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Journal of the Senate

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Volume 149, No. 18

Thursday, April 07, 2022

Eighteenth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, at 4:14 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 35 Senators present and 3 Senators absent as follows:

PRESENT – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Algiere, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

ABSENT – 3: Senators Acosta, Lawson and Mendes.

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 Seventeenth Legislative Day of the 2022 proceedings is read in part.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communications:

SENATOR VALARIE J. LAWSON District 14 DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER 122 Hoyt Avenue East Providence, Rhode Island 02916 sen-lawson@rilegislature.gov	State of Rhode Island  Senate Chamber	SECRETARY Committee on Health & Human Services SECRETARY Committee on Special Legislation & Veterans' Affairs
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April 6, 2022

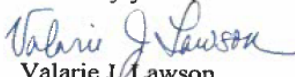
The Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio
President of the Senate
Rhode Island State House
82 Smith Street, 3rd Floor, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

Dear President Ruggerio:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber Thursday, April 7, 2022.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Valarie J. Lawson
Senator District #14

VJL/nc

cc Mr. John Fleming, Secretary of the Senate

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

SENATOR
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State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

Committee on Finance

Committee on Rules
Government Ethics & Oversight

April 7, 2022

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

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jonathon Acosta".

Jonathon Acosta
Senator District 16

JA/cdf

Cc: Gabriel Rei

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

SENATOR
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State of Rhode Island



Senate Chamber

Committee on Commerce

Committee on
Special Legislation & Veterans' Affairs

April 7, 2022

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President of the Senate
State House, Room 318
Providence, RI 02903

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I would appreciate you recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Mendes
CF

Cynthia Mendes
Senator District 18

CM/cdf

Cc: Gabriel Rei

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES
COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION**

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

Senate Bill No. 2280

BY Cano, Quezada, Gallo, Kallman, Acosta, Picard, Lawson, DiMario, Seveney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE COLLEGE CRUSADE
SCHOLARSHIP (Provides that scholarships received directly from the College Crusade
Scholarship Program would not be considered financial aid pursuant to the Rhode Island Promise
Scholarships.)
{LC4271/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURE

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

The Appointment of Peter J. DiStefano VICE Ronald Smith to the Scenic Roadways Board for a term expiring January 31, 2023.

Placed on the Calendar.

The Appointment of Harold A. Omisore VICE Tayna Kelly to the Scenic Roadways Board for a term expiring January 31, 2025.

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

The Appointment of Walter J. Berry (Environmental Law or Science or Planning) VICE Walter Galloway to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Placed on the 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. 2078 SUB A

BY Miller, Valverde, Goodwin, DiPalma, DiMario, Zurier, Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING (Requires coverage for residential/inpatient mental health services for detox/stabilization/substance abuse disorders without preauthorization or be subject to concurrent review during the first 28 days.)

{LC3766/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2079 SUB A

BY Miller, Valverde, Murray, DiMario, Zurier, Seveney

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- RHODE ISLAND PATHWAYS PROJECT (Requires the executive office of health and human services (EOHHS) to conduct a study to assess the impact of using Medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment of the chronically homeless.)

{LC3772/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2204 SUB A

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/A/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

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

Senate Bill No. 2244

BY Lawson, Euer, DiMario, Kallman, Burke, Murray, Ciccone, F 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}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2409

BY McCaffrey, Goodwin, Lawson, Ciccone, F Lombardi, Murray, Burke, Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- ORGANIZATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES (Requires that if state employee unions are engaged in contract negotiations and/or utilizing the dispute resolution process, all terms and conditions in the collective bargaining agreement shall continue to remain in effect.)
{LC4338/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2416

BY Ciccone, F Lombardi, Acosta, Felag, McCaffrey, Lombardo, DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION (Provides that all contractual provisions in a firefighters collective bargaining agreement would continue until a successor agreement has been reached or an interest arbitration award has been rendered.)
{LC4664/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2417

BY Ciccone, F Lombardi, Felag, McCaffrey, Lombardo, DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION (Extends provisions of an existing collective bargaining agreement for municipal police arbitration purposes until a successor agreement is reached or an interest arbitration award is rendered.)
{LC4663/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

Senate Bill No. 2816

(Dept. of Labor and Training)

BY Goodwin

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
EMPLOYMENT SECURITY--GENERAL PROVISIONS (Extends until June 30, 2023, an
increase in the total amount of earnings a partial-unemployment insurance claimant can receive
before being entirely disqualified for unemployment insurance benefits.)
{LC5346/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

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 Bill No. 2832**BY** Goodwin, Euer, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Gallo, Pearson, Coyne, Miller, Felag, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF
RHODE ISLAND (Names the Newport campus of the Community College of Rhode Island the
M. Teresa Paiva Weed campus.)
{LC5649/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communication from His Excellency, The Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. McKEE**

March 31, 2022

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Section § 23-28.3-2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeals and Review:

Michael Spaziani

Vice
Marion Filippi

For a term expiring March 1, 2025

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President
Honorable Michael J. McCaffrey, Senate Majority Leader
Honorable Dennis L. Algieri, Senate Minority Leader

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

March 3, 2022

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Sections § 23-28.2-23 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Fire Education & Training Board:

Chief Justin W. Lee
(Volunteer Chief)

Vice
Chief Nathan Barrington

For a term expiring, January 31, 2025

To this Appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President
Honorable Michael J. McCaffrey, Senate Majority Leader
Honorable Dennis L. Algiere, Senate Minority Leader

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR DANIEL J. MCKEE

March 31, 2022

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I have the honor to inform you in accordance with the provisions of Section §23-28.2-23 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following reappointment to the Fire Education & Training Coordinating Board:

Scott Kettelle

(Fire Instructor Association)

For a term expiring January 31, 2025

To this Reappointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. McKee
Governor

Cc: Honorable Dominick Ruggerio, Senate President
Honorable Michael J. McCaffrey, Senate Majority Leader
Honorable Dennis L. Algieri, Senate Minority Leader

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Referred to the Senate Committee on Housing and Municipal Government.

FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

House Bill No. 7205

BY Amore, Henries, Cassar, Kazarian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts from real and property tax The American Legion Riverside Post 10 in the city of East Providence.)
{LC3363/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

House Bill No. 7581

BY Knight, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES (Exempts any proposed retailers' Class B license to be located at 4 Market Street, Plat 3, Lot 74 in the town of Warren from the two hundred feet (200') requirement from the premises of schools or places of worship.)
{LC4918/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

House Bill No. 7907

BY Knight, Speakman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS (Provides that the corner of 496 Main Street and Joyce Street along state route 114 in the town of Warren, Rhode Island, would be known as Delekta's Corner.)
{LC5402/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

GUEST

Upon the suggestion of Senator McCaffrey and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President of The Senate, welcomes to the Chamber Sarah Brown from NCSL.

IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS**Senate Resolution No. 2864****BY** Gallo

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING APRIL 3-9, 2022, AS
"NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
{LC5757/1}

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 Senators Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

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

Senate Resolution No. 2865**BY** Cano

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE HONORABLE KETANJI
BROWN JACKSON ON BEING CONFIRMED TO THE UNITED STATES SUPREME
COURT
{LC5760/1}

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 Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022:****1. 2022-S 2834****BY** Coyne**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL OF 2022, AS "ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

2. 2022-S 2835**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING SOPHIA BOARDMAN ON ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S MOST DISTINGUISHED HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

3. 2022-S 2863**BY** Sosnowski**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF ROBERTS AND ROCHA, INC.

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator McCaffrey, 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 Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY APRIL 07, 2022:

1. 2022-S 2235

BY Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- RHODE ISLAND EARLY EDUCATOR INVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Education recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, Pearson, Gallo, Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Sosnowski, Zurier, Kallman, Archambault, Burke, Bell, Murray, Quezada, Euer, DiPalma.

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

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

NAYS – 0:

2. 2022-S 2048

BY Felag

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- SALES AND USE TAXES -- LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Coyne, Miller, Gallo, Lombardo, Lombardi, Kallman, Cano, Burke, de la Cruz, Paolino, Morgan, Euer, Algieri, Sosnowski.

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

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

NAYS – 0:

3. **2022-S 2446**
 BY Ruggerio
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PLASTIC WASTE
 REDUCTION ACT

Committee on Environment & Agriculture recommends passage.

Senator Euer moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Coyne, Miller, Felag, Gallo, Sosnowski, Picard, DiMario, Calkin, Mack, Cano, Burke, Bell, Quezada, DiPalma, Seveney.

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

YEAS – 32: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers.

4. **2022-S 2698**
 BY Lombardo
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO THE TOWNS OF JOHNSTON AND
 SMITHFIELD -- REGIONAL JUVENILE HEARING BOARD

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Lombardo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Coyne, Burke, Bell, Gallo, Ciccone, Mack, Zurier, Lombardi.

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

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

NAYS – 0:

5. 2022-S 2770**BY** Lombardo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SIZE, WEIGHT, AND LOAD LIMITS

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Lombardo moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Coyne, Goodwin, Gallo, Burke, Paolino, Seveney, Zurier, Mack.

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

YEAS – 33: Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

6. 2022-S 2772**BY** Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS § 16-7-44 APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF \$5,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS OF THE TOWN OF EAST GREENWICH TO FINANCE THE RENOVATION, REHABILITATION, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, IMPROVEMENT, FURNISHING, EQUIPPING AND INSTALLATION OF SCHOOL, SCHOOL FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SAFETY AND FIRE-CODE RELATED IMPROVEMENTS, ROOFS, HEATING, VENTILATION, ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS, LANDSCAPING, GROUNDS, ATHLETIC FIELDS, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, VEHICLES AND FOOD SERVICE FACILITIES

Committee on Housing & Municipal Government recommends passage.

Senator Valverde moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Coyne, Archambault, Burke, Raptakis, Murray, Felag, Lombardo, Sosnowski, Zurier, Anderson, Lombardi.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

7. 2022-S 2243**BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
RHODE ISLAND PARENTAL AND FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

Committee on Labor recommends passage.

Senator Cano moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators McCaffrey, Goodwin, Sosnowski, Lombardi, DiMario, Calkin, Mack, Archambault, Burke, Bell, Murray, Seveney, Euer, DiPalma.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 31 members voting in the affirmative and 4 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 31: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Murray, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 4: Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Rogers.

8. 2022-S 2136**BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Felag moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Gallo, McCaffrey, Coyne, Lombardi, Lombardo, Ciccone, Sosnowski, Archambault, Cano, Paolino, de la Cruz, Algieri, Bell, Valverde, Murray, Euer, Seveney, Picard, Zurier, Mack.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

9. **2022-S 2672**
 BY Ciccone
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL
 LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

Senator Ciccone moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Archambault, Burke, Murray, Goodwin, Gallo, Sosnowski, Lombardo, Zurier.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 35 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows:

YEAS – 35: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Algieri, Anderson, Archambault, Bell, Burke, Calkin, Cano, Ciccone, Coyne, de la Cruz, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Kallman, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McCaffrey, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Seveney, Sosnowski, Valverde and Zurier.

NAYS – 0:

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 Picard announces that the Senate Committee on Commerce will meet today at the Rise of the Senate in Room 310 of the State House.

Senator Felag announces that the Senate Committee on Finance will meet today at the Rise of the Senate in the Senate Lounge of the State House.

Senator Goodwin announces that the Senate will not meet on Thursday, April 14th.

NEW BUSINESS**Senate Bill No. 2866**

BY Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Gallo, Miller, Felag, Euer, Sosnowski, Kallman, DiMario
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- MERCURY
REDUCTION AND EDUCATION ACT (Prohibits, beginning January 1, 2024, any compact
fluorescent lamp or linear fluorescent lamp to be offered for final sale, sold at final sale, or
distributed in the state as a new manufactured product.)
{LC5748/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

Senate Bill No. 2867

BY Picard, Murray
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATION--CITY OF WOONSOCKET (Authorizes city of Woonsocket to extend exemption
or stabilizing of taxes on qualifying property located in designated districts in the city to 20 years
to facilitate economic development within the city. The current law provides for a 10 year
period.)
{LC5672/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

Senate Bill No. 2868

BY Mack, Anderson, Calkin, Bell, Mendes, Acosta, Quezada, Kallman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES -- HISTORICAL SOCIETY LIBRARIES
(Requires the general assembly appropriate funds to the state librarian for the purpose of caring
for, preserving and cataloguing property in the state in the keeping of the Rhode Island Black
Heritage Society.)
{LC5609/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 2869

BY Cano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- NURSES
(Allows RNs to perform cosmetic/aesthetic dermatological procedures prescribed/ordered by
licensed health care practitioner.)
{LC5640/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the Motion of Senator Goodwin, seconded by Algieri, the Senate adjourns at 4:50 o'clock P.M.

JOHN E. FLEMING, JR.
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR STEPHEN R. ARCHAMBAULT

Almighty God, we ask today that You help us to live wisely, to fight for justice and truth, and to always try to live up to the expectations of our constituents. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2022:

1. *The Appointment of Harold A. Omisore VICE Tayna Kelly to the Scenic Roadways Board for a term expiring January 31, 2025.*

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

2. *The Appointment of Walter J. Berry (Environmental Law or Science or Planning) VICE Walter Galloway to the Rhode Island Rivers Council for a term expiring January 1, 2025.*

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

3. **2022-H 7581**
BY Knight
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

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

4. **2022-H 7907**
BY Knight
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY -- PERMANENT JOINT COMMITTEE ON NAMING ALL NEW BUILDINGS, BRIDGES, EDIFICES AND OTHER STATE CONSTRUCTIONS

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

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2022:

1. ***The Appointment of Peter J. DiStefano VICE Ronald Smith to the Scenic Roadways Board for a term expiring January 31, 2023.***

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

2. **2022-S 2280**
BY Cano
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE COLLEGE CRUSADE SCHOLARSHIP

Committee on Education recommends passage.

3. **2022-S 2078 SUB A**
BY Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY --
COMPREHENSIVE DISCHARGE PLANNING

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

4. **2022-S 2079 SUB A**
BY Miller
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- RHODE ISLAND
PATHWAYS PROJECT

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

5. **2022-S 2204 SUB A**
BY Archambault
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROL
SUBSTANCES ACT

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

6. **2022-S 2244**
 BY Lawson
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
 MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES' ARBITRATION
- Committee on Labor recommends passage.
7. **2022-S 2409**
 BY McCaffrey
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES --
 ORGANIZATION OF STATE EMPLOYEES
- Committee on Labor recommends passage.
8. **2022-S 2416**
 BY Ciccone
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
 FIREFIGHTERS' ARBITRATION
- Committee on Labor recommends passage.
9. **2022-S 2417**
 BY Ciccone
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
 MUNICIPAL POLICE ARBITRATION
- Committee on Labor recommends passage.
10. **2022-S 2816**
 BY Goodwin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS --
 EMPLOYMENT SECURITY--GENERAL PROVISIONS
- Committee on Labor recommends passage.
11. **2022-S 2832**
 BY Goodwin
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COMMUNITY COLLEGE
 OF RHODE ISLAND
- Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

12. 2022-H 7205

BY Amore

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO
TAXATION

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

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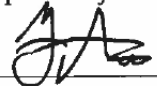
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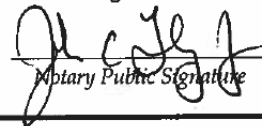
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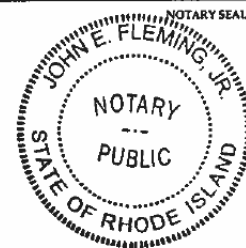
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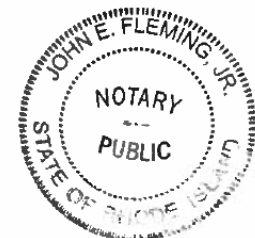
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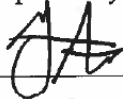
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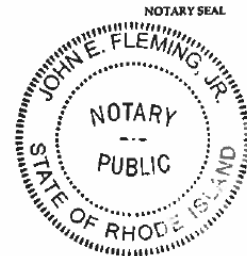


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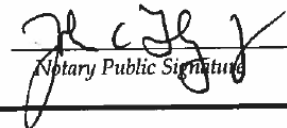
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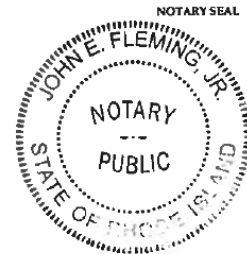


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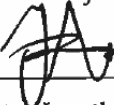
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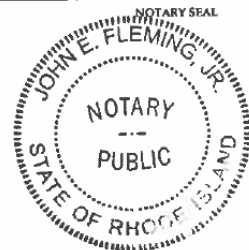


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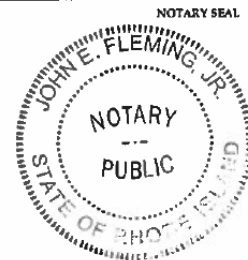
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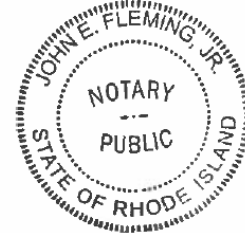


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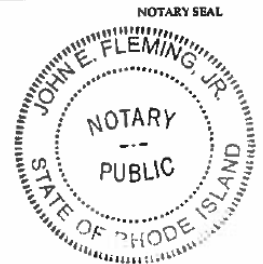
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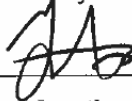
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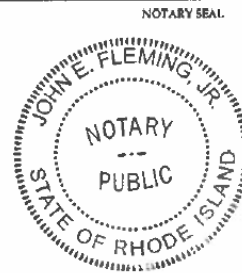


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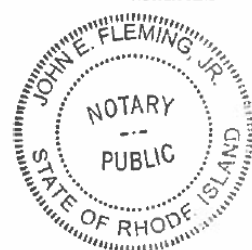
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