

State of Rhode Island

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# Journal of the Senate

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**JANUARY SESSION of the General Assembly begun and held at the State House in the City of Providence on Tuesday, the Third day of January in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty-Three.**

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Thursday, March 30, 2023

Fourteenth Legislative Day

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The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, at 4:17 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 Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**ABSENT – 1:** Senator Goodwin.

## INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

## APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Twelfth Legislative Day of the 2023 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Picard 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:

<p>SENATOR <b>ELAINE J. MORGAN</b> District 34</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>	<p>Committee on Health &amp; Human Services</p>
<p>DEPUTY MINORITY WHIP</p>		<p>Committee on Special Legislation &amp; Veterans' Affairs</p>
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<p>March 30, 2023</p>		
<p>Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero President of the Rhode Island Senate 318 State House Providence, RI 02903</p>		
<p>Dear Mr. President:</p>		
<p>Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Senate session on Thursday, March 30, 2023 due to injury.</p>		
<p>I would appreciate you recording my letter in the appropriate Senate Journal.</p>		
<p>Thank you for your attention to this matter.</p>		
<p>Respectfully submitted,</p>		
		
<p>Elaine J. Morgan Deputy Minority Whip</p>		

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

State of Rhode Island



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- Senate Committee on Environment & Agriculture
- Senate Committee on Finance
- Senate Committee on Health & Human Services
- Senate Committee on Housing & Municipal Government
- Senate Committee on Judiciary
- Senate Committee on Labor
- Senate Committee on Rules, Government Ethics & Oversight
- Senate Committee on Special Legislation & Veterans' Affairs

March 30, 2023

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

Dear Mr. President:

Please be advised and let the record reflect that I will be absent from the Chamber on Thursday, March 30, 2023. I will be voting by proxy.

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

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Maryellen Goodwin  
Senate Majority Whip

/hsr

cc: Mr. John Fleming, Secretary of the Senate

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

**IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS****Senate Resolution No. 848****BY** Miller**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MARCH OF 2023, TO BE "BRAIN INJURY AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
{LC2704/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Miller requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Valverde, and Zurier.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

**GUESTS**

Upon the suggestion of Senator Lawson and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President of The Senate, welcomes to the Chamber from the Brain Injury Association of Rhode Island; Peter DeMasi, Kimberley Testa, Cathy Andreozzi, Carolyn Dawson, Alex Fandetti, Doreen Grasso, Sarah Bergenholtz, Katherine Gringas, Debra Sharpe, Michelle Tolleson, Neil Sharpe, Chris DerVartanian, Stephanie Silvia, and Maurice Lee.

Upon the suggestion of Senator Burke and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President of The Senate, welcomes to the Chamber Cathy Andreozzi, Advocate for Traffic Safety DUI Prevention.

**Senate Resolution No. 849****BY** Miller, Gallo, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL TO BE "HOLOCAUST & GENOCIDE AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
{LC2453/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Miller requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Miller moves passage, seconded by Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Murray, Paolino, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Valverde, and Zurier.

Senators Tikoian, and Gallo speak on the senate resolution.

The resolution is read and passed upon a voice vote.

### GUESTS

Upon the suggestion of Senator Gallo and by unanimous consent, the Honorable President of The Senate, welcomes to the Chamber Marty Cooper, Pauline Greizyan, Barbara Hahlberg, and Anne Ejnes from the Rhode Island Holocaust & Genocide Education Commission.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023:

1. **2023-S 839**

**BY** Burke

**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 90TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT DEPRESSION NEW DEAL CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Upon motion of Senator Gallo, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the following measures on Today's Consent Calendar, by unanimous consent, are read and passed, upon a roll call vote:

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggiero, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

## CALENDAR

## IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023:

1. **2023-S 241****BY** Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

Committee on Finance recommends passage.

Senator Murray moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Lombardo, Lombardi, Ciccone, DiPalma, Lawson, Picard, Burke, and Valverde.

Senator Bell discusses the act.

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

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.**NAYS – 1:** Senator Bell.2. **2023-S 240 SUB A****BY** Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES

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

Senator Lawson moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators Felag, Gallo, Lombardo, Lombardi, Ciccone, DiPalma, Britto, DiMario, Quezada, Murray.

The bill marked Substitute “A” is read and passed and the original bill indefinitely postponed, by unanimous consent, upon a roll call vote, with 37 Senators voting in the affirmative and 0 Senators voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 37:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, de la Cruz, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Morgan, Murray, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Rogers, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 0:**

**3. 2023-S 26**

**BY** Miller

**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HARM  
REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM**

Committee on Health & Human Services recommends passage.

Senator Miller moves passage of the act, seconded by Senators DiMario, Lawson, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Lombardi, Lombardo, DiPalma, Sosnowski, Britto, Acosta, Mack, Cano, Kallman, LaMountain, Quezada, Murray, Tikoian, Valverde.

Senators de la Cruz, Bell, Rogers, and Miller discuss the act.

The act is read and passed, upon a roll call vote, with 33 members voting in the affirmative and 5 members voting in the negative as follows:

**YEAS – 33:** The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Acosta, Bell, Britto, Burke, Cano, Ciccone, De Luca, DiMario, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Gallo, Goodwin, Gu, Kallman, LaMountain, Lauria, Lawson, Lombardi, Lombardo, Mack, McKenney, Miller, Murray, Pearson, Quezada, Raptakis, Sosnowski, Tikoian, Ujifusa, Valverde, and Zurier.

**NAYS – 5:** Senators de la Cruz, Morgan, Paolino, Picard, and Rogers.

### 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 or to the Honorable House of Representatives forthwith.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Raptakis announces that the Senate Committee on Judiciary will meet at the Rise of the Senate in Room 313.

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

**RECESS**

Upon the Motion of Senator Gallo, seconded by Senator de la Cruz, the Senate stands in Recess at 4:54 o'clock P.M.

**NEW BUSINESS****Senate Bill No. 850**

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

**BY** LaMountain

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE APPRAISER CERTIFICATION ACT (Amends the Real Estate Appraiser Certification Act and the Real Estate Appraisal Management Company ("AMC") Registration Act.)

{LC1641/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 851**

(Dept. of Revenue)

**BY** Zurier

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- DISTRICT CHARTER SCHOOL (Requires that certain quarterly reports required to be filed by district charter schools, mayoral academies and independent charter schools be submitted to the commissioner of elementary and secondary education.)

{LC2279/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Education.

**Senate Bill No. 852**

(Dept. of Corrections)

**BY** LaMountain

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- RETIREMENT SYSTEM--CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS (Includes the deputy chief of inspection and inspector within the provision of law relating to retirement on service allowance relating to correctional officers.)

{LC2286/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 853**

(Dept. of Revenue)

**BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Amends the general law relative to levy and assessment of local taxes.)  
{LC2285/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 854****BY** Britto, Gallo, Ciccone, Miller, Cano, Euer, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- TEACHERS' RETIREMENT (Provides a one-time allowance of five hundred dollars (\$500) for eligible members of the employees' retirement system of Rhode Island.)  
{LC2651/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 855****BY** Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- STATE BUILDING CODE (Requires the state building code standards committee to revise the state energy conservation code to meet 2024 International Energy Conservation Code electric readiness provisions.)  
{LC2306/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

**Senate Bill No. 856****BY** LaMountain, Britto, Burke, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- DUTIES OF UTILITIES AND CARRIERS (Amends the utility base rate statute to make clean transportation, clean heating, and energy storage.)  
{LC2698/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Commerce.

**Senate Resolution No. 857****BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL OF 2023, TO BE "PARKINSON'S AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
{LC2661/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

**Senate Bill No. 858****BY** Gu, Pearson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- 2021 ACT ON CLIMATE (Requires an owner of a stationary refrigeration system in Rhode Island to register their system with the department of environmental management.)

{LC2334/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Environment and Agriculture.

**Senate Bill No. 859****BY** Mack, Zurier, Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

{LC781/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 860****BY** Cano, Britto, Acosta, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- FOUNDATION LEVEL SCHOOL SUPPORT (Authorizes the state to enter into certain financing agreements with the Rhode Island health and educational buildings corporation.)

{LC2592/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 861****BY** Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES IN OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME (Provides \$4,000,000 to support comprehensive and effective afterschool/school vacation/summer learning/workforce development programs for students grades K-12, requires annual report to general assembly and the governor on status/progress of the program.)

{LC1600/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 862****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Exempts urban and small farmers from sales taxes, real, tangible and personal property taxes and income taxes. This act would also define urban and small farmers.)

{LC1655/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 863****BY** Goodwin, Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- STATE FUNDS (Allocates, to city of Providence, a portion of state income taxes for new employees of not-for-profit healthcare institutions and private educational institutions to assist the city's ability to absorb desirable and necessary growth in such institutions.)

{LC2393/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Resolution No. 864****BY** Gallo**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL OF 2023, TO BE "FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC875/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

**Senate Bill No. 865****BY** Mack, Lauria, Bell, Gu**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- IDENTIFICATION OF STATE PENSION FUNDS WITH MILITARY CONTRACTORS ACT (Requires the state investment commission to identify pension fund investments in military weapon manufacturers whether held directly or indirectly.)

{LC709/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 866****BY** Kallman, Lombardo, Acosta, Cano, Euer, Burke, DiPalma, Gallo, Quezada, Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FUND (Creates funding of affordable housing programs within the department of housing. Also creates a land bank program as well as residential development programs for the construction of low-income housing units by the department and the cities and towns.)

{LC2652/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 867****BY** DiPalma, Ciccone, Lombardo, Gallo, Sosnowski, Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PUBLIC SERVICE CORPORATION TAX (Provides tax relief on electricity and natural gas for the months of December 2022 through March 2023.)

{LC2673/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Resolution No. 868****BY** Cano, Kallman, Acosta, Britto**ENTITLED**, JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE STATE TO ENTER INTO A FINANCING AGREEMENT RELATING TO SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION IN THE CITY OF PAWTUCKET (Authorizes the state to finance the construction of a new high school and facilities and all expenses incident thereto.)

{LC2591/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 869****BY** Cano, Gu, DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE -- THE PROMOTING ACCESS TO INCREASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT (Requires that services provided by school social workers and certified school psychologists be included as health care related services eligible for federal Medicaid reimbursement.)

{LC744/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 870****BY** Ujifusa, Miller, Lawson, Valverde, Lauria, Kallman, Zurier, DiMario, Euer, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Prohibits healthcare entities from interfering with a patient's right to choose to obtain a clinician-administered drug from their provider or pharmacy of choice.)

{LC2496/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 871****BY** Goodwin, Lombardo, Ruggerio**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Limits the copayment or coinsurance requirement on specialty drugs to one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for a thirty (30) day supply.)

{LC1490/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 872****BY** Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LONG-TERM CARE COORDINATING COUNCIL (Provides that the lieutenant governor serve as the chairperson of the long-term care coordinating council and provides that a quorum of the council consist of twelve (12) members of the council.)

{LC2352/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 873****BY** Lawson, Lauria, LaMountain, Miller, Kallman, Cano, Euer, DiMario, Valverde, Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE MEDICAID REENTRY ACT (Requires that Medicaid enrollment be maintained or provided to all inmates in the first 30 days of incarceration at the adult correctional institutions within the department of corrections and the last 30 days of incarceration when possible.)

{LC2676/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 874****BY** Ujifusa, Miller, Acosta, DiMario, Valverde, Lauria, Mack, Quezada, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH CARE REFORM ACT OF 2004 -- HEALTH INSURANCE OVERSIGHT (Requires the attorney general to contract and work with a third-party auditor to analyze the practices of pharmacy benefit managers doing business in the state.)

{LC1226/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 875****BY** F. Lombardi, Raptakis, LaMountain, Burke, Picard**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- OPTICIANS

(Creates a secondary path to acquire an optician's license through an apprenticeship program requiring four thousand one hundred (4,100) hours in not less than two (2) years.)

{LC2728/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services.

**Senate Bill No. 876****BY** Gu, Kallman, Britto, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES – ZONING ORDINANCES

(Provides that affordable housing shall be of comparable size and quality to market-rate housing and provide that when there is a requirement for one or more affordable housing units triggered by the size of a development, the units must be created.)

{LC2753/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 877****BY** Raptakis, Rogers**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- COLLECTION OF TAXES

GENERALLY--COVENTRY (Promotes a more efficient way to enforce tax liens on mobile and manufactured homes in the town of Coventry by allowing the town to enforce the lien in the same manner as used to collect real estate taxes.)

{LC2717/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 878****BY** Mack, Bell**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO

TAXATION (Places limitations on the tax-exempt real and personal property a nonprofit college, university or hospital may hold.)

{LC700/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 879****BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Enables all municipalities to offer tax amnesty for two (2) separate sixty (60) day periods during fiscal years 2024 or 2025 for the waiver of interest and penalties on overdue tangible tax payments.)

{LC2720/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 880****BY** LaMountain**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Provides that in the town of Warwick, no separate class or zoning district be assigned or designated based solely upon a scenic view. No property in particular class/zoning district be assessed increased rate from other properties because of scenic view.)

{LC2597/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 881****BY** Felag, Lauria, Ujifusa**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AMENDING THE ENABLING ACT CREATING THE BRISTOL-WARREN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (Amends the act creating the Bristol-Warren regional school district to include a section mandating periodic review of the enabling act by the member towns with a report to the general assembly for approval of any recommended amendments.)

{LC2718/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 882****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Allows a municipality exempt from taxation the real, tangible and personal property of urban and small farmers. This act also defines urban and small farmers.)

{LC1654/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 883****BY** Felag**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF WARREN (Validates and ratifies amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of Warren, adopted and approved on November 8, 2022.)

{LC2719/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 884****BY** Mack, Kallman, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- GENERAL POWERS (Assess a vacancy tax of one percent (1%) of the total assessed value of all real property based on the real property's assessed value for vacant units.)

{LC740/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 885****BY** Lawson, Lauria, Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF LOCAL TAXES (Enables the city of East Providence to offer tax amnesty for two (2) separate sixty (60) day periods for fiscal years 2023 and 2024 for waiver of interest and penalties in an amount not to excide \$10,000 on overdue real property tax payments.)

{LC2721/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Bill No. 886****BY** Ciccone, Britto, F. Lombardi, DiPalma, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- NONTRANSPARENT WINDSHIELDS AND WINDOWS (Reduces the total visible light transmittance of motor vehicles regarding windshields and side windows from a minimum of seventy percent (70%) to thirty-five percent (35%) measured perpendicular to the glass surface.)

{LC2683/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 887****BY** Sosnowski, Miller, Valverde, Kallman**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION (Funds the state crime victims compensation program through and additional two dollar (\$2.00) fine on traffic violations, exclusive of violations related to the parking of vehicles.)

{LC2650/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 888****BY** LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Tikoian, Burke, Valverde**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS -- RHODE ISLAND NONCOMPETITION AGREEMENT ACT (Prohibits noncompetition agreements except for noncompetition agreements between a seller and buyer of a business.)

{LC1991/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 889****BY** Gu, DiMario, McKenney, Valverde, Lauria**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- TRESPASS AND VANDALISM (Defines an obstruction to a public right-of-way to include signage that deters the public from using a public right-of-way and subjects such violation to a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500).)

{LC1956/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Resolution No. 890****BY** Pearson**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING TYLER KOLEK OF CUMBERLAND, RHODE ISLAND, ON HIS OUTSTANDING SEASON WITH THE MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL TEAM, AND FOR LEADING THE GOLDEN EAGLES INTO THE SECOND ROUND OF THE NCAA TOURNAMENT

{LC2768/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

**Senate Bill No. 891****BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONNET SHORES FIRE DISTRICT TO HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION (Amends the Act to Incorporate the Bonnet Shores Fire District to determine the electorate for the corporation.)

{LC1557/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 893**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Quezada, Ujifusa, Tikoian, LaMountain, Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS -- LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS--USE OF LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS IN LEGAL PROCEEDINGS (Ensures that communications between court appointed interpreters and limited-English-proficient individuals involved in legal proceedings in the courts are confidential.)

{LC2517/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 894****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINALS --CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS -- PROTECTION AGAINST RETALIATION ACT (Prohibits any employee of the department of corrections from punishing or threatening any person that is currently or has previously been in prison or on probation or parole because of this person's political speech.)

{LC2653/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 895**

(Judiciary)

**BY** McKenney, Burke, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES -- POWER OF OFFICERS TO ADMINISTER OATHS (Adds active magistrates and retired and active justices of the worker's compensation court to those public officers and employees authorized to administer oaths within the State of Rhode Island.)

{LC2523/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 896**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Quezada, Ujifusa, Tikoian, LaMountain, Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- JURY LISTS (Amends the jury list and jury qualification statutes to add individuals receiving public assistance benefits to the list of individuals sent to the state's jury commissioner on a yearly basis.)

{LC2512/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 897**

(Judiciary)

**BY** McKenney, Burke, LaMountain, F. Lombardi, Zurier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE IN PARTICULAR ACTIONS -- SMALL CLAIMS AND CONSUMER CLAIMS (Provides a set filing fee to the parties, allow for a party to be made financially whole depending upon who files an appeal, and allow for electronic filing.)

{LC2519/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 898**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Sosnowski, Tikoian, F. Lombardi, Euer, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MISCELLANEOUS RULES (Clarifies that the use of a wireless communication device for the purpose of navigation must be while the device is mounted or otherwise affixed to the vehicle and not held in the motorist's hand.)

{LC2532/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 899**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Sosnowski, Tikoian, F. Lombardi, Raptakis**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES (Clarifies and separate the different criminal penalties for first and subsequent convictions for reckless driving.)

{LC2524/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 900**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Burke, Tikoian, Britto, LaMountain, McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- TREATMENT OF JUVENILES FOR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY (Amends the statute so as to conform to current statutory penalties for possession of marijuana offenses promulgated in The Rhode Island cannabis act allowing for possession up to two (2) ounces of marijuana.)  
{LC2528/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 901**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Burke, Raptakis, Tikoian, Britto, McKenney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- FALSE IMPERSONATION (Provides that state court clerks be added to the list of public officers for whom falsely assuming their identity would be a criminal offense.)  
{LC2515/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 902**

(Judiciary)

**BY** LaMountain, Tikoian, Britto, Burke, Raptakis, F. Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Amends the statutory penalties for a second and third possession of marijuana offense to conform to the penalties promulgated in the Rhode Island cannabis act.)  
{LC2520/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 905**

(Judiciary)

**BY** F. Lombardi, Ciccone, LaMountain, Burke, Tikoian**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES (Provides updates and clarifications to the current penalties for driving after denial, revocation, or suspension of an individual's license.)  
{LC2525/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 907**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Raptakis, F. Lombardi, DiMario, Tikoian, Burke, Quezada, Euer, McKenney, DeLuca  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN (Transfers jurisdiction of child endangerment offenses from the family court to the superior court.)  
{LC2529/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 908**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Tikoian, LaMountain, Britto, Burke, F. Lombardi, Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT (Amends the statutory penalties for possession of marijuana offenses to conform to the penalties promulgated in the Rhode Island cannabis act.)  
{LC2530/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 909****BY** Mack, Euer

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- GREEN JUSTICE ZONES AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE (Establishes the first Green Justice Zone and environmental justice, a model that may be replicated in future years to ensure that all communities throughout the state have clean air and clean water.)  
{LC704/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 910**

(Judiciary)

**BY** Quezada, LaMountain, Tikoian, Cano

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN THE FAMILY COURT (Amends the definition of a wayward offense in the Family Court to conform to current statutory penalties for possession of marijuana offenses, promulgated in the Rhode Island cannabis act.)  
{LC2522/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 911****BY** Mack, Kallman, Murray, Valverde, Bell, Ujifusa, Acosta, Euer, Lawson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT (Creates a tenant bill of rights to the right to counsel, the right to habitability, the right to organize free, the right to be free from discrimination, the right to first refusal if the landlord decides to sell the property, and right to renew lease.)

{LC746/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 912****BY** Mack, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Euer, Acosta**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Provides for the sealing of court files in residential eviction proceedings upon the filing of a motion.)

{LC696/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 913****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- COMMERCIAL SEXUAL ACTIVITY (Decriminalizes certain commercial sexual activity to a civil violation punishable with a fine and repeal the authority to detain a defendant unless they test positive for venereal disease in an infectious stage.)

{LC706/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 914****BY** Mack**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT (Limits rent increases to no more than four percent (4%) annually and provides tenants with a civil action to recover damages for any violations.)

{LC741/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 915****BY** Mack, Acosta, Kallman, Bell, Valverde, McKenney, Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- BAIL AND RECOGNIZANCE (Amend the conditions of bail and recognizance to permit the release of a person charged with a misdemeanor without financial conditions and prohibits the use of a fixed bail schedule.)

{LC1968/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 916****BY** Euer**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATIONS -- THE RHODE ISLAND LIMITED -LIABILITY COMPANY ACT (Replaces the existing limited liability company act with a newer and updated model act.)

{LC1902/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

**Senate Bill No. 917****BY** Britto, Ruggerio, Cano**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- ELECTRICIANS (Amends the state's apprenticeship laws to make them more consistent with applicable federal regulations and makes said laws more comprehensible and consistent with each other.)

{LC2668/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

**Senate Bill No. 918****BY** LaMountain**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROPERTY AND WORKS -- LABOR AND PAYMENT OF DEBTS BY CONTRACTORS (Provides that offsite fabrication work for public works projects be subject to the prevailing wage and reporting requirements thereto.)

{LC1973/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

**Senate Bill No. 919****BY** Ciccone, DiPalma, F. Lombardi, Britto**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

ELECTRICIANS (Clarifies the types of electrical services that require an electrical contractor's license.)

{LC1741/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Labor.

**Senate Bill No. 920****BY** DiMario, DiPalma, Pearson, Gu, Lawson, Euer, Miller, Lombardo, Mack, F. Lombardi, Murray**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR FUEL TAX (Amends the distribution of proceeds of motor fuel tax to raise amount from \$0.0975 to ten cents in fiscal year 2024 and thereafter with the additional one-quarter cent to be used as state match for the section 5311 formula grants for rural areas program.)

{LC2696/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 921****BY** DiMario, DiPalma, Pearson, Gu, Lawson, Euer, Miller, Lombardo, Mack, F. Lombardi**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS -- RHODE

ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY (Requires RIPTA to review existing routes in rural communities to identify gaps in service, authorize paratransit vouchers, establish a one-year pilot program to study expanding services and provide vouchers to those with disabilities in those areas.)

{LC2675/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government.

**Senate Resolution No. 922****BY** de la Cruz**ENTITLED**, SENATE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL OF 2023, AS "AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

{LC2660/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

**Senate Bill No. 923****BY** Miller**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Authorizes the city of Providence to enter into a thirty (30) year tax exemption agreement relating to the Port of Providence.)

{LC1803/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**Senate Bill No. 924****BY** Ciccone**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Subjects to taxation real property owned by non-profit institutions of higher education/nonprofit hospitals also amends charters issued by the general assembly to non-profit institutions/hospitals.)

{LC1799/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Finance.

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES  
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

Chairwoman Euer, from the Committee on Judiciary, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

**Senate Bill No. 805****BY** DiMario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Gregory A. Mancini, Esq., to join Semra Beric and James Silvia-Chandley in marriage on or about October 22, 2023, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.)

{LC2674/1}

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 measure:

**Senate Bill No. 281****BY** Murray, Valverde, Lauria, Acosta, Euer, Picard, F. Lombardi, Ciccone, Britto, DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES (Caps amount payable for 30 day supply of equipment/supplies for insulin administration/glucose monitoring at \$25 or equipment designed to last more than 30 days with no deductible commencing January 1, 2024.)

{LC910/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

**FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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

**House Bill No. 5287****BY** Phillips, Casey, J. Brien**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION (Authorizes the Woonsocket city council to increase the period of exemption or stabilization of taxes on qualifying property located in designated districts in the city from ten (10) years to twenty (20) years.)

{LC1090/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

**House Bill No. 5044****BY** Edwards, Caldwell, Kazarian, Potter, Alzate, Casimiro, Kislak, Felix, Abney, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HARM REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM (Extends the expiration date of the Harm Reduction Center Advisory Committee and Pilot Program by two years, from March 1, 2024, to March 1, 2026.)

{LC382/1}

Placed on the Calendar.

**House Bill No. 5378****BY** Casimiro, Craven**ENTITLED**, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN (Validates and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the town of North Kingstown, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the town of North Kingstown on November 8, 2022.)

{LC1217/1}

Placed on the Consent Calendar.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communications:

<p>SENATOR <b>MELISSA A. MURRAY</b> District 24</p> <hr/> <p>Room 309 Rhode Island State House Providence, Rhode Island 02903</p> <p>TEL: 401-276-5599 sen-murray@rilegislature.gov</p>	<p>State of Rhode Island</p>  <p>Senate Chamber</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair, Committee on Finance</p> <hr/> <p>Committee on Labor</p> <hr/> <p>Permanent Joint Committee on State Lottery</p>
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*March 31, 2023*

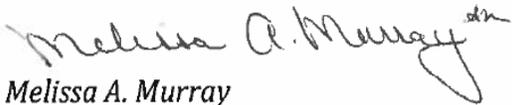
*Mr. John E. Fleming, Jr.  
Secretary of the Senate  
State House, Room 220  
Providence, RI 02903*

*Dear Mr. Secretary:*

*I would like to take this opportunity to respectfully request that Bill S -631  
be withdrawn at the sponsor's request.*

*I appreciate your assistance in this matter. If you have any questions,  
please feel free to contact me.*

*Sincerely,*



*Melissa A. Murray*  
Melissa A. Murray  
Senator - District 24

Read and ordered to be placed on file.



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

March 27, 2023

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE,

I am hereby withdrawing, without prejudice, the March 22, 2023, appointment of Michael Perik to the University of Rhode Island Board of Trustees.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel J. McKee". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "D".

Daniel J. McKee  
Governor

RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

Read and ordered to be placed on file.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Senate meets pursuant to recess and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggiero, President of the Senate, on Tuesday, April 04<sup>th</sup> at 4:26 o'clock P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon the Motion of Senator Pearson, seconded by de la Cruz, the Senate adjourns at 4:28 o'clock P.M.

**JOHN E. FLEMING, JR.**  
Secretary of the Senate

**Appendix**

**INVOCATION**

**SENATOR ROGER A. PICARD**

Dear Lord, as senators we have great responsibility to our constituents. Help us to emulate your example of patience, respect, and kindness to all, as we strive to solve the problems, and improve the lives, of those we serve. Amen.

**Appendix**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023:**

- 1. 2023-S 805**  
**BY DiMario**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 2. 2023-H 5378**  
**BY Casimiro**  
**ENTITLED, AN ACT VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF NORTH KINGSTOWN**

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

**Appendix****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023:**

1. **2023-S 504 SUB A**  
**BY** DiMario  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --  
RENEWABLE READY PROGRAM

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

2. **2023-S 669**  
**BY** Ciccone  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL  
LICENSES

Committee on Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs recommends passage.

3. **2023-H 5044**  
**BY** Edwards  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HARM  
REDUCTION CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND PILOT PROGRAM

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

4. **2023-H 5287**  
**BY** Phillips  
**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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VOTE BY PROXY

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Respectfully Submitted,

*Maryellen Goodwin*

Date 03/30/2023

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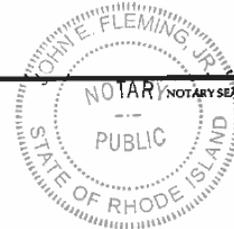
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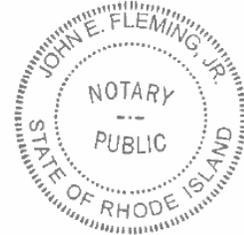
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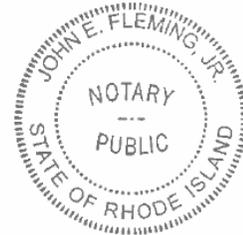
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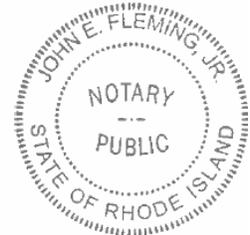
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Respectfully Submitted,

Elaine J. Morgan  
Senator ELAINE J. MORGAN (PRINT NAME)

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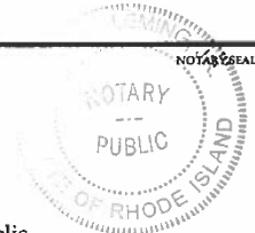
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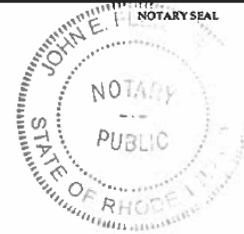
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Signature of Elaine J. Morgan
Senator ELAINE J. MORGAN (PRINT NAME)
Senate District 34
Date 3/30/2023

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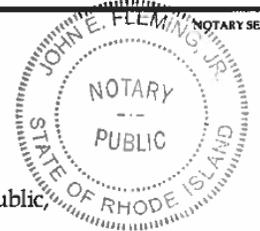
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