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Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Forty-seventh Day

The House of Representatives meets at the State House in Providence, Tuesday, May 15, 2018 and is called to order at 4:22 o'clock P.M., by the Honorable Nicholas A. Mattiello, Speaker.

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 72 members present and 3 members absent as follows:

PRESENT – 72 The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, 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, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

ABSENT – 3: Representatives Abney, Ackerman, Corvese.

INVOCATION

The Honorable Speaker presents Representative Casimiro 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, May 10 2018, is approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Marvin L. Abney is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 15, 2018.

Representative Arthur J. Corvese is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 15, 2018.

Representative Mia A. Ackerman is unable to attend session today, Tuesday, May 15, 2018. She will be attending her son's college graduation in New York.

CONSENT CALENDAR

From the Consent Calendar are taken:

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2018:

1. **2018-H 8087**
 BY Abney
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
2. **2018-H 8133**
 BY Keable
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
3. **2018-H 8134**
 BY Shekarchi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
4. **2018-H 8135**
 BY Shekarchi
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.
5. **2018-H 8145**
 BY Jacquard
 ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

 Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

6. **2018-H 8146**
BY Abney
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

7. **2018-H 8155**
BY Handy
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

8. **2018-S 2759**
BY Calkin
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage in concurrence.

9. **2018-S 2843**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

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

10. **2018-S 2844**
BY DiPalma
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES

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

Read and passed, items 8 - 10 in concurrence, on a motion of Majority Leader Shekarchi, seconded by Minority Leader Morgan, Representatives Marshall and Canario 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 Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, 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, Ruggiero, 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, MAY 15, 2018:**1. 2018-H 7569****BY Ackerman****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTH CARE FACILITIES**

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

Chairman McNamara moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives McLaughlin, Azzinaro, Diaz, Bennett, Marshall, Edwards, Coughlin, Maldonado, Ajello, Walsh, Vella-Wilkinson, Casimiro, McEntee, Ruggiero, Perez, Fogarty, and Costantino.

Representatives Price and Bennett discuss the act.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 68 members voting in the affirmative and 3 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 68: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, 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, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 3: Representatives Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

RECUSED - 0:

2. 2018-H 7337**BY Hearn****ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY - EASEMENTS**

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

Chairman Keable moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Casey, Chippendale, Johnston, Price, Canario, Hearn, O'Grady, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Donovan, Amore, Tanzi, and Ruggiero.

Representatives Nunes and Keable discuss the act. Representative Ucci rises on a point of order that Representative Nunes is over his time limit. Speaker Mattiello sustains the point of order.

Representatives McKiernan, Chippendale, Newberry and Giarrusso continue discussion on the act.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 65 members voting in the affirmative and 6 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 65: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Ajello, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, Hearn, Hull, Jacquard, Johnston, Kazarian, Keable, Kennedy, Knight, Lancia, Lima, Lombardi, Maldonado, Marshall, Marszalkowski, McEntee, McKiernan, McLaughlin, McNamara, Mendonca, Messier, Morin, Nardolillo, Newberry, O'Brien, O'Grady, Perez, Phillips, Ranglin-Vassell, Regunberg, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 6: Representatives Filippi, Morgan, Nunes, Price, Quattrocchi, Roberts.

RECUSED - 0:

3. 2018-H 7975

BY Marszalkowski

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN BLACKSTONE VALLEY

Committee on Municipal Government recommends passage.

Chairwoman Fogarty moves passage of the resolution, seconded by Representatives Johnston, Blazejewski, Keable, Kazarian, Barros, Casey, Marshall, Hearn, Costantino, Donovan, Casimiro, Marszalkowski, Almeida, and Ruggiero.

Read and passed, 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 Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, 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, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

4. 2018-H 8118**BY** Shanley**ENTITLED**, AN ACT TO VACATE THE FORFEITURE OR REVOCATION OF THE CHARTER OF J.B. SIMON, INC.

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Chairman Jacquard moves passage of the act, seconded by Representatives Shanley, Leader Shekarchi, Representatives Cunha, Casey, Johnston, and Bennett.

Read and passed, on a roll call vote, 72 members voting in the affirmative and 0 members voting in the negative as follows.

YEAS - 72: The Honorable Speaker Mattiello and Representatives Ajello, Almeida, Amore, Azzinaro, Barros, Bennett, Blazejewski, Canario, Carson, Casey, Casimiro, Chippendale, Costantino, Coughlin, Craven, Cunha, Diaz, Donovan, Edwards, Fellela, Filippi, Fogarty, Giarrusso, Handy, 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, Ruggiero, Serpa, Shanley, Shekarchi, Slater, Solomon, Tanzi, Tobon, Ucci, Vella-Wilkinson, Walsh, Williams, Winfield.

NAYS - 0:

RECUSED - 0:

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

Representative Cunha-An Act relating to Medical Transportation.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Nardolillo congratulates Representative Gregg Amore for being selected by the Mothers against Drunk Driving as 2018 Legislator of the Year. Speaker Mattiello congratulates Representative Amore.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

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

Representative Kennedy-An Act relating to Travel Insurance.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

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

NEW BUSINESS**House Resolution No. 8195**

BY Lima, Costantino, Almeida, Fellela, Serpa

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF MAY TO BE "SHINGLES AWARENESS AND IMPROVEMENT MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND {LC5664/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Lima seconded by Representatives Costantino, Almeida, Fellela, Serpa, Leaders Shekarchi and Morgan by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

House Resolution No. 8196

BY Shekarchi, Morgan

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES {LC5683/1}

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. 8197

BY Shekarchi, Morgan

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION EXTENDING CONGRATULATIONS {LC5682/1}

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.

House Resolution No. 8198

BY Ranglin-Vassell, Shekarchi, Morgan, Mattiello, Donovan

ENTITLED, HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING E-CUBED ACADEMY STUDENTS ON WINNING THE HIGH SCHOOL CHANGE MAKER AWARD AT GENERATION CITIZEN'S CIVIC DAY {LC5738/1}

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

There is no objection.

Read and passed, on a motion of Representative Ranglin-Vassell seconded by Leaders Shekarchi, Morgan, Speaker Mattiello, Representatives Donovan, Amore, Regunberg, Hull, Lombardi, and Tobon by unanimous consent, on a voice vote.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

ANNOUNCEMENT

Representative Diaz announces the 7th Child Care Awareness Day will be held tomorrow, May 16th at 2:30 PM (40 babies will be visiting the state of Rhode Island). Speaker Mattiello thanks Representative Diaz for all her hard work for child care.

By unanimous consent, the House returns to:

RULE 7D

The following bill was received pursuant to Rule 7D:

Representative Lima—An Act relating to Promulgation of Rules and Regulations

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 4:59 o'clock P.M. on motion of Representative McNamara, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of John G. "Sean" Harrington; on motion of Representative Barros, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Francisco Barbosa; on motion of Representative Canario and as a further mark of respect to the memories of all officers killed in the line of duty in 2018; on motion of Leader Shekarchi, on behalf of Speaker Mattiello, and as a further mark of respect to the memory of Harrison Day; seconded by Majority Whip Edwards and Leader Morgan the House adjourns, on a unanimous rising vote.

Linda M. McElroy
Recording Clerk

APPENDIX

INVOCATION

REPRESENTATIVE JULIE A. CASIMIRO

Dear God: As we assemble here today let us embrace the privilege of representing our communities. May we always test ourselves, and each other, to be sure our efforts benefit all our citizens. Amen

APPENDIX**TRANSMITTED TO THE GOVERNOR****Senate Bill No. 2759****BY** Calkin**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Anne M. Moniz to join Martha M. Rodriguez and Eric Flanders in marriage on or about June 16, 2018, within the Town of Jamestown, Rhode Island.) {LC5307/1}

05/15/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2843**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Joseph I. Macy to join Tanya Whitney Zilewicz and Gilbert Curt Oliveira, III, in marriage on or about June 2, 2018, within the city of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC5465/1}

05/15/2018 Transmitted to Governor

Senate Bill No. 2844**BY** DiPalma**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO SOLEMNIZATION OF MARRIAGES (Allows Henry Lombardi to join Kathleen Reinhardt and Michael Coombs in marriage on or about May 31, 2018, within the City of Newport, Rhode Island.) {LC5504/1}

05/15/2018 Transmitted to Governor

APPENDIX**CALENDAR****IN ORDER FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2018:****1. 2018-H 7294****BY** McNamara**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - TREATMENT FOR PATIENTS WITH TERMINAL ILLNESS--THE NEIL FACHON TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS' RIGHT TO TRY ACT OF 2018

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

2. 2018-H 7543**BY** Handy**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS - PARTY CONVENTIONS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

3. 2018-H 7375**BY** O'Brien**ENTITLED**, HOUSE RESOLUTION AMENDING THE MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENDING THE REPORTING AND EXPIRATION DATES OF THE SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO ASSESS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN WITH DYSLEXIA AND/OR READING DISABILITIES

Committee on Health, Education & Welfare recommends passage.

4. 2018-H 8120 SUB A**BY** Keable**ENTITLED**, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT - ENERGY FACILITY SITING ACT

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources recommends indefinite postponement of the original bill and passage of Substitute A.

5. 2018-S 2643**BY** Metts**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 concurrence.

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2018:

- 1. 2018-H 7419 SUB A**
BY McNamara
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS

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

- 2. 2018-H 8042**
BY McKiernan
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICES AND EMPLOYEES -- CODE OF ETHICS

Committee on Judiciary recommends passage.

- 3. 2018-H 7478**
BY Solomon
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS - REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS

Committee on Corporations recommends passage.

Francis McCabe
Clerk of the House

Friday, May 11, 2018
Updated: Monday, May 14, 2018