

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Journal of the Senate

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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Tenth Legislative Day

The Senate meets pursuant to adjournment and is called to order by the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Senate, at 4:22 o'clock P.M.

ROLL CALL

The roll is called and a quorum is declared present with 36 Senators present and 1 Senator absent as follows:

PRESENT – 36: The Honorable President Dominick Ruggerio, and Senators Algieri, Calkin, Ciccone, Conley, Cote, Coyne, Crowley, DaPonte, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Fogarty, Gallo, Gee, Goldin, Goodwin, Jabour, Kettle, Lombardi, Lombardo, Lynch Prata, McCaffrey, Metts, Miller, Morgan, Nesselbush, Paolino, Pearson, Picard, Quezada, Raptakis, Satchell, Seveney, Sheehan, Sosnowski.

ABSENT – 1: Senator Archambault.

INVOCATION

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

(See Appendix for Invocation)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

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

APPROVAL OF RECORD

The Senate Journal of the Ninth Legislative Day of the 2018 proceedings is read in part.

Upon suggestion of Senator Cote and by unanimous consent, further reading of the Journal is dispensed with and the Journal approved as recorded.

APPOINTMENT BY THE GOVERNOR

The Honorable President of the Senate presents the following communication from Her Excellency, The Governor, transmitting the following appointments and requesting the advice and consent of the Senate thereto:



**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GINA M. RAIMONDO**

January 18, 2018

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SENATE:

I have the honor to inform you that in accordance with the provisions of Section 28-7-4 of the Rhode Island General Laws, I have made the following appointment to the Rhode Island Labor Relations Board:

Derek M. Silva
(Representing Labor)

VICE
Frank Montanaro

For a term expiring August 1, 2021.

To this appointment, I respectfully request your advice and consent.

Sincerely,

Gina M. Raimondo
Governor

Read and referred to the Committee on Labor.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Chairman Conley, from the Committee on Finance, reports back, with recommendation of passage of the following measure:

The Appointment of Mark A. Furcolo Director of the Department of Revenue.

Read and ordered to be placed on the Calendar.

NEW BUSINESS

Senate Resolution No. 2162

BY Gallo, Satchell, Raptakis, Lombardi

ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ELIZABETH BRUNERO

{LC3781/1}

Recommended for Immediate Consideration.

Senator Gallo requests unanimous consent for immediate consideration.

Unanimous consent for immediate consideration is granted.

Senator Gallo moves passage, seconded by Senators Satchell, Raptakis, Gee, McCaffrey, Kettle, Goodwin, Miller, Conley.

The resolution is read and passed, upon a rising vote.

Senate Bill No. 2163

BY Goldin, Sosnowski, Miller, Calkin, Nesselbush

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE ACT (Prohibits the state from restricting persons from terminating pregnancy prior to fetal viability. Would repeal laws regulating abortion.)

{LC3433/1}

Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary.

TRANSMITTAL

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Coyne announces that the Committee on Environment and Agriculture will meet today at the rise of the Senate in room 211 of the State House.

Senator Goodwin announces that the Senate Session will begin at 4:30 o'clock P.M. tomorrow in the Senate Chamber of the State House.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Senator Maryellen Goodwin, seconded by Senator Algieri and upon the suggestion of Senator Gallo the Senate adjourns at 4:33 o'clock P.M. in memory of Elizabeth Brunero.

ROBERT L. RICCI
Secretary of the Senate

Appendix

INVOCATION

SENATOR MARC A. COTE

Almighty God, help us through the stresses and strains of the day by granting us your serenity and peace. Amen.

Appendix

CONSENT CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018:

- 1. 2018-S 2161**
BY Morgan
ENTITLED, SENATE RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING JANUARY OF 2018 AS
"RHODE ISLAND SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION
MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Ordered on the Consent Calendar.

Appendix

CALENDAR

IN ORDER FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2018:

- 1. The Appointment of Mark A. Furcolo (Director) VICE Robert Hull to the Department of Revenue.**

Committee on Finance recommends that the Senate give its Advice and Consent to this nomination.

Ordered on the Calendar.