO BE "CONGENITAL HEART DEFECT AWARENESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC4335/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Cano requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Cano moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

Senators Cano and Acosta discuss the senate resolution.

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

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Sandra Cano and by Unanimous consent, The Honorable President of the Senate, introduces **Norelys R. Consuegra**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Parent, **Tristen Sarmiento**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Johnston, **Rémi Vassallo**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Newport, **Alijah Lopez**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Providence, **Theodore MacPherson**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Forestdale, **Abigail Bram**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Providence, **Corey Jenness**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Prudence Island, **Treyvon Robinson**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ North Kingstown, **Caleb DelSesto**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Warwick, **Parker DelSesto**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Warwick, **Austin Vermilyea**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Bristol, **Lincoln Beland**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Pawtucket, **Paul Gordon**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/ Warren, **Silas Zeppelin Green**, Heart Warrior/Congenital Heart Defect/Warwick.

Senate Resolution No. 2164**BY** DiMario, Anderson, Mendes**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY OF 2022, TO BE "CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC4583/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator DiMario requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator DiMario moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

Senator Mendes discusses the senate resolution.

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

Senate Resolution No. 2165**BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF DAVID R. NARODOWY {LC4109/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Murray requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Murray moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

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

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON SPECIAL LEGISLATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2154 SUB A

BY Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin

ENTITLED, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXTENDING POWER CONFERRED UPON THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (E) OF TITLE 30, CHAPTER 15, SECTION 9 OF THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS
{LC4399/A/1}

Placed on Senate Calendar.

CONSENT CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022:

1. 2022-H 7017

BY Azzinaro

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE TYLER DOCK ASSOCIATION

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

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

YEAS – 38: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

CALENDAR

In order for the day is taken up as follows:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2022:**1. 2022-S 2134****BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- SMALL BUSINESSES --ZONING ORDINANCES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator DiMario moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, Pearson, Felag, Sosnowski, Picard, Lombardi, Acosta, Calkin, Mack, Archambault, Kallman, Burke, Rogers, Paolino, Mendes, Euer,

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 36 members voting in the affirmative, 0 members voting in the negative and 2 members abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED - 2: Senators Cano, Miller.

2. 2022-S 2153**BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE LICENSES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, Felag, Sosnowski, Lombardi, DiMario, Mack, Acosta, Valverde, Raptakis.

Senator Felag seconded by Senators Gallo, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Archambault, Burke, DiPalma offers the following written motion to amend:

FLOOR AMENDMENT**TO****2022 -- S 2153****AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- MANUFACTURING AND
WHOLESALE LICENSES -- RETAIL LICENSES**

Mr. President:

I hereby move to amend 2022 -- S 2153, entitled "AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- MANUFACTURING AND WHOLESALE LICENSES -- RETAIL LICENSES", as follows:

1. On page 3, line 29, by inserting the following language after the language "regulations.": "A Class B license holder shall not sell alcoholic beverages under the provisions of this subsection for a lower price than what is charged for the same beverage for consumption on the premises."

Respectfully submitted,

Senator FELAG

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Senators Calkin, Felag and Acosta discuss the amendment.

The motion to amend prevails upon a roll call vote with 36 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 voting in the negative and 1 abstained as follows:

YEAS – 36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED – 1: Senator Miller.

Senator Gallo moves passage of the act, as amended, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, Sosnowski, Murray, DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, as amended upon a roll call vote, with 37 members voting in the Affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative and 1 member abstaining as follows:

YEAS – 37: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Mendes, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde, Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

ABSTAINED – 1: Senator Miller.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Senator Goodwin announces that the Senate will meet on Thursday, February 10th at 4pm, the deadline to request legislation is on February 13th and the desk will remain open.

RECESS

Upon the Motion of Senate Majority Leader McCaffrey, seconded by Senator Goodwin, the Senate stands in Recess at 4:56 o'clock P.M. in memory of *David R. Narodowy*.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 7030

BY Tanzi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Cynthia A. Chester, Justice of the Peace in the State of Connecticut, to join Kacie Ann Chester and Cole Whitehead in marriage on or about July 3, 2022, within the Town of Narragansett, Rhode Island.)

{LC3231/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

House Bill No. 7098

BY Barros, Baginski, Alzate, S Lima, Giraldo, Potter

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows the Honorable Mary A. Orfanello to join Marge M. Urquhart and Matthew P. Orfanello in marriage on or about April 2, 2022, within the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.)

{LC3725/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 2166**

BY Quezada, Cano, Kallman, Euer, Murray, Valverde, DiMario, Acosta, Calkin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS -- LICENSED ACTIVITIES -- LENDERS AND LOAN BROKERS -- CHECK CASHING (Repeals the provisions of the general laws allowing deferred deposit providers, also known as "payday lenders.")

{LC3717/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 2167**BY** Lombardi, McCaffrey, Goodwin. Ciccone, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS (Decreases the number of OSHA training hours from three (3) hours to one hour.)
{LC4047/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 2168**BY** Zurier, Valverde, Euer, Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- AIR POLLUTION (Prohibits the sale of gasoline-powered leaf blowers in this state after July 1, 2023 and prohibit their use in this state after July 1, 2024. Violations would be punished by a civil fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).)
{LC4277/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

Senate Bill No. 2169**BY** Lawson, Seveney, Coyne, Quezada, Euer, Cano, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS BOARD (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT) (Extends the time period to for all teachers to demonstrate proficiency in knowledge and practices of scientific reading and structured literary instruction from the 2023-2024 school year until the 2025-2026 school year.)
{LC4118/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Resolution No. 2170**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE PAUL J. HARVEY
{LC4687/1}

Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2171

BY Raptakis, Lawson, Paolino, de la Cruz, Archambault, Zurier, Anderson, DiMario, Sosnowski, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- SEPTEMBER 11 CLASSROOM MOMENT OF SILENCE

(Allows for a moment of silence in observation of September 11.)

{LC3328/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2172

BY Cano, Quezada, Murray, Lawson, Kallman, Anderson, Seveney, Pearson, DiMario, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FEDERAL AID (Requires free lunches to be provided for all elementary and secondary students attending public schools, to the extent state and federal funds are available.)

{LC4254/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2173

BY Archambault, Miller, Rogers, DiMario, Valverde, Kallman, Paolino

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS (Requires that one third of all Rhode Island teachers, each year for the next 3 years, be trained in the basic emergency and response skills curriculum ("BEARS"), specifically in hand-only cardiopulmonary resuscitation/Heimlich maneuver/bleeding control.)

{LC3570/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2174

BY Cano, Quezada, Lawson, Pearson, Anderson, Seveney, DiMario, Kallman, Burke, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Adds to the determination of the need to support high-need students a separate and independent qualifying factor of whether the student is an English language learner as defined by the department of education's regulations.)

{LC4250/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2175

BY Cano, Murray, Lawson, Anderson, Seveney, Pearson, DiMario, Burke, Quezada, Acosta
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE EDUCATION EQUITY AND PROPERTY TAX RELIEF ACT (Provides local education agencies (LEAs) hiring site-based specialists for reading and math to receive state reimbursement based on enrollment and specific guidelines.)
{LC4257/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2176

BY Sosnowski, Cano, Coyne, Gallo, Felag, Seveney, Miller, DiMario
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SOCIAL SERVICES (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 --THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT)--STAFFING (Requires all public schools, in grades kindergarten through twelve (K-12), to have at least one full-time certified school social worker for every four hundred (400) students.)
{LC3882/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2177

BY Zurier, Cano, Pearson, Picard, Kallman, Lawson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- STATE DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION (SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97--THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT) (Requires district and independent charter schools to use a random selection process to select eligible public school students who would be invited to attend the charter school and allows a parent to decline the invitation.)
{LC3787/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2178

BY Sosnowski, Euer, DiMario, Miller, Pearson, Kallman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RENEWABLE ENERGY STANDARD -- SOLAR ENERGY ANALYSIS (Requires the public utilities commission to establish a docket to review and analyze solar energy development in Rhode Island.)
{LC3758/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 2179**BY** Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Anderson, Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT (Requires carbon-emissions-reduction goals be considered in energy plant siting proceedings.)

{LC4075/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 2180**BY** Raptakis, Rogers, Burke, Lombardi, Calkin, Anderson, Morgan, Paolino, Murray, Archambault**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- INSPECTION OF DAMS AND RESERVOIRS -- ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY OF JOHNSON'S POND (Provides a dedicated grant of funding to DEM, specifically to commission an environmental study for the public benefit.)

{LC4121/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 2181**BY** Raptakis, Anderson, Rogers, Calkin, Archambault, Sosnowski, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- DAMAGES FROM MILLDAMS -- THE JOHNSON'S POND PROTECTION ACT (Makes the Mill Damn Act subject to the provisions of the Freshwater Wetlands Act as it related to Johnson's Pond in the town of Coventry.)

{LC3247/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 2182**BY** Sosnowski, Kallman, Miller, Mack, Ciccone, Euer, Murray, Quezada**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (Creates an income-sensitive tiered subsidy program to ensure that home energy utility costs are affordable for eligible low-income households)

{LC4245/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2183**BY** Sosnowski, Coyne, Felag, DiMario, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PERSONAL INCOME TAX (Allows a modification to federal adjusted gross income for military pension income for tax years commencing on January 1, 2023 and thereafter.)

{LC4088/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2184**BY** Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Acosta, Anderson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION (Establishes a surtax on the business corporation tax for publicly traded corporations subject to SEC disclosure and reporting requirements, if corporation's ratio of compensation for its CEO to median worker is equal to or greater than 100 to 1.)

{LC4072/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2185**BY** Algieri, de la Cruz, Rogers, Morgan, Paolino**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX (Reduces the minimum corporate tax from four hundred dollars (\$400) to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for the year beginning on January 1, 2022, and abolishes the minimum tax for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023.)

{LC4028/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2186**BY** Felag, Cano, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Burke**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - SALES AND USE TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION (Eliminates the sales tax on taxi services and pet care services.)

{LC4285/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2187

BY Cano, Quezada, DiMario, Euer, Miller, Kallman, Murray, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Pearson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HEALTH CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN (Expands the Rite Track Program to provide health care coverage to children up to age nineteen (19) funded by federal funds, if available, or if not available, by state funds.)
{LC4263/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2188

BY Sosnowski, Rogers, Felag, Seveney, DiPalma, Raptakis
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Allows municipalities to establish a program providing property tax exemption to active duty individuals who volunteer services as a firefighter or emergency medical technician.)
{LC3878/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2189

BY Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Acosta, Anderson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- HEALTH CARE FOR FAMILIES (Creates the "Medicaid Employer Assessment.")
{LC4077/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2190

BY Cano, Quezada, DiMario, Kallman, Euer, Lawson, Anderson, Seveney, Pearson, Burke
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - THE RHODE ISLAND QUALITY ENHANCEMENT IN AFTERSCHOOL AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME ACT (Provides funding for afterschool, summer learning and workforce development programs for students in grades K-12.)
{LC4264/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2191**BY** Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Anderson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- STATE PURCHASES (Directs department of administration to promulgate regulations giving preferences in the awarding of state contracts to certain business enterprises.)
{LC4078/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2192**BY** Coyne, DiPalma, Pearson, DiMario, Anderson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY TAX RELIEF (Increases max income level to \$50,000 and max credit amount to \$850 for property tax relief with annual adjustment for inflation.)
{LC4051/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2193**BY** de la Cruz, Rogers, Morgan, Lombardi, Felag, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RIGHTS OF NURSING HOME PATIENTS (Requires the department of health to promulgate rules and regulations to determine whether a nursing home facility shall be granted an exception from the minimum staffing level requirements.)
{LC4101/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2194**BY** Algieri**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT INSURANCE POLICIES (Medicare eligible disabled individuals under age 65 eligible for Medicare supplemental policies. Health insurance commissioner may adopt reasonable regulations and standards for Medicare supplemental policies.)
{LC4451/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2195**BY** Archambault, Miller, McCaffrey, Ruggerio, Lombardo, Euer, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- UNANTICIPATED OUT-OF-NETWORK BILLS FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES (Protects people with health insurance from surprise medical bills for emergency and other services by requiring a non-participating health care provider to bill an insured party only for a co-payment, or deductible.)

{LC3566/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2196**BY** Cano, Lawson, Quezada, Anderson, Seveney, DiMario, Burke, DiPalma, Kallman, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES – MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (Increases eligibility for the three (3) federal Medicare Savings Programs and eliminates the asset test for these programs.)

{LC4222/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2197**BY** DiPalma, Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE RHODE ISLAND RARE DISEASE MEDICATION ACCESSIBILITY, AFFORDABILITY AND REINSURANCE ACT (Establishes within the EOHHS a rare disease medication reinsurance program fund in consultation with an advisory council, to assure equitable financing and facilitate access to medication for rare diseases.)

{LC3915/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2198**BY** Miller, Seveney, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Expands drug awareness programs to high schools, directs funding from certain civil fines and mandates establishment of criteria for funding.)

{LC3759/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2199**BY** Miller, Cano, Quezada, Murray, DiPalma, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -

INSURANCE BENEFITS (Enables adjunct faculty members eligible for state employee medical insurance.)

{LC4373/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2200**BY** DiPalma, Miller, Ruggerio, Goodwin, McCaffrey, Lombardo, Kallman, Felag, Coyne, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL AND CLINICAL SERVICES PROGRAMS RATE REVIEW AND RATE SETTING PROCESS ACT OF 2022

(Provides for rate setting and review for all medical programs licensed or having a contract with the state as well as Medicaid.)

{LC4420/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2201**BY** Goodwin, McCaffrey, Coyne, Miller, Pearson, Gallo, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS

INSURANCE POLICIES -- BIOMARKER TESTING COVERAGE (Requires health insurers, nonprofit hospital service corporations, nonprofit medical service corporations and health maintenance organizations that issue policies that provide coverage for biomarker testing on or after 1/1/23.)

{LC4362/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2202**BY** Goodwin, Cano, DiMario, Pearson, Miller, Coyne, Kallman, Euer, Quezada, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HEALTH

CARE FOR CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN (Extends the benefits given to eligible women under title XIX state plan through the last day of the month in which their twelve-month post-partum period ends.)

{LC4432/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2203**BY** Lawson, DiMario, Burke, Murray, Cano, Quezada, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE (Requires coverage for the treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections/pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, including, but not limited to, the use of intravenous immunoglobulin therapy.)

{LC3422/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2204**BY** Archambault, DiPalma, Miller, Lawson, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - UNIFORM CONTROL SUBSTANCES ACT (Requires that professionals authorized to prescribe opioid drugs discuss addiction risks and when appropriate alternative treatments with patients upon the second refill and/or upon the third prescription.)

{LC3567/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2205**BY** Sosnowski, Goodwin, Coyne, Miller, Gallo, McCaffrey, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- GENETIC COUNSELORS LICENSING ACT (Provides a statutory framework for the licensing and regulation of genetic counselors.)

{LC3892/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2206**BY** Felag, DiPalma, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES -- ACCESSIBLE RESIDENCE MODIFICATIONS (Commencing January 1, 2023, requires insurance coverage for medically necessary residence modifications that would otherwise require the patient to enter a long-term care facility.)

{LC4286/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2207**BY** Miller, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- PHARMACEUTICAL REDISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ACT (Authorizes the creation and implementation of a Pharmaceutical Redistribution program by the department of health (DOH) and the board of pharmacy to commence operations on January 1, 2023.)
{LC4236/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

Senate Bill No. 2208**BY** Raptakis, Rogers, Burke, Anderson, Morgan, Paolino, Archambault, Sosnowski, Lombardo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CITIES AND TOWNS -- SEWAGE CHARGES -- TOWN OF COVENTRY (Authorizes the town of Coventry to provide for the payment of sewer assessments in installments up to a thirty year period.)
{LC4235/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 2209**BY** Anderson, Zurier, Calkin, Burke, Lombardo, Kallman, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, DiMario, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- PARKING FACILITIES AND PRIVILEGES (Requires the installation of designated electric vehicle parking spaces, with charging capabilities by certain businesses, municipalities, and housing developments in existing, new, or expanded parking lots commencing January 1, 2023.)
{LC3556/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Resolution No. 2210**BY** Coyne, Lombardo, Gallo, Picard, Ciccone, Kallman

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE LICENSING OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS (Creates an 11 member commission to study and make recommendations on licensing of residential builders and contractors, and would report back by January 15, 2023, and expire on January 30, 2023.)
{LC4071/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 2211**BY** Rogers, de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Raptakis, Algiere, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- MUNICIPAL ROADS AND BRIDGES MAINTENANCE AND CONSTRUCTION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

(Establishes a new fund, with 50% of state motor vehicle registration fees, to be administered by the director of the department of transportation, for municipal road and bridges' maintenance and construction projects.)

{LC3847/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 2212**BY** de la Cruz, Morgan, DiPalma, Lombardi, Raptakis, Rogers, Felag, Paolino, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- ELECTRONIC INFORMATION AND DATA PRIVACY ACT (Requires law enforcement agencies to obtain search warrants for electronic information, data, location information and other identifying information of subscribers and customers, except in specified circumstances.)

{LC4033/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2213**BY** Euer, Miller, Murray, Valverde, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - THE GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT OF 2016 (Creates immunity from prosecution for medical emergencies for drug possession or delivery.)

{LC4244/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2214**BY** Euer, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Cano, Acosta, Mack, Zurier, Burke, Kallman, Archambault**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY – RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD TENANT ACT – HOUSING PAYMENT STABILITY ACT (Requires landlords to complete the landlord portion of an application for federal emergency rental assistance before starting an action for eviction against a residential tenant for nonpayment of rent.)

{LC4139/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2215

BY Burke, Archambault, Valverde, DiMario, Coyne, Ciccone, McCaffrey, Cano, de la Cruz
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- MERIT SYSTEM (Allows a classified employee to seek elected office provided that they resign their position upon being elected.)
{LC4079/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Resolution No. 2216

BY DiMario, Euer, Lawson, Pearson, Murray, Burke, Coyne, Kallman, Cano, Valverde
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION - PERSONS ENTITLED TO VOTE (This joint resolution would authorize the submission to the electors of a constitutional amendment that would allow eligible citizens to register to vote removing the requirement that the registration be completed thirty (30) days before an election.)
{LC4005/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2217

BY Sosnowski, Coyne, McCaffrey, Euer, Gallo, Seveney, Valverde, Felag, Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -- COASTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (Creates appointment of executive director of coastal resources management as an employee and respected staff of coastal resource management to coordinate with DEM and division leaders to plan management of coastal resources)
{LC3880/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2218

BY de la Cruz, Rogers, Paolino, Lombardo, Ciccone, Raptakis
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE - PROCEDURE GENERALLY - CAUSES OF ACTION (Provides for a cause of action against an individual or entity that prohibits the possession of firearms on real property, except residences, by an individual that is authorized and licensed to carry a firearm.)
{LC4034/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2219**BY** de la Cruz, Rogers, Morgan, Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- SEXUAL ASSAULT

(Defines any act of sexual penetration or contact perpetrated by an individual with a position of authority upon a person over the age of fourteen (14) and under the age of eighteen (18) as third degree sexual assault.)

{LC4102/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2220**BY** Raptakis, Archambault, Anderson, Calkin, Sosnowski, Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION -THE JOHNSON'S POND PROTECTION ACT (Makes the Mill Damn Act subject to the provisions of the Freshwater Wetlands Act as it relates to Johnson's Pond in the town of Coventry.)

{LC3315/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2221**BY** Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- EMPLOYEE CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECK (Requires criminal records check for all applicants for employment with BHDDH/any facility/program operated by BHDDH with routine, unsupervised with individuals/organizations employing 250 or more employees with checks every 5 yrs. of continuous employment.)

{LC4247/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2222**BY** Pearson, McCaffrey, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Gallo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING PROGRAM (Authorizes and regulate peer-to-peer car sharing programs whereby existing car owners make their motor vehicles available for other individuals to use under a peer-to-peer program.)

{LC4684/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

Senate Bill No. 2223

BY Kallman, Ruggerio, Cano, Acosta, Anderson, Euer, Lombardo, Quezada, Coyne, Zurier
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Requires all property owners of rental property to file with the secretary of state notice of their name, home address, including zip code, and telephone number. The secretary of state shall comply a report of such information.)
{LC4391/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2224

BY Miller, Coyne, Goodwin, Gallo, Euer, Quezada, Cano, Kallman, Felag, Sosnowski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- ASSAULT WEAPONS (Bans the possession, sale, and transfer of assault weapons. Possession of assault weapons owned on the effective date of this act would be "grandfathered" subject to certain registration provisions.)
{LC3771/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Resolution No. 2225

BY Algieri, de la Cruz, Rogers, Morgan, Raptakis, Paolino
ENTITLED, JOINT RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AND PUBLISH AND SUBMIT TO THE ELECTORS A PROPOSITION OF AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE-LINE ITEM VETO (This proposed amendment to the Constitution would provide the governor with a line-item veto on the budget and other bills for the appropriation of money.)
{LC3940/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2226

(By Request)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATED TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES (Authorizes licensed auto body shops to sell or dispose of motor vehicles that have been abandoned and located on their premises.)
{LC4029/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2227

(By Request)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (Authorizes the potential appointment of pro bono attorneys, supervised law students and from a list maintained by the DEM to act as animal advocates in animal cruelty and abuse cases, at the court's discretion, to serve the interests of justice.)
{LC3727/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2228**BY** Coyne, Miller, Sosnowski, Euer, Quezada, Burke, Raptakis, DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- EXPLOITATION OF ELDERS (Changes the definition of "elder person" for purposes of exploitation of elders from a person sixty-five (65) years of age or older to a person sixty (60) years of age or older.)
{LC3881/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2229**BY** Archambault, Ciccone, McCaffrey, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX SALES (Requires the dismissal of a complaint filed after the statute of limitations to set aside the final decree of a tax sale foreclosure and award defense costs. This act also establishes additional standards for abandoned and blighted properties.)
{LC3562/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2230**BY** Raptakis, de la Cruz, Murray, Euer, DiPalma, Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS (Expands the deinstitutionalization subsidy aid program in the department of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals to include adoptive parent(s) or siblings(s) and allows them to receive a subsidy through the aid program.)
{LC3338/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2231**BY** Archambault, Lombardi, Coyne, Euer, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- COURTS -- FAMILY COURT -- EXPUNGEMENTS (Creates a family court process to expunge a substantiated finding of child abuse or neglect by the department of children, youth and families.)

{LC3876/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Resolution No. 2232**BY** Zurier, DiMario, Kallman, McCaffrey**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL SENATE COMMISSION TO STUDY RANKED CHOICE VOTING FOR GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GENERAL OFFICER PRIMARIES (This resolution creates a seven (7) member commission to study ranked choice voting for General Assembly and General Officer primaries, and would report back to the President of the Senate on or before February 1, 2023, and would expire on July 1, 2023.)

{LC4276/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2233**BY** Bell, Mack, Quezada, Calkin, Anderson, Zurier, Acosta, Lombardo, Euer, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES - SEXUAL ASSAULT (Establishes criteria for the criminal offense of sexual assault when the victim is in the custody of a peace officer and provides that a person convicted of custodial sexual assault would face imprisonment for not more than three (3) years.)

{LC3264/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2234**BY** Bell, Mack, Quezada, Calkin, Anderson, Acosta, Lombardo, Goodwin, Euer, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Permits those other residents of a residential dwelling unit to extend the term of the rental agreement for a period not to exceed three (3) months after the death of the lessee.)

{LC3259/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

Senate Bill No. 2235

BY Cano, DiMario, Quezada, Euer, Murray, Lawson, Kallman, Anderson, Seveney, Pearson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND EARLY
EDUCATOR INVESTMENT ACT (Requires the children's cabinet, to develop a strategic plan
to retain early childhood educators by creating a cross-departmental target wage scale of early
educators and that of public school teaching staff or individuals with similar credentials.)
{LC4086/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2236

BY Cano, Kallman, Quezada, Murray, DiMario, Euer, Lawson, Anderson, Seveney, Pearson
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (Requires office of diversity, equity and opportunity
to create material for annual government employee training.)
{LC4251/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

Senate Bill No. 2237

BY Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Acosta, Anderson, Zurier
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM
WAGES (Requires employers with 50 or more employees to pay "hazard pay" to employees
involved in providing essential services during a declared public health emergency.)
{LC4081/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2238

BY Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Anderson, Zurier
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM
WAGES--OVERTIME WAGES (Exempts certain executive, administrative, and professional
employees from overtime pay if their weekly wages exceed one thousand thirty-six dollars
(\$1,036), an increase from the current two hundred dollars (\$200).)
{LC4076/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2239**BY** Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Acosta, Anderson, Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- PAYMENT OF WAGES (Defines and recognize the existence and potential liability of lead entities concerning the payment of wages.)

{LC4082/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2240**BY** Raptakis, Quezada, Ciccone, Burke, Lombardo, DiMario, Lombardi, Anderson, Murray, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM WAGES (Increases the minimum hourly wage commencing January 1, 2027, by an amount equal to the total percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for the Northeast Region for the calendar year 2025.)

{LC4123/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2241**BY** Calkin, Mendes, Mack, Acosta, Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM WAGES (Effective January 1, 2023, increases the minimum hourly wage to fourteen dollars and fifty cents (\$14.50) to sixteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$16.75) the next year, the next year to nineteen dollars (\$19.00).)

{LC4073/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2242**BY** Burke, Archambault, DiMario, Valverde, Coyne, Ciccone, Raptakis, McCaffrey, Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MINIMUM WAGES (Repeals § 28-12-9 of the general laws which provides that the director of labor and training may approve of wages below the minimum wage for those persons whose earning capacity is impaired due to physical or mental disability.)

{LC4080/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2243

BY Cano, DiMario, Quezada, Euer, Lawson, Anderson, Seveney, Burke, Kallman, DiPalma **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- RHODE ISLAND PARENTAL AND FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT (Increases the amount of parental or family leave available to an employee from thirteen (13) weeks to twenty-four (24) weeks in any two (2) calendar years.)
{LC4265/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2244

BY Lawson, Euer, DiMario, Kallman, Burke, Murray, Ciccone, Lombardi, Seveney, Coyne **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION (Establishes new factors for the interest contract arbitration board for municipal employee unions to consider in rendering a decision the board power to render an award over all negotiated matters, including the expenditure of money.)
{LC3420/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2245

BY Lawson, Seveney, Coyne, Quezada, Euer, Cano, DiPalma, Ciccone, McCaffrey, Mack **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - TEMPORARY DISABILITY INSURANCE - BENEFITS (Increases the weekly dependency allowance for recipients of temporary disability insurance and temporary caregiver benefits from ten dollars (\$10.00) to twenty dollars (\$20.00).)
{LC4320/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2246

BY Kallman, Coyne, Sosnowski, Goodwin, Acosta, Zurier, Mack, Cano, DiPalma, Seveney **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - TIP PROTECTION (Prohibits employers from receiving any portion of the tips given by customers to their tipped employees, with limited exceptions for credit card service charges.)
{LC4366/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

Senate Bill No. 2247**BY** de la Cruz, Morgan, Rogers, Raptakis, Lombardi, Felag, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL (Establishes the office of inspector general as an independent administrative agency charged with the responsibility to investigate, detect, and prevent fraud, waste, abuse, and mismanagement in the expenditure of public funds.)
{LC4030/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Rules, Government Ethics and Oversight.

Senate Bill No. 2248**BY** Sosnowski, Coyne, Euer, Seveney, DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Creates a special license plate for the not for profit Atlantic Shark Institute.)
{LC3883/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 2249**BY** Anderson, Zurier, Calkin, Seveney, Ciccone, Lombardi, Raptakis, Mendes**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- TRANSFER OF VEHICLES (Extends from twenty (20) days to thirty (30) days, the period of time that a newly purchased motor vehicle may be temporarily operated, using the purchaser's current licenses plates.)

{LC3953/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

CALL TO ORDER

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, on Thursday, February 10th at 4:23 o'clock P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:25 o'clock P.M.

JOHN E. FLEMING, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 2022

House Bill No. 7017

BY Azzinaro, Kennedy

ENTITLED, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE
CHARTER OF THE TYLER DOCK ASSOCIATION
{LC3298/1}

Transmitted to Governor.

Appendix**INVOCATION****SENATOR SANDRA CANO**

Almighty Father, as we gather today for this senate session. Guide our minds and hearts so that we will work for the good of our community. Teach us to be generous in our outlook, courageous in the face of difficulty, and wise in our decisions. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2022:

1. **2022-S 2170**
 BY Felag
 ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON
 THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE PAUL J. HARVEY

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2022:

1. **2022-S 2154 SUB A**

BY Ruggerio

ENTITLED, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXTENDING POWER CONFERRED
UPON THE GOVERNOR PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (E)
OF TITLE 30, CHAPTER 15, SECTION 9 OF THE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL
LAWS

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

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Senate Chamber

VOTE BY PROXY

To the Honorable President of the Senate:

Pursuant to Rule 10.7-1 of the Rules of the Senate for the Years 2022-2023, and with your consent, I hereby cast my vote by proxy on the following matter before the Senate:

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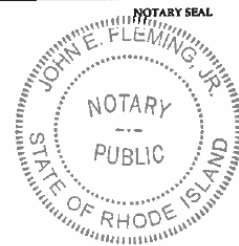
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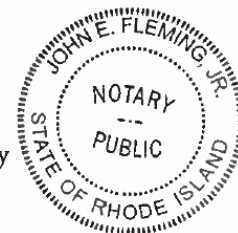
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☐ 2022-S 2134
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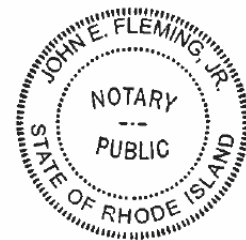
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