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**JOURNAL**  
-OF THE-  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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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 second day of January in the year of Our Lord two thousand and eighteen.**

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Twenty-fourth Day

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The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Thursday, March 8, 2018 and is called to order at 4:18 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 69 members present and 6 members absent as follows:

**PRESENT** – 69 The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield

**ABSENT** – 6: Representatives Bennett, Blazejewski, Costantino, Cunha, McKiernan, McNamara.

**INVOCATION**

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative McLaughlin who delivers the Invocation and leads the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

(For Invocation, see Appendix, this Journal.)

**APPROVAL OF RECORD**

By unanimous consent, the House Journal of Tuesday, March 6, 2018, is approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Representative Helder Cunha is unable to attend session today, Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Representative Daniel McKiernan is unable to attend session today, Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Representative Gregory J. Costantino is unable to attend session today, Thursday, March 8, 2018.

Representative Joseph M. McNamara is unable to attend session today, Thursday, March 8, 2018.

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measure:

**Senate Bill No. 2430**

**BY** Conley, Goldin, Euer, Lynch Prata, Calkin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN -- PROCEEDINGS IN FAMILY COURT (Prohibits any questioning of a juvenile who is suspected of delinquent or criminal behavior, unless the parent or guardian of the juvenile is present, or unless an attorney is present or the juvenile and their parents have waived their presence.) {LC4626/1}

03/07/2018 Referred to House Corporations

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****TRANSFER OF BILLS**

**Chairman Abney, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Labor:**

**House Bill No. 7907**

**BY** Craven

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - RHODE ISLAND UNINSURED EMPLOYERS FUND (Extends the effective date of the Rhode Island uninsured employers fund to July 1, 2019.) {LC5074/1}

03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Labor

**Chairman Abney, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Judiciary.**

**House Bill No. 7816**

**BY** Craven

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- TAX SALES (Expedites the foreclosure procedure on vacant property.) {LC3961/1}

03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Judiciary

**Chairman Abney, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:**

**House Bill No. 7827**

**BY** Handy, Regunberg, McKiernan, Barros, Williams

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND GLOBAL WARMING SOLUTIONS ACT (Establishes the Rhode Island global warming solutions act to reduce carbon emissions across various sectors of the local economy.) {LC4718/1} 03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Environment and Natural Resources

**House Bill No. 7828**

**BY** Handy, Regunberg, Slater, Ruggiero, Barros

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS-THE ENERGY AND CONSUMER SAVINGS ACT OF 2005 (Establishes minimum energy and water efficiency standards for certain products sold or installed in the state.) {LC3817/1} 03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Environment and Natural Resources

**House Bill No. 7842**

**BY** Price, Handy

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE RHODE ISLAND CESSPOOL ACT OF 2007 (Requires that any outhouse in use or in existence on any land in the state be properly abandoned within one year of January 1, 2019. Outhouses in existence not in use and on historic lands for historical purposes or display would be exempt.) {LC4958/1} 03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Environment and Natural Resources

**House Bill No. 7851**

**BY** McEntee, Handy, Regunberg, Fogarty, Tanzi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - PLASTIC WASTE REDUCTION ACT (Prohibits large retail establishments from providing plastic checkout bags/all retail establishments providing polystyrene food containers with enforcement by municipalities with opt out election effective January 1, 2021.) {LC5049/1} 03/08/2018 Committee transferred to House Environment and Natural Resources

**NEW BUSINESS**

**House Bill No. 7925**

**BY** Costantino, Marshall, Shekarchi, McLaughlin, Messier

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION - BUSINESS CORPORATION TAX (Provides that the minimum business corporation tax imposed on any corporation would be reduced from four hundred dollars (\$400) to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) effective January 1, 2019.) {LC4734/1} 03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7926**

**BY** McNamara, Shekarchi, Vella-Wilkinson, Shanley, Solomon

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WARWICK TO ISSUE NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, NOTES AND OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS TO FINANCE THE CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT,

ALTERATION, REPAIR, FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING OF SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL FACILITIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY, TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2019 THROUGH 2023, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL OF STATE HOUSING AID AT A REIMBURSEMENT RATE OR STATE SHARE RATIO OF NOT LESS THAN 35% AT THE TIME OF ISSUANCE (Authorizes up to \$40,000,000 in general obligation bonds to finance school construction.) {LC5163/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7927**

**BY** Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (Requires nursing facilities, home nursing care providers and rehabilitation centers to accept patients covered either by Medicaid or Medicare health insurance.) {LC3072/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7928**

**BY** Kazarian

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES (Requires the general assembly to annually appropriate such sums as it deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter commencing in fiscal year 2019.) {LC4797/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7929**

**BY** Morin, Phillips, Shanley, Messier, Tobon

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - EXPIRED DEBT ACT (Creates the "Expired Debt Act" which would prohibit certain practices relative to the collection of debts beyond the statute of limitations.) {LC4805/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

**House Bill No. 7930**

**BY** Ucci, Perez, Costantino, Fellela

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- RHODE ISLAND RESOURCE RECOVERY CORPORATION (Removes glass from the materials not permitted as cover materials by the resource recovery corporation.) {LC5124/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

**House Bill No. 7931**

**BY** Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan, Regunberg

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH CARE REFORM ACT OF 2004--HEALTH INSURANCE OVERSIGHT (Requires the health insurance commissioner to make recommendations to the general assembly to ensure compliance with mental health parity provisions required by existing law.) {LC3175/1}

03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

**House Bill No. 7932**

**BY** Diaz, Slater, Regunberg, Messier, O'Brien

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - PSYCHOLOGISTS (Includes licensed school psychologists under the provisions of the general laws governing the

regulations of psychologists.) {LC3928/1}  
03/07/2018 Introduced, referred to House Corporations

### CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

#### IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018:

- 1. 2018-H 7243**  
**BY** Donovan  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF PRUDENCE PARK WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Leader Shekarchi moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Johnston and McLaughlin.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 66 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 66: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

- 2. 2018-H 7258**  
**BY** Cunha  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF SHABREKA CORP.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Leader Shekarchi moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Johnston, Kazarian, Marshall, McLaughlin and Casey.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 67 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 67: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**3. 2018-H 7300**

**BY** Azzinaro

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A PLAN AND THE DESIGN OF A BEIRUT MEMORIAL TO BE LOCATED AT THE RHODE ISLAND STATE HOUSE

Committee on Veterans' Affairs recommends passage.

Chairman Azzinaro moves passage of the resolution, seconded by and Representatives McLaughlin, Corvese, Marshall, Coughlin, Johnston, Tobon, Phillips, Solomon, Leader Morgan, Representatives Lancia, Mendonca, Giarrusso, Roberts, Hull, Messier, Morin, Diaz, Edwards, Tanzi, Walsh, Vella-Wilkinson, Canario, Hearn, Fellela, Casey, Abney, Donovan, Ackerman, Casimiro, McEntee, and Ucci.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**4. 2018-H 7393**

**BY** Ucci

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF FRENCHY'S POPCORN, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Vice Chairwoman Messier moves passage of the act, seconded by Representative Johnston, Leader Shekarchi, and Representative Morin.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**5. 2018-H 7394**

**BY** Ucci

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF LANDSCAPE LIGHTING CONCEPTS, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Vice Chairwoman Messier moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Morin, Barros and Johnston.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McLaughlin, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

**GUESTS**

Representative Messier welcomes to the House as guests from Ireland who will participate in the Providence St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>: Aengus O'Rourke, John Hanson, John O'Reilly, Caoimhe O'Connell, Patrick Griffin, John Griffin, James Dalton and a large entourage up in the Gallery. Speaker Mattiello welcomes all to the House.

**RULE 7D****The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Edwards - An Act relating to Criminal Offenses and Highways  
An Act relating to Taxation-Sales and Use Taxes  
An Act relating to Public Property and Works

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Chairman Tobon announces that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 135 of the State House.

Chairman Abney announces that the Committee on Finance will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Vice Chairwoman Ackerman announces that the Committee on Municipal Government will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 205 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**RULE 7D****The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Williams-An Act relating to Health and Safety of Pupils

Representative Winfield-An Act relating to Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline Fees

Representative Craven-An Act relating to Motor Vehicles and Adjudication of Traffic Offenses

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Chairman Craven announces that the Committee on Labor will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:



**RULE 7D**

**The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Marshall-An Act relating to State Affairs and Government  
An Act relating to Hospital Mergers

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

Chairman Handy announces that the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House.

**AT EASE**

At 4:36 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker Mattiello declares the House to be at ease.

**ORDER**

At 4:41 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker Mattiello calls the House to order.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**RULE 7D**

**The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Handy-An Act relating to Human Services

Representative Ranglin-Vassell-An Act relating to Criminal Offenses

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**GUESTS**

Representative Tanzi welcomes to the House Chamber on International Women's Day as a guest Tina Goncalves, the first female police chief in Pawtucket. Speaker Mattiello welcomes the Chief to the Chamber and congratulates her.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Leader Shekarchi on International Women's Day recognizes some women who work on the House side of JCLS including, Margie O'Brien, Sue Pedgen, Jackie Bennett, Meredyth Whitty, Danica Iacoi. Lynne Urbani and Sharon Reynolds Ferland. Speaker Mattiello acknowledges and thanks Danica, Lynne and Sharon.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

### NEW BUSINESS

#### **House Resolution No. 7933**

**BY** Tanzi, Morgan, Ruggiero, Hearn, Fogarty

**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 8, 2018, AS "INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC5185/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Representative Tanzi requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Tanzi seconded by Leader Morgan, Representatives Ruggiero, Hearn, Fogarty, Williams, Serpa, Fellela, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Maldonado, Kazarian, Diaz, Messier, Ajello, Casimiro, Carson, Ranglin-Vassell, Donovan, Ackerman, Roberts, Walsh, Leader Shekarchi, Speaker Mattiello and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

Speaker Mattiello thanks and congratulates all.

Leader Morgan and the Republican Caucus would also like to recognize and thank all the women in the State House who serve their constituents and all women across the state and recognizes Traci Barros who has served her caucus.

Representative Williams congratulates all ladies who work in the legislature for a job well done.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Hull announces that the Providence Delegation will meet today, at the rise of the House, in the House Lounge of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

### RULE 7D

**The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:**

Representative Ucci-An Act relating to Motor Vehicles

### TRANSMITTAL

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

**COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE**

A message from the Honorable Senate transmits with announcement of passage, of the following measure:

**Senate Bill No. 2469**

**BY** Gallo, Quezada, Ciccone, Goodwin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR AND LABOR RELATIONS - EMPLOYMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN (Requires children who seek a special limited work permit to successfully complete a worker rights' training program established and funded by the department of labor and training.) {LC4487/1}

03/09/2018 Referred to House Labor

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES****COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS**

Chairman Jacquard, for the Committee on Corporations, reports back the following measures, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 7129**

**BY** Shekarchi, Casimiro, Donovan, Craven, Marszalkowski

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGULATION OF BUSINESS PRACTICES AMONG MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS, DISTRIBUTORS, AND DEALERS (Establishes standardized methods and appeals procedures for the calculation of fair and reasonable compensation for parts and labor used in warranty services.) {LC3749/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/14/2018)

**House Bill No. 7319**

**BY** Azzinaro, Kennedy

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF YANKEE REMODELER OF NEW LONDON, INC. {LC4211/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/13/2018)

**House Bill No. 7519**

**BY** Maldonado, Kazarian, Barros, Tobon, Coughlin

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TREMONT ASSOCIATES II, INC. {LC4471/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/14/2018)

**House Bill No. 7605**

**BY** Shanley, Canario, Marszalkowski, Nardolillo, Shekarchi

**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS (Permits the division of motor vehicles to issue a certificate of title to certain types of trailers, including a travel trailer, a fifth wheel trailer, and a park trailer.) {LC4671/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/13/2018)

**Senate Bill No. 2043****BY** Goodwin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF JOSEPH MERRITT & COMPANY, INCORPORATED {LC3875/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/15/2018)

**COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Chairman Handy, for the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 7176****BY** Edwards, Newberry, Hearn, Knight**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - SEAWEED (Repeals Chapter 46-11 which prohibits the taking of seaweed by anyone not a resident of the town of Barrington and imposes fines for doing so.) {LC3645/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/15/2018)

**COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE**

Vice Chairwoman Ackerman, for the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of passage:

**House Bill No. 7082****BY** McNamara, Morin, Bennett, McLaughlin, Messier**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES (Requires all hospitals and freestanding ambulatory surgical facilities to adopt policies to use a smoke evacuation system for surgical procedures that generate surgical smoke.) {LC3190/1}

03/09/2018 Placed on House Calendar (03/14/2018)

**NEW BUSINESS****House Bill No. 7934****BY** Craven, Casimiro**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- PROPERTY EXEMPTION (Exempts the North Kingstown, Exeter Animal Protection League, Inc., from taxation in the town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island.) {LC5178/1}

03/09/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7935****BY** Carson**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION -- MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS (Excludes reality TV show(s) from receipt of tax credits/removes \$5 million tax credit cap per motion picture/repeals sunset provisions for tax credits for motion pictures/musical/theatrical productions.) {LC5179/1}

03/09/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7936****BY** Filippi, Mendonca, Giarrusso, Roberts, Nardolillo**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- AUTOMATED SCHOOL-ZONE-SPEED-ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM ACT OF 2016 (Requires cities and towns to place funds generated from automated school-zone-speed-enforcement systems in a state operated restricted receipt account for school safety programs.) {LC5187/1}

03/09/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7937****BY** Phillips, Newberry, Shanley, Barros, Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SALES AND USE TAXES - ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION (Eliminates the ten dollar (\$10.00) fee requirement for the sales tax permit.) {LC5122/1}

03/09/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

**House Bill No. 7938****BY** O'Brien, Marshall, Corvese, Lima, McKiernan**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATED TO EDUCATION - MAINTENANCE OF ORDER ON CAMPUS [SEE TITLE 16 CHAPTER 97 - THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT] (Mandates arming campus police at public higher educational institutions.) {LC5176/1}

03/09/2018 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE****TRANSFER OF BILL**

Chairman Abney, for the Committee on Finance, reports back the following measure, with recommendation of transfer to the Committee on Health, Education and Welfare:

**House Bill No. 7367****BY** Keable, McEntee, Amore, Hearn, Canario**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION (Allows school committees and the Rhode Island Society of Technology Educators ("RISTE") to enter into joint purchase agreements for the purchase of technology and IT infrastructure.) {LC4169/1}

03/12/2018 Committee transferred to House H.E.W.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:55 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Giarrusso, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Nicholas F. Campanella; seconded by Leaders Shekarchi and Morgan the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

*Linda M. McElroy*  
*Recording Clerk*

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

JAMES N. MC LAUGHLIN

Dear Lord: Accept our thanks for this day and all of its blessings. Allow us to honor you by serving all those in need in our communities with the dignity and respect they deserve. Amen.

**APPENDIX****CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018:**

1.     **2018-H 7044 SUB A**  
      **BY** Solomon  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CURRICULUM  
  
      Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends indefinite postponement of  
      the original bill and passage of Substitute A.
2.     **2018-H 7158**  
      **BY** Bennett  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION - HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS  
  
      Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.
3.     **2018-H 7605**  
      **BY** Shanley  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --  
      CERTIFICATES OF TITLE AND SECURITY INTERESTS  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
4.     **2018-H 7319**  
      **BY** Azzinaro  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE  
      CHARTER OF YANKEE REMODELER OF NEW LONDON, INC.  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.
5.     **2018-H 7082**  
      **BY** McNamara  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - LICENSING OF HEALTH  
      CARE FACILITIES  
  
      Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.
6.     **2018-H 7129**  
      **BY** Shekarchi  
      **ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGULATION  
      OF BUSINESS PRACTICES AMONG MOTOR VEHICLE MANUFACTURERS,  
      DISTRIBUTORS, AND DEALERS  
  
      Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

7. **2018-H 7519**  
**BY** Maldonado  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF TREMONT ASSOCIATES II, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

**IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018:**

1. **2018-H 7176**  
**BY** Edwards  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO WATERS AND NAVIGATION - SEAWEED

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends passage.

2. **2018-S 2043**  
**BY** Goodwin  
**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF JOSEPH MERRITT & COMPANY, INCORPORATED

Committee on Corporations recommends passage in concurrence.

**Francis McCabe**  
Clerk of the House

**Friday, March 9, 2018**

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