

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Thirty-ninth Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Wednesday, April 25, 2018 and is called to order at 4:24 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 67 members present and 8 members absent as follows:

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

ABSENT – 8: Representatives Barros, Blazejewski, Cunha, Edwards, McKiernan, Nardolillo, Nunes, Tanzi.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Canario 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, April 24, 2018, is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Jean Philippe Barros is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, April 25, 2018.

Representative John G. Edwards is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, April 25, 2018 due to he will be traveling to Israel.

Representative Christopher Blazejewski is unable to attend session today, Wednesday, April 25, 2018.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SENATE

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

Senate Bill No. 2579

(Department of Transportation)

BY Algieri

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC RAIL CORPORATION ACT (Enables the Rhode Island Public Rail Corporation to lower the self-insured retention amount required of the state and would provide indemnification statewide.)

{LC4938/1}

04/25/2018 Referred to House Corporations

NEW BUSINESS

House Bill No. 8109

BY Marszalkowski, Morin, Ruggiero, Marshall, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- MANUFACTURING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT--TAX INCENTIVES (Establishes the "refundable investment tax credit act" to provide for a refundable investment tax credit for certain investments in the construction of facilities, acquisition of tangible property, and the training of employees in the state.) {LC5364/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 8110

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

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES (Extends the entitlement for a special plate to all recipients of the top medals which may be awarded to members of the United States Armed Forces.) {LC5482/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Finance

House Bill No. 8111

BY Slater, Diaz, Hearn

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE - EXPUNGEMENT OF CRIMINAL RECORDS (Allows eligible persons with multiple misdemeanor convictions and/or multiple felony convictions as to certain crimes to file a motion for expungement of all records and records of convictions.) {LC5433/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 8112**BY** Costantino, Winfield**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Stephen E. Cicilline to join Julie A. DeCesare and Stephen E. Cicilline, Jr., in marriage on or about June 15, 2018, within the City of Cranston, Rhode Island.) {LC5510/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 8113**BY** Ucci**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Warren Tolman to join Linda DeSantis and Chris Berardi in marriage on or about June 23, 2018, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC5513/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

House Bill No. 8114**BY** Messier, Tobon, Johnston**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ELECTION AND QUALIFICATION OF OFFICERS (Allows the city of Pawtucket to fill a vacancy on the Pawtucket City Council by combining councilmanic voting districts for a special primary election and special election in 2018.) {LC5529/1}

04/25/2018 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government

CALENDAR

From the Calendar are taken:

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.

Vice Chairwoman Ackerman moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Corvese, Hearn, Casey, Leader Shekarchi and Representative O'Brien.

The bill marked Substitute "A" is read and passed, and the original bill indefinitely postponed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Corvese, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McNamara, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Newberry, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:



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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

I, Julio Casimiro, State Representative, District 31, 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:

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

I work for the Greater Prov YMCA

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.

Julio A. Casimiro
REPRESENTATIVE

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
COUNTY OF Providence

Subscribed and sworn to under the penalties for perjury before me this 25 day of April, 2018.

Notary Public
NOTARY PUBLIC

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

Speaker
SPEAKER

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.

Chairman Jacquard moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Casey, Johnston, Corvese, Diaz, Hull, Lombardi, Chippendale, Almeida, O'Brien and Ranglin-Vassell.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 64 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 64: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Bennett, Canario, Carson, Casey, Chippendale, Corvese, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Diaz, Donovan, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McNamara, Mendonca, Messier, Morgan, Morin, Newberry, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Price, Quattrocchi, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Roberts, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 1: Representative Casimiro.

GUESTS

Representative Ranglin-Vassell welcomes to the House Chamber as guests from the E-Cubed Academy John Healy, teacher along with students: Yosmery Paulino, Adriana Wilson, Genesis Padilla, Arlin Perez, Katusca Reyes, Yineris Sanchez, Marcio Sanchez, Luis Vides, Catherine Sanchez, Evonya Jackson, Jay Johnson, Tory Evers, Darlene Silva, Samiya Baez, Ruben Salzuela, Manuel Babbitt, Sam Badeso, Axel Ortega, and Winno Philavaida. Speaker Mattiello welcomes them to the House.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 Health, Education, and Welfare will meet today, at the rise of the House, in Room 101 of the State House.

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Regunberg-An Act relating to Good Samaritans Overdose Protection Act.

Representative Casimiro-An Act relating to Criminal Offenses.

Representative Handy-An Act relating to Pollinators.

Representative Canario-An Act relating to Inspection of 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 205 of the State House.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bills were received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Lima-An Act relating to Alcoholic Beverages.
An Act relating to Pan Handling.

Representative O'Grady-An Act relating to Renewable Energy Facility Citing on Forestry Land

Representative Almeida-An Act relating to Peace Officers

NEW BUSINESS

House Resolution No. 8115

BY Handy, Blazejewski, Casimiro, Ackerman, McNamara

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY, 2018, TO BE "NATIONAL MELANOMA AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC5459/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Handy seconded by Representatives Casimiro, Ackerman, McNamara, Filippi, Marszalkowski and Leader Shekarchi by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leader Shekarchi announces tomorrow is the 40th legislative day of session, according to House rules Legislative Council will not accept any legislation unless approved by the Speaker.

Leader Shekarchi wishes a Happy Birthday to Representative Chippendale.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 8116**

BY Shekarchi, Casimiro, Regunberg, Morgan, Ajello

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 24, 2018, TO BE "AGE FRIENDLY RHODE ISLAND DAY" {LC5543/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of seconded by Representative Casimiro Leader Morgan and Representatives Regunberg and Ruggiero by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Diaz-An Act relating to License Board

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.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:45 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative Carson, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of David Gerraughty; on motion of Representative Ruggiero, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Robert Angeloni; seconded by Leader Shekarchi and Representative Mendonca the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE DENNIS M. CANARIO

Gracious God: We ask You to listen to the prayer's from the members of this, the people's House. Guide our efforts to always be merciful and full of your wisdom. Amen.

APPENDIX

CALENDAR

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