

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Thirty-eighth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, April 24, 2018 and is called to order at 4:27 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 70 members present and 5 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 70 The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

ABSENT – 5: Representatives Almeida, Barros, Coughlin, Handy, Ruggiero.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Ackerman 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 Thursday, April 12, 2018, is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Arthur Handy is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

Representative Jean Philippe Barros is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

Representative Ruggiero is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, April 24, 2018, due to the passing of her Uncle.

CONSENT CALENDAR

From the Consent Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018:

1. **2018-H 7602**
 BY Serpa
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
2. **2018-H 7742**
 BY Donovan
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
3. **2018-H 7750**
 BY McEntee
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
4. **2018-H 7994**
 BY Ruggiero
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
5. **2018-H 7996**
 BY Keable
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 6. 2018-H 7995**
BY Blazejewski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 7. 2018-H 8025**
BY Walsh
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 8. 2018-H 8043**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 9. 2018-H 8055**
BY Blazejewski
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
- 10. 2018-S 2566**
BY Jabour
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
- 11. 2018-S 2591**
BY Felag
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
- 12. 2018-S 2697**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.
- 13. 2018-S 2701**
BY Fogarty
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

14. **2018-S 2764**
BY Lynch Prata
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

Read and passed, items (10-14) in concurrence, on a motion of Majority Leader Shekarchi, seconded by Minority Leader Morgan, on a roll call vote, 69 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

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

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2018:



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO RIGL § 36-14-6

I, Blake Filippi, State Representative, District 36, hereby under oath
depose and say:

1. (Matter requiring action: i.e. Bill number) I expect to be called upon, in my capacity as
State Representative, to participate in the consideration of, and/or to vote upon:

2. (Nature of the potential conflict) I have the following interest in the matter:
pecuniary interest in rental company

3. (Please select one of the following):

() A. In compliance with Section 36-14-6(1) of the General Laws I hereby state that,
despite the potential conflict stated above, I am able to vote and otherwise
participate fairly, objectively, and in the public interest regarding the matter described in
paragraph 1 above for the following reason(s):

() B. In compliance with Section 36-14-6(1) & (2)A of the General Laws, I hereby
request the Speaker of the House of Representatives to excuse me from voting on or
participating in the consideration of the matter described in paragraph 1 above.

[Signature]
REPRESENTATIVE

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
COUNTY OF Providence

Subscribed and sworn to under the penalties for perjury before me this 24 day of April,
20 18.

[Signature] 3/24/22
NOTARY PUBLIC

Representative Filippi is excused from voting on or participating in the
consideration of the matter described in paragraph 1, above.

[Signature]
SPEAKER

1. 2018-H 7778**BY Ucci****ENTITLED, AN ACT REGISTRATION TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES --
REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES**

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Jacquard moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Ucci, Carson, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Solomon, Corvese, Johnston, McLaughlin, Costantino, Lima and Abney.

Representatives Nunes, Jacquard and Ucci discuss the act.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 67 members voting in the affirmative and 1 member voting in the negative as follows.

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

NAYS - 1: Representative Nunes.

RECUSED - 1: Representative Filippi.

2. 2018-H 7409 SUB A**BY Canario****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY - ANIMAL
CARE**

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives McLaughlin, Bennett, Canario, Donovan, Abney, Azzinaro, Hull, Lombardi, Giarrusso, Nardolillo, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Cunha, Edwards, Lima and Marshall.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 70 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 70: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Costantino, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin,

Nardolillo, Newberry, Nunes, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

GUESTS

Representative Ackerman announces April 19th was Israel Independence Day and in celebration of Israel Independence Day she welcomes to the House as a guests Bracha Stuart, Executive Director, Stand With Us; Ella Hood, Board Member; Pastor Allen Parghun, Director, Christians United for Israel; Adam Greenman, Director, Jewish Alliance; Michael R. Benezra, Assistant to Counsel General; and Yehuda Yakov, Counsel General of Israel. Speaker Mattiello welcomes them to the House.

At 4:46 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker yields the rostrum to Yehuda Yakov, the Counsel General of Israel.

By unanimous consent, the Counsel General addresses the members of the House.

At 4:48 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker returns to the rostrum. Speaker Mattiello wishes the Counsel General good luck in his future endeavors.

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 8103

BY Ackerman, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Knight, Regunberg

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF ISRAEL'S ESTABLISHMENT AND REAFFIRMING THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN RHODE ISLAND, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL {LC5444/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ackerman seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Knight, Regunberg, O'Brien, McNamara, Hull, Filippi, Solomon, Ranglin-Vassell, Bennett, Casimiro, Azzinaro, Serpa, Nardolillo, Morin, McEntee, Winfield, Casey, Newberry, Kennedy, Leader Morgan, Representatives Carson, Amore, Lancia, Chippendale, Tanzi, Almeida, Edwards, Maldonado, Cunha, Shanley and Slater by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

GUESTS

Representative Azzinaro welcomes to the House Sidney Walton, age 99, WWII US Army Veteran who is launching the "NO Regrets" National Tour. Mr. Walton travels with his son, Paul across the country to visit every State House before he turns 100 years old. He is here today along with his son, Paul, Noah Zeiler, family friend and Robert I. Burke. Speaker Mattiello welcomes Mr. Walton and thanks him for his service to our country and to all of us.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Azzinaro announces yesterday was the 103rd Birthday of the US Army Reserve.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 8104**

BY Azzinaro, Tobon, Fellela, Vella-Wilkinson, Messier

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION WISHING SIDNEY WALTON, A 99-YEAR- OLD WORLD WAR II VETERAN, WELL ON HIS "NO REGRETS TOUR", WELCOMING HIM TO THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, AND THANKING HIM FOR HIS EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO OUR NATION {LC5516/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Azzinaro seconded by Speaker Mattiello and the entire House of Representatives by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

GUESTS

Representative Bennett welcomes to the Chamber in recognition of Motorcycle Awareness Month from the Rhode Island Motor Cycle Association: Paul Bond, President; Bob Camara, Vice President; Justin Gontarek, 2nd Vice President and Board Member; Steve Chauvette, Legislative Coordinator, and Lou Petrucci, Treasurer and Legislator. Speaker Mattiello thanks them for increasing awareness for Motorcycle Safety Month.

Representative Hull welcomes to the House Chamber as guests the Mt. Pleasant High School Boys Basketball Team winners of the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Division -I Boys Basketball State Championship: Drequon Gibson, Charles Martinez, Manual Roman, Aaron Gomes, Naszell Pona, Darren Robinson, Denzel Clarke, Hassan Gaye, Chayne Trotman, Josiah Diaz, Demetrius Demiranda, Adonis Acevedo, and Jaymes Stone along with Athletic Director-Paul Rao. Christopher Coleman, and

Head Coach, Charles Holliday. Speaker Mattiello welcomes them to the Chamber and congratulates them on their accomplishment.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 8105

BY Bennett, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Quattrocchi, McNamara

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY TO BE "MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND URGING ALL RHODE ISLAND MOTORISTS TO AVOID DISTRACTED DRIVING {LC5370/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Bennett seconded by Representatives Costantino, Speaker Mattiello, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Quattrocchi, McNamara, Marshall, Tobon, O'Brien, Walsh, Ajello, Solomon, Corvese, Canario, Vella-Wilkinson, Hull, Morin, Lima, Leader Morgan, Representatives Tanzi, Casey, Giarrusso, Roberts, Chippendale, Phillips, Johnston, Edwards, Marshall, McLaughlin, Azzinaro, Hearn, Abney and McEntee by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

NOW PRESIDING

At 5:09 o'clock P.M. the Honorable Speaker Mattiello yields the rostrum to the Honorable Deputy Speaker Lima.

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Abney-An Act relating to Licenses-Generally

Representative Carson-An Act relating to Nursing Homes.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Carson wishes her son Andrew Carson a Happy Birthday.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Costantino-An Act relating to Motor Vehicles.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Chairman Keable announces that the Committee on Judiciary 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 bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Keable-An Act relating to Collection of Taxes-Mobile Homes

Representative Keable-An Act relating to Energy Facilities Citing Act.

Representative Phillips-An Act relating to Independent Charter Schools.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 8106

BY Shekarchi, Morgan

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC5520/1}

Majority Leader Shekarchi request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Majority Leader Shekarchi seconded by Minority Leader Morgan by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

House Resolution No. 8107

BY Shekarchi, Morgan

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC5519/1}

Majority Leader Shekarchi request unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Majority Leader Shekarchi seconded by Minority Leader Morgan by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Shanley-An Act relating to Revocation of the Charter of JD Simon, Inc.

Representative Slater-An Act relating to Municipal Water Supply Systems

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 8108

BY Morgan, Mattiello, Quattrocchi, Giarrusso, Mendonca

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF BARBARA PIERCE BUSH, FORMER FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES {LC5525/1}

With the agreement of the majority and the minority, Leader Morgan requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Morgan seconded by Speaker Mattiello, Representatives Quattrocchi, Giarrusso, Mendonca, Roberts, Nardolillo, Keable, Price, Chippendale, Lancia, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Casimiro, Abney, Kennedy and Lima by unanimous consent, on a rising vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairman Jacquard announces that the Committee on Corporations will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 203 of the State House.

Vice Chairwoman Tanzi announces that the Finance Sub-Committee on Human Services will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 35 of the State House.

Representative Mendonca congratulates Eugene and Ann Elshant on their “60th” Anniversary on April 19th.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

On Behalf of Deputy Speaker Lima, Leader Shekarchi-An Act relating to Legalization of Stun Guns

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.

(For Transmittals to Governor, see Appendix of this Journal.)

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:24 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative McNamara and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Donald J. Stabile; on motion of Leader Morgan, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of First Lady Barbara Pierce Bush; seconded by Leader Shekarchi and Minority Whip Filippi the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX**INVOCATION****REPRESENTATIVE MIA A. ACKERMAN**

Today we honor Israeli Independence Day. 70 years ago the modern Nation of Israel was born. After centuries of strife and persecution Israeli children are finally born into a life of freedom. Let us honor the sacrifices of those who struggled so all future generations of Israeli's can enjoy this gift of freedom. Amen.

APPENDIX

TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR

Senate Bill No. 2566**BY** Jabour, DaPonte**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Patrick James Quinlan to join Teri Lynn Stifano and Jonathyn Albert Arioste Pirolli in marriage on or about July 7, 2018, within the City of East Providence, Rhode Island.) {LC4895/1}

04/24/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2591**BY** Felag, Coyne, Seveney**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Rachel Anne Hampton to join Jacqueline Alexis John and Charles Patrick McCabe, IV, in marriage on or about July 28, 2018, within the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island.) {LC5060/1}

04/24/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2697**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows David Aptaker to join Rosanne Somerson and Jonathan Cherneff in marriage on or about August 17, 2018, within the Town of Tiverton, Rhode Island.) {LC5172/1}

04/24/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2701**BY** Fogarty**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Russell J. Cornelia to join Danielle La Torre Cornelia and Mohammed El Ayate in marriage on or about June 30, 2018, within the Town of Burrillville, Rhode Island.) {LC5286/1}

04/24/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2764**BY** Lynch Prata**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows The Honorable Scott Avedisian to join Christy Lee Angell and Matthew Stephen Moretti in marriage on or about May 4, 2018, within the City of Cranston, Rhode Island.) {LC5348/1}

04/24/2018 Transmitted to Governor

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2018:

1. **2018-H 7196 SUB A**
BY Corvese
ENTITLED, AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF NORTH PROVIDENCE

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

2. **2018-H 7892**
BY Williams
ENTITLED, AN ACT IN AMENDMENT AND CONSOLIDATION OF THE CHARTER OF THE GREATER PROVIDENCE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 26, 2018:

1. **2018-H 7261 SUB A**
BY Maldonado
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

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

2. **2018-H 7683**
BY Edwards
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS - PICKLED FISH

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Wednesday, April 18, 2018